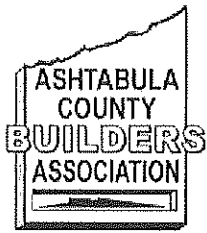


INTEGRITY



# ASHTABULA COUNTY BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

## September 2015

### President's Comment

#### Board of Directors

Calvin Brown, Jr	President
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#### Calendar of Events

October 8th	General Meeting
November 12th	Annual Meeting
Happy Holidays	
January 14th	General Meeting

Social Hour	6:00pm
Dinner	7:00pm

Please RSVP by the Monday prior to the event.

Dear Members,

After the start of a very wet spring and early summer it looks like we are finally going to have nice weather at the end of summer. I hear that most of the contractors and suppliers are staying busy with several projects right here in Ashtabula County. This is great let's keep the business local and support all of our members.

My deepest apologies go out to Mr. George Csepegi and Mr. Bob Hegfield for putting together our Summer Social, which unfortunately had to be cancelled due to lack of reservations. I personally know how hard it is to put together an event, it is a lot of hard work and time consuming. Please make sure to thank these two men for their on-going support and dedication to the Builders Association.

The Annual Clam Bake will be held this next Thursday, September 10th at the Elks Club. Please join us at 6:00 for a fun social hour leading into a wonderful dinner. A special thank you goes out to Mr. Drew Thomas, Thomas Fence, for his famous clams and delicious amenities. As always this event will be one of best events so please get your reservation in as soon as possible. I hope to see everyone at the Clam Bake.

Yours Truly,

Calvin Brown, Jr.

President

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## GET INVOLVED

### Join the Builders Board of Directors

Please contact our President Calvin Brown, Jr. if you are interesting in volunteering your time to our Board of Directors.

Calvin's Number 1-440-478-5343

## IDEAS

Contact our office  
with any ideas you may have for the  
association!

Newsletter suggestions, Website Updates,  
Meeting Agendas, Social Ideas,  
**ALL IDEAS ARE WELCOME!**

## BANKER BOB'S CORNER

### Green Side Up

A woman wants the inside of her house painted and she calls a contractor in to help her. They wander around the house, and she points out the colors she wants. She says, "Now, in the living room, I'd like to have a neutral beige, very soft and warm." The contractor nods, pulls out his pad of paper and writes on it. Then he goes to the window, leans out and yells, "Green side up!" The woman is most perplexed but she lets it slide. They wander into the next room. She says, "In the dining room I'd like a light white, not stark, but very bright and airy." The contractor nods, pulls out his pad of paper and writes on it. Then he goes to the window, leans out, and yells "Green side up"! The woman is even more perplexed but still lets it slide. They wander further into the next room. She says, "In the bedroom, I'd like blue. Restful, peaceful, cool blue." The contractor nods, pulls out his pad of paper and writes on it. Then once more he goes to the window, leans out and yells "Green side up"! This is too much. The woman has to ask. So she says, "Every time I tell you a color, you write it down, but then you yell out the window 'Green side up.' What on earth does that mean?" The contractor shakes his head and says, "I have four blondes laying across the street."

# NATION'S BUILDING NEWS

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## Statement from NAHB Chairman on the Recent District Court Decisions on EPA Water Rule

August 28, 2015

Tom Woods, Chairman of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and a home builder from Blue Springs, Mo., issued the following statement concerning the recent District court rulings in North Dakota, West Virginia and Georgia on the Environmental Protection Agency's rule defining the "waters of the United States" as found in the Clean Water Act.

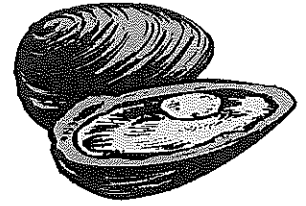
"Although the rule will cause harm to all 50 states, the mixed decisions to come out of the various district courts this week only further illustrate the significant issues and confusion caused by the EPA, and the lack of coordination between the agency and its stakeholders in developing this rule. The EPA has misinterpreted which court should even review this rule, leading various courts to disagree on which court has jurisdiction over these cases—which will cause delays while the judicial system figures this out.

