



JUNE 2023

# LABOR N.C.

*For all NCDOL Employees*

## FROM THE COMMISSIONER

As has become our annual tradition, this edition highlights the accomplishments of our NCDOL family members who recently graduated or who will graduate in the coming days and weeks. Graduation - whether from high school, college or a trade school - is an achievement to be celebrated. I want to wish a heartfelt congratulations to all graduates and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors. Congratulations Class of 2023!

Trench Safety Stand-Down Week is June 19 – 23. The goal of the event is to reach out to the many workers who work in and around trenches and excavations to provide them with information about current excavation requirements and safety procedures for working in trenches. This event was first held in 2016 by the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA), with federal OSHA joining as a partner a year later.

June marks the official start to summer which, in North Carolina, means heat and humidity. Please be aware of the signs and symptoms of heat-related illness as you spend time working and playing outdoors. Remember the importance of taking frequent breaks, wearing lightweight clothing and staying hydrated by drinking plenty of water.

During the month of May, I had several opportunities to participate in many events in Eastern North Carolina. I was able to tour the GE Hitachi Nuclear Facility in Wilmington, speak at the Eastern Carolina Safety and Health Conference in Greenville and travel to the Outer Bank to present a Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) award to Cape Hatteras Electric Cooperative. I am very proud of the men and women who work hard everyday in our great state and their commitment to safety and health.

Don't forget that Father's Day is on June 18 this year. Please take the opportunity to wish the special men in your life a Happy Father's Day and thank them for all that they do.

*Josh Dolson*

# EMPLOYEE NEWS

- Congratulations to Jennifer Boone, OSH West, for completing the requirements for her MESH and IH-MESH.

## NEW HIRES

- George Harper, Elevator and Amusement Device, elevator inspector, Cabarrus County
- George Bryant, Wage and Hour, wage and hour investigator I, Raleigh
- Amanda Murphy, OSH West, OSHA industrial hygienist I, Charlotte
- Samantha Case, OSH West, OSHA industrial hygienist I, Charlotte
- Mark Tulio, OSH East, OSHA safety officer I, Wilmington
- Omobolaji Fawole, OSH East, OSHA industrial hygienist I, Raleigh
- Rigoberto Santana, Wage and Hour, administrative specialist II, Raleigh
- Nathaniel Cline, OSH West, OSHA compliance officer I, Charlotte



Congratulations to John Luckado on his promotion to social research specialist II in PSIM!

## PROMOTIONS

- John Luckado, PSIM, social research specialist II, Raleigh

## RETIREMENT

- Karen Padgett, PSIM, social research specialist II, Raleigh

## SEPARATIONS

- Crystal Stallings, Financial Services, accounting technician I, Raleigh
- Jacinth McAllister, Financial Services, accounting technician II, Raleigh
- Jennifer Hartle, OSH West, OSHA safety officer I, Charlotte
- Britne Becker, Legal Affairs, agency legal specialist, Raleigh



## June Birthdays!

2 John Mallow  
5 Eric Bellamy  
5 Roberto Gonzalez  
7 Renathe Cotten  
7 Wesley Holder  
7 Arthur Richards  
9 Chanel Brown  
9 Shannon Utley  
10 Mark Cliff  
10 Adrienne Stanley

12 Bruce Miles  
13 Betty Morgan  
15 Jay Cronley  
16 Laura Crawford  
16 Sharon Owens  
17 Chris Fombin  
17 Frank Menola  
18 Morgan Brown  
19 Almeth Scott

20 Emily Fish  
20 Stephanie White  
22 Carl Burgette  
23 LaKisha Cameron  
24 Ralph Cumberland  
26 Ushang Desai  
26 Carla Rose  
29 Stacey Thompson  
30 Twanette Haiser  
30 Kiley Willard



# CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023



- **Kennedy Dobson** is graduating from McDowell High School. She will be attending McDowell Technical Community College to study Nursing. Kennedy is the daughter of **Josh Dobson, Commissioner of Labor**.
- **Gretchen Rose** will be graduating and receiving an endorsement in dance on June 10, 2023, from Longleaf School of the Arts, a charter high school in Raleigh. She will be attending the University of North Carolina at Greensboro this fall. She will begin as an Exploratory Major and a Dance Minor. Gretchen is the daughter of **Carla Rose, Legal Affairs Division**.
- **Autumn Noel Wilson** graduated May 5, 2023, from East Carolina University with a B.S. in Education. She plans to begin her teaching career in Pennsylvania. Autumn is the daughter of **Jeff Wilson, Publications**.
- **Connor Key** is graduating from East Surry High School this month. He plans to attend Pfeiffer University this fall to pursue a degree in Business. He will also continue his student athlete career, as he accepted a position on the Pfeiffer University golf team. Connor is the son of **Glenn Key, OSH West**.
- **Allen Hollowell Greene** graduated from Sandhills Community College with an Associate Degree in Fine Arts in Music (cum laude). He will attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and pursue a Bachelors Degree in Music. Allen is the son of **Gregory Greene, Consultative Services Bureau**.
- **Kelly Schumann** graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with distinction with a B.S. in Psychology and a B.A. in Education, Human Development and Family Science. She was also a Buckley Public Service Scholar, through the Carolina Center for Public Service. She will be moving to Greenville and attending East Carolina University this upcoming year in the Masters program for Occupational Therapy. Kelly is the daughter of **Ric Schumann, OSH East**.

- **Alfonso "Mathias" Perez** graduated from Randolph Early College High School on May 19, 2023, with not only his high school diploma but also an Associates Degree in Art. He will be attending East Carolina University in the fall to study Anthropology with the end goal of becoming a coroner. Alfonso is the son of **Christina Medina, OSH West.**
- **Anais Delgado** is graduating from Mallard Creek High School. She will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on a full academic scholarship as a Morehead-Cain Scholar, a Chancellor's Science Scholar and a Bill Gates Scholarship recipient. She will be double majoring in Biomedical Engineering and Computer Science as an Accelerated Research Scholar. She was also awarded the UNC Global Gap Year Fellowship, Summer Study Abroad Fellowship and is a member of Honors Carolina. Anais is the daughter of **Millie Chevere, OSH West.**
- **Jose Quintero** graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in December 2022. He worked hard while in college and made it his personal goal to pay for his own tuition and graduate debt free. His hard work outside of school led him to be promoted to an Assistant Manager, all while still in college and maintaining his grades. Since his graduation, he has started his career working for Fuji. His family is very proud of him and all he has accomplished this early in his life. Jose is the son of **Mark Tulio, OSH East.**
- **Ben Quintero** graduated from the Milwaukee School of Engineering in December 2022. He was in a great position with multiple firms trying to recruit him prior to his graduation and he was able to accept a position that started upon his graduation. He designs roadways, so as you are driving to work you can think of him. Ben is the son of **Mark Tulio, OSH East.**
- **Nicholas Dunphy** will graduate on June 9, 2023. He was homeschooled and was active in the Civil Air Patrol, played varsity baseball for three years on local homeschool teams and has been involved in his church through youth groups and as an altar server through his time in school. He will be attending Wake Technical Community College this fall where he will be working on an Automotive Technician Associate's degree. Nicholas is the son of **Cory Dunphy, ETTA.**

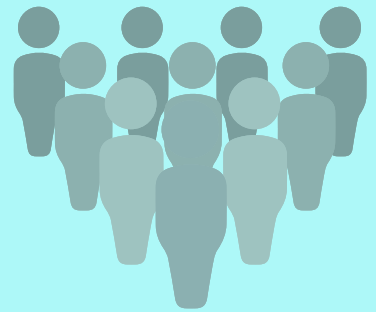
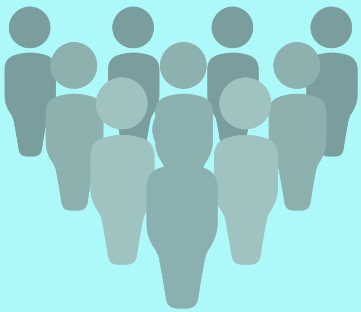
# CONGRATULATIONS



