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Beougher named State Architect

Please join us in congratulating Lane J. Beougher, AIA, FSCI, LEED AP BD+C, as our new state architect. After serving on an interim basis since mid-February, he was appointed State Architect by Robert Blair, director of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS), in early June.

Lane joined the State Architect's Office in 2005, most recently serving as program services manager, and led the energy services team from April 2007 through September 2009. Prior to joining the State Architect's Office (SAO), he accumulated 25 years of facilities planning, architectural design, specifications preparation and construction administration experience in the private sector. Most recently, he was an associate and senior project architect with the Columbus office of Braun & Steidl Architects and graduated with a bachelor of science in architecture from The Ohio State University.

Lane is a former president of the Columbus Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), currently serving as the chapter's delegate to the AIA Ohio Board and is vice chair of the national Public Architects Committee. A Fellow of the Construction Specifications Institute, he serves on the Institute Board as a vice president. He is a LEED Accredited Professional and is a founding member of the Central Ohio Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council. In addition, Lane was recently appointed by Governor John Kasich to serve as a member of the Ohio Cultural Facilities Commission for a term ending Dec. 31, 2013.

In addition to Lane's appointment as State Architect, DAS Director Blair reinstated Jeff Westhoven as the deputy director for the General Services Division (GSD). Jeff has been serving as the administrator of the Office of Procurement Services since January. Jeff has served GSD and its predecessor, the Division of Public Works, for the past 17 years. He's been the administrator of the Office of Energy Services and Office of Procurement Services as well as GSD deputy director, a position he was first appointed to in 2005.

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The State Architect's Office, an office within the General Services Division, oversees the design and construction of facilities for state agencies, boards, commissions and institutions of higher education. For more information about SAO, go to <http://ohio.gov/sao>.

Save the Date for the 2011 SAO College!

The 2011 SAO College series of seminars will take place on the following dates from noon to 5 p.m.:

- Aug. 25 -- Cleveland State New Student Center
- Sept. 1 -- Cincinnati State Conference Center
- Sept. 9 -- Columbus State Community College

SAO College is attended annually by more than 300 design and construction professionals, including architects, engineers, contractors, construction managers and state agency or state college/university representatives throughout the state.

This year, SAO is planning a comprehensive agenda of topics related to our services as well as updates on construction reform, BIM (Building Information Modeling), energy conservation and other hot topics relevant to the design and construction industry.



The final agenda and registration information will be announced in July. For more information about SAO College, contact Christina Ringley at christina.ringley@das.state.oh.us.

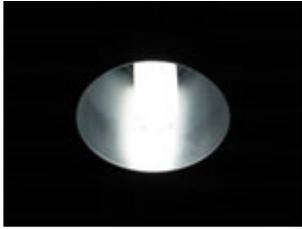


NEOUCOM breaks ground on new \$42 million building

The Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy (NEOUCOM) broke ground in May for its new 78,000-square-foot, three-story research and graduate education building. The \$42 million project is part of the first phase of a new 20-year master plan being developed for the Rootstown campus.

The new research and graduate education building (rendering, left) is expected to increase support for research on the treatment of a number of conditions, including diabetes, Alzheimer's disease and cancer.

This project is being administered by the State Architect's Office with Ned Thiell as the SAO project manager and John Wray, vice president of administration and finance, representing NEOUCOM.



Lighting the way to energy conservation

State agencies have been actively exploring ways to reduce energy consumption in their buildings and facilities for the past few years to comply with [Ohio Administrative Code \(OAC\) 123:4](#), which establishes requirements, procedures and guidelines for minimizing energy consumption in state-owned, -funded and -leased facilities in a cost-effective manner.

Through energy audits and capital funds obtained by the SAO Office of Energy Services, state agencies are able to implement a wide range of energy improvements at their facilities, including building lighting, HVAC and other energy-consuming systems.

Converting or replacing fixtures with more energy-efficient lighting fixtures, as well as installing occupancy sensors and day-lighting controls, is an effective means for agencies to reduce energy consumption. The lighting renovation projects administered through the Office of Energy Services team are designed to provide agencies with a substantial reduction in their electric consumption and the projects typically pay for themselves within four to five years. In addition, the Office of Energy Services staff assists agencies in obtaining various rebates offered by local utility companies to further reduce project costs.

The Office of Energy Services team manages each project from the planning phase through construction. Some of the lighting renovation projects currently underway are the Ohio Department of Transportation District 6 garage (right), the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation employee parking garage, the Ohio Department of Education office areas, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Fountain Square and two juvenile correctional facilities for the Ohio Department of Youth Services.



The Office of Energy Services recently completed lighting projects in more than 100 buildings at 21 locations throughout the state for the Adjutant General's Department, as well as exterior and interior lighting renovations at the General Services Center where their office is located.

For more information about the SAO Office of Energy Services, go to <http://ohio.gov/sao>.



Training opportunities for OAKS CI users

Ongoing training is key to the success of any project management system. The OAKS Capital Improvements (OAKS CI) staff understands the need to not only train new users, but keep existing users up-to-date on new processes or modifications as they are developed. It is important to us that all project team members and stakeholders have access to all the information that is required to complete their project responsibilities in a timely and effective manner. That's why a variety of training opportunities are offered for OAKS CI users.

As mentioned in the [May SAO eNews](#), the OAKS CI team now provides live online training sessions on a wide range of topics, such as creating payment requests and requesting change orders. These trainings are usually one hour in length and provide users with hands-on training which can be accessed anywhere there is an Internet connection. A link is provided for each topic which connects users directly to the class. Registrations and passwords are not required.

In addition, the OAKS CI team has established a growing library of pre-recorded OAKS CI trainings which can be viewed at any time via the OAKS CI website.

Traditional classroom training opportunities will continue to be provided on a regular basis. Classroom training is scheduled through the project manager or project coordinator assigned to each project.

To access OAKS CI training opportunities, go to <http://ci.oaks.ohio.gov> and click on "Training and Webinar Opportunities."

SAO has a new fax number

Please note: SAO's new fax number is 614.485.1055. Transmittals sent via the old fax number will be forwarded to the new number for a few months during the transition. Due to decreased use of this technology, we will not be including the fax number on letterhead, business cards or other published materials. We prefer to receive communication from our valued customers by e-mail or phone.

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