



# SpotLight on Maintenance

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### OPFMA – 2011 Highlights

By Alexandra Schneider, OPFMA Administrator/CEO

As the end of 2011 is only couple of weeks away, it's time for OPFMA to present the summary review of OPFMA - 2011 performance as well as to express our deep appreciation of everyone's contribution and support making the success possible!

OPFMA Members' faithful support throughout the years as well as non-members who participate in OPFMA educative events is the engine that keeps OPFMA going!

This edition presents a short summary review of OPFMA Membership, Chapters, BOC Program and the 2011 Conference activities and performance.

First, OPFMA Annual Conference review, as the Conference and Trade Show is OPFMA's largest educative event that brings together for a couple of days the largest number of OPFMA members to learn, get informed, network and have fun!

OPFMA yearly financial & previous year comparison reports - indicates that OPFMA 2011 Conference volume was the largest ever and it was 7.5% larger than in 2010.

Over the last 7 years OPFMA Conference and Trade Show had grew almost 6 times in volume!

But OPFMA is not measuring Conference success by volume only - Attendees' voice is always lauder than figures and keeps us on our toes!

2011 Conference	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Conference Overall	60%	40%		
Meeting Rooms	39%	51%	10%	
Meals' Quality	66%	31%	3%	
Sleeping Rooms	49%	49%	2%	
Registration Packets	59%	38%	3%	
Sessions' Content	57%	42%	1%	
Presenters	84%	16%		
Trade Show	55%	42%	3%	

Conference evaluation is considered the most accurate success measurement and indicates if OPFMA Membership is served well. Attendees' suggestions are considered by the Conference Committee and help in shaping next year's conference agenda!

OPFMA Conference & Trade Show is a complex yearly event with many contributors that need be recognized as all are vital components of a successful Conference!

OPFMA express special appreciation for Attendees' participation and the feedback offered. OPFMA appreciate Exhibitors' participation and for putting on a great Show!  
Special gratitude to Conference's Sponsors: Johnson Controls Inc., The Brewer-Garrett Co, Allied Environmental LLC, and Tremco - Thank you!  
Presenters did an excellent job - OPFMA appreciate their expertise & knowledge freely shared with our Attendees!  
Conference Committee under Chairman Ron Atkins' leadership did a superb job in close coordination with OPFMA staff.

**Special MANY Thanks to All the Participants!**



## *OPFMA – 2011 Highlights*

### OPFMA Membership

**OPFMA Membership is at the core of Ohio Public Facilities Maintenance Associates mission!**

Since 1987 OPFMA is striving to meet the on-going educational needs for the public facilities maintenance employees at all levels.

**OPFMA active members and the feedback when participating in OPFMA educative events, surveys and studies – is deeply appreciated!**

Your input helps our efforts to improve OPFMA organization and serve the Membership better by providing seminars that meet your needs.

Last month your record participation in OPFMA Membership Survey run by OSU provided important input for the undergoing study on OPFMA Board and Administration operations in our effort to serve better our Members.

OPFMA Membership volume grew 88% over 2010 as number of individual members – that's **huge success!** Membership dues' volume reflects a combination of other factors besides of the number of members, such as: dues being a decade old, added membership benefits, and dues waved when facilities send large numbers of employees at OPFMA educative events. In order to strengthen OPFMA organization and create opportunities of offering more seminars to the OPFMA membership, a more sensible balance between all these factors needs to be established.

Membership Committee, chaired by Constantin Draganoiu, had been very active throughout the year, creating new OPFMA Chapters, growing the existing ones and based on OPFMA members' interest, working on developing new Chapters across Ohio. More on Chapters under "OPFMA Chapters" section!

Membership expressed interest in new educative seminars, had been discussed and OPFMA Board will start working on developing new seminars on topics that will go beyond the BOC training. We'll keep you posted with its development.

As with every edition, we would like to introduce our newest OPFMA Members and congratulate them!