Wesley Holder, Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau, with his granddaughter. She was born May 3, 2023. Her name is Elise Nicole Shaffer and she weighs 7 lbs. 2.5 oz. and is 19 inches long. Congratulations Wesley!



## HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE



### MYgroup EAP

Your EAP administered by MYgroup is available to all NCDOL 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](http://www.mygroup.com)>My Portal Login>Work-Life

USERNAME: nclabor

PASSWORD: guest

**The Dobson Dodgers are back at it again!  
Please come out and support your 2022 State  
Government Runner-up this season as they  
try to go all the way and claim the 2023 State  
Government Champion title! They would  
appreciate your support!**



### 2023 NCDOL Softball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
June 6	Tuesday	Dept. of Justice	5:45 pm
June 15	Thursday	State Auditor	5:45 pm
June 20	Tuesday	Dept. of DHHS	5:45 pm
June 28	Wednesday	Dept. of Transportation	5:45 pm
July 12	Wednesday	Dept. of Environmental Quality	5:45 pm
July 18	Tuesday	Dept. of Agriculture	5:45 pm
July 27	Thursday	Dept. of Revenue	5:45 pm

-All games will be played at Carolina Pines #1 (2305 Lake Wheeler Rd., Raleigh, NC 27603)

-All games are double headers. The second game will follow after a short break.

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# What's New @Your Library

## Online Resources

- **Assault Fifth Leading Cause of Workplace Deaths.** NSC webpage.
- **Beat the Heat National Contest.** OSHA National Heat contest (will close June 9, 2023).
- **English-Spanish Glossary.** USDOL publication.
- **Health Risk Factors in Construction versus All Industries.** New CPWR Data Dashboard.
- **Leveraging Collaboration in an Expanded OSH Research Paradigm.** Recorded CDC-NIOSH webinar.
- **Losing A Loved One on the Job.** OSHA brochure in English and Spanish.
- **Managing Hazardous Drug Exposures: Information for Healthcare Settings.** NIOSH publication.
- **Mental Health at Work: Raising Awareness of Current Resources.** USDOL blog post.
- **NIH News in Health.** May 2023.
- **New Initiative Focuses on Preventing Falls.** USDOL blog post (in English and Spanish).
- **Preventing Struck by Incidents: Tips and Strategies.** Recorded webinar posted on CPWR's YouTube channel.
- **Procedures for Developing the NIOSH List of Hazardous Drugs in Healthcare Settings.** NIOSH publication.

## Online Resources Cont.

- **Safe and Proper Use of Disinfectants to Reduce Viral Surface Contamination in Correctional Facilities.** NIOSH poster.
- **Safety + Health.** May 2023 issue.
- **Small Business Safety and Health Handbook.** OSHA/NIOSH handbook (recently revised with new checklists).
- **Struck-By Injuries in the Construction Sector...** NIOSH blog post.
- **Women in Construction: Employment, Business Owner and Injury Trends.** CPWR Data Bulletin. May 2023.

## Periodical Issues

- *OH&S.* April/May 2023 issue. 1105 Media Inc., 2023.
- *Safety + Health.* May 2023 issue. National Safety Council, 2023. Donated by Wanda Lagoe, OSH-ETTA.

## Books

- *Personal Energy Absorbers and Energy Absorbing Lanyards.* ANSI/ASSP Z359.13-2013(R2022). ASSP, 2022.
- *Safety Requirements for Pile Installation and Extraction Operations.* ANSI/ASSP A10.19-2017. ASSP, 2017.



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