

From the Commissioner

The OSH Advisory Council met on Wednesday, July 29, in the Old Revenue Building. The 11-member OSH Advisory Council is composed of safety and health professionals who advise, consult with and make recommendations to me on matters associated with the administration of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of North Carolina.

I'd like to thank Allen McNeely, Kevin Beauregard, Ric Schumann, Kevin O'Barr, Anne Weaver, Robby Jones, Regina Cullen and Wanda Lagoe for providing informative updates on their respective bureaus.

Yesterday I had the pleasure of attending the Rising Star celebration at Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations in Wilson with Lamont Smith. While this was my second visit to this facility, I never tire of going behind the scenes to see how the 2-million-square-foot operation runs. The massive facility produces 31,000 tires daily. Behind the scenes, I actually made a tire on the assembly line with the help of the tire-assembly team. That was the second one I've made while touring Bridgestone, so I'm getting pretty good at it.

It is inspiring to tour a plant of that magnitude and see first-hand the impact our Star program has on the workers inside the plant. They truly take pride in showing me how they make safety the No. 1 priority and I can't wait to go back when they take the next step and achieve Carolina Star status!



Commissioner Berry peers through the tire she made at Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations in Wilson while the tire-making team that assisted her holds it for a photo-op.



Photo courtesy of Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations

Employee News

- Congratulations to Brandon Barnhardt and his wife on the birth of their healthy baby boy. Liam Rivers Barnhardt was born July 31 at 6:23 a.m., weighing in at a whopping 9 pounds and 22 inches long. Brandon works out of the OSH Charlotte office for ETТА.
- Forrest Wilson (son of Publications employee Jeff Wilson) will be performing in the Raleigh Little Theatre's production of *Monty Python's Spamalot*, Aug. 28 through Sept. 13.

Job Changes

- Carrie Boring, from program assistant, OSH Review Commission, to administrative assistant, Elevator, Raleigh.
- Robbie Zimmerman, from SCO II to safety consultant II, OSH, Raleigh.

New Hires

- Beverly Lott, office assistant IV, Elevator, Raleigh.
- Juan Conde, investigator, Wage and Hour, Raleigh.
- Jennie Smith, investigator, Wage and Hour, Raleigh.
- Jeffrey Kircher, inspector, Elevator, Morganton.
- Barbara Westphal, program assistant, OSH Review Commission, Raleigh.

- Lucinda Harrington, HCO I, OSH, Wilmington.
- Avram Siegel, HCO I, OSH, Raleigh.

Separations

- Jeanine Alston, SCO I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Tony Hager, SCO I, OSH, Charlotte.
- Michael Feliciano, SCO I, OSH, Raleigh.
- Alberta Hall, personnel analyst II, Human Resources, Raleigh.

Retirements

- Ron Wells, compliance supervisor, OSH, Raleigh.
- Nancy Vick, administrative assistant, Elevator, Raleigh.



Alberta Hall receives a certificate of appreciation. Human Resources held a private luncheon for Alberta on July 22.



Nancy Vick receives a certificate of appreciation from Phil Hooper and Tom Chambers. The Elevator Bureau held a beach-themed surprise retirement party for Nancy on July 22. She will be enjoying her retirement at her house in North Myrtle Beach.



Ron Wells receives the Old North State Award from Allen McNeely. The Lake Boone Trail office held a wienie roast retirement celebration for Ron on July 16.

Upcoming Birthdays

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| 8-2 Richard Kramer | 8-09 Jeffrey Kircher | 8-21 Steve Franklin |
| 8-3 Adrienne McLean | 8-10 Claire Wallace | 8-21 Chris Oberst |
| 8-4 Gregory Davis | 8-10 Julie Martin | 8-23 Austin Geisler |
| 8-4 Lisanne Dorsch | 8-13 Tena Clark | 8-27 Tammy Higgins |
| 8-5 Jennifer Jordan | 8-14 Tiffany Lathan | 8-27 Jennie Cagle |
| 8-5 MaLee Vertucci | 8-14 Eric Schumann | 8-28 Tara Payne |
| 8-6 Amelia Pearson | 8-15 Tina Morris-Anderson | 8-29 John Luckado |
| 8-6 Mike Daniels | 8-15 Kay Knezevich | 8-29 Darryl Saunders |
| 8-6 Jimmy Snuffer | 8-19 Jeffrey Cole | 8-29 Tim Hogan |
| 8-6 Anne Weaver | 8-19 Cornelius Lloyd | 8-30 Regina Cullen |
| 8-7 James Cook | 8-20 Marcy Collyer | |
| 8-8 Chris Lehenbauer | 8-21 Britne Becker | |

What's New @ Your Library

By Nick Vincelli, Librarian

New Print Titles

- *29 CFR 1928 OSHA Standards for Agriculture*, Mancomm, 2015.
- *Enclosures for Electrical Equipment* (NEMA 250-2014). NEMA, 2014.
- *OSHA Construction Industry Standards Requiring Programs, Inspections, Procedures, Records and/or Training* (NCDOL Industry Guide #48). NCDOL/OSH, 2015.
- *Occupational Safety and Health Standards for Agriculture* (NCDOL Industry Guide #108). NCDOL/OSH, 2015.
- *Safety Colors* (ANSI Z535.1-2006 (R2011)). NEMA, 2011.

New DVD

- *Understanding & Preventing Heat-Related Illnesses* (DVD 762e). 2011; 16 minutes; Aurora Pictures.

Online FYIs

- *Asphyxiation in Sewer Line Manhole*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3819.pdf>
- *Campaign to Prevent Heat Illness in Outdoor Workers* (video)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kr2ouLj1oW0> (English)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CWu84CYk7MQ> (Spanish)
- *Filing Whistleblower Complaints Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response ... Act*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3813.pdf>
- *Filing Whistleblower Complaints Under Section 11[c] of the OSH Act of 1970*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3812.pdf>
- *Filing Whistleblower Complaints Under the Solid Waste Disposal Act*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3815.pdf>
- *Filing Whistleblower Complaints Under the Toxic Substances Control Act*
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3814.pdf>
- *OSHA: Young Workers' Rights* (video)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDprB1xC1I> (English)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTYzj2Y0ZLQ> (Spanish)
- *Reducing Hazardous Dust Exposure When Cutting Fiber-Cemented Siding*
<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/wp-solutions/2015-185/pdfs/2015-185.pdf>
- *Silicosis Update*
<http://blogs.cdc.gov/niosh-science-blog/2015/06/15/silicosis-update/>
- *Work-Related Injury Statistics Query System*
<http://wwwn.cdc.gov/wisards/workrisqs/>