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1. Early registration = free parking

The first 500 persons who register online for the Ohio Design & Construction Expo 2006 will receive free parking. The event, featuring "SAO College at the Expo," will take place Feb. 1 and 2 at the Columbus Convention Center.

Presented by the State Architect's Office, SAO College provides opportunities for professionals in the design and construction industry and from other state organizations to learn more about the SAO process and the management of state design and construction projects. The topics are presented by SAO staff experts in conjunction with a specialist from the architectural, construction or legal industry. Topics include: Working with the EDGE program, CSI MasterFormat 2004 program implementation, electronic plan review and approval, resolutions to construction problems, obtaining work with the state, closing out a project, how to use the SAO payment requests and other forms, changes to the Front End, information about the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) program, and Prevailing Wages and filing liens.

Eligible seminar graduates may be awarded up to nine learning units from the American Institute of Architects or the Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board, as applicable.

For more information about SAO College at the Expo, go to www.das.ohio.gov/sacollege. Registrations are available via the Builder's Exchange of Central Ohio Web site at www.bx.org.

2. EDGE program featured at SAO College

What is EDGE? Do I have to use it? How do I find EDGE-certified businesses? What paperwork does the state require? Attend "Working With the EDGE Program" at SAO College at the Expo in February to get these and other answers to your questions about the EDGE (Encouraging Diversity, Growth and Equity) program. The class also includes tips on how to meet the EDGE participation goals and searching for an EDGE-certified business. In addition, attendees will discover how to become an EDGE-certified business, including an overview of the qualification requirements and application procedure.

To register for "Working With the EDGE Program," visit the Builder's Exchange of Central Ohio Web site at www.bx.org and click on the icon for the Ohio Design and Construction Expo. The EDGE program is presented on Feb. 1 from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. and Feb. 2 from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

3. Special Services Manager at SAO

SAO is pleased to announce that Lane Beougher, AIA, CSI, LEED-AP, recently began serving as the manager of Special Services at SAO. Lane will be responsible for developing and maintaining all SAO master contracts, technical documents, such as the Standard Conditions of Contract for Construction, and The SAO Manual. He will also manage the SAO internal and external training programs, including SAO College.

"We are fortunate to have Lane, with his background and expertise, join our staff," said Roger Booker, State Architect. "We enthusiastically welcome him to our team."

Lane is well known for his talents throughout the architectural industry for his leadership and experience, including being an Associate and Senior Project Architect at Braun & Steidl Architects, a MasterFormat-accredited instructor, a LEED-accredited professional, a CSI (Construction Specification Institute) officer, as well as a board member of AIA Columbus.

Lane, a registered architect, received his Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree from The Ohio State University.

4. SAO Energy Specialist receives LEED certification SAO Energy Specialist Oscar Zanganeh, P.E., C.E.M., LEED-AP, recently completed the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) professional accreditation which distinguishes individuals with detailed knowledge of LEED project certification requirements and processes. LEED accreditation is awarded to building industry practitioners who successfully demonstrate these proficiencies on a comprehensive exam.

The LEED Green Building Rating System® is a voluntary, consensus-based national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. LEED was created to define "green building" by establishing a common standard of measurement; promote integrated, whole-building design practices; recognize environmental leadership in the building industry; stimulate green competition; raise consumer awareness of green building benefits; and transform the building market.

Those interested in learning more about the LEED program are invited to attend SAO College at the Expo in February. The LEED session, presented by Oscar as well as Michael J. Berning of Heapy Engineering, will be held Feb. 1 and 2 from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. To register, go to www.bx.org and click on the icon for the Ohio Design and Construction Expo.

5. Additional staff hired at SAO

Bernadette O'Reilly joined the SAO staff Nov. 2 as the supervisor of team support services. Bernadette came to our office after serving more than 25 years in the private sector of the design and construction industry. During that time she developed her skills as an office supervisor with the Columbus office of Heapy Engineering and continued her career as a project administrative assistant, secretary and office manager with The Quandel Group in Westerville. Bernadette will be a great asset to our office.

In addition, SAO hired two interns, Madison Armstrong and David Morris, to help with reception duties and other administrative and marketing tasks. Madison is a student at Ohio State University majoring in political science and communications. David is a 2001 graduate of Augusta Technical College in Augusta, Ga. He is a student at DeVry University in Columbus concentrating on information systems.

SAO is pleased to welcome Bernadette, Madison and David to our staff.

6. December Ohio Register Updated

The December 2005 Ohio Register was first posted to the SAO Web site on Thursday, Dec. 1. On Dec. 14 it was updated with minor changes. Please visit the SAO Web site at www.ohio.gov/sao (click on Ohio Register) for a list of the changes that were made and to download a new copy.

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