## From the Commissioner

Now that Hurricane Florence has passed, I'm pleased to report that our staff members in the Wilmington office who were displaced during the storm, are safely back in business. Their regional office also survived the storm with minimal damage. This news is a blessing for us, but for so many others in the storm's path, this was not the case. My heart goes out to those who lost their loved ones, homes and businesses.

To prevent additional injuries, illnesses and fatalities during the dangerous cleanup phase that occurs after any natural disaster, the OSH Division has deployed staff members to counties hardest hit by Hurricane Florence. These staff members are providing necessary personal protective equipment such as hard hats, hearing protection, work gloves and safety glasses in counties affected by the storm. Educational materials provided by ETTA are also being distributed. It is important that North Carolinians have access to the proper tools to assist them in a safe recovery effort. Our goal is to help bring some relief to communities devasted by the storm.

For those of you involved with the cleanup in your communities or faced with cleanup in your own backyard, please be mindful of the hazards that exist when using power-operated equipment such as chain saws. Injuries often spike during the cleanup phase after natural disasters and as the leading agency in workplace safety and health, we must all practice what we preach.

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### **Employee News**

• Our condolences to Bruce Pearson, Consultative Services, on the death of his father, Lacy Pearson, Sept. 18.

### **New Hires**

- Andrew Doyle, elevator inspector, Elevator, Forsyth County
- Carl Burton, mine safety and health field representative, Mine and Quarry, Central
- Robert Wilson, safety officer I, OSH West, Winston-Salem
- Bob Tipton, safety officer I, OSH West, Charlotte
- Matthew Blanton, elevator inspector, Elevator, Mecklenburg County

### **Promotions**

- Jorge Cardona, senior elevator inspector, Elevator, Western B
- · Leaton Jones, OSH review and program analyst, OSH West, Charlotte
- Danny Mattfield, mine safety and health field representative, Mine and Quarry, East

### State Employees Combined Campaign We can really make a difference!

By John Luckado, 2018 NCDOL SECC Department Executive

The DOL SECC Campaign Coordinators are: Administration, John Luckado; Standards and Inspections, Charity Locklear; OSH-ORB, Rose Gray-Shindler; OSH East Compliance, Cynthia Richardson; and OSH

West Compliance and other OSH employees in Charlotte, Winston-Salem and Asheville, Jackie Spangler. Please notify a coordinator if you have not received your campaign materials in the next few weeks. Your Beacon number is needed if you choose the



payroll deduction option and can be found at the top of your pay statement listed as personnel number.

Pledges will be collected through **Friday**, **Sept. 28**, **2018**. All DOL pledged contributors automatically enter a drawing for one of four Amazon Echo Dots. Also this year, contributors may win one 5" x 7" desk art, easel backed metal print with any photo of their choosing from Don Kinney's photography collection, which you can view and purchase all his amazing photos at www.motherearthimages.com. Thank you, Don, for your contribution to SECC! Winners will be notified via email.

Thank you in advance for your generous participation!

# **Upcoming Birthdays**

- 10-1 Sue Swindle
- 10-1 Wanda Lagoe
- 10-4 Scott Mabry
- 10-4 Michael Greer
- 10-5 Lafayette Atkinson
- 10-5 Kristie Hall
- 10-5 Lynn Stephenson
- 10-5 Greg Williams
- 10-6 Mark Luniewski
- 10-6 Curt Hobson

- 10-7 Beverly Lott
- 10-10 Beverly Stone
- 10-11 David Crank
- 10-12 Donald Payne
- 10-13 Scott Justice
- 10-13 Robin Ewart
- 10-13 Grant Quiller
- 10-14 Gene Lassiter
- 10-16 Jason Jackowitz
- 10-18 John Jaskolka

- 10-20 Patrick Helton
- 10-22 Lisa Rayborn
- 10-25 Bill Allen
- 10-26 Howard Laurie
- 10-26 Tommy Petty
- 10-26 Warren Lutz
- 10-29 Robbie Zimmerman
- 10-31 Kathy Canady
- 10-31 Cynthia Richardson

# What's New @ Your Library

By Nick Vincelli, Librarian

### **New Print Titles**

- 2018 ASHRAE Handbook: Refrigeration American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, 2018.
- *Compressed Air and Gas Handbook* (6th ed.) Compressed Air & Gas Institute, 2003.
- *Modern Industrial Hygiene, vols. 2-3* American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 2003-2011. Donated by Michael Boltzer.
- Toolbox Reviews : Construction Topics NCDOL-OSH, 2018.

