

## From the Commissioner

The 2011 Toys for Tots drive was an overwhelming success. I would like to thank Lee Peacock for spearheading the drive and for helping make the Christmas Open House a special event. With the help of our partners from the State Auditor's Office and the Attorney General's Office we collected an overwhelming 734 toys, which included 22 bicycles and tricycles. In addition to the toys, we received almost \$1,000 to contribute to the Toys for Tots charity.

Your support of this drive helped provide Christmas presents to hundreds of needy families throughout our state. There are so many behind the scenes that help make the event happen, but I'd like to give special thanks to the following individuals who served as building coordinators for the toy drive:

*Asheville:* Tena Clark; *Winston-Salem:* Mary Perkinson; *Wilmington:* Howard Laurie; *Lake Boone Trail:* Nancy Carpenter and Curt Davis; *Old Revenue Building:* Susan Haritos and Lisa Burger; *Labor Building:* Amanda Carroll, Mike Hodgin, Amy Jaeger and John Luckado; and our partners: Victoria Voight and Nimasheena Burns, *Department of Justice;* Michael Fetting, *State Auditor's Office.*

A financial audit of the department is currently underway. The audit is required by law every three years. The auditors will be housed on the third floor of the Labor Building for the next couple of weeks.

Tina Morris-Anderson was recently named as Frank Seiber's successor in the Information Technology Division. Tina will add this to her plate as director of Research and Policy effective Jan. 1. Gary Franks will continue to lead the hardware support area, and Chris Lehenbauer will manage the applications side of the division. I know Tina will provide great leadership and guidance to the Information Technology group as we head into 2012.

I am looking forward to another great year working together. Happy New Year to each of you!

*Cherie*

## Employee News

- Congratulations to Terry Carroll, who was named the 2011 Elevator Inspector of the Year. Terry received the honor at the Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau's annual inspectors meeting in Raleigh on Dec. 7.
- Congratulations to Roseanne Morgan, OSH Consultative Services, who received her recertification as a Certified Industrial Hygienist from the American Board of Industrial Hygiene on Dec. 12. This recertification as Certified Industrial Hygienist is for a five-year period. Roseanne has continuously been a Certified Industrial Hygienist since Nov. 28, 1989. She works out of the Winston-Salem office.
- Congratulations to Mike Conner, who graduated Dec. 16 with a master of science degree in occupational safety from the College of Technology and Computer Science at East Carolina University. Mike works in OSH Compliance East in District 8.



*Terry Carroll accepts the 2011 Elevator Inspector of the Year certificate from Commissioner Cherie Berry.*

- Congratulations to Russell and Ann McCue on the birth of their son. Silas Marcos McCue was born Nov. 30 and weighed in at 9 pounds, 7 ounces, and 22½ inches long. Russell is a health compliance officer in Compliance West in the Charlotte office.

## New Hires

- Joseph Long, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.

## Job Changes

- Jacopo Wiggins, health compliance officer I, from District 9 to District 7, OSH, Raleigh.
- Vicki Curlee, from office assistant III to information processing assistant I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Dawn Jarman, from safety compliance officer II to health compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.

## Retirements

- Frank Seiber, information technology manager, Administration, Raleigh.
- Phil Leslie, employment discrimination investigator, EDB, Raleigh.

## Separations

- Jack Stein, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Wilmington.
- Brian Burger, safety compliance officer II, OSH, Raleigh.
- Marisol Suarez, investigator I, Wage and Hour, Raleigh.



*Frank Seiber accepts a certificate of appreciation from John Baldwin. The IT Division held a retirement party for Frank on Dec. 16.*



*Phil Leslie accepts a certificate of appreciation from Andy Frazier. The Employment Discrimination Bureau held a retirement party for Phil on Dec. 21.*

## Upcoming Birthdays

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| 1-2 Kevin Grissom   | 1-15 Brandon Carter | 1-23 Dawn Beasley    |
| 1-4 Roseanne Morgan | 1-15 Stephen Green  | 1-24 Bob O'Neal      |
| 1-5 Dawain Faison   | 1-16 J.J. Bulluck   | 1-24 Michael Conner  |
| 1-6 Elnora Fields   | 1-18 Yvonne Early   | 1-25 Dee Flaten      |
| 1-12 Amanda Carroll | 1-21 Paul Sullivan  | 1-27 Leighton Dowdle |
| 1-13 Amy Jaeger     | 1-22 Nancy Swaney   | 1-30 Victoria Curlee |
| 1-13 Bobby Davis    | 1-23 Russell Davis  |                      |



## SECC Update

Thanks to an additional generous donation, the Department of Labor's total contribution to the 2011 State Employees Combined Campaign is now \$15,742!

