

Dr. Bob Cohen

Dr. Bob Cohen has spent well over a decade educating people about cooperatives. He teaches the course '**Introduction to Cooperatives**' at the Ohio State University, and has given workshops and presentations on cooperatives in 20 states and six foreign countries.

One student of MAC-Ed's Co-ops 101 Session sums up Bob's ability best in an evaluation summary. **He stated, "Bob is an excellent speaker and trainer. He has to live, eat, and drink co-ops. It was a wonderful session."**

Since March of 2007, Dr. Cohen has also served as CEO and Director of Business Assistance at Braintree www.braintreepartners.org Braintree is a non-profit business incubator which assists business startups and emerging companies in North Central Ohio. He has served as Braintree's Executive Director since July 2004.

Previous to accepting the position at Braintree, he spent ten years working as regional manager for a Washington-based international business development agency and one year as operations manager for a Columbus-based micro-enterprise program. Cohen, who has lived in the Mansfield area since 1988, has served as an adjunct faculty member of North Central State College and Ashland University, and is currently on the faculty of The Ohio State University Mansfield, and OSU's Agricultural Technical Institute in Wooster.

Bob has a PhD in Higher Education from Ohio University, an M.A. from The Ohio State University, an MBA from Franklin University, and a B.A. from the University of Akron. He is a licensed insurance agent, and a Certified Business Advisor (CBA). His awards, association participation and education are extensive.