"We applaud the District Court of North Dakota for its decision that recognized the damage that the rule may bring to the 13 states that filed in North Dakota and stopped the EPA from implementing it until it can conduct a proper review of the record. The court found that the EPA misinterpreted the Clean Water Act, and the rule likely does not comply with the Supreme Court precedent. Additionally, it found that the EPA has not given the public a fair chance to comment on the rule, and that the final rule would be considered a vast departure from the proposed rule initially seen by the public.

"The EPA has exceeded its authority and completely mismanaged this rule making. In light of the confusion found by the courts this week, and the overall issues with the rule, NAHB again called on the EPA to immediately withdraw this rule."

# ASHTABULA COUNTY BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL CLAM BAKE



**Thursday, September 10, 2015**

at

**Elks Lake Front Lodge**  
3115 Lake Road West  
Ashtabula, Ohio

**\$55.00 per person**

6:00p.m. Happy Hour and Clam Chowder

7:00p.m. Dinner-One Dozen Clams

**Your Choice of Prime Rib or 1/2 Chicken**

Baked Potato - Fresh Ohio Sweet Corn  
Salad - Fresh Bread - Dessert

**OPEN BAR 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m.**



A GREAT TIME TO BRING A GUEST

For reservations please call (440) 645-7496 or  
e-mail [ashtabulacountybuilders@windstream.net](mailto:ashtabulacountybuilders@windstream.net)  
by Tuesday, September 8th

If you have any questions concerning the Clam Bake, call Drew Thomas at (440)998-4747

We invite you to attend the



# 2015 NE Ohio Safety Conference & Expo

Friday, Oct. 16, 2015

## Conference goal

The conference's goal is to help you find out how effective workplace safety and health programs can increase the overall productivity of your business. Choose from 38 sessions to help you learn ways to improve the safety, well-being and quality of life of your workforce.

## Conference location

**Jefferson High School**  
207 W. Mulberry St. 440-576-4731  
Jefferson, OH 44047 <http://www.jalsd.org>

## Conference times

- Registration begins at 7 a.m.
- Conference and Expo run from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Lunch is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Closing Ceremony from 3:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

## Cost

- Admission is \$30 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch.
- Exhibitor space is \$100 and includes continental breakfast and lunch for two people.

## Registration

Classes have a limited number of seats, so please register and pre-pay by Oct. 9, 2015, to guarantee your spot. We accept on-site registration with a \$5 upcharge, but we cannot guarantee there will be space available in all classes.

The registration form is located below and is followed by a complete listing of classes. Please fill it in, and send it to us using one of the methods listed below.

- Mail it to A-Tech, Workforce Development Office, 1565 State Route 167, Jefferson, OH 44047.
- Fax it to 440-576-5258.
- E-Mail to [acsc@atech.edu](mailto:acsc@atech.edu)

## Hotel information

- **Hampton Inn – Austinburg**  
\$115.00 + tax  
440-275-2000
- **Holiday Inn Express – Austinburg**  
\$109.00 + Tax  
440-275-2020

## Expo

- Don't forget to visit the Expo floor to build business relationships with product suppliers and service providers. You can research merchandise and services, compare product features, evaluate quality and value and negotiate prices. The partners of the NE Ohio Safety Conference & Expo would like to thank all of the exhibitors for their cooperation and support in making this event possible.

## Educational credits

- HRCI and SHRM Certification Credits are pending
- Ashtabula County Safety Council members who attend can earn one regular safety council meeting credit. Members of other safety councils may earn one external training credit in the BWC's Safety Council Rebate Program. Stop at the BWC booth located in the expo center to get your certificate. Maximum one external training per company.
- Attending half-day OCOSH Sessions marked \* earns a 1/2 loss prevention activity credit for BWC's Industry Specific Safety Program (ISSP)
- Attending all-day OCOSH Sessions marked \*\* earns 1 loss prevention activity credit for BWC's Industry Specific Safety Program (ISSP)
- Sessions marked ^ qualify for a two-hour group rating safety training credit

## For more information

Call Andrew Kelner at 440-576-5547 or Heidi Ferrario at 330-797-5506.

## Registration form (Use one registration form per attendee; make copies for additional attendees.)

Attendee's first name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

BWC policy number: \_\_\_\_\_

Company name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment method

Check

Purchase order #

Credit card

### Fee

Attendee: \$30

Visa  MasterCard  American Express  Discover

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code: (3-digit number found on card reverse) \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card billing address: \_\_\_\_\_



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