## OPFMA New Members – Welcome Aboard!

### Individual Member

**Anthony D .Lotz** - Ohio Department of Transportation - Building Construction Superintendent  
**Doug Tucker** - R. G. Drage C.T.C. - Maintenance Supervisor  
**Charlie Boggs** - Northwest LSD - Maintenance  
**Chris North** - North Baltimore Local Schools - Maintenance  
**Larry Snyder** - North Baltimore Local Schools - Maintenance  
**James Kirk** - Mahoning Co. Career & Tech Ctr - Director of Maintenance  
**John Charles** - Cambridge Developmental Center - Operations Director  
**Jerry Rainy** - Lancaster City Schools - Director of Business

### Institutional I Member

**Hudson City Schools** – Chuck Schilling – Maint & Facilities Mgr.

### Institutional II Member

**ODRC - South Region** - Nicolas Moussi  
 Belmont Correctional Inst  
 Madison Correctional Inst  
 Chillicothe Correctional Inst  
 Montgomery Edu & Pre-Release Center  
 Correctional Reception Center - Matthew Brann - Build. Maint Superintendent  
 Noble Correctional Inst. - D. Clark Bldg. Mnt. Supt  
 Dayton Correctional Inst. - Sheila Downey - Deputy Warden  
 Pickaway Correctional Inst. - Marty Lambert - B&G Super  
 Franklin Medical Center - Mark Dyer - BMS II  
 Ross Correctional Inst. - Roy E. Phillips- Maint Supt. II  
 Franklin Pre-Release Center  
 Southeastern Correctional Inst. - Kevin Ewers  
 Hocking Correctional Facility-

### Institutional II Member

**ODRC - South Region** - Nicolas Moussi

Southern Ohio Correctional Inst. - James M Clark - Mntn. Super.

Lebanon Correctional Inst. - Martin Westall

Warren Correctional Inst. - Don Huntsberger - Maint. Supv.

London Correctional Inst. - Jeff Stanforth- Business Administrator

**ODRC - North Region**

Allen Correctional Inst

Oakwood Correctional Inst

Grafton Correctional Inst - Michael Schmit - BMS I

Ohio Reformatory for Women - Steve Harmon -

Maintenance Super

Lorain Correctional Inst - John Nolan - Assistant Superintendent

Ohio State Penitentiary - Eric K. Northcott - Plant

Maintenance Engineer

Mansfield Correctional Inst. - James Miracle - Build. Construct Super

Richland Correctional Inst

Marion Correctional Inst

Toledo Correctional Inst. - Michael W. Carter

North Central Correctional Ins. -

Trumbull Correctional Inst. - Louis Savric/ BMS II

Northeast Pre-Release Center

### Corporate Associate Member

**Wood Floors Unlimited, Inc.** -Jim Yoder

**Turf Renewal** - Mark Workman

◆ BOC Level-1 Graduates – Cleveland/Orange ◆

April, 2011 – October, 2011

OPFMA Board of Trustees and Administration Congratulates the Graduates!

OPFMA praises all facilities that had made a high priority of training and certifying their employees!

We are confident that, as other before them, the BOC graduates will prove to be a great asset to their facilities.

*OPFMA continues to offer assistance to the BOC graduates beyond the Graduation Day as well as offering assisting to those who need to make up for some exams!*



**Meet the BOC Graduates:**

Joseph Bagatti (Cleveland Hts. - University Hts.), Daniel Bailey (Canton City Schools), Gina Marie Battaglia (Orange City Schools), Warner J. Batten (Bedford City Schools District), Paul Byler (Grand Valley Local Schools), Lee Clark (Bellevue City Schools), William J. Courson (Ohio Public Facilities Commission), John Foreman (Cleveland Hts. - University Hts.), Robert Gillette (Orange City Schools), Kevin Haupt (Lorain City Schools), Jeff Hawks (Lorain City Schools), Chris Kelling (Hudson City Schools), Greg Klein (South Euclid - Lyndhurst City SD), Scott Larch (Polaris Career Center), Barb Lingenfelter (Elyria City Schools), Meghan McMahon (Cleveland Hts. - University Hts.), Martin Mihelick (Kenston Local Schools), James Miracle (Mansfield Correctional Institution), Tony Moldovan (Sandy Valley Local Schools), John E. Newland (North Olmsted City Schools), Tom Obradovich (Copley Fairlawn City Schools), James Prindle (Bedford City Schools District), Tamara Rachel (Ohio Public Facilities Commission), Robert A. Rinehart (Norwayne Local School District), Wade D. Schneider (North Royalton City Schools), Ricky L. Shreve (Rittman Exempted School District), Daniel Tarry (Daniel Tarry), Glen W. Vernick (Geauga County Commissioners), John Weber (South Euclid - Lyndhurst City SD)

