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October 28, 2022 (RAIN DATE NOV. 4, 2022)

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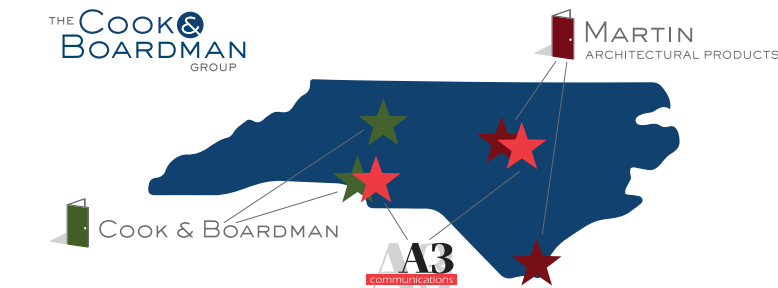
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DEADLY MISTAKES

By Judyth Forte, NC State Plan Coordinator

Fatal Event: On Dec. 1, 2020, an 18-year-old man died after he was ejected from the seat of the forklift he was driving, after he came into contact with the wheel of a moving tractor trailer.

Investigative findings: The employee worked for a support service provider for the poultry industry who provides contract work with several large poultry companies. The employer maintains five separate chicken catching crews throughout North Carolina who catch approximately 200,000 chickens a week. The support service employer provides labor and forklifts and the main employer provides the cages and the flatbed transportation. The employee was hired as a chicken catcher at a plant where they raise, feed and ready the poultry for transport. The employee was responsible for catching, picking up and placing live chickens into cages. Each chicken cage was approximately 8’ x 4’ x 4’ tall. Chicken catching crews typically have five to six employees each and one or two certified forklift operators.

On the night of the incident the employee was assigned to operate a Moffett forklift (type: P6000) powered industrial truck. The new responsibility was to unload and load multiple chicken cages from multiple flatbed trailers. Forklift operators unload empty cages from the trailer, maneuver and position the cages in the building where the chicken catchers fill the cages, and the forklift operator then loads them back onto the tractor trailer. It is estimated that employees operate the forklifts for approximately six or more hours per shift. The forklift operators’ work area is located in the roadway, parking lot area and inside of each building. During each tractor trailer load/ unload, a forklift operator is required to move cages in a prearranged loading zone. The loading zone is generally from the building rollup door entrance to the length of the trailer, operating on the tractor trailer’s driver’s side where the forklift operator has a clear view of the tractor cab and driver. At the time of the accident the employee was operating a forklift in approximately 12 to 15 feet of parallel space between two tractor trailers. He was actively loading one tractor trailer when the adjacent tractor trailer started to move to exit the property. The employee placed his forklift in reverse striking the adjacent trailer as it was moving forward. It was determined the rear wheel of the forklift made contact with the trailer’s second rear axle wheel on the left side of truck. The tire-to-tire contact caused the forklift to jerk suddenly counterclockwise which ejected the employee from the operator’s seat. The employee landed on the ground in a six-foot gap between the trailer’s second rear axle and first rear axle. The tractor trailer was still in motion, and the driver was unaware of what had happened. The trailer’s rear axle wheels rolled over the employee.

Discussion: The employee had been told by his crew leader to operate the forklift during his shift. It was revealed that the employee had not been formally trained or provided any instruction by his employer or evaluated for operator competency before being allowed to operate the forklift. The employee was not a certified operator. In addition, the employee was not wearing the seatbelt that was available on the forklift. The interlock safety feature had been bypassed by attaching the seatbelt behind the operator’s seat.

If the employee’s assigned duty did not include operating a forklift, then steps should have been taken to verify the employee had the required skill set before instructing him to drive the forklift. The employer should also have ensured that any employee that was assigned such tasks had experience of operating in such tight quarters around moving tractor trailers.

Recommendations:

Employers and employees need to follow manufacturers’ operating instructions.

- Employees need to be formally trained before using a forklift. The training must be equipment specific.
- Employers must certify that each forklift operator has been trained.
- Only authorized and qualified employees can use a forklift.
- Employers must evaluate employee competence by way of a practical assessment.
- Operators must always wear the seatbelt provided by the manufacturer.
- If employees are observed not following all the operating procedures and abiding by the safety protocols, then management should address this with the employee and take disciplinary action if necessary.

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UPDATED NCPSMA WEBSITE

Your new Executive Director, Kristie Payne, has updated the NCPSMA Website and has done an excellent job.

