

# The O·C·E·O·A Enforcer

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## Did the Bribe Work?

Well, at least on the surface, it appears that the bribe worked. We only had a few attendees leave early and they all had good reasons for why they had to leave early.

However, the response to the program was so overwhelming that many of the attendees may have been persuaded to stay to the end because they were interested in the program. Who would have figured?

Since we're not sure what the motivation was for the excellent attendance, we are going to offer another bribe at the February 17th Meeting. We have purchased new OCEOA Logo Travel Mugs and plan to hand out one to everyone that stays for the entire meeting.

Rest assured we'll continue to strive to keep our registration fees lower than most so it will be easier for our employers to justify paying for a day of training away from the office.

We will continue to strive to select interesting topics and speakers who have something important to say to you. As we previously stated, these people speak to us without any fee or reimbursement. We think they all deserve our attention and consideration.

If you have any suggestions about a topic you would like to see presented please let us know and we'll try to get a speaker for that subject. Better yet, if you are knowledgeable on a particular subject we would be honored to welcome you as a presenter. We have a lot of members who, in the performance of their jobs, deal with situations every day and don't even realize that someone else may be struggling with how to properly deal with the same situation.

## Annual Meeting for Election of Officers and Trustees

Call to the membership! As always, the February meeting is the time to hold the election of officers and trustees.

We currently have a full slate of trustees to present for election, but if anyone wishes to nominate anyone else, they should submit their nominations to Don Tate, President, via e-mail at [don.tate@ketteringoh.org](mailto:don.tate@ketteringoh.org) or by letter to the City of Kettering (attn: Don Tate), 3600 Shroyer Road, Kettering, OH 45429. Nominations must be received by February 14<sup>th</sup>. The nominator should prepare a bio for the nominee and provide it with the nomination letter.

Due to the limited time available to review the nomination letters prior to the meeting, nominations for trustees will not be taken from the floor, so please get your nominations to Don as soon as possible.

## “SPOTLIGHT on” The Elections

We will start the morning off with a preview of how the elections will be conducted. If we receive any new nominations they will be announced at that time.

## OCEOA February 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting Agenda

The first morning session will begin at **10:00 a.m.** with John F. Greenhalge, an Enforcement Officer with the Ohio State Board of Registration for

Professional Engineers and Surveyors and has supervised the Board's Investigations since 1998. Prior to joining the Board Mr. Greenhalge worked as an investigator for the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and Sears Roebuck & Company.

Mr. Greenhalge has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and is currently completing an M.B.A. at Ashland University. He is nationally certified by NCIT/CLEAR as an investigator and is a member of the Ohio Investigator's Association.

Mr. Greenhalge will give us a brief summary of the Board's Functions, the general procedures for followed for answering complaints, the Investigation process, and the types of violations the Board receives. He will also explain who can legally provide engineering/survey services. He will explain the Boards sealing requirements. John will open the discussion to answer any of your questions.

At **11:00 a.m.** we will hear from Beverly Brown of Gerlack, Lear & Associates. Beverly is a Licensed Professional Counselor and plans to give us a general assessment of stress – What it is, What Causes it,

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### 2005 OCEOA Meeting Dates

- February 17 •
- May 19 •
- August 18 •
- November 17 •

All meetings will be held at the Ramada Plaza in Columbus

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and good ways to deal with it.

Beverly has a BSE degree from Ohio State University and a Masters in Education from the University of Dayton in Early Childhood Education.

At 1:00 p.m. we will hear from Vickie E. Rosebrook, Ph.D.

Dr. Rosenbrook will present to us a program titled Xtreme Aging Training. Xtreme Aging Training is an informative aging workshop that provides the experience of "extreme aging" through simulated activities.

In order to help identify the true needs of the elderly and to be effective in service to them, better understanding and skills are vital. This interactive and experimental training addresses aging sensitivity.

Participants will be empowered to identify and challenge common myths

and stereotypes about aging, take part in a simulated experience as an elder, and develop strategies to help build enhanced relationships with the elderly.

The Xtreme Aging Training is based on the premise that preparation must parallel what occurs in real-life settings. Aging is a perfectly natural process and something we all experience.

Renewed tolerance, kindness, patience, and compassion will be gained through the experience of aging instantly 85 years old in the Xtreme Aging Training.

Dr. Rosebrook is the Executive Director of Marilyn & Gordon Macklin Intergenerational Institute as well as the Administrator of Marilyn's

Lifelong Educational Center.

At 2:00 p.m. Don Diaz and Gene McKahan, Don is a Program Manager and Gene is a Rehabilitation Technician. with the City of Columbus. Don and Gene will be telling us about their Emergency Repair Program for home owners. The program offers citizens assistance with all kinds of emergency repairs like broken or damaged gas lines, water lines and electrical service.

They will also discuss home modifications to make life easier for the deaf and handicapped.

They will include in their presentation, other possible agencies we may be able to refer citizens to for additional services.

You can now download the meeting registration form and copies of the Enforcer by typing **meetings.oceoa.org** where you would normally enter a URL address. Notice you do **not** need to include a www, doing so will prevent you from reaching the files. Need help? Call 937-333-3916.

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# PACE Presents “Official of the Year” Awards

On November 30, 2004 the Professional Association of Code Enforcement (PACE) presented the following Official of the Year awards:



Sanitarian of the Year:

Alan Hamilton, Hamilton County General Health District



Zoning Official of the Year:

Larry Bagford, City of Hamilton



Property Maintenance Official of the Year:

Teresa Jones, City of Hamilton

The PACE Board of Trustees would like to thank all who submitted nominations.