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This newsletter is published as a service to certified well contractors and others in the groundwater industry. Suggestions for articles for publication in the newsletter are welcome.

South Atlantic JUBILEE Returns to Myrtle Beach

By Kim Gordon, Jubilee Executive Director

This year will mark the 59th anniversary of the South Atlantic JUBILEE. Since that first JUBILEE in 1955 at Carolina Beach, North Carolina, the JUBILEE remains one of the great traditions in our industry and is unlike any other trade show.

Over the course of those nearly 60 years, the JUBILEE has faced a few challenges. At the same time, like any



successful organization, it has always moved forward. Even though the JUBILEE was held at Carolina Beach in the early years and was held at Virginia Beach the past two years, we all know that Myrtle Beach is the JUBILEE's true "home". We are excited to be returning to Myrtle Beach this year and hence our theme, "Back to Grass Roots".

As many of you hand your businesses down to your children and family over the next few years, we hope you are also handing down the significance and tradition of the JUBILEE. It's a great tradition that should be carried on to the next generation of water well drillers and the other water systems professionals of our industry. With the support of exhibitor companies and attendees like

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Renewals Calendar

by Joanne Rutkofske, WCC Staff

May 1– Renewal notices mailed out in early May.

June 1– If it's June and you have not yet received your renewal notice, contact WCC staff so we can verify your address and re-send.

Joanne: 919-707-5881
Drew: 919-707-5882

June 30– Renewal deadline / Last day to earn CEU

July 1– If you haven't renewed yet, your certification is now expired. You may be assessed up to \$1,000 penalty per violation for engaging in well contractor activities without certification.

You must have 6 CEU (continuing education units) earned by June 30 to renew, unless you just became certified this year (after July 1, 2013).

Find out how many CEU you have by visiting the "Find a Certified Well Contractor" page on www.wellcontractors.nc.gov. Your total CEU will be listed in the same row as your name.

If you need more continuing education, find the list of preapproved classes on the "Continuing Education" page. Remember, training must be completed by June 30.



Summary of Civil Penalty Assessments

Penalties for violations of NCGS Chapter 87, Article 7 & 7A vary depending upon the particular facts and circumstances present in each case. Note: only finalized uncontested cases or cases not seeking remission and at the collection stage are included in this list. Payment of fines and corrections of violations may already have occurred.

Robert H. Blackley

Granville County, N.C. Allegations of contracting without the benefit of certification in violation of 15A NCAC 27. Assessed a civil penalty of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00).

Effective Date 12/9/13 Case # WCC 017-13

Mike Pierce

Wake County, N.C. Allegations of contracting without the benefit of certification in violation of 15A NCAC 27. Assessed a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Effective Date 12/12/13 Case # WCC 019-13

Sunder Khemlani

Guilford County, N.C. Allegations of contracting without the benefit of certification in violation of 15A NCAC 27. Assessed a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Effective Date 2/19/14 Case # WCC 014-13

Richard Plemmons

Wake County, N.C. Allegations of contracting without the benefit of certification in violation of 15A NCAC 27. Assessed a civil penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

Effective Date 3/7/14 Case # WCC 002-14

James S. Bill

Cumberland County, N.C. Allegations of contracting without the benefit of certification in violation of 15A NCAC 27. Assessed a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Effective Date 3/10/14 Case # WCC 001-14

JUBILEE Scholarships

by WCC Staff

The WCCC has approved scholarships for North Carolina certified well contractors to attend the South Atlantic JUBILEE this summer in Myrtle Beach, S.C. To apply, staff must receive your completed WCC-18 scholarship request form by May 23. This form is available on our website www.wellcontractors.nc.gov on the "Forms" page. Apply now as the number of scholarships is limited.

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you, you can help shape and mold the future of the JUBILEE.

While at the Jubilee, you may want to visit with some of our sponsors and tell them "thank you" for helping to support this event. This year's sponsors include: Driller Services, Inc.; Franklin Electric; Preferred Pump; Atlas Copco USA; Goulds Water Technology; Simmons Manufacturing; WorldWide Drilling Resource, Inc.; Milby Company; Pentair; and VAMAC, Inc.