You can now pay your membership on the website as well as pay for the convention registration. Vendors can pay for membership, registration, display space and sponsorships on the website.

The homepage lists the vendors who support NCPSMA by placing an advertisement in The Maintenance Beacon. Kristie updated that page as well using each individual company logo.

She updated the officers page listing all the state officers together. She plans to update the district officers in the future.

Kristie has worked hard to make the website more user friendly. Please check out the updated website and let Kristie know you appreciate her efforts.

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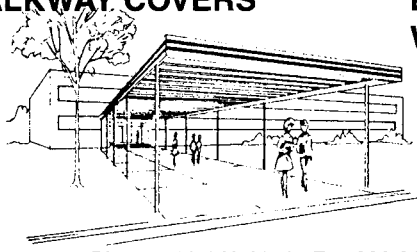


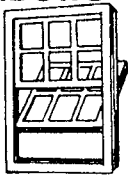
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RAIN DATE – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022 1:00 PM
SHOTGUN START

NCPSMA ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

DISTRICT III SUPERBALL TOURNAMENT

DATE: October 28, 2022

RAIN DATE: November 4, 2022

PLACE: Wedgewood Golf Course 3201 Old Stantonsburg Road, Wilson, NC

Entry Fee: \$50.00 per person
\$200.00 per team

(THIS INCLUDES: GREEN FEE, RANGE BALLS, CART & LUNCH)
ALL CHECKS: PAYABLE TO: NCPSMA DISTRICT III

REGISTRATION FORM and PAYMENT FOR HOLE SPONSORSHIP AND TEAMS ARE DUE BY OCTOBER 21, 2022

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JUNE RECIPE

So, I am going to stray from “the maintenance theme” once again this month and include a recipe, my mama’s pound cake recipe. I’ve tried others, but I always return to this one. Mama’s cakes are still remembered fondly by all who were blessed to partake of one. Mama taught me never to cook them too long. Take it out of the oven when some cake (not batter but crumbs) still “sticks” to the toothpick (or cake tester). Don’t wait until the toothpick or tester comes out clean – because the cake will continue to cook some in the hot pan after it is removed from the oven. When I was growing up, I churned butter for mama. I didn’t mind because I got to do it watching TV (not much time for TV watching on a farm). The cakes she made with freshly churned butter were amazing. Making a cake using her recipe with “bought butter” is still delicious, just make sure you use the best butter you can afford (or in these COVID days-the best you can find).

Mama’s Pound Cake Recipe

Important - ALL ingredients should be room temperature

Ingredients

- 2 sticks butter
- ½ cup Crisco
- 3 cups sugar
- 6 eggs
- 3 cups plain flour (I don’t sift – but I measure by spooning it into a measuring cup instead of scooping the flour up with a measuring cup)
- 1 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon lemon flavoring
- ½ tablespoon vanilla flavoring

Directions

Cream together butter and Crisco until fluffy and light. Cream in sugar slowly. Add eggs, one at a time, beating until each is fully incorporated. Alternately add flour and milk, beginning and ending with flour. Add flavorings. Pour in a greased and floured tube pan. Bake at 325 degrees for one hour and 15 minutes. Check doneness with a cake tester or toothpick inserted in the widest part. If it is still “gooey” cook and additional 15 minutes. If only crumbs are present, remove form oven. Cool at least 20 minutes in the pan on a cooling rack before you remove it from the pan. Enjoy!!!

Note:

For Chocolate Pound Cake
Add ½ cup cocoa to the flour
Omit Lemon Flavoring
Increase Vanilla Flavoring to 1 Tablespoon
If you have it on hand, add a pinch of espresso powder to the flour-just a small pinch-it enhances the chocolate flavor.

Enjoy!

Roxie



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GUS



I know that many of you enjoyed the articles I used to write about Gus because you’ve told me you always read them first.

I was asked to discontinue articles in the Beacon that were not “Maintenance Related” so (for the most part) I discontinued them, including the Gus Articles.

However, I wanted you give you and update (in this last issue of The Maintenance Beacon that I will be producing) on Gus.

Gus celebrated his 18th birthday in May. He still has “Sam I Am” (his service dog) and his favorite color is still red. Gus is tall and slim and has a beautiful smile and as always, he ‘never meets a stranger.’ Please continue to keep Gus and his family in your prayers. Thank you.

