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# **President's Piece**



Dear SBOC Members, Friends and Colleagues:

## Annual Golf Outing Follow-up

Thank you to all the golfers who joined us for the outing – between the best attendance yet and the great weather, it was one of the best outings in recent history! Thank you to former SBOC President Dan Buonamici for his stellar job of organizing this event. Thank you to Event Sponsors HR Green, Bill Dettmer, Owner/President of CLEC Enterprises, Boughton Ridge Golf Course & Ashbury's, and Bolingbrook Park District for all of their gracious donations to help make this event even more pleasurable for everyone! Last, but not least, thank you to the volunteers on the SBOC Board that made this event a great success once again.

#### **Training**

As you all know, the Board takes a brief break from training in July & August. Well, we are back in September. Details for this month's training are listed below, hope to see you there. Your Board is working hard to round up great presenters to bring you job specific topics. We are working on an Elevator seminar for October, & we are already working on next year's 2023 SBOC 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Institute – it will be here before you know it!

### **Networking/Volunteering**

I want to take this opportunity to talk about how important it is to continue to improve your job skills, knowledge, and soft skills to keep making you a better Code Professional. I have gained so much more knowledge and resources by putting myself out there and meeting fellow code professionals by volunteering. The best way to do this is by volunteering for an organization like SBOC, NWBOCA, ICCA or any of the other great organizations in this area that provide the opportunity to learn new things and meet new people.

I think it is vitally important to keep up to date with the code and all the new or changing requirements. We all know that what we are enforcing today is more than likely going to change down the road. To be able to keep up and explain those changes makes us a better code official. Please keep joining us for monthly luncheon meetings to keep up on new code requirements or just a refresher on information you may already know. It's a great opportunity to learn new or existing codes, how to apply those codes, and continue to network with your colleagues so you can share common or past experiences.

I know that you consistently hear the SBOC Board members asking for volunteers to join the Board or help with events. I am asking again, mainly because its one of the best decisions I have made in my 15 years as a Code Professional. And I sincerely believe it has helped me get to the position I have today. It is a great opportunity to build your professional network and provide yourself resources in case you need them. Our profession can be political and volatile at times and when you find yourself in a rough patch, having a good network will help you land back on your feet much faster.







As you can see from the left margin area above, we have a vacant position on the Board. We are also aware that we may have additional openings due to new jobs and attrition. If we are not able to fill these in the coming year, I am worried that we will not be able to provide the services & training to you, the membership, as we have done so in the past. If you have been thinking about offering your services & volunteering for this great organization, please do so, I promise you will not regret it.

Do you know anyone looking to make a career change or are you yourself looking for a change? If so, please check out the SBOC website for the latest job opportunities <u>www.sboc-7.com</u>

## **SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING & TRAINING SEMINAR INFORMATION:**

Date: Thursday, September 15, 2022 Time: 12:00 Noon ('Check in Time' is a bit earlier at ~11:45) Place: Bobak's Signature Events & Conference Center 6440 Double Eagle Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517, (630) 968-7778 **Topic:** Protect Swimmers 10M – An Environmental Health Approach to Drowning Prevention Speaker(s): Laura Carlin Cochran, MPH, Community Initiatives Coordinator, DuPage County Health Dept. CEU's: 1.5 Continuing Education Units (CEU) will be offered for this Mini Luncheon Seminar. Cost: \$30 payable on CVENT or upon entry (includes mini seminar and lunch) **RSVP:** Please RSVP through your individual E-mail invite you received from SBOC, or, If you have not received an invitation, or are not on our E-mail list Please send a "Luncheon Training Invitation Request" E-mail to: events@sboc-7.com Please include the Full Name (First & Last) & E-Mail address for <u>anyone</u> in your party!

Finally, once again, please be sure to check our website <u>sboc-7.com</u> for job opportunities and other valuable information. If you have any questions or suggestions on upcoming events or anything else, please be sure to reach out to one of the Board members.

Best,

Allen Fennell

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