# From the Commissioner

I'm excited about the 2018 Employee Recognition Banquet scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh. This is the one annual event that brings us all together under one roof to mix and mingle and celebrate our accomplishments and service to the state.

I look forward to the banquet each year and I hope to see most of you there. I promise you it will be a fun and enjoyable event with door prizes and entertainment that you will not want to miss.

The banquet is co-sponsored by the Employee Recognition Banquet Planning Committee. Throughout the year, a lot of planning and effort goes into making this event special. The committee sponsors bake sales, cooking contests, and logo apparel sales to help reduce the cost of the lunch for everyone. The diligence of these committee members affords us the opportunity to enjoy lunch with our colleagues at a minimal cost. But your participation in these events throughout the year are key to the success of this event.

I'd like to thank Carter Grimes and Adriana Jordan for serving as co-chairs, Tammy Higgins for serving as treasurer and Jennifer Haigwood for serving as the committee advisor. Additional planning committee members include: Kristi Bryson, Jermaine Dennis, Horace Dozier, Yvonne Hamilton-Thomas, Eursula Joyner, John Luckado, Crystal Moss, Mary Katherine Revels and Lara Stewart.

Finally, I hope each of you will find time to enjoy the final long weekend of summer celebrating Labor Day with family and friends. Come back refreshed and ready to work as it going to be a busy fall.



# **Employee News**

• Congratulations to Bruce Pearson, Consultative Services, who recently passed the CSP examination.

### **New Hires**

- Wesley Herron, safety compliance officer I, OSH East, Raleigh
- Gregory Williams, health compliance officer I, OSH East, Raleigh
- Ronald Rankin, elevator inspector, Elevator, Mecklenburg County
- Denise McIntosh, administrative specialist I, OSH East, Raleigh

# **Promotions**

- Mary Katherine Revels, information and communications specialist III, Communications, Raleigh
- Chris Moore, safety and health supervisor, OSH East, Raleigh

# Separations

- Monica McCaskill, industrial hygienist I, OSH East, Wilmington
- Dorothy Strickland, investigator, REDB, Raleigh
- Donna Roseboro, investigator, Wage and Hour, Raleigh



Dorothy Strickland, REDB, displays a certificate of appreciation for her three years of service to NCDOL. The certificate was presented to Dorothy by Harriet Hopkins, REDB deputy administrator, Monday, Aug. 27.

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

By John Luckado, 2018 NCDOL SECC Department Executive

The Department of Labor's participation in the 2018 State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) runs through Sept. 28, 2018. SECC solicitors within each bureau will be hard at work delivering and collecting SECC Campaign Guides and Pledge Forms. In addition, you can access information about SECC charitable organizations at www.ncsecc.org.

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 5x7 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**

9-1	JP Cardona	9-11	Starsky Martin	9-21	<b>Dean Edwards</b>
9-3	Kisha Holmes	9-11	<b>Denise McIntosh</b>	9-23	<b>Jacopo Wiggins</b>
9-4	<b>Danielle Knowland</b>	9-12	Todd McNoldy	9-25	Sandra Hamm
9-6	Mark Pierce	9-13	<b>Greg Sims</b>	9-26	Carol Wells
9-6	Jeff McClaren	9-15	Jennifer Haigwood	9-27	<b>Bill Delaney</b>
9-8	<b>Dolores Quesenberry</b>	9-16	Fred Byrum	9-28	Angela Woods
9-8	Paulette Geddes	9-16	Maria Rengifo	9-28	James McCloud
	Brent Wood	9-20	Shelby Stephenson	9-29	Ed Geddie
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# 2018 Employee Recognition Banquet

The 2018 Employee Recognition Banquet, co-sponsored by Commissioner Berry and the Employee Recognition Banquet Planning Committee, is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **Sept. 12**. We are excited to host the banquet again this year, and hope that every employee will be able to join us for this fun "homecoming" event.

If you plan to attend this year's banquet, please complete and submit the registration form, along with \$3, no later than **Wednesday**, **Sept. 5**. You may submit your registration form and payment (cash or check payable to NCDOL ERC) to any Banquet Planning Committee member or mail your form to: Carter Grimes, NCDOL, 1101 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1101.

The banquet promises to be a fun time and a great chance for all of us to get together and recognize our service to the state. We look forward to seeing you there!

Employee Recognition Banquet Planning Committee





The Bad News Berrys gather for a photo after a tournament game held Thursday, Aug. 9. The team consists of players from NCDOL and the Department of Insurance. (Front Row, L-R): Ben Powell (DOI), Scott Mabry, Mary Katherine Revels, Dolores Quesenberry, Lara Stewart. (Second Row, L-R): David Pegram, Austin Geisler, Kevin Beauregard, Joe Long, Arnez Taylor (DOI), Trevor Stewart, Andrew Revels. NCDOL team members not pictured include: Jennifer Haigwood, Carter Grimes, Chris Jaison, Christine Ryan and Fleda Anderson.

# What's New @ Your Library

By Nick Vincelli, Librarian

#### **New Print Titles**

- Air Compressor Systems (ANSI/CAGI B19.1-2011) Compressed Air & Gas Institute, 2011.
- The Lineman's and Cableman's Field Manual (2nd ed.) McGraw-Hill, 2009.
- The Lineman's and Cableman's Handbook (13th ed.) McGraw-Hill Education, 2017.
- Metal Plate Connected Wood Truss Construction (ANSI/TPI 1-2014) Truss Plate Institute, 2014.
- NC OSH Program Statistics (Oct. 2016-Sept. 2017) NCDOL-OSH, 2018.

### **New Periodicals**

• Governing (July 2018) eRepublic Inc., 2018.



- NFPA Journal (July/August 2018) National Fire Protection Association, 2018.
- National Board Bulletin (Summer 2018) National Board of Boiler & Pressure Vessel Inspectors, 2018.
- Safety + Health (June-Aug. 2018) National Safety Council, 2018. Donated by Kevin Beauregard.
- Professional Safety (June-July 2018) American Society of Safety Professionals, 2018. Donated by Kevin Beauregard.

#### **New DVD**

• Hexavalent Chromium Exposure Control: Best Practices for Welders (DVD 788e) Univ. of Washington; 46 min.; 2009. Donated by Wanda Lagoe.

#### Online FYIs

- Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Respiratory Protection Handbook (NIOSH 2018-166) https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2018-166/default.html
- NC Health Info http://www.nchealthinfo.org/
- *NIH News in Health* (Aug. 2018) https://newsinhealth.nih.gov/2018/08
- NIOSH Research Rounds (Aug. 2018) https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USCDC/bulletins/2063106
- Opioid Deaths in Construction (CPWR Hazard Alert) https://www.cpwr.com/sites/default/files/publications/Opioids-Hazard-Alert.pdf
- Protecting Workers from Silica Hazards in the Workplace Video (OSHA) https://www.osha.gov/dsg/topics/silicacrystalline/health\_effects\_silica.html
- Safe Forklift Operation (OSHA Quickcard) https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3949.pdf
- *Safety* + *Health* (Aug. 2018—NSC) https://tinyurl.com/y7waoxbv
- Tornado Safety and Recovery (ICC) https://www.iccsafe.org/about-icc/safety/consumer-safety/tornado-safety-and-recovery/
- *Watch Out for Lightning* (Safety + Health Magazine) http://www.safetyandhealthmagazine.com/articles/17155-watch-out-for-lightning
- Whistleblower Protection for Nuclear Industry Workers (OSHA) https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3948.pdf