While North Carolina has chosen not to move the code cycle as fast as the I-Codes the product testing, Evaluation Services, certified labs and nationally veted code language can be an invaluable resource to everyone in their careers as Code Officials. Below is a recent article written by ICC President Dwayne Garriss, and ICC Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims.

**Authors:** M. Dwayne Garriss, President, ICC Board of Directors; Dominic Sims, CBO, Chief Executive Officer, International Code Council

The horrific images from the London Grenfell Tower apartment fire last month and the Honolulu Marco Polo tower fire last week have stayed with us. We send our thoughts and prayers to those affected. Tragedies like these bring building safety to the forefront of the public debate. At the International Code Council (ICC), we are continually focused on preventing the next disaster, regardless of whether building safety is at the top of the news headlines.

Our comprehensive and coordinated set of model codes and standards are updated regularly to take into account the latest technologies and best practices in building safety and design. While the investigations in London and Honolulu are still ongoing, we are keeping a close watch on the progress and results to make sure we can respond quickly to any new information relevant to our codes.

The current International Building Code requires a number of safety features for all new high-rise buildings including at least two ways of exiting the building, automatic sprinklers, fire-rated compartmentation, fire detection systems for early warning and protection of elevator hoistway openings. Also required are special inspections by independent third parties to assure that the materials are installed in accordance with their product listings and the code.

Importantly, these provisions and, in fact, all the International Codes (I-Codes), are reviewed and updated every three years to ensure that we have the most modern, energy-efficient, cost-effective safety measures in place. Technology today is changing rapidly and the building community is not exempt from this trend. Because of the regular update cycle, our codes can benefit from new science, lessons learned from disasters, and new technologies and products.

Unfortunately, states and jurisdictions do not always stay current with the most recent model codes. Neglecting timely code adoption puts residents at a higher risk, encourages inefficient regulation and increases costs to businesses and homeowners. Outdated codes can contribute to unnecessary injuries and costs when tragedy strikes. From fires to tornados, earthquakes and floods, buildings built to updated codes are the safest, most resilient structures available. In addition, building innovation increases energy efficiency and building performance, which means more cost-efficient buildings and faster recovery after a disaster.

Our 2018 I-Codes are coming soon, and we encourage state and local legislators in the U.S. to swiftly adopt the latest versions to protect their residents and their communities.

In addition, regulators and construction professionals can test that new products comply with the latest codes and standards through the ICC Evaluation Service. Technical evaluations of new products are an integral part of the building safety system and provide peace of mind to our communities that the materials being used on their buildings are compliant to the latest code.

There is no way for us to prevent all future tragedies. However, by continuing to work with our members, partner organizations, legislators and stakeholders, we can guarantee that our communities are protected to the best of our ability through the most modern, up-to-date codes and standards.
The NCPIA held its 60th Annual Conference in Kitty Hawk NC at the Hilton Garden Inn. Another successful and informative gathering. It was so nice to see all the attendants there with their families enjoying time together. We would like to express our thanks to all the first time and previous vendors. Their support is greatly appreciated. We would also like to thank the staff of the North Carolina State Board of Examiners for Plumbing, Heating and Fire Sprinkler Contractors and the staff from NCDOI for their continued support. The staff at the Hilton was, as always, wonderful to work with. Thanks to the Continuing Education instructors for their time and their hard work putting together such informative workshops.

The NCPIA would like to congratulate the scholarship recipients for this year. The NCPIA awarded 12 scholarships this year.

NCPIA would like to welcome two new directors to the board. Steve Botelho with the City of Asheville and Beau Chollett with Davidson County.

NCPIA has two remaining Continuing Education workshops for this year. One will be in Calabash NC on September 12, 2017 and the last one will be in Burlington NC on October 18, 2017. Thanks to all who have attended the previous workshops. Please visit the NCPIA, US web site for more information about the locations of the workshops.

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President 2016 -2017

Workshop locations and dates:
(1) February 7, 2017 in Rocky Mount, NC
(2) March 9, 2017 in Monroe, NC
(3) April 13, 2017 in Morganton, NC
(4) May 10, 2017 in High Point, NC
(5) September 21, 2017 in Calabash, NC
(6) October 18, 2017 in Burlington, NC

The NCPIA Annual Conference will be June 11 – 14, 2017 at the Hilton Garden Inn at Kitty Hawk, NC. A separate registration packet will be sent for the Annual Conference.

For the workshops listed above, the registration fee will be $60 for members and $70 for non-members.
The workshops will consist of (3) classes as follows:
(1) Solar Water Heating Systems (#3346)– Bill Moeller – (2 hours)
(2) Standard and Special Roof Drainage Systems (#3318) – Jim Lawson – (2 hours)
(3) Interpretations and Accumulative Supplements (#3320) - Jim Lawson – (2 hours)

The classes are approved for 6-hours continuing education for inspectors.