◆ BOC Level-1 Graduates – Toledo ◆

June, 2011 – Dec, 2011

OPFMA Board of Trustees and Administration Congratulates the Graduates!

OPFMA praises all facilities for investing in their employees' training and giving them the opportunity to obtain the Building Operator Certificate!

**Meet the BOC Graduates:**

Gregg Abke (Elmwood Local Schools), Larry Burda (Maumee City Schools), Gary Collins (River Valley Local Schools), Brenda Danko (Lucas County Commissioners Facilities Dept.).



Phil Donaldson (Eastwood Schools), Norman Drogmiller (Perrysburg Schools), Gary Fries (Fostoria City Schools), David Gump (Lakota Local Schools), David Horning (Crestline Exempted Village SD), Gregory W. Huffman (Sylvania Township), Roger E. Manecke (Elmwood Local Schools), Michael Markowiak (Rossford Exempted Village Schools), Judi Nelson (Oregon City Schools), Robert Osenbaugh (Lucas County ESC), Beau Parson (Lakota Local Schools), Dan Prater (Maumee City Schools), Randy Rice (Northwood Local Schools), Rick Ruffer (Stryker Local Schools), Jeff Schimmoeller (Liberty-Benton Local Schools), Marvin Schoreder (Lakota Local Schools), Brian Sroczynski (Anthony Wayne Local Schools), Jeff Zsigrai (Oregon City Schools), Robert Zuercher (Liberty-Benton Local Schools)

◆ BOC Level-1 Graduates – Dayton ◆

Dec, 2010 - June, 2011

OPFMA Board of Trustees and Administration Congratulates the Graduates!

OPFMA praises all the facilities for investing in their employees' training and giving them the opportunity to obtain the Building Operator Certification!

We are confident that all the efforts will be rewarded many times over for years to come.

Best wishes of success and good health to you all!



Meet the BOC Graduates:

Terry Apel (Huber Heights City Schools), Bryce Baker (Newton Local School), Thomas Bateson (Huber Heights City Schools), Rich Birt (Penta Career Center), Charlie Boggs (Northwest Local School), John Dobson (Anthony Wayne Local Schools), Bobby Engle (City of Moraine), Michael S. Hale (North Canton City Schools), Linda Harr (West Liberty-Salem Local Schools), Charles Lasure (Gahanna Jefferson Schools), Robert J. Lenser (ODOT District 7), William Mullins (Eastern Brown Local Schools), Thomas R. Owens (Gahanna Jefferson Schools), John E. Sparks (Scioto County Career Tech. Center), Steve Terheiden (Cincinnati Museum Center), and Don Test (City of Beavercreek)

2011 BOC Activity - Summary Report - OPFMA had administered (46) BOC training classes in (6) of Ohio cities!

BOC Classes of Training Administered by OPFMA throughout 2011

BOC Series	Duration	Classes	Total students /Series	Total student managed	BOC manuals provided	Print class materials & exam booklets, exam answer sheet sets	breakfast	lunch
Columbus	09/10 - 03/11	3	21	63	63	63	63	63
Dayton	12/10-06/11	7	19	133	133	133	133	133
Orange City	04/11-10/11	8	31	248	248	248	248	248
Toledo	06/11-12/11	8	22	176	176	176	176	176
CMSSD - (3) parallel	06/11-12/11	18	74	444	444	444	444	444
Cleveland Series	to Apr 2012							
Columbus	11/11-05/12	2	39	78	78	78	78	78
<b>2011 BOC Totals per Category</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,188</b>	<b>1,188</b>

OPFMA provided/coordinated & financially managed (46) BOC Instructor, (46) Site-Coordinator & (46) Caterers for BOC-2011.

