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AGC of Ohio Board – Long Range/Strategic Planning

2018 AGC of Ohio President, Mark Panzica has initiated at a Strategic/Long Range Plan for the state association. A consultant/facilitator has been hired to conduct a planning session on Friday, October 19th in the AGC offices. All state AGC Board members and former presidents have been invited to participate in this event. Questionnaires are being sent out in advance of this meeting to further identify issues that may be addressed.

2019 State Convention Expected to be Sold-Out

The AGC of Ohio annual convention will be held in Costa Rica at the all-inclusive Westin Playa Conchal Beach Resort. The dates are March 11-17th. Division staff was surveyed a few weeks ago to gauge interest. Early indications are that this convention will very likely sell out all AGC's allotted rooms. When the convention package is released (on AGC of Ohio's website) in late September, be sure to register if you plan on attending. Air service to Liberia (LIR) International Airport in Costa Rica is provided by American, Delta, United, Jet Blue and on a limited basis, Southwest Airlines.

State Legislature Not Coming Back

For those of you who believe *"No Man's Life, Liberty or Property are Safe when the Legislature is in Session"* take note – The Ohio General Assembly will not be returning to session until after the November elections. This year has been a trying one for the Republican dominated general assembly. Leadership and investigatory issues took center stage for much of the year. Hopefully these issues will be resolved soon so the legislature can return to normalcy.

OFCC Will Attend Build Ohio Board Session

The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission will once again be presenting before the AGC of Ohio Board at the November 9th board meeting to be held at the Easton Hilton Hotel located on Columbus' eastside. The Board always meets ahead of the Build Ohio Gala scheduled that evening. Attendance is open to all members.

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Recent Changes To Ohio's Non-Residential Building Code Took Effect August 1st

During its July 13 meeting, the Ohio Board of Building Standards (OBBS) adopted several [changes](#) to Ohio's [Non-Residential Building Code](#), which went into effect on August 1. Amendments were made to the following sections: Administration (4101:1-1-01), Definitions (4101:1-2-01), Use and occupancy classification (4101:1-3-01), Fire and smoke protection features (4101:1-7-01), Fire protection systems (4101:1-9-01), Means of egress (4101:1-10-01), Structural design (4101:1-16-01), Steel (4101:1-22-01), Wood (4101:1-23-01), Gypsum board, gypsum panel products and plaster (4101:1-25-01), Plastic (4101:1-26-01), Existing buildings and structures (4101:1-34-01), Referenced standards (4101:1-35-01). View descriptions of the changes online [here](#).

OBBS also approved changes to the Ohio Plumbing Code (view [here](#)), Mechanical Code (view [here](#)), and Boiler Code (view [here](#)); they too went into effect on August 1.

Back-to-school Safety Tips For Drivers as Distracted Pedestrian Numbers Rise

It's back-to-school time and that means you'll probably find yourself driving through busy school zones a lot more often. It's important to keep in mind the dangers these congested areas pose for both pedestrians and drivers and to prepare accordingly.

There were nearly 6,000 pedestrian fatalities in the United States in 2017, marking the second year in a row at numbers not seen in 25 years, according to a Governors Highway Safety Association report. One trend that may attribute to the rise is the growing use of smartphones, and distracted driving, walking or cycling as a result.

When you're behind the wheel and in a school zone, or in an area with children walking and biking to school, follow these five simple tips to keep yourself and those around you safe.

- Be extra watchful at intersections. Not paying attention to traffic signals, such as flashing school zone or crossing signals, is a major area of concern when it comes to pedestrian safety and distractions.
- Always come to a full stop at stop signs and crosswalk warning signs and be sure to look both ways before pulling through. Remember, pedestrians have the right away, so beware of individuals crossing at the last second.
- Be ready for jaywalkers. People don't always use crosswalks and you need to be ready to react if someone steps off the sidewalk, especially if they are distracted.
- If you see a bicyclist with headphones, exercise caution. They may not be able to properly hear what's going on around them, including oncoming traffic.
- While driving, don't engage in distractions yourself. Put your phone away, refrain from playing with the radio and avoid doing anything that takes your attention off the road. In order to drive defensively, you must remain alert at all times.

For more driving-related safety tips from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, as well as advice on preventing slips, trips, falls and overexertion this fall, visit [BeSafeOhio.com](#).

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE SURVEY TO IDENTIFY WORKFORCE NEEDS

The Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation has asked AGC of Ohio to identify members willing to participate in a survey to help align Ohio's workforce to the needs of business.

The survey requests Ohio employers to forecast their top hiring needs for the next one, three and five years. The results of the survey help create [Ohio's In-Demand Jobs List](#), which guides Ohio's workforce training priorities and helps better align education and training to the current and future needs of business.

Please consider taking part in this important survey to ensure the construction industry's workforce needs are heard! Fill out the information for your company, including the appropriate contact person, on the following web form: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4690169>. We will send the information to the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, which will incorporate it into the distribution database for the survey. The survey will be sent to participating companies later this month.

ProMedica Headquarters Steam Plant receives 'Award of Merit' In ENR Midwest's 2018 Best Projects competition

Rudolph Libbe Group has received a third construction industry award for ProMedica's downtown Toledo headquarters. The ProMedica Steam Plant was honored with an "Award of Merit" in Engineering-News Record Midwest's 2018 Best Projects competition. Seven projects vied for recognition in the contest's renovation/restoration category, and 106 from 11 states were entered in the full competition.

Earlier this year, the ProMedica headquarters also won the Presidential Award of Excellence in Engineering from the American Institute of Steel Construction and a Construction Risk Partners Build America Award from the Associated General Contractors of America.



The project included extensive renovations of the Junction Building and the historic Steam Plant, which was constructed in 1896 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Rudolph Libbe Inc. served as construction manager and GEM Inc. performed structural steel and mechanical work for the two buildings.

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I Build America is proud to announce the first annual
Construction Appreciation Week!

Why does construction matter? The strength of our nation's infrastructure, along with all the comforts of our modern day lives, depends on the development and empowerment of the construction industry workforce.

Construction affects the lives of every person in America, and the impact of those who work in the industry extends far beyond the boundaries of the job site. Not only does this initiative serve as an official opportunity to recognize the men and women who contribute to the development of our infrastructure, but to create a dialogue and encourage understanding of the value of construction among members of the Houston community. We're also excited to provide an opportunity for members of the construction industry to share their life experiences with the local community.

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- **Share the Construction Appreciation Week videos** and featured stories on social media
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- Enter our **Dream Builder contest** by submitting a story of how someone in construction has changed your life for the better
- Enter our **Kids of Construction contest** by submitting a video of your child explaining why they love construction



ABOUT I BUILD AMERICA

Launched in 2016 by HCSS CEO Mike Rydin, I Build America is an image-building movement dedicated to showing the value that the men and women in construction bring to our modern life. Our purpose is to instill pride within the construction industry and inspire the next generation of young people by telling the story of American construction.

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Upcoming Events

AGC of Ohio Safety Meeting

September 28

AGC Office: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00

2018 Build Ohio

November 9

Hilton at Easton

Learn More: Parker@agcoho.com

AGC of Ohio Safety Meeting

November 16

AGC Office: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00

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Has your company received an award or recently done anything newsworthy that you would like to share?

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