Please pre-register (ReBecca.Latham@ncdoi.gov or Fax: 919-662-4414) at least 10 days prior to the workshop. Registration will start at 7:30 am for all workshops. Lunch will be on your own.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND RETURN TO:

NC PLUMBING INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION  
ATTENTION: REBECCA LATHAM  
1202 MAIL SERVICE CENTER  
RALEIGH, NC 27699-1202  
Tel: 919-647-0013     Fax: 919-715-0063  
ReBecca.Latham@ncdoi.gov
REGISTRATION FORM: NCPIA 2017 CODE WORKSHOPS

NAME__________________________________________________________
(Same as on your Certificate)

EMPLOYER________________________________________________________

ADDRESS__________________________________________________________________________

CITY:_________________________ STATE:_________________________ ZIP:_________________________

PHONE #:_________________________ FAX #:_________________________

Plumbing Certificate # ____________________ Q-Board ID # ____________________

*(IF YOU WANT CE CREDIT, PLEASE PROVIDE THESE NUMBERS)

LOCATION (PLEASE CHECK ONE)

___________February 7, 2017 in Rocky Mount – City of Rocky Mount Environmental Services Building

___________March 9, 2017 in Monroe – Old Armory Community Center

___________April 13, 2017 in Morganton – Western Piedmont Community College Higher Education Center

___________May 10, 2017 in High Point – City Hall

___________September 21, 2017 in Calabash – Calabash Fire Department Meeting/Training Room (or) Town of Calabash Board Room

(Same Address)

___________October 18, 2017 in Burlington – Paramount Theater

___________# Persons attending @ $60 each for Members $ ___________

___________# Persons attending @ $70 each for Non-Members $ ___________

Please make checks payable and return with your registration form to:

NC Plumbing Inspectors Association
Attention: Rebecca Latham
1202 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1202
Phone: 919-661-5880 ext. 254
Fax: 919-662-4414
e-mail: Rebecca.Latham@ncdoi.gov

DIRECTIONS TO EACH OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTORS WORKSHOPS

Rocky Mount Workshop – City Of Rocky Mount Environmental Services Building:
Take exit 469 off US 64 East or West. Turn Left onto North Church St, go .08 of a mile & turn Left at the Shell service station. Take next Left, Thorpe Road. City of Rocky Mount Environmental Services Building will be on the Left. Please park in parking lot on the Right Side of the building. 1221 Thorpe Road

Monroe Workshop – Old Armory Community Center:
500 South Johnson Street, Monroe, NC

Morganton Workshop – Western Piedmont Community College Higher Education Center:
2128 S. Sterling Street – From East – I-40 Exit 105, Turn right off ramp, approximately ½ mile on the left beside Zaxby's. From West – I-40 Exit 105, Turn right off ramp, under bridge approximately ½ mile on the left beside Zaxby's.

High Point Workshop – City Hall:
Bus. 85 at High Point, turn north on Bus. 311 (S. Main Street) turn right onto E. Russell Avenue, turn left onto S. Hamilton Street (211 S. Hamilton Street).

Calabash Workshop – (New Location – 892 Persimmon Rd., Calabash NC, 28467 – (910) 579-2355) Depending on number of attendees, the location is planned for the Calabash Fire Department meeting / training room (OR) Backup location is the Town of Calabash Board Room (next door).

Burlington Workshop – Paramount Theater (128 E. Front Street) Exit 145 off I-85/40, Turn North on Maple Avenue. Go approx. 3 miles, turn right on Spring Street. Go 3 blocks to East Front Street (128 E. Front Street). Parking is behind the building or on the street.

Mark Your Calendars! The NCPIA Annual Conference will be June 11 – 14, 2017 at the Hilton Garden Inn at Kitty Hawk, NC. A separate registration packet will be sent for the Annual Conference.
This is an invitation to renew your membership or to join the North Carolina Plumbing Inspectors Association.

The objectives of the Association are:

2. Promote uniform understanding and application of the North Carolina Plumbing Code.
3. Secure and promote uniform administrative ordinances and inspection methods.
4. Represent the plumbing inspector in all matters in furthering development of the North Carolina Code and the plumbing industry.
5. Promote closer cooperation between inspectors, inspection departments, fire departments, the plumbing industry and the public.
6. Promote and improve the standard of the profession of plumbing inspectors.

The Association offers memberships to City or County Inspection Departments which includes all plumbing inspectors, State Officials, and also Associate Memberships for individuals interested in the plumbing industry who are not employed as a plumbing inspector. Please put an X beside type of membership you are requesting and return this form to the address below:

- ______ City/County Inspection Department $50.00 per Jurisdiction
- ______ State Official $50.00 per Person
- ______ Associate Member $75.00 per Person

Please complete the enclosed form & return along with your check for membership for the year 2017-2018 to:

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP $50.00 Per Jurisdiction
(Plumbing Inspectors and Inspectors of Governmental Departments)

(Please print or type)

NAME OF JURISDICTION: _____________________________________________________________
CONTACT PERSON: __________________________________________________________________
MAILING ADDRESS_______________________________________________________________
CITY______________________________STATE________________________ZIP_______________
TELEPHONE NUMBER: ____________________________________________________________
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ReBecca Latham
NC Plumbing Inspectors Association
1202 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1202
Greetings from Ellis Cannady, I have been struggling with what to write for this issue of the COCO newsletter. I have been offered many suggestions but nothing felt right. Then today, I received an email from Gary Mullis, Charlotte about the following article and how important it was for this to reach as many people as possible. I agree, and my subject was born.