In 2012 OPFMA will administer another (12) BOC classes from 2011 BOC Series. For 2012 the new BOC Series projection is to organize and start another (5) new BOC Series. This would mean a total of (52) BOC classes to be administered in 2012!

OPFMA plans on hiring couple of BOC Site-Coordinators. For details on requirements & job description contact us!

## OPFMA – 2011 Highlights

### OPFMA Chapters

In 2011 the Marketing & Membership Committee under Chairman Constantin Draganoiu's leadership worked intensely on bringing the awareness of OPFMA at the local level by strengthening OPFMA Chapters, opening new ones and continuing on developing proper conditions for new chapters in 2012.

OPFMA By-Laws requires that OPFMA-Chapter's Chairman becomes part of OPFMA Board sharing the common goal of serving better the Membership and offering easier access to OPFMA at a local level is strengthening and mutually beneficial.

**Currently OPFMA has (4) active Chapters** - OPFMA Board had approved the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter on Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011 - here they are:

- **East Central OPFMA Chapter** - (ECC-OPFMA Chapter) - *Chairman* - **John Wolf**, B&G Supervisor/ Columbiana County BDD
- **North East OPFMA Chapter** - *Chairman* - Mark Miciak
- **Dayton OPFMA Chapter** - *Chairman* - Tom Hand
- **Southern OPFMA Chapter** - *Chairman* - Dan Colonel

For Chairmen's contact info see "Board of Trustees" on page (8) of this edition or visit: [www.opfma.org](http://www.opfma.org)

#### East Central Chapter - by John Wolf

At Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 2011 Chapter's meeting, the Chairman reported on OPFMA 2011 Conference and that he was voted in OPFMA Board of Trustees; He is also part of the Membership Committee.

Meeting attendees discussed future meetings' topics of interest on pest control, cleaning supplies, underground fuel tanks, electrical/lighting & HVAC and possible vendors to present.

Membership expansion plans on reaching out to surrounding districts and organizations that may benefit from membership in OPFMA.

**Next meeting scheduled for Jan 11, 2012 at 11:00 AM.**

The Columbiana County Career and Technical Center is hosting the meeting in their restaurant. The Culinary Arts class provides lunch, sponsored by the CCCTC.

*For more details* - see EC Chapter announcement on page (7)

#### Dayton Chapter - by Tom Hand

The November meeting was attended by 14 members.

Chapter was briefed on Dayton Power and Lights program for energy conservation and incentives. It was highly successful and resulted in a robust round table discussion.

Upcoming meetings will feature representatives of alternate energy providers, recycling options for electronics, hazardous materials and mercury containing items.

We have had our struggles getting the chapter off the ground, starting from scratch with no existing group in place to build upon. We keep on learning and developing the Dayton chapter!

If you are from Dayton area and didn't receive emails about Dayton Chapter's meetings or activities, please contact me to be added to the chapter's emailing lists.

Tom's e-mail: [tjhandcfm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tjhandcfm@sbcglobal.net) Cell: (937) 689-8115

## OPFMA Standing Committees

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On Dec 7<sup>th</sup> 2011 - the OPFMA Board had reviewed organizations' end of year of financial, administrative and organizational status. Also OPFMA Committees had been revised and recombined, returning to the old and more effective format as follows:

- **Membership & Marketing Committee** - Chairman - Constantin Draganoiu
- **Education & Publication Committee** - Chairman - Wayne King
- **Conference Committee** - Chairman - Ron Atkins

Wayne King, *the Education & Publication Committee Chair*, was already working close with the Membership Chair on putting to use OPFMA internal intellectual resources, experience and knowledge in order to develop and expand seminars on topics of great interest to OPFMA members.

Wayne King had presented to the Board a summary report proposal on developing and expanding OPFMA educational seminars. The Chairman had asked the Board to approve the program and has as deadline for the first track the end of June 2012. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposal and unanimously approved proceeding with the development of the program.

We encourage OPFMA members that would like to be part and contribute to ANY of Committees to contact the Chairmen or our office. Or simply go to [www.opfma.org](http://www.opfma.org) and click on "Contact us" - We always answer!

