Dear Board of Directors and Members,

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me in my journey to become President of OBOA. It is an honor and pleasure to be your president in 2018. It is an honor to work with those who serve and continue to serve the OBOA in all capacities.

The 2017 and 2018 membership levels have declined from years past due to retiring members and lack of candidates that are available to replace them. Our goal is constantly being refined to try and help those who are new to our field or wanted to become an inspector. This training is being reviewed and reworked with the help of the newly developed Building Department Committee. This committee meets every other week on Wednesdays at 2:00 and everyone is encouraged to participate.

OBOA committees that have been in existence for several years needs to be revamped and brought to our current times. An Ad Hoc committee was formed to rework and update these committee assignments, Board of Directors Procedures and By-Laws to help those how serve on these committees understand their duties.

Our past Presidents continue to be involved to help give the current executive board the history of what has been done in the past to help with the upcoming years. Thanks For all of your assistance and guidance.

During the past years, many of our members from other chapters have said that they feel that they don’t receive any benefits from OBOA dues and this is an assumption we would love to dismiss from our members minds and attitudes. We have currently purchased a “Go to Meeting” license that will be shared with every chapter so those that can’t attend in person can phone in from their car or office. There will be a google calendar that all chapters can schedule the use of the Go to Meeting and instructions will be given on how to notify other members and access the software.

Last but not least we are working to put more on our website and get chapter presidents to share what is going on in their chapters. We are also looking at upgrade and utilizing our Facebook and Twitter account to post or share what each inspector runs across or would post questions so other can share their experience with the same situations.

I will continue to work toward making our profession a little easier for all of us by better communication.

Thanks for your support,

Jene A. Gaver
President of OBOA 2018