But first, I would like to state how very important our job as an electrical inspector is. A few years ago, when we were having that “age-old” discussion about pay, it came out that one of our human resource people stated that electrical inspectors and other trades were not public safety employees, that until we went into burning buildings and carried something other than a rule, we would not be considered public safety. He also stated that we were not sworn employees.

My response was first, we are sworn and 2nd, most important, if we do our job, chances are the building will not catch fire as it did in California and if it does, the people will be able to exit the building, area, etc. safely as they were not able to in the different locations.

The following is reprinted from James Pauley’s, President and CEO of the NFPA, blog on NFPA’s website.

Connecting the dots on today’s fire problem

Created by: James Pauley, NFPA Photo source: Getty Image

“The Grenfell Tower fire in London has been a horrific fire tragedy. With a loss of 79 lives thus far, it is one of the most tragic fires to occur in the UK in recent decades. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of the victims as well to the first responders involved in the very difficult recovery operations. We have reached out to the UK to offer NFPA’s support and assistance in any way needed.

News stories have talked about the flammability of exterior cladding, the lack of fire sprinklers and the notion of “shelter in place” amongst other subjects. On its own, it is a horrendous tragedy. In combination with other recent events, some disturbing trends emerge which could set fire safety back for decades.

For example, in less than one year we saw 36 people perish in the Oakland Ghost Ship fire, a former warehouse being used as living and entertainment space. The fire raised questions about appropriate permitting for its use, code enforcement, lack of fire alarms and the role of occupants in understanding the impact of their surroundings on their own personal safety. We saw a fire at a packaging factory in Bangladesh that killed 23 in a building with woefully inadequate fire protection. We saw a wildfire in Tennessee burn over 17,000 acres of land and kill 14 people, prompting questions about pre-planning, building in the urban interface to withstand wildfire, fire service ability to respond to an event of this magnitude and public awareness around this growing threat. Another raging wildfire in Portugal claimed the lives of 62 people, many burned in their cars as they attempted to flee, raising similar questions about planning and preparedness. We saw a six-year-old girl die in Connecticut when a fire ripped through the recently constructed house that, if it had been built to meet the national codes, would have had a home fire sprinkler and likely a much different outcome.

Each of these incidents is an individual tragedy. Taken together, they depict a larger global problem warranting action. Looked at in their entirety, they are a collective example of how, either intentionally or accidentally, the fire prevention and protection system has been broken. A system that the public believes exists and counts on for their safety. A system that, through complacency, bad policy and placing economics of construction over safety, has let the public down.

Where have we gone astray? In each of these scenarios as well as many more not mentioned we can point to one or more factors:

- the use of outdated codes and standards
- acceptance of reduced safety requirements to save money
- ignoring referenced standards within a code
- lack of education around the application of the codes and standards
- reduced enforcement
- a public unaware of the dangers of fire

When government and other entities don’t adopt or designers don’t use the latest versions of codes and standards, they lose the benefit of the latest technology, research and collective wisdom related to fire, electrical and life safety.

When policy makers decide to remove life safety and property protection provisions from codes, they have substituted politics for technical requirements that were determined after extensive input from across the spectrum of knowledgeable people.

When users fail to review and follow standards that are referenced in the codes, they aren’t ensuring the right practices and products are used in the right situations, increasing vulnerability to disaster.

When the professionals involved in design, installation, enforcement and maintenance have not kept up to date on the latest requirements they can end up applying products improperly leading to catastrophic results.

When jurisdictions, under fiscal pressures or lack of understanding of the importance, reduce enforcement efforts, they place their communities at risk as buildings deteriorate, change ownership or type of use. And when the public takes safety for granted and is uneducated about fire risks, their improper or uneducated actions can place them in peril. The system the public relies on for managing fire safety is broken and a single solution isn’t the answer. It will take a systems approach to fix it.

At NFPA, we are focused on looking at the entire system and working with everyone involved to fill the gaps.

“We may not be able to prevent every tragedy from occurring, but by recommitting to and promoting a full system of fire prevention, protection and education, we can help save lives and reduce loss. That is the story that should consume the news of the day.”

Jim Pauley
President and CEO
NFPA

It is our job as code officials to educate people, officials, government bodies, etc. on how important and how essential our codes and enforcement, thereof are. It really does mean saving lives. Do not allow economics and politics to jeopardize all that has been accomplished in our industry.

