

### From the Commissioner

The first Safety Awards banquet was held March 22 in Lincolnton. I was pleased to be there to help kick off the 66th season, and I look forward to attending 29 more banquets between now and the end of June. The program continues to improve each year thanks to our program coordinator, Eursula Joyner, and the recognition program team. The banquets provide a platform in which to recognize employers and employees for on-the-job safety and health achievements in their communities in front of their peers. It has been my privilege to attend these banquets over the past 11 years and hand out the awards in person, and I look forward to doing it again this year. I also look forward to visiting with many of our staff members at the various banquets across the state.

So many times at NCDOL we work collaboratively between bureaus to carry out our regulatory mandates. Clinton Rayfield, John Jaskolka and Ulysses Slade from OSH Compliance recently served as trainees to assist ASH during the very busy preoccupancy inspection season. Had it not been for the assistance of these CSHOs, the ASH Bureau would not have been able to complete the large number of preoccupancy inspections in a timely manner. The willingness of these employees to help out is a testament to what can be accomplished when we work together as a team. This level of dedication and professionalism is a testament to the caliber of individuals who make up our agency and is part of what makes our department such a special place to work.

And speaking of teamwork, the Bad News Berrys started practicing for the upcoming softball season this week. Bruce Miles will lead the team as head coach, Mike Hodgin is assistant coach, and Steve Sykes is team manager. Steve is hopeful that the extra practices and instruction provided by Bruce will translate into a few more wins for the Bad News Berrys' 2012 season. While I hope Steve gets his wish, as long as everyone continues to have fun together and demonstrates good sportsmanship, it will be a winning season in my book.

State offices will be closed on Good Friday, April 6. Hope you enjoy the day off and have a wonderful Easter break.

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## **Employee News**

### **New Hires**

- Angela Alford, OSHA safety compliance officer I, OSH, Wilmington.
- Jermaine Dennis, OSHA safety compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Crystal Talmadge, accounting technician, Budget, Raleigh.
- Kim Grayson, OSHA health compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.

### Job Changes

- Rose Gray, from processing assistant IV in Apprenticeship to processing assistant V in PSIM, Raleigh.
- Bruce Pearson, from OSHA safety compliance officer II to OSHA health compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Sybil Bray, from OSHA safety compliance officer II in West Compliance to OSHA safety consultant II in Consultative Services, Winston-Salem.

### Retirements

- Nancy Parker, processing assistant IV, Library/ETTA, Raleigh.
- Gary Hammer, apprenticeship consultant supervisor, Apprenticeship, Asheville.
- Bill Warner, apprenticeship specialist, Apprenticeship, Southeast Area.

### **Separation**

• Lisa Burger, processing assistant IV, ETTA, Raleigh.







The Education, Training and Technical Assistance Bureau held a potluck farewell luncheon on March 26 for Nancy Parker and Lisa Burger.

**Above:** Nancy Parker receives a certificate of service from Wanda Lagoe. Nancy is retiring from N.C. Department of Labor after eight years of working in the Library and more than 26 years in state government.

**Top Left:** Nancy receives The Old North State Award and a certificate of appreciation from John Baldwin, Nick Vincelli and Wanda Lagoe.

**Bottom Left:** Lisa Burger receives a certificate from Wanda Lagoe and Kevin O'Barr. She is leaving ETTA after having worked there since 2010.

# **Upcoming Birthdays**

- 4-1 Bob Kastenhuber
- 4-2 Brandon Barnhardt
- 4-2 Marcia Page
- 4-3 Andrew Gunto
- 4-4 Dennis Bruce
- 4-6 Angela Buckner
- 4-6 Bart Evans
- 4-8 Kathryn Castelloes
- 4-8 Mark Cole

- 4-9 Blair Byrd
- 4-9 Casey Kirkman
- 4-9 Tom Savage
- 4-10 Timothy Juneau
- 4-14 Ed Lewis
- 4-15 Doug Lucas
- 4-17 Rob Jacobson
- 4-18 Shay Wingate
- 4-20 Wesley Tart

- 4-22 Sandra Allen
- 4-23 Dean Johnson
- 4-24 Anita Henderson
- 4-27 Andy Frazier
- 4-27 Chuck Murdock
- 4-27 Mike Tolley
- 4-27 Elizabeth Cruz
- 4-30 Hoyle Hoffman

# **Safety Awards Banquet Schedule**

The following Safety Award banquets are scheduled for April, May and June. The first banquet took place in Lincolnton on March 22. Click *here* to read the Lincoln Times-News article about that banquet.