**You don't need to be part of the Board to be part of ANY Committee or be part of more than One Committee!**

**The only way to help improving our educational events - is for you be part of the action!**



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## Savings Starts with Everyone

By James Miracle, Mansfield Correctional Inst, BCS

### How do an annual savings of \$24,000.00 sound to you?

This is not corporate numbers juggling, we are doing it, is real life figures! It is available to all organizations through a little work and a lot of buy in.

If you're asking how and what is the gimmick you have the same thoughts that I had a little more than 4 months ago!

South Eastern Correctional Institution and Warden Sherri Duffey have shown how to make it by metal recycling what seems to most a too cumbersome project to take on what is a very easy low start up cost money making endeavor.

We have approximately 2,600 offenders here at Mansfield Correctional Institution and with the help of 30 of those offenders we have done just that!

We started by collecting the typical one gallon #9 steel can that you get in most GFS stores and one 40 yard open container. Three weeks later we had our first check for \$500.00 and an energy that sparked all of the institution to wanting to see what else we could do!

We developed a program to give incentives to the offenders for participating, much like the local companies do on the streets with fines for not participating.

**This has proven to be a very positive competition which has netted over 200,000 pounds of recycled goods taken out of our landfills in just six months.**

We are currently switching over to aluminum cans from plastic PET bottles and are looking forward to seeing the benefits of this as well as the shredded office paper - we started taking out of the waste stream.

**Stay tuned for more updates on this as well as more money saving incentives that you can use within your organization.**

## Wisdom nuggets and bright minds!

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.

Nothing contributes so much to tranquilizing the mind as a steady purpose - a point on which the soul may fix its intellectual eye.

Here is the test to find whether your mission on earth is finished: If you are alive, it isn't.

Lots of folks confuse bad management with destiny.

Our only freedom is the freedom to discipline ourselves.

When the eagles are silent the parrots begin to jabber.

*Sir Winston Churchill*

No one would remember the Good Samaritan if he only had good intentions. He had money as well. *Margaret Thatcher*

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living; the world owes you nothing; it was here first. *Mark Twain*

Only two things are infinite, the Universe and human stupidity, and I'm not sure about the former. *Albert Einstein*

You can't build a reputation on what you're GOING to do.

*Henry Ford*

### Editor's Note:

Dear readers as another year comes to an end, we all reflect on our trails as well as to the happy times each of us had faced this year, we couldn't close 2011 without expressing gratitude for just being there through good and tough times and wish you all and your dear ones a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!





Date: 01/11/2012  
Time: 11:00 AM  
Regular Chapter Meeting

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*Making the Best Better!*

# East Central Chapter of OPFMA

*Join us for our regular meeting of the  
East Central Chapter of Ohio Public Facilities Maintenance  
Association*

- We will be meeting in the CCCTC Restaurant at 11:00 AM and will be served lunch which is provided by the Culinary Arts Class of the CCCTC.
- A brief presentation will be made by Scott Electric Wholesale Electrical Supplier from Greensburg, PA to outline some of their available services.
- We will conduct the business meeting following the presentation.
- A tour of the CCCTC Facility will be offered to those interested by John Garwood, Facilities Manager. Highlights will include recent renovations and current ongoing projects.

**RSVP Please by Jan. 4, 2012  
@ (330) 424-3364  
John Garwood**

**Highlights**

- Food
- Networking
- Vendor Demo's
- Educational opportunities

**Join Us!**

  
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2012 Board Meetings  
Schedule:

To Be Established

**2012 Conference &  
Trade Show**  
Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> & Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>



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### Note from the Editor:

Dear reader, OPFMA publishes the "SpotLight on Maintenance" for your benefit; to serve better your interests - your feedback is of a paramount importance!

**Suggestions – Sharing Experiences – and Constructive Criticism!** Your contribution could help other readers by bringing in "SpotLight" topics and ideas that are of special interest to you!

Let your voice be heard - Just drop a note at: [editor@opfma.org](mailto:editor@opfma.org) or visit our web site and click on "Contact us" – I would be happy to bring your ideas and comments in The SpotLight!

Thank you,  
Alex

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