

## From the Commissioner

I am happy to report that this year's combined Toys for Tots Drive and Christmas Open House was an overwhelming success. I'd like to recognize some of the helpers. First, I'd like to thank each of you who contributed one or several toys to this year's drive for it is the individual donations that add up to make this such a successful collection of toys for needy children throughout North Carolina.

Over the years, Lee Peacock's leadership and dedication to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Drive has helped it blossom into a major statewide effort attracting the interest of other state agencies to get involved. This year, the drive drew the interest of Gov. McCrory's office, which ended up joining the State Auditor's and Attorney General's offices as one of our toy partners.

We were pleased to have Gov. McCrory's office participate as a sponsor, but having Gov. McCrory actually attend the Christmas open house and participate in the recognition ceremony was a nice surprise and a delight for all in attendance. In addition to State Auditor Beth Wood, Lt. Gov. Dan Forest and his wife, Alice, graciously attended the open house helping make the ceremony a most memorable event.

With the help of our partners, both new and old, this was the second best collection of toys in 15 years. I am also very grateful for the very generous contribution of \$500 the North Carolina's Electric Cooperatives made to show support for the Toys for Tots Program.

There are so many people in addition to Lee that help with the coordination of all the toys. I'd like to thank Tena Clark, Mary Perkinson, Howard Laurie, Susan Haritos, Curt Davis, Angela Woods, Amanda Carroll and Jennifer Haigwood for serving as the official building coordinators. I'd also like to thank Mike Hodgin, Jeff Wilson, John Luckado and Amy Jaeger for helping behind the scenes to make this a very special day.

I look forward to working with each of you as we head into 2014.  
Happy New Year!



*Santa (Publications' Mike Hodgin) receives a Toys for Tots certificate of appreciation. Others, from left to right, Lt. Gov. Dan Forest, Gov. Pat McCrory, Lee Peacock, Commissioner Berry and State Auditor Beth Wood.*

## Employee News

- Congratulations to Ted Wall on being named 2013 Inspector of the Year for the Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau. Commissioner Berry presented Ted with a trophy and certificate at the bureau's annual meeting at the Embassy Suites Crabtree Hotel in Raleigh on Dec. 4.
- Congratulations to Dee Bryant, ETTA, for completing the requirements to earn her "Essentials of Web Design" certificate from the State Learning and Personnel Development Center. The certificate is awarded to students who complete a series of one- and two-day courses in the area of web design and development.

*Ted Wall receives a certificate and trophy from Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry for being named 2013 Inspector of the Year for the Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau.*



- Congratulations to Brandon Pernell, who graduated from East Carolina University on Dec. 14. He received a degree in exercise physiology from the Department of Kinesiology in the College of Human and Health Performance. He is the son of Dawn Beasley, Wage and Hour. He is now starting his required internship in cardiac rehab at ECU.
- Congratulations to Nancy Swaney, OSH Review Commission, on the birth of her first grandchild. Scarlett Lucille Manstedt was born Dec. 12 to Nancy's daughter Ashley and her son-in-law Eric.
- Our condolences to the friends and family of Tommie Smith, who died Dec. 2. He retired as a consultant in the Consultative Services Bureau in January 2002.
- Our condolences to Dawain Faison, IT, on the death of his wife, Michelle, Dec. 26.

## New Hires

- Tara Payne, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Cheryl Smith, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Asheville.
- Michelle Mann, health compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Mark Cox, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Wilmington.
- Lavonda Crocker, office assistant IV, Elevator, Raleigh.

## Job Changes

- Kevin O'Barr from ETTA standards supervisor to bureau chief, Consultative Services, OSH, Raleigh.
- Tim Juneau, from health compliance officer I to health compliance officer II, OSH, Wilmington.

*Greta Adams—daughter of Justin Adams and granddaughter of Joe Adams, both from the Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau—gets ready for her first Christmas.*



## Upcoming Birthdays

1-4 Roseanne Morgan	1-15 Stephen Green	1-23 Dawn Beasley
1-5 Dawain Faison	1-15 Carlene Galvin	1-23 Donald Chapman
1-6 Elnora Russell-Fields	1-16 J.J. Bulluck	1-24 Bob O'Neal
1-12 Amanda Carroll	1-16 Joyce Peterson	1-24 Michael Conner
1-13 Amy Jaeger	1-21 Paul Sullivan	1-24 Karen Kelly
1-13 Bobby Davis	1-22 Nancy Swaney	1-25 Dee Bryant
1-15 Brandon Carter	1-23 Russell Davis	1-27 Leighton Dowdle

## 2014 Holiday Schedule

### Separations

- Jessica Rasoulyan, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Marlene Markey, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Vicki Curlee, information processing assistant I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Jermain Dennis, safety compliance officer I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Trey Schneller, health compliance officer I, OSH, Raleigh.

### Retirements

- Eddie Cotten, statistical research assistant III, Research and Information Technology, Raleigh.
- Betty Herbster, apprenticeship specialist, Apprenticeship and Training, Western District.

Holiday	Observance Date	Day of Week
New Year's Day	Jan. 1	Wednesday
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Jan. 20	Monday
Good Friday	April 18	Friday
Memorial Day	May 26	Monday
Independence Day	July 4	Friday
Labor Day	Sept. 1	Monday
Veterans Day	Nov. 11	Tuesday
Thanksgiving	Nov. 27-28	Thursday and Friday
Christmas	Dec. 24-26	Wednesday-Friday

## InfraGard Presentation

NCDOL leadership team members received a handout from Jack Brinson on the presentation Lee Peacock presented on Dec. 4 to InfraGard. InfraGard is an organization sponsored by the FBI. The group's mission is to help prevent terrorism and organized crime against critical infrastructures within the United States. InfraGard brings together academicians, government, law enforcement and business leaders (from companies such as IBM and Cisco).

InfraGard members have secure credentials issued through the FBI and Homeland Security whereby members can share information about possible attacks and mitigate/eliminate attacks against the United States. Jack Brinson, Budget and Management, is sector chief in North Carolina for the Chemical Industry and Hazardous Materials Sector. Lee's presentation focused on the new chemical standards that every NCDOL employee has had to review and sign off on recently. Lee was able to illustrate several key events where proper regard to the dangers of chemical reactions were not recognized and resulted in major catastrophes.

## What's New @ Your Library

BY NICK VINCELLI, LIBRARIAN

### New Titles

- *Guide to Working with Corrosive Substances* (NCDOL Industry Guide #30). NCDOL/OSH, 2013.
- *Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Aerial Devices* (ANSI/SIA A92.2-2009). ANSI, 2009.
- *Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality* (ANSI/ASHRAE 62.1-2013). ASHRAE, 2013.

### Online FYIs

- *Emergency Responder Health Monitoring and Surveillance (ERHMS) System*  
<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/erhms/>
- *Maritime Cargo Gear Standards and 29 CFR Part 1919 Certification*  
[https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive\\_pdf/CPL\\_02-01-055.pdf](https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive_pdf/CPL_02-01-055.pdf)
- *New Factsheets Provide Tips for Young Drivers*  
<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/updates/upd-09-04-13.html>
- *Prevent Electrocutions: Work Safely With Cranes Near Power Lines* (English and Spanish)  
[https://www.osha.gov/dts/vtools/construction/crane\\_powerline\\_fnl\\_eng\\_web.html](https://www.osha.gov/dts/vtools/construction/crane_powerline_fnl_eng_web.html)
- *Safe Lighting Practices in the Shipyard Industry*  
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/osh3677.pdf>