### **Online FYIs**

- *Best Built Plans: ...Manual Materials Handling* (CPWR) https://www.cpwr.com/research/research-practice-library/construction-ergonomic-research-solutions/ manual-materials-handling-planning-tool-and-resources
- A Better Understanding of NFPA 70E (NFPA) https://community.nfpa.org/community/nfpa-today/blog/2018/07/27/a-better-understanding-of-nfpa-70ethe-hierarchy-of-risk-controls-and-an-electrically-safe-work-condition
- *Clear Writing for a Construction Audience* (CPWR) https://www.cpwr.com/sites/default/files/publications/Clear-Writing-for-a-Construction-Worker-Audience.pdf
- *Employer.Gov* (USDOL) https://www.employer.gov/
- *Hurricane Key Messages for Employers, Workers and Volunteers* https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/emres/pdfs/NIOSH\_Emergency\_Responder\_Key\_Messages.pdf
- Legionellosis (OSHA) https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/legionnairesdisease/index.html
- *NIH Health in the News* (Sept. 2018) https://newsinhealth.nih.gov/2018/09
- *The Resource* (3rd Quarter—OSHR) https://oshr.nc.gov/about-oshr/resource-digital-magazine
- *Safe Work Practices in Poultry Processing* (OSHA Quick Card) https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3959.pdf
- Worker:Gov (USDOL) https://www.worker.gov/
- WAIT, WHAT?: Construction Safety Materials that Everyone Can Understand (recorded CPWR webinar) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTJ6V2t8tbY



# **2018 Superlative Award Recipients**



2018 Employee of the Year Stacey Thompson, Human Resources

### **Commissioner's Award for Excellence in Service**



Beau Thomas, Mine and Quarry Standards and Inspection Division



Carrie Shortt, Elevator and Amusement Standards and Inspection Division



Ted Hendrix, Compliance West OSH Division



Abby Newton, Consultative Services OSH Division



Carla Rose, Legal Affairs Administration Division

### **Service Award Recipients**

#### Five Years of Service

Donald Chapman, Elevator and Amusement Device Celestine Chestnutt, Wage and Hour Russell DeShield, Compliance West Carlene Harris, ETTA Harriet Hopkins, REDB David Lyle, Compliance West Tara Payne, Compliance West Crystal Stallings, ETTA Lara R. Stewart, Wage and Hour Jerrick Valerio, Wage and Hour Angela M. Woods, Compliance East

#### Ten Years of Service

Derek Bailey, Boiler Safety Selenia Genao, Wage and Hour Granville Hayes, Elevator and Amusement Device Darline H. Johnson, Human Resources Todd McNoldy, Research and Policy Judyth Niconienko, OSH Administration Beth Rodman, ASH

#### Fifteen Years of Service

Jennie Cagle, Compliance West Tena Clark, Compliance West Jeff Cole, Elevator and Amusement Device Jill F. Cramer, Legal Affairs Andrew Gunto, Boiler Safety Wanda Lagoe, ETTA Scott Mabry, OSH Administration Dolores B. Quesenberry, Communications Gregory Sims, Boiler Safety

#### **Twenty Years of Service**

Dawn Beasley, Wage and Hour Blair Byrd, Consultative Services Thomas Chambers, Elevator and Amusement Device Gregory Davis, Boiler Safety William W. Gerringer, Mine and Quarry Angela Hamilton, Human Resources Kisha Scotton Holmes, Wage and Hour Mark W. Luniewski, Consultative Services Lauren E. Norton, ASH Lee Peacock, Compliance West Tommy Petty, Elevator and Amusement Device Mildred I. Rivera, PSIM

#### Twenty-Five Years of Service

Arthur V. Britt, Jr., Administration Kathy Canady, OSH Administration Judy Durham, Compliance East Ben Harris, Compliance West Howard Laurie, Compliance East Peggy Johanne Reme, Compliance West LaMont Smith, ETTA Beverly Stone, Compliance West Paul Sullivan, Compliance West Jeffrey J. Wilson, Publications

#### Thirty Years of Service

Ed Geddie, ETTA

#### Thirty-Five Years of Service

Terri Burns, Information Technology Anne P. Weaver, PSIM

#### Forty Years of Service

Marcia Page, Mine and Quarry