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336-210-9006
prose1@triad.rr.com
NC Ellis Cannady Chapter IAEI  
Annual Meeting  
Exhibitor Contract  
August 13-16, 2017  
ATLANTIC BEACH, NC  
Doubletree Hotel By Hilton  
2717 West Fort Macon Rd., Atlantic Beach, NC  
Phone: (252) 240-1155

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NC Electrical Contractors License – Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number__________ (Required for Contractor CEU’s) or
Code Officials Qualification Board ID #_______________
(Required for Inspector CEUs–MUST ENTER ID NUMBER–NOT CERTIFICATE #).
This course when offered during fiscal year 2017-2018, meets the requirements of the North Carolina State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors for eight (8) contact hours of continuing education credit. This course is not sponsored by the Board. Course meets the requirements of the NCCOQB.
Companion’s Name, if attending _____________________________________________________________________________
Children’s Names and Ages, if attending ______________________________________________________________________
One Companion and children under age 12 is included with this registration. All companion registrations include banquet and companion’s program. There will be an additional charge of $50 for any additional guests over 12 years old. Call Rebecca at phone number below if there are questions.

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Mail This Form to: Rebecca Latham, NC DOI Or Email the completed
1202 Mail Service Center form to: Rebecca.Latham@ncdoi.gov
Raleigh, NC  27699-1202

Payment by:  □ Check  □ Visa  □ MasterCard
Charge Card Number (Visa or MasterCard Only) Name on Card Exp. Date
Mailing Address for Card City State Zip Security Code

Hotel Accommodations: Fees do not include hotel accommodations. For reservations, contact the Doubletree by Hilton Atlantic Beach, 2717 West Fort Macon Rd., Atlantic Beach, NC  28512, phone number for reservations 252-240-1155 directly no later than July 12 2017. Inform the Hotel you are attending the Ellis Cannady Chapter meeting. Group Code – NEI (Room rates are $159.00 plus tax for a single or double room). These special rates are good 3 days before and 3 days after the Conference; however, you must make your extended reservations directly through Bridget Quiterio at 252-222-4012.

For planning purposes, please make sure you fill out the following:

Total Number attending Sunday’s Get Acquainted Dinner
Total Number attending Sponsored Event on Monday Afternoon
Total Number attending Tuesday’s Social and Banquet
Total Number attending Spouse’s Program

For complete details about all planned activities, programs, registration applications and other information, please visit us at:
www.nciae.org or contact Rebecca Latham at (919) 647-0013
The North Carolina Mechanical Inspectors Association is proud to announce that our 44th Annual Educational Conference will be held August 6th-9th. We are looking forward to our stay at the DOUBLETREE BY HILTON ATLANTIC BEACH OCEANFRONT HOTEL, 2717 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512

We will have a get-acquainted buffet dinner Sunday night, August 6th at the hotel beginning at 6:00 pm. A buffet lunch with the vendors will be offered on Monday for all conference registrants and their families. There will be a companions’ and children’s breakfast on Tuesday morning, followed by a brief program and door prizes. On Tuesday night, we will conduct a banquet, awards presentation and the induction of the new NCMIA Board of Directors, including door prizes.

Tuesday, August 8th will be our education day. We will provide six hours of continuing education that will be approved under the Code Officials Qualification Board Continuing Education Program for mechanical inspectors. The topic will be “The proposed 2018 Mechanical Code, train the trainer”.

Dress for the conference will be casual or resort wear. In order to give the hotel an accurate count for the number of people for each meal, please indicate on the registration form the number of people who will be attending each meal function.

Please read through the following pages on preparing for the conference and send in your registration form. We hope to see you there.

Directions to DOUBLETREE BY HILTON ATLANTIC BEACH OCEANFRONT HOTEL, 2717 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512 are available at the Hotel’s website:

www.atlanticbeachoceanfront.doubletree.com

Hotel Registration: Room rates are $125.00 plus tax per night. Rates are based on single or double occupancy.

NOTE: A block of 38 rooms will be held until July 8, 2015. Reservations for the Event will be made by Individual call-in or on-line on or before Friday, July 8, 2016.

Reservations can be made 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling the following number: DoubleTree by Hilton ATLANTIC BEACH directly at 252-240-1155. Please have the guests refer to the North Carolina Mechanical Inspectors Association to receive the group rate.

Guest Check-in is 3:00 pm, check-out is 11:00 am.

The Resort cannot promise an early check-in, so do not expect to get into your room before 3:00 pm. I am sure you will be welcome to sit out by the pool or in the lobby and enjoy the facilities prior to your check-in.

If you have any problems with hotel registration, please contact Dan Dittman 919-647-0012, or dan.dittman@ncdoi.gov

Conference Registration: The registration form has a place to enter the number of people in your family who will be attending the meal events. It is important that you fill in that information so that we won’t run out of food! If you don’t fill it in, we will assume that the inspector only is attending.