We look forward to seeing you in Myrtle Beach and we hope you will bring your families to enjoy the tradeshow and the exciting activities the area has to offer. There will be a great tradeshow, high level continuing education sessions, and yes, we are bringing back the "Family Picnic"!

To register, please visit www.jubileewatershow.com to download the brochure. Or you may call Kim Gordon at the JUBILEE office at 855-987-7469 or send an email to kgordon@executiveoffice.org. Thank you for your continued support and we will see you in Myrtle Beach July 26-28! It's going to be great to be home.

Guilford County Well Contractor Day

by WCC Staff

Guilford County Environmental Health held their 12th annual well contractor day on February 18. With 125 well contractors in attendance, this is one of the largest continuing education events in the state. Topics included GIS, investigation of contaminated wells, legislative updates, manganese concentrations in piedmont wells and rules updates.

Guilford County is planning on holding a Well Contractors Day again in 2015 and hopes to see you there!



Electrical Contracting License Required

by Al Parris, State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors

The laws of this state require that before any person, firm or corporation is entitled to install, maintain, or repair wiring that is directly related to groundwater pump equipment, such person, firm or corporation must first qualify and hold an electrical contracting license issued by the State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors.

A special restricted groundwater pump license (SP-WP) authorizes the licensee to install, maintain, or repair electric wiring only as an incident to the licensee's groundwater pump business. Furthermore, the license authorizes the licensee to install, maintain or repair only wiring that is directly related to a groundwater pump and that:

1. Is restricted to circuits or parts of circuits that operate at voltages not exceeding 600 volts, phase-to-phase;
2. Is electrically isolated from the building wiring system by an overcurrent protective isolating device that:
 - (A) has been installed, complete with line-side connections, by others;
 - (B) is permanently and legibly marked to identify the equipment served by the device; and
 - (C) is located adjacent to the controller for the specific groundwater pump equipment involved and within an enclosure intended solely for, and limited to, serving that equipment;
3. Originates at the load-side terminals of the protective isolating device; and
4. Is not installed in a location considered as hazardous under the National Electrical Code.

Any person interested in taking the qualifying examination for a special restricted groundwater pump electrical contracting license (SP-WP), please call 1-800-392-6102 to receive the necessary application packet or order online at the Board's Book Store at www.ncbeec.org/shop/. You may view a copy of the Board's Examination Handbook under "Need a Form" at: www.ncbeec.org/wp-content/olduploads/Web-2012PSIExamBulletin.pdf.

If you should have questions concerning the electrical contracting licensing laws and the scope of the SP-

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Certification Today

Total number certified.....1142
 Total number of applicants for certification.....39
 Certifications currently suspended.....0

N.C. Division of Water Resources Water Quality Regional Operations Section

<http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wq/aps>

<u>Asheville</u>	828-296-4500
<u>Fayetteville</u>	910-433-3300
<u>Mooresville</u>	704-663-1699
<u>Raleigh</u>	919-791-4200
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<http://www.deh.enr.state.nc.us>

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Training in Pender County

by WCC Staff

Pender County Environmental Health held their first training day for well contractors on March 7. The training was led by Doug McVey. A variety of topics were covered including pressure tanks, permitting, OSHA regulations, rules and pumps. The room was full with many local well contractors in attendance. The training was preapproved for 6 CEU. Pender County plans to make this an annual event.



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WP license, you should contact the State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, PO Box 18727, Raleigh, North Carolina 27619-8727, Telephone (919) 733-9042 Ext. 203 or aparris@ncbeec.org.

The board's website provides a source for those seeking information about the board and its services. It allows any user to search the board's database of active licensees, license number and listed qualified individuals including licensee address and telephone information. This data is updated daily to reflect new licensees, changes, etc.

Other information available on this site includes: Laws and Rules applicable to Electrical Contracting; Examinations information; Continuing education; Complaints; Fees and services; Downloadable forms; Board and Staff members information; Book Store; and Links to related sites.

Visit the board's web site: www.ncbeec.org.
The board encourages use of this site and please provide feedback to the board office.
The email address is info@ncbeec.org.

Report Uncertified Well Contractors to the local health department or call (919) 707-5882