For all NCDOL Employees

APRIL 2022

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FROM THE COMMISSIONER

I hope you're all enjoying the first few weeks of spring! I certainly appreciate the warmer weather and the extra hour of daylight in the evenings. The change in seasons also means a busier schedule for many of us, and my calendar is full of NCDOL events for the month of April.

Safety award banquets kicked off in Asheboro this week, and seven more are on the calendar for April. I'm also looking forward to attending several Carolina Star and OSH safety partnership ceremonies. On the Standards and Inspections side of the department, I am particularly excited to visit The Quartz Corporation facility in Yancey County. This is my first visit to an operation of this nature, and I look forward to observing first-hand the important work of the aggregates industry. On a bittersweet note, this event will also celebrate the upcoming retirement of William Gerringer. William has dedicated more than 23 years to our Mine and Quarry Bureau and will graduate to his next adventure in life on May 1.

The Communications Division is wrapping up work on the 2021 NCDOL Annual Report. Many of you played a role in gathering the data and information published in the report, but all of you contributed to the achievements that this year's report will recognize. Though you are experts in the area in which you work, I encourage you to take time to read the entire report. You may learn something you didn't know about the important work of our department! The report will be available in hard copy and on the website in early April.

Are you in need of new NCDOL-logo apparel or other merchandise? The department will once again offer a catalog of logo apparel items for sale during the month of May. This year's catalog will feature some of our historically popular items – T-shirts, polo shirts and jackets – while also offering a few new selections. More information about the dates of the sale and the final catalog selections will be coming soon. The catalog sale is sponsored by the Employee Recognition Banquet Planning Committee and helps pay for this year's banquet. I hope you will plan to attend the banquet on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh.

Enjoy your time away from work on Good Friday, a state holiday, and I hope you have a wonderful Easter with family and friends.

Josh Dobson

EMPLOYEE NEWS

• Kevin Wood of the Standards and Inspections Division, Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau, passed the QEI Exam. Kevin completed rigorous training and an examination process to prove his qualifications and is now a qualified elevator inspector. Congratulations on a job well done.

NEW HIRES

• David Bailey, Wage and Hour, wage and hour investigator, Raleigh

PROMOTIONS

• Angela Leon, Wage and Hour, wage and hour supervisor, Raleigh

SEPARATIONS

- Antoine Pope, Financial Services, accounting technician I, Raleigh
- Leaton Jones, OSH, OSHA industrial hygienist II, Charlotte
- Larry Sumner, OSH West, OSHA safety officer I, Winston-Salem
- Sarah Burns, OSH West, OSHA safety officer I, Charlotte
- Gregory Williams, OSH East, OSHA industrial hygienist, Raleigh



April Birthdays!

Marcia Page
 Andrew Gunto
 Jeff Mitchell
 Bart Evans
 Katharine Braak
 Blair Byrd

9 Sam Kirkman

9 Jamie Lawson
9 Mark Rasdall
10 Dennis Berwyn
10 Robert Olman
17 Rob Jacobson
19 Crystal Williams
20 Matt Gruber

20 Erin Smith
20 Wesley Tart
23 Dean Johnson
26 LaTara Barrow
29 Merville Forrester

- 29 Crystal Stallings
- 29 Jill Warren

OSHR RESOURCES FOR TRIANGLE-BASED WORKERS COMMUTING TO WORK

- No-cost bus rides: GoTriangle
- Vanpool rideshare program
- Carpool rideshare program: Share the Ride NC





Details coming soon. Profits go to the Employee Recognition Banquet fund



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Funds go to the Employee Recognition Banquet.





HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE



New EAP Work-Life Homepage

By Angela Hamilton, Human Resources

There have been some recent changes to the EAP platform. The new magazine style configuration offers essential information on topics ranging from aging, parenting and healthy communication at home and at work in a more user-friendly format. You will still be able to login the same way and have access to all your favorite EAP resources. Your username and password will remain the same.

Take this opportunity to login to your EAP to get used to navigating their updated system. If you need assistance with the new configuration or can't locate a resource you need, please reach out to me for assistance, or contact the EAP directly.

Your EAP administered by MYgroup is available to all DOL employees. This service is free and confidential. It is available 24 hours a day and can help in all areas of life. It includes up to three free counseling sessions, as well as referrals for specialized services.

Just call or log on to get started. TOLL-FREE: 888-298-3907 WEBSITE: www.mygroup.com>My Portal Login>Work-Life USERNAME: nclabor PASSWORD: guest

Inside NC Labor

Be sure to check out NCDOL's *Inside NC Labor*, a podcast designed to inform and educate North Carolina citizens on the role that the Department of Labor plays in state government.

Episode 49 features Todd McNoldy, survey manger, and John Luckado, statistical research assistant, as they discuss the Research and Policy Bureau's important work in collecting data on workplace injuries, illnesses and fatalities. Specifically, Todd and John discuss John's work on the Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI), which serves to compile and code all work-related fatalities in North Carolina.

Inside NC Labor is now available on YouTube, Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Anchor and Google Podcasts.



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What s New O Your Library

Online Resources

- Do You Know How Occupational Data for Health Can Support Quality Care? NIOSH fact sheet.
- Employment Trends and Projections in Construction. CPWR Data Bulletin. March 2022 issue.
- FACE IT: Worker Safety Matters During Lawn Care. NIOSH infographic.
- NFPA Journal. Spring 2022.
- NIH News in Health. March 2022.
- National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction May 2-6, 2022. OSHA webpage.
- Safety + Health. March 2022 issue.
- Stand Up 4 Grain Safety: April 4-8, 2022. OSHA poster.
- Six Ways to Stay Safe When Working in Marine Terminal Mechanic Shops. OSHA poster.
- Take Time, Save Lives. USDOL/MSHA blog post.
- Warehousing and Storage. OSHA Safety and Health Topic webpage.

Books/Consensus Standards

- *Mobile and Locomotive Cranes...* ASME B30.5-2021. ASME, 2021.
- *National Board Inspection Code*. TJ298 .N37 2019. National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors, 2019. Donated by Don Kinney, Standards and Inspections - Boiler Safety Bureau.
- *Risk Management Techniques for Safety Practitioners.* ASSP TR-31010-2020. ASSP, 2020.
- *Rules for Commissioned Inspectors*. NB-263, RCI-1-2019. National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors, 2019. Donated by Don Kinney, Standards and Inspections Boiler Safety Bureau.

Periodical Issues

- *Bulletin*. Winter 2022 issue. National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors, 2022.
- OH&S. March 2022 issue. 1105 Media Inc.
- *Professional Safety*. February 2022 issue. American Society of Safety Professionals, 2021. Donated by Phil Hooper, Standards and Inspections.
- *Safety* + *Health*. March 2022 issue. National Safety Council, 2021. Donated by Wanda Lagoe, OSH-ETTA.