The registration fee for this year’s Conference is $150.00 for an inspector, companion and dependent minor children if payment is received no later than July 5th, 2017.

If you prefer to pay at the door, the registration fee will be $160.00. Please pre-register by mailing your registration form and marking the appropriate box on the registration form.

The registration fee is $50.00 for retired inspectors and their companions.

The registration fee for non-members of the Association is $175.00.

Registration fees include the Sunday night dinner, all breaks, the Monday vendor lunch, the Tuesday morning companions’ and children’s breakfast, and the Tuesday night banquet.

Vendors: We will be conducting a vendor show on Monday and offering 20 exhibit tables for $300.00 each. If you know of any suppliers or manufacturers who would be interested in participating, please call Rebecca Latham, NC Department of Insurance at 919-647-0013, or e-mail at rebecca.latham@ncdoi.gov or Charles Taylor, City of Wilson at 252-399-2240, or email at ctaylor@wilsonnc.org and they will be happy to forward an Exhibitor Registration Form to them. There is also a form attached. The exhibitors may set their tables up on Sunday afternoon and take them down by 5:00 p.m. on Monday.

Important! There has been a change to our registrations this year. The registration fee only includes the Inspector, their companion and dependent minor children. All other guests will be assessed a $100.00 fee per person to cover meals.
REGISTRATION FORM | NC MECHANICAL INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION
48th Annual Educational Conference
DoubleTree by Hilton Atlantic Beach Oceanfront Hotel
2717 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512
www.atlanticbeachoceanfront.doubletree.com
AUGUST 6-9, 2017

INSPECTOR NAME ________________________________________________________________

INSPECTOR ID# ______________ MECHANICAL CERTIFICATE# ____________________________

COMPANION’S NAME (IF ATTENDING) _______________________________________________

CHILDREN’S NAMES AND AGES (IF ATTENDING): _____________________________________

EMPLOYED BY (Jurisdiction): ______________________________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ___________________________________________________________________________

CITY _____________________________ STATE _____________ ZIP ___________________________

Please complete a separate form for each inspector attending. You do not have to send in registration fee to pre-register; however, it is less expensive. Payment and this registration form must be received by July 5th to meet the deadline for early registration. The registration fee will be paid as listed below:

[ ] $150.00 Member Registration Fee Enclosed
[ ] $160.00 Member Registration Fee Paid Upon Arrival
[ ] $60.00 Education Class Only
[ ] $50.00 Registration Fee for Retirees
[ ] $175.00 Non-Member Fee—Also applies to member jurisdictions not current in dues payment
[ ] Adult children, grandchildren, other guests ($100.00 per person to cover meals)

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     ___ # Adults and Children 13 and above  ___ # Children 4-12  ___ # Children 3 and under

[ ] I (We) plan to attend the Vendor Lunch. Everyone is invited.
     ___ # Adults and Children 13 and above  ___ # Children 4-12  ___ # Children 3 and under

[ ] My companion and children plan to attend the Tuesday Morning Companion’s Breakfast.
     ___ # Adults and Children 13 and above  ___ # Children 4-12  ___ # Children 3 and under

[ ] I (We) plan to attend the Tuesday Night Banquet.
     ___ # Adults and Children 13 and above  ___ # Children 4-12  ___ # Children 3 and under

[ ] I am only attending the education class, no meals

Please note that it is very important to get accurate counts for each meal. We must guarantee and pay for the number of meals to be prepared for each meal event.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND RETURN TO:
NC Department of Insurance, Office of State Fire Marshal
1202 MAIL SERVICE CENTER RALEIGH, NC 27699-1202
ATTENTION Rebecca Latham
VENDOR/SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM
48th Annual Educational Conference
DoubleTree by Hilton Atlantic Beach Oceanfront Hotel
2717 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512
www.atlanticbeachoceanfront.doubletree.com
AUGUST 6-9, 2017

Company Name: ____________________________________________________________
Contact Name: ______________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip: _________________________________________   Telephone: __________________________________________
Email: _______________________________________________________________________________________________________

[  ] I would like to register for the Vendor Show. The registration cost is $300. A 3’ x 6’ table and electrical power supply will be
provided for your convenience. You may setup Sunday August 6th in the late afternoon or early Monday morning on the 7th. Time is
allotted on the Monday program for vendor introductions, product discussions and the Vendor show. We will have a projector set up if
you want to have a presentation on a thumb-drive or use your own laptop. We will facilitate an Inspector’s luncheon and breaks in the
Vendor Area to facilitate inspectors meeting and discussing products with our vendors. Monday activities will conclude in the afternoon.