### Boss Lift to Fort Hood

BY JACK BRINSON  
BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

On Dec. 4 and 5, I was privileged to go and visit with one of our Budget and Management Division employees, Chris McManaman, who is currently serving in the N.C. National Guard's 113th Sustainment Brigade. The Guard has a program of flying certain bosses of employees to the duty station where their employee is stationed. Chris was at Fort Hood, Texas, at the time of my visit.

We flew down and back on a C-130 military aircraft, which proved to be quite an adventure! For those of you who have ever watched the movie *The Green Berets*, the C-130 shows up in a gunship version called "Puff the Magic Dragon." It was a fairly Spartan ride, but gave us an idea of how the troops would be traveling to the Middle East.

At Fort Hood, I had a great chance to visit with Chris and get a few snapshots of what he would be going through. I had the opportunity to put on Chris's 40 pounds of battle armor (but I'm glad I didn't have to have on the 50-pound backpack and 10–20 pounds of personal weaponry at the same time).

We rode in a military convoy around firing ranges and later practiced various warfare simulations. I had a fun time eating an MRE (Meals-Ready-to-Eat) before flying back to RDU.

I appreciated being able to accept an award on behalf of Commissioner Berry and the whole NCDOL team as we were recognized as being strong supporters of our employees serving in the Guard.



*Top photo: Chris McManaman and Jack Brinson prepare MREs. Bottom photo: Chris and Jack visit during the "Boss Lift" at Fort Hood, Texas.*

### 2012 Holiday Schedule

Holiday	Observance Date	Day of Week
New Year's Day	Jan. 2	Monday
MLK Jr.'s Birthday	Jan. 16	Monday
Good Friday	April 6	Friday
Memorial Day	May 28	Monday
Independence Day	July 4	Wednesday

Holiday	Observance Date	Day of Week
Labor Day	Sept. 3	Monday
Veterans Day	Nov. 12	Monday
Thanksgiving	Nov. 22–23	Thursday and Friday
Christmas	Dec. 24–26	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

# What's New @ Your Library

By NICK VINCELLI, LIBRARIAN

## Revised Audiovisual List

- <http://www.nclabor.com/lib/liblist.htm>

This page has been updated to reflect new titles and other revisions.

## New Titles

- *Evaluating the Effectiveness of Hearing Conservation Programs Through Audiometric Data Base Analysis—ANSI Technical Report* (ANSI S12.13 TR-2002). ANSI/Acoustical Society of America, 2002.
- *Guidelines for Identification of Ammonia Refrigeration Piping and System Components* (IIAR B114-91). IIAR, 1991.
- *Life Safety Code* (2012 edition). NFPA, 2012.
- *Life Safety Code Handbook* (2012 edition). NFPA, 2012.
- *Safety Requirements for Confined Spaces* (ANSI/ASSE Z117-2009). ASSE, 2009.
- *Standard Test Methods for Foot Protection* (ASTM F2412-11). ASTM, 2011.

## New DVDs

- *Emergency Action Plan: Crisis Under Control* (DVD 714—English/Spanish/Portuguese). DuPont; 16 min.; 2009.
- *Slips, Trips, and Falls: Taking the Right Steps* (DVD 715—English/Spanish/Portuguese/French). DuPont; 18 min.; 2011.

## Online FYIs

- *Hair Smoothing Products That Could Release Formaldehyde*  
[http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/formaldehyde/hazard\\_alert.html](http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/formaldehyde/hazard_alert.html)
- *Hair Salons*  
<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/hairsalons/index.html>
- *Nail Gun Safety: The Facts*  
<http://www.nailgunfacts.org/?source=govdelivery>
- *Rural Road Crashes—They're Preventable* (Online video produced by Iowa DOT)  
<http://www.iowadot.gov/mvd/ods/RuralRoadCrashes.html>

## 2012 State Employees' Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observance Program & John R. Larkins Award Ceremony

Noon, Friday, Jan. 13, 2012

First Baptist Church, 99 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh

<http://MLK2012.nc.gov>