

Safety to Life Through Code Enforcement

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North Carolina Council of Code Officials

From NCDOI Deputy Commissioner Carl Martin

You may remember the movie "Moneyball" with Brad Pitt (my look-alike ☺). If you haven't seen it, you should. It is a true story. Brad Pitt plays the part of Billy Beane, manager of the Oakland Athletics. At the end of the 2001 season the A's lost to the Yankees in the American League

for a fraction of the salary. Although the A's were not destined to win the World Series that year or in following years, in 2004 the Boston Red Sox did win the World Series using the model that Billy Beane had pioneered.

I tell the above story to remind us to always evaluate ourselves and our processes. It is now cliché, but "think outside the box". The answers you need or the result you desire may not be possible using the conventional methods that are familiar to you. Evaluate the situation. Achieving your goal might be found in the facts and not in a familiar method. We all know that runs win baseball games. The baseball saying is; "You can't win if you don't score". The 2002 A's needed to score. What Billy and his assistant figured out was that "on base percentages" scored runs and would win games and they built a successful team around that with non-conventional players.

I encourage you to evaluate yourselves and situations. Seek the base element of the situation and look at all possible ways of addressing it. In the ever-changing world of code enforcement, we need every advantage we can find. We need to be "on base" as much as possible.

As always, I appreciate your work and offer the assistance of our staff whenever needed. As a team we are successful.

Division Series. After that season as star players for the A's are lured away for higher salaries, Billy Beane realizes that the A's do not have the capitol to compete with other teams. It is then that he begins thinking outside the box. Instead of trying to replace star players like he had lost (which was not possible with the A's budget at the time) he begins analyzing the statistics that made those players valuable. He hires an assistant to evaluate data on players around the league and begins piecing together multiple players that contain various skills that could replace the skills lost by the departing stars. The result is a successful team that makes it to the Division Series as they had the year before but



News from the NC Building Inspectors Association

2022 has been a busy and successful year for the NC Building Inspectors Association. It was good to see all of BIA members at the COCO Quadrennial Conference in Asheville in August,

when they are inserted along with other bills. If you come across any legislative issues/bills that you have not heard about previously or if you have questions or concerns about bills, please email us so the legislative committee can track and stay up to date with any updates.

along with the NC Mechanical Inspectors Association, the NC Plumbing Inspectors Association, the NC Fire Marshal's Association and the NC Permit Professional's Association. It was good to come together and work to continue to make NC safer. The common themes from the conference seem to be "What is the future of COCO" and "We are stronger together as one". I look forward to continuing to work alongside all the COCO associations and I am excited for what we can do together!

The Membership Committee and the Media Publishing Committee continues to work hard to keep you updated with what is happening with the Association and also looks to hear input from you as well. Surveys are sent out when needed to get feedback from you regarding education topics, conference venues, certification issues and various other topics. To represent all of you, we encourage your participation on surveys when sent out is appreciated. We currently have 167 jurisdictions that are members of the NC BIA.

The Education Committee started the year off with the three traditional Winter Code Seminars. This year, the Education Committee made some equipment upgrades that will allow us to continue to provide great continuing education in Hybrid Format (in-person and virtual). Also, the Education Committee continues to offer con-ed for General Contractors. It has been great to see Contractors and Inspectors in the same room working together.

If anyone has any interest in serving on a committee, please visit our website at www.ncbia.org and fill out an application. If you have not already done so, please check out and like the NC BIA Facebook profile. While we have been slacking on our social media presence, we are planning to be more active, so follow us!

The Legislative Committee continues to monitor and keep us informed of any bills being introduced and created. Sometimes this can be a chore

Be on the lookout for the registration link to come on the website for the 2023 Winter Code Seminars. Registration should be open in early December.

Winter Code Seminar Dates and Locations:

January 23-26, 2023 Greenville, NC
February 20-23, 2023 Aberdeen, NC
March 27-30, 2023 Hickory, NC

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News from the NC Electrical Inspectors Association

Additional class locations have been added for 2022. NC Electrical Contractors will be approved for 8-hours and NC Code Enforcement Officials will be approved for 6-hours.

The course meets the requirements of the North Carolina State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors for continuing education credit and also the requirements of the NC Code Officials Qualification Board.

Please visit the NC Electrical Inspectors Association website at www.nceia.com to register.

Monroe, NC: Monday, November 7, 2022 - 8:00am - 4:30pm
Union County Simpson Event Center (behind the Union County Ag Center)
307 Cultivation Circle
Monroe, NC 28112

Asheboro, NC: Thursday, December 1, 2022 - 8:00am - 4:30pm
Public Works Facility
1312 North Fayetteville Street
Asheboro, NC 27203

The cost for each class is \$45 for NCEIA Members and \$90 for non-members.