2017  Sun  Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat
August   1  2  3  4  5
6  7  8  9  10  11  12
13  14  15  16  17  18  19
20  21  22  23  24  25  26
27  28  29  30  31

When calling the DoubleTree by Hilton Atlantic Beach Oceanfront Hotel, be sure to tell them you are attending the "NC Mechanical In-
spectors" meeting and ask for a room from the room block so that you may get the special rate of $125.00 per night plus tax. Rooms are
based on single or double occupancy. If the quantity of rooms is exceeded, the hotel reserves the right to charge market rate. Please
make your reservations with the DoubleTree by Hilton Atlantic Beach Oceanfront Hotel by calling 252-240-1155 or through the website
for the meeting:

Please be our guest at the Sunday Night Meet & Greet that begins at 6:00 pm on Sunday August 6th.
[  ] I do plan to attend the Sunday Night Meet & Greet   [  ] I do not plan to attend the Sunday Night Meet & Greet
[  ] Number Attending

For further details, you may call Rebecca Latham (Rebecca.latham@ncdoi.gov) at 919.647-0012 or Dan Dittman
(dan.dittman@ncdoi.gov) at 919.647-0012 or Charles Taylor (ctaylor@wilsonnc.org) at 252.399.2240.

Please make checks payable and return to:
NC Department of Insurance
Office of State Fire Marshal
1202 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1202
Attention: Rebecca Latham
Register Online using PayPal: www.ncmia.com/vendor/vendor.php (link is not active 4-10-2017)
## NORTH CAROLINA MECHANICAL INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION

### 48th ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AGENDA

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At the close of the business meeting, the rest of the afternoon and evening is Family Time.

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<td>The Hospitality Room will be open Sunday, Monday and Tuesday Nights and Tuesday lunch. (No alcohol is served. BYOB)</td>
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REGISTRATION FORM | NC MECHANICAL INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION
2017 WORKSHOPS

NAME: __________________________________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________

CITY: __________________________________________ STATE: _______ ZIP: _______

PHONE NUMBER: ___________________ E-MAIL: (Required) ___________________

MECHANICAL CERTIFICATE #: ___________________ ID #: ___________________

(Note: Your mechanical certificate number must be provided to receive continuing education credit.)

LOCATION AND DATE (PLEASE CHECK ONE)

1._________ ROCKY MOUNT* February 8th, 2017 (Wednesday)
   Location: Rocky Mount Environmental Services Bldg, 1221 Thorpe Rd. Take Exit 69 off US 64 East or West, Turn Left onto N. Church St. Go 0.08 mile, turn left at the SHELL service station, take next Left, Thorpe R. The City of Rocky Mount Environmental Services Building will be on the left, please park in parking lot on right side of building.

2._________ FAYETTEVILLE February 15, 2017 (Wednesday)
   Location: PWC Training RM, 955 Old Wilmington Rd, Fayetteville, NC

3._________ MORGANTON March 16, 2017 (Thursday)
   Location: Western Piedmont Community College, Morganton
   Foothills Higher Education Center, Room 163, 2128 South Sterling Street
   Directions: Exit 105 off I-40, turn right onto NC 18. The Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

4._________ WILSON APRIL 12, 2017 (Wednesday)
   Location: City of Wilson Operations Center, 1800 Herring Avenue (Hwy. 42 East) Wilson
   Directions: 1/4-mile East on Hwy. 42 from the intersection of Hwy. 301. Building will be on the left. Turn left into the parking lot at the first stoplight and keep to the left. Park in the parking lot.

5._________ MORGANTON* April 12, 2017 (Wednesday) (yes, same day as Wilson)
   Location: Western Piedmont Community College, Morganton
   Foothills Higher Education Center, Room 163, 2128 South Sterling Street
   Directions: Exit 105 off I-40, turn right onto NC 18. The Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

6._________ MONROE May 10, 2017 (Wednesday)
   Location: Old Armory Community Center – 500 South Johnson Street, Monroe

7._________ JACKSONVILLE MAY 10, 2017 (Wednesday) (yes, same day as Monroe)
   Location: Center of Public Safety Building, 200 Marine Boulevard, Jacksonville, NC 28540

8._________ FRANKLIN June 15, 2017 (Thursday)
   Location: Robert C. Carpenter Community Building, 1288 Georgia RD, Franklin, NC

9._________ BURLINGTON* October 11, 2017 (Wednesday)
   Location: Paramount Theatre, 128 E. Front Street, Burlington
   Directions: Exit 145 off I-85/40, Turn North on Maple Avenue. Go approx. 3 miles, turn right on Spring Street. Go 3 blocks to East Front Street (128 East Front Street). Parking is behind the building or on the street.

*Class location marked with an asterisk will be host sites for plumbing, electrical, and mechanical con-ed training to be held on three consecutive days. The classes are independent of each other.

_______Members @ $60.00 each - Note: Jurisdiction must be current in NCMIA dues payments to qualify for this rate. This rate also applies to Associate Members current in NCMIA dues payments.

_______Non-Members @ $80 each - Note: Inspectors attending workshops from jurisdictions delinquent in paying Association membership dues shall be required to pay the non-member registration rate.