For more information about the Safety Awards Program, contact Eursula Joyner at 919-807-2908 or eursula.joyner@labor.nc.gov.

Date	City	Location	Time
April 3	Lumberton	Village Station Restaurant	6 p.m.
April 10	Greenville	Hilton Greenville	6 p.m.
April 11	Goldsboro	Lane Tree Country Club	Noon
April 12	Shelby	Cleveland County Country Club	6 p.m.
April 17	Roxboro	Old Country Club Steak House	6 p.m.
April 19	Asheboro	AVS Banquet Center	Noon
April 24	Burlington	Vailtree Event Center (Graham)	Noon
May 2	Statesville	Ramada Inn (Formerly Holiday Inn)	Noon
May 3	Monroe	Monroe Country Club	Noon
May 4	Charlotte	Hilton Charlotte Executive Park	Noon
May 8	Rockingham	Cole Auditorium	6 p.m.
May 10	Henderson	Greenway's Authentic Charcoal Grill	6 p.m.
May 15	Morganton	Morganton Community House	6 p.m.
May 17	Greensboro	Greensboro Coliseum	8 a.m.
May 22	Gastonia	Gastonia Country Club	6 p.m.
May 24	Ahoskie	Ahoskie Inn	6 p.m.
May 30	Kinston	Kinston Country Club	Noon
June 1	Raleigh	Raleigh Marriott Crabtree Valley	Noon
June 4	Wilmington	Wilmington Community College, North Campus	6 p.m.
June 6	Rocky Mount	Gateway Convention Center	6:30 p.m.
June 12	Sanford	Chef Paul's	11:30 a.m.
June 14	Thomasville	Colonial Country Club	Noon
June 15	Concord	Cabarrus County Country Club	Noon
June 18	Albemarle	Stanly Regional Medical Center	Noon
June 19	Wilson	Wilson Chamber of Commerce	Noon
June 19	Clinton	Piggly Wiggly, Media Room	6 p.m.
June 21	Asheville	Asheville Biltmore Park Hilton	6 p.m.
June 26	Hickory	Crowne Plaza Hickory	6 p.m.
June 28	Mount Airy	Cross Creek Country Club	Noon

# 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**

- Construction Industry Safety and Health Management Program. NCDOL/OSH, 2012.
- *Minimum Requirements for Workplace First Aid Kits and Supplies* (ANSI/ISEA Z308.1-2009). International Safety Equipment Association, 2009.
- Prevention Through Design Guidelines for Addressing Occupational Hazards and Risks in Design and Redesign Processes (ANSI/ASSE Z590.3-2011). American Society of Safety Engineers, 2011.
- Refrigeration Piping and Heat Transfer Components (ASME B31.5-2010). ASME, 2010.

### **New DVDs**

- Skid Steer Loaders: Safety In and Out (DVD 720—English and Spanish). Summit Training Source; 15 min.; 2012.
- Large Equipment Safety (DVD 382—English and Spanish). Long Island Productions; 21 min.; 1991.

### **Online FYIs**

- Cost Effective Rollover Protective Structures (CROPS) http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/aginjury/crops/
- Hazard Communication GHS Final Rule
  http://www.osha.gov/dsg/hazcom/GHSfinal-rule.pdf
- Home Healthcare Workers: How to Prevent Violence on the Job http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2012-118/pdfs/2012-118.pdf
- *Reducing Falls During Residential Construction: Roof Sheathing* https://www.osha.gov/Publications/reducing-falls-during-residential-construction-roof-sheathing.pdf
- Severe Weather

http://www.nccrimecontrol.org/index2.cfm?a=000003,000010,000025

• Working to Prevent Line of Duty Deaths, Injuries and Illnesses to North Carolina Firefighters http://www.nclabor.com/osha/etta/hazard\_alerts/FirefighterSafety.pdf

### **Online Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less Classes**

Registration is available for the online Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less classes that begin the week of April 23. The 15-week weight-management program uses strategies proven to work. Participants in the current online classes have lost a cumulative 1,200 pounds to date!

Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less teaches a lifelong lifestyle of eating smart and moving more for you and your families. It is not a diet. State employees on the State Health Plan can take the classes for \$5. After paying \$30 for the program, you will receive \$25 back as long as you attend at least 10 classes during the 15 weeks.

Visit www.esmmweighless.com/enroll/enroll-ncplan/ to register for the convenient online classes. Participation in the classes does not count as work time.