News from the NC Fire Marshal's Association

NCFMA Update

- 2023 Fire Prevention School will be held March 20-24, 2023 so mark your calendar!

- Save the date! The NC Fire & Life Safety Educators Conference is February 8-10, 2023 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Concord, NC.

- The 2023 FLSE Conference class offerings are as follows:

- **Inspector 101** - Jeff Johnson - Feb 8th - 3:15pm-4:30pm
- **Community Risk Reduction in 2022 - What's the Formula for Success?** - Thomas Raper - Feb. 9th - 8:30am-9:45am
- **How to Affect Change in the NC Building Code** - Jason Shepherd - Feb. 9th - 10:00am-11:15am
- **Part 1 Hot Topics and Emerging Trends in the NC Fire Code** - Charlie Johnson - Feb. 9th - 2:00pm-3:15pm
- **Part 2 Hot Topics and Emerging Trends in the NC Fire Code** - Charlie Johnson - Feb. 9th - 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **"The Buck Stops Here"** - Shandy Padgett - Feb. 10th - 9:00am-10:00am
- **NFPA 25; "The Ins and Outs of Private Fire Protection"** - Paul Padgett - Feb. 10th - 10:00am-11:30am

Upcoming Educational Opportunities

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| - Nov. 3rd | Electricity and the Fire Inspector - 9am-12pm - Appalachian State University, Kidd Brewer Football Stadium Conference/Classroom, 270 Stadium Drive, Boone, NC 28608 | Joe Starling,
OSFM |
| - Nov. 8th | C02 Detection Class - 9am-12pm - Chatham County Agricultural & Convention Center, 1192 US-64 BUS, Pittsboro, NC 27312 | Josh Pringle |
| - Nov. 15th | "Hot Topics & Emerging Issues within the NCFC" 9am-4pm - Rocky Mount Event Center, Nash Conference Room, 285 NE Main Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27801 | Charlie Johnson,
OSFM |
| - Nov. 22nd | "Hot Topics & Emerging Issues within the NCFC" 9am-4pm - Fayetteville Fire Department Training Center, Intersection of Tom Starling & Corporations Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28303 | Charlie Johnson,
OSFM |
| - Nov. 29th | "Hot Topics & Emerging Issues within the NCFC" 9am-4pm - Conover Library ** (Please note the change in location)** - 403 Conover Station SE, Conover, NC 28613 | Charlie Johnson,
OSFM |
| - Nov. 30th | "Hot Topics & Emerging Issues within the NCFC" 9am-4pm - Charlotte Fire Department (Training Center), 500 Dalton Avenue, Charlotte NC 28206 | Charlie Johnson,
OSFM |

Other Notes

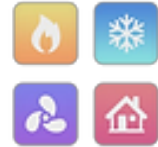
- In January, dues will increase to \$25 for a 1 year NCFMA membership.
- Training costs for non-members will increase to \$45 and includes a 1 year NCFMA membership.
- We are partnering with the Fire Chiefs Association regarding Sprinklers. If you have an interest, please talk to one of our board members.
- We have NCFMA merchandise for sale - please see the website to order.
- We are working to expand our educational opportunities - if you have any ideas, please feel free to talk to one of our board members.
- Please see the OSFM website of further details regarding SB 762 and HB 315.



News from the Mechanical Inspectors Association

The NCMA Annual Education Conference will be held on August 6 - 9, 2023 at the Embassy Suites in Wilmington, NC.

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News from the Plumbing Inspectors Association

Save these dates for the NCPIA Annual Conference which will be held at the Hilton Garden Suites in Kitty Hawk, NC on June 11-14, 2023. Registration forms for the conference will be available around January 1, 2023. Rooms are now available to be reserved. All NCPIA guests and vendors need to call the Kitty Hawk Hilton Garden Inn directly at 252-261-1290 and make their reservations with the front desk. Be sure to mention that you are attending the NCPIA annual conference.

This is a friendly reminder that your 2022-2023 NCPIA memberships are available to join or renew. Our association offers memberships to

city and county inspection departments which includes all plumbing inspectors, state officials and associate memberships for individuals interested in the plumbing industry who are not employed as plumbing inspectors. Membership benefits include discounts to beneficial workshops for continuing education, scholarships and great fellowship, just to name a few. Please visit our website at www.ncpia.us and follow the tab to forms, to print and mail in your membership registration or follow the education, workshop and membership tab to join online.

The NC Plumbing Inspectors Association is expecting to release their annual workshop dates and locations for in early winter for the 2023 year.

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