Mechanical Contractors will not receive continuing education credit for these courses for purposes of the NC Licensing Board, http://nclicensing.org/, but they are still welcome to attend for informational purposes.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $_________

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND RETURN TO: NC DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL, ATTENTION: REBECCA LATHAM, 1202 MAIL SERVICE CENTER, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA 27699-1202

Credit card payments via PayPal are also being accepted this year. Visit http://ncmia.com/ for a link to PayPal. The payment directions are under the TRAINING, EDUCATION & TOOLS tab. Follow the prompts.

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This is a notice to renew your membership or to join the North Carolina Mechanical Inspectors’ Association. The objectives of the Association are as follows:

2. Promote uniform understanding and application of the North Carolina Mechanical and Gas Codes.
3. Secure and promote uniform administrative ordinances and inspection methods.
4. Represent the mechanical inspector in all matters in furthering development of the North Carolina Code and the mechanical industry.
5. Promote closer cooperation between inspectors, inspection departments, fire departments, the mechanical industry and the public.
6. Promote and improve the standard of the profession of Mechanical Inspectors.

The Association offers memberships to City or County Inspection Departments which includes all Mechanical Inspectors, State Officials, and also Associate Memberships for individuals interested in the Mechanical industry who are not employed as a Mechanical Inspector. Please put an X beside the type of membership you are requesting and return this form to the address below:

Please note the fee schedule below. Active Membership – July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

(NOTE: Dues amount includes membership for all Mechanical Inspectors in the Jurisdiction. Scholarships will not be awarded for applicants whose dues are not paid at time of application.)

City or County Inspection Department:
ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP........ (Fee Based on Population)
(Mechanical Inspectors and Inspectors of Governmental Departments)

Check One                         Population of Jurisdiction:     Annual Dues
                                   0 – 50,000                      $50.00
                                   >50,000-150,000                 $75.00
                                   >150,000                       $100.00
                                   Associate Membership           $50.00
                                   North Carolina State Officials $50.00

Please complete the enclosed form & return along with your check for membership for 2017-2018.

NAME OF JURISDICTION: (Please print or type) ___________________________ Date: ____________

CONTACT PERSON w/TITLE ________________________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS ________________________________________________________

CITY_______________________________________________________________STATE________ZIP__________

TELEPHONE NUMBER ___________________________________________________

E-Mail Address: _________________________________________________________

Make check payable to NC Mechanical Inspectors Association

MAIL CHECK TO: REBECCA LATHAM
NC MECHANICAL INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION
1202 MAIL SERVICE CENTER, RALEIGH, NC  27699-1202

Questions: 919-647-0013          AMOUNT ENCLOSED $__________________
News from the NC Building Inspectors Association

The NCBI is fresh off of our Annual Conference at the Doubletree in Atlantic Beach, the location of the 2018 COCO Quadrangle Meeting. We welcomed in a new Executive Board and a few new faces as Area Directors. NCDOI was well represented. Since there are plenty of new people in new positions at NCDOI it provided an excellent opportunity to have open discussions with many of them. During our conference we identified many organizations that NC Code Officials can partner and work together with as mutual resources.

Late last year we identified the need for a mobile, fast-reacting team to address the speed in which legislation can move. With that in mind, early this year we finalized the details of a Legislative Task-Force to assist our Legislative committee and identify a core group of individuals who could work together with industry partners and other agencies throughout the state to analyze, review, and provide detailed information for new and/or upcoming legislation. This group, along with the Fire Marshals Association, partnered with the League of Municipalities to have a “Legislative Day” which gave us the opportunity to introduce ourselves and speak with many or our Senators and Representatives. This day also helped the legislators to see that our organizations are concerned with the impact of legislation that affects the construction industry and that anyone of us can be a valuable resource for questions or concerns they might have.

I’ll be sharing the framework of this Task-Force with the COCO Board at our meeting in September.

Thank you,
Mark Matheny,
President NCBI

News from the NC Fire Marshal’s Association

The NCFMA will be offering its Fall 2017 continuing education classes with three workshops held in the eastern, central and western parts of the state. The workshops will be taught by Matt Klaus, Senior Fire Protection Engineer at NFPA. The courses will cover design, installation, inspection and testing of residential sprinkler systems. More information can be found on the NCFMA website, http://www.ncfma.com/training_education1.

