

From the Commissioner

One of the best parts about being labor commissioner is the fine folks I meet all across the state and sometimes right here in our own backyard like at last week's Carolina Star ceremony in RTP.

Triangle Transit became the first transit system in the state to achieve Carolina Star status. It was a wonderful ceremony, as so many of them are, but what made this one extra special was not so much what happened at the scene, but rather behind the scenes leading up to the event.

To give you a little history, when Triangle Transit employees learned that they would receive a flag to recognize their achievement in safety and health, management realized they did not have a flagpole in front of their building. Several weeks prior to the ceremony, management had a flagpole installed.

Veterans who work for Triangle Transit took it upon themselves to begin raising the U.S. flag each morning. Management began to recognize the pride and care these veterans demonstrated when raising the U.S. flag and the flag-raising ritual took on a life of its own around the company.

I was alerted to this ritual prior to the actual event and after I presented the Star flag to the company, these same veterans were asked to help me raise the Star flag along with the U.S. Flag up the flagpole. Being the daughter of a World War II veteran made having the veterans join me for this flag-raising ceremony extra special. I wanted to share the photo with you as we should all take a little pride in knowing that our Carolina Star flag will become a part of this morning ritual and will fly high and just below the U.S. Flag over Triangle Transit each day.



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Employee News

New Hires

- Don Chapman, elevator inspector, Elevator, Western District.
- Russ DeShield, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Derek Bailey, boiler and pressure vessel inspector, Boiler Safety, Clinton.
- John Soprano, elevator inspector, Elevator, Buncombe County.
- Angela Woods, office assistant III, OSH Raleigh.

Job Changes

- Renathe Cotten, from personnel technician III to assistant director, Human Resources, Raleigh.
- Jesus Mendoza, safety compliance officer I in OSH Compliance, Wilmington, to safety education specialist in ETTA, Raleigh.
- Jackie Haley, from time-limited to permanent accounting technician, Budget and Management.

Separations

- Shay Wingate, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Sonya Baylor, accounting technician, Budget, Raleigh.
- Clinton Rayfield, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Jean Tarter, office assistant III, OSH, Raleigh.

Retirements

- Margie Jones, information processing assistant I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Ric Cruz-Segarra, safety and health supervisor, OSH, Asheville.



Ric Cruz-Segarra receives a certificate of appreciation from OSH Director Allen McNeely. The Asheville office hosted a “retirement fiesta” for Ric on Aug. 21.

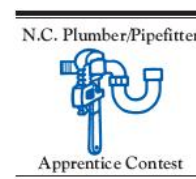
NCDOL Insurance Committee Meeting

The NCDOL Insurance Committee will meet Sept. 13 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the third floor conference room in the Old Revenue Building in Raleigh. The members of the Insurance Committee look at optional insurance choices for the department’s employees.

2013 North Carolina State Fair Apprentice Contests

The NCDOL Apprenticeship and Training Bureau and the N.C. Department of Agriculture will again be sponsoring the State Fair Apprentice contests. The contests will be held Oct. 21, 23, 24 and 25 during the State Fair near the Jim Graham Building and Hillsborough Street.

The contests will feature apprentices and high school students from across the state competing in masonry, electrical, carpentry, plumbing and HV/AC-R contests. For more information, visit the bureau’s pages on the NCDOL website or contact the Apprenticeship and Training Bureau at 919-733-7533.



Upcoming Birthdays

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| 9-2 Gwen Williams | 9-13 Greg Sims | 9-23 Jacopo Wiggins |
| 9-3 Kisha Holmes | 9-14 Jonathan Wiley | 9-24 Henry Moore |
| 9-4 Danielle Knowland | 9-15 Jennifer Haigwood | 9-24 Susan Tolbert |
| 9-6 Charles Knox | 9-17 Gary Moore | 9-26 Carol Wells |
| 9-8 Dolores Quesenberry | 9-18 Dean Strickland | 9-28 Janet Rust |
| 9-8 Paulette Hernandez | 9-20 Charity Locklear | 9-29 Ed Geddie |
| 9-10 Brent Wood | 9-20 Shelby Stephenson | 9-30 Alexa Cherry |
| 9-12 Todd McNoldy | 9-21 Danny Harrell | 9-30 Howard Walters |
| 9-12 Joe Adams | 9-22 Partice Smith | |

OnBase Electronic Content Management System Goes Live!

BY CHRIS LEHENBAUER, APPLICATIONS SERVICES TEAM LEADER

On Monday, Aug. 26, our new electronic content management (ECM) system “went live.” OnBase, the new system, was officially put into production and FileNet began its official retirement after many years of faithful service.

August saw a flurry of intense activities completed in preparation for this transition: content was migrated from FileNet to OnBase; instructor-led and web-based training sessions were held for OnBase users; the OnBase software was installed on workstations and laptops; and transition planning meetings were held.

Implementation of the new system is in the very early stages, but initial feedback from users has been very favorable. ImageSoft, our ECM vendor, is working closely with our PC Support Team to monitor and support the rollout.

What’s next: Bureaus will complete verification that all existing content was successfully migrated from FileNet to OnBase. The PC Support Team will complete installation of the OnBase software for all teleworkers that will use the system. Follow-up OnBase training sessions will be held.

Completing the transition from FileNet to OnBase establishes the foundation for DOL to expand the use of OnBase throughout the organization. The second phase of the project will focus on completing the automation of some key business process workflows.

Thanks to everyone—in the bureaus as well as in the Research and Information Technology Division and at ImageSoft—for working so hard to make this first phase of the project a success.

NCDOL YouTube Videos

The latest addition to NCDOL’s YouTube channel is a video produced by the Agricultural Safety and Health Bureau. Brenda Sutton, “the Produce Lady,” visited Patterson Farm in Rowan County. She observed how Randall and Doug Patterson grow strawberries and the steps they take to ensure a safe crop.

View this video and the others on NCDOL’s YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/user/NCDeptofLabor.



What’s New @ Your Library

BY NICK VINCELLI, LIBRARIAN

Revised Standards List

- http://10.21.81.244:8080/etta_one_stop/listingDetails.cfm?&catid=16&subcatid=201

The standards list has been updated and can be accessed from OSH One Stop Shop (Library Resources page).

New Titles

- *Hazard Communication: Awareness Program* (English and Spanish). NCDOL, 2013.
- *Standard Specification for Biodiesel Fuel Blend Stock (B100) for Middle Distillate Fuels.* (ASTM D6751-12). ASTM, 2012.

Online FYIs

- *1-Bromopropane*
<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2013-150/>
- *Fall Prevention Training Guide*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3666.pdf>

- *Falling Off Ladders Can Kill: Use Them Safely*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3625.pdf>
- *Ladder Safety Training*
<http://www.laddersafetytraining.org/>
- *Nail Gun Safety*
<https://www.osha.gov/doc/topics/nailgun/index.html>
- *Roofing Video*
https://www.osha.gov/video/wa_fallprotection/wa_fallprotection_roofing.html
- *Safe Use of Extension Ladders*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3660.pdf>
- *Safe Use of Job-made Wooden Ladders*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3661.pdf>
- *Safe Use of Stepladders*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3662.pdf>
- *Trusses Video*
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