Please join us at our next meeting on July 26 at 1:00 P.M at the Charlotte Fire Department Headquarters in conjunction with the South Atlantic Fire and Rescue Expo.
Jurisdiction ___________________________________________ Date _______________________

Contact Person w/Title: ______________________________________________________________

Address ___________________________________________________________________________

City _______________________________ State _____________ Zip _________________________

Phone Number _____________________________ Fax Number ______________________________

Email Address ____________________________

Check One    Population of Jurisdiction Annual Dues

    _______ 25,000 and under $45.00
    _______ 25,001 to 50,000 $55.00
    _______ 50,001 to 75,000 $65.00
    _______ 75,001 and over $75.00

Give a brief description of your Jurisdiction:

___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________
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Regular (Active) Membership fees are from July 1 through June 30 each fiscal year. The amount due is based on the population of the Jurisdiction. Please make checks payable to the North Carolina Building Inspectors Association (NCBIA) and return this application along with payment to:

NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION
ATTN: ReBecca Latham
1202 MAIL SERVICE CENTER
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA 27699-1202

Registration fees may be charged to Visa or MasterCard by providing the following:

Card #: _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ / _ _ _ / _ _ _ / _ _ _ /

Expiration Date: _ _ / _ _    Signature: ______________
NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP)
2017-2018

Name: _______________________________________ Date: _____________________

Company Name: __________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: _____ Zip: ___________________________

Phone: (_____ ) _______ - _________ Fax Number: ________________________________

E-Mail: __________________________

Amount Due: $125.00
Nature of Business; Give Brief Description:

_________________________________________________________________________________________
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Associate Membership fees are from July 1 through June 30 each fiscal year. The amount is $125.00. Please make
checks payable to the North Carolina Building Inspectors Association (NCBIA) and return this application with
payment to:

North Carolina Department of Insurance
Office of State Fire Marshal
ReBecca Latham
1202 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1202

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Card #: __   __   __   /   __   __   __   /   __   __   __   /   __   __   __
Expiration Date: _____ / _____  Signature: ________________________________
NCDOI/OSFM Engineering and Codes Division, Qualification Assurance Section Staff

MISSION STATEMENT:
PROTECT LIVES AND PROPERTY THROUGH CODE COMPLIANCE

June 30th marked the end of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and another annual Code Enforcement Official (CEO) certificate renewal cycle. As of July 1st there were 3,347 CEOs on active status holding 6,988 valid certificates. During this period 5,943 certificates were renewed and 1,438 new certificates were issued. 989 certificates were suspended as of July 1st likely due to insufficient documented Continuing Education (CE). CEOs are urged to check CE and the status of their certificates annually using the SYSTEM LOGIN.

It has been another busy year as reported by the data below. And yet, a recent survey predicts that upwards of 300 more inspectors may be needed within a year and perhaps as many as 1,000 within five years.

Two proposed rule changes are scheduled for public hearing on July 25th in response to calls for changes to the current certification program intended to increase the pool of qualified inspectors: 1) increase the duration of the probationary certification, and 2) staff issuance of standard certificates as achieved rather than quarterly upon Board approval.

Staff evaluated 2,555 applications:
By Type – 1,024 Probationary, 740 Standard and 791 Pre-Qualification for applicants not already employed by an AHJ.
By Trade – F 705, B 526, M 454, E 413, P 457.
By Level – (1) 1,344, (2) 686, (3) 525.

NC Community Colleges submitted 181 Standard Course rosters totaling 5,481* hours of instruction:
By Level – (1) 72, (2) 41, (3) 41.
*[at $30/hour instructor pay this totals $164,430]

PSI Services, LLC administered 1,070* State Exams for Standard Certificates:
651 passed, 419 failed (60.8% passing rate)
By Trade – F 332, B 238, M 143, E 208, P 149.
By Level – (1) 632, (2) 250, (3) 188.
*[at $125/exam this totals $133,750]

Staff issued 1,438 certificates:
By Type – 885 Probationary, 553 Standard
By Trade – F 384, B 269, M 294, E 201, P 290.
By Level – (1) 687, (2) 417, (3) 334.

CE Sponsors submitted 503 course rosters totaling 2,544* hours of CE (offered once):
Hours By Trade – F 932, B 497, M 310, E 524, P 281.
*[at $30/hour instructor pay this totals $76,320]

The preceding statistics provide a “30,000 foot level” overview of the Board’s qualification program seen through the certification and education processes needed to be a North Carolina CEO. Hourly rate and total costs for educational instructors are estimated as a component of total value of the Board’s mandatory education and examination program – nearly $375,000 – without accounting for travel costs incurred by CEOs paid by AHJs. This year, 34 course rosters submitted were for online format.

As far as being a CEO, FY 2017-2018 will see new initiatives by NCDOI/OSFM staff in response to CEO and AHJ questions, comments and concerns.

NOTE: In addition to Student Evaluation forms provided by Education Sponsors, Code Officials are encouraged to provide feedback on ANY courses approved by OSFM using the link Education Programs Survey.

Information on COQB meeting schedules, agendas and minutes may be found through the NCDOI web site at www.ncdoi.com. Select the “OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL” drop down, “ENGINEERING AND CODES”, then Code Officials Qualification Board. Please contact Customer Service Rep. Rodney Daughtry via email rodney.daughtry@ncdoi.gov or call staff through our new main phone number (919) 647-0000 if you have questions, comments or concerns regarding any aspect of the COQB certification program.