Roxie

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GUIDELINES FOR TOP AWARDS

Nominations are being sought for the 2022 NCPSMA Maintenance Director of the Year, Maintenance Employee of the Year and Superintendent of the Year. The Maintenance Director of the Year and Maintenance Employee of the Year awards were established 35 years ago by Milt Saffelle and are sponsored annually by Saffelle, Inc. This is the 26th year the Superintendent of the Year award has been sponsored by Saffelle, Inc.

Should you wish to nominate a candidate, please supply the information outlined below and return to the chairman of the NCPSMA Awards Committee by **August 10, 2022**. To qualify as a candidate for Superintendent of the Year, candidates may be superintendents, associate/ assistant superintendents, who have the responsibilities for maintenance. They must be current members of NCPSMA.

Maintenance Directors are defined as those who serve as **direct head** of the maintenance department. Maintenance Employees are defined as other members of maintenance staff.

1. Nominees for Supervisor of the Year or Employee of the Year awards must be currently employed as a maintenance person in an educational system in the state of North Carolina.

2. The nominee must have been an active member of the NCPSMA for the last five **consecutive** years.

3. The nominee cannot be the current state president.

4. Nominations must be made by an active member of NCPSMA. There should be a letter of nomination signed by the active member. Only one nominee, per category, may be submitted from each LEA. If more than one nominee, per category, from an individual LEA is submitted, same category nominations from said LEA will be **disqualified**. This decision was passed by the NCPSMA Advisory Council, May 2016.

5. Nominees must be from the NCPSMA **District** making the nomination.

6. The following data must be supplied for each candidate:

A photograph of the nominee must be included and placed on a separate sheet of paper.

A biographical sketch, preferably in narrative form and no more than two pages in length, including the nominee's achievements that have contributed to success in NCPSMA and other professional involvement.

No other information on nominee will be accepted.

The Awards Committee is comprised of the NCPSMA One Year Advisory Council Members and Milt Saffelle, chairman. Saffelle serves in an ex officio capacity and does not have voting privileges. In case of a tie the current state vice president will have voting privileges. All nominations must be submitted no later than **August 10, 2022** to: Milton Saffelle, Chairman, NCPSMA Awards Committee, PO Box 1499, Hillsborough, NC 27278.

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- Registration Check-in at the Convention will be much quicker for you if your membership is current before you arrive.

EACH PERSON attending the Awards Banquet (members, spouses, children, friends, etc.) **MUST PURCHASE a Banquet Ticket IN ADVANCE.**

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Tentative Agenda

Tuesday 9/20	
2:00-3:45 <i>Foyer</i>	Early Registration
4:00-5:30 <i>Pamlico</i>	2023 Western Convention Planning Meeting (Planning Committee Members)
5:30 <i>Pamlico</i>	Planning Committee and Advisory Council Members Dinner
6:00-7:30 <i>Pamlico</i>	Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday 9/21	
6:30-5:00	Registration – Foyer
6:30-5:00 <i>Pamlico/ Hatters</i>	Electrical (CEU's) <i>Presented by William "AL" Parris, NC Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors & Mr. Darrel Johnson</i>
<i>Cape Fear/ Lookout</i>	Locksmith License Renewal (2 CEU's) <i>Presented by ASSA ABLOY/DSS Carolinas</i>
8:00-10:00 <i>Onslow</i>	Dualwater (2 CEU's -must attend all 3 classes) <i>Presenter TBA</i>
<i>Bogue Sound</i>	Ornamental & Turf Pest Control (2 CEU's) <i>Presented by Tom Glasgow, Craven County Extension Director/ Horticulture Agent, NC State University</i>
<i>Atlantic</i>	Fire & Loss Restoration <i>Presented by Patrick Brown, Belfor Restoration</i>
10:15-12:15 <i>Onslow</i>	Dualwater (2 CEU's -must attend all 3 classes) <i>Presenter TBA</i>
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10:15-12:15 <i>Atlantic</i>	Safe and Friendly Environment for Students and Teachers <i>Presented by Kriss Chapman, Buckeye International</i>
Noon	Lunch on Your Own
1:30-2:30 <i>Atlantic</i>	Opening Session and Business Session
2:30-4:30 <i>Atlantic</i>	Roof Coatings: Past, Present and Future <i>Presented by Fred Wolfe, Everest Systems Business Director</i>
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2:30-4:30 <i>Bogue Sound</i>	Emergency Response Planning <i>Presented by Ben Bass and Joe Johnson, Builders Services</i>
Thursday 9/22	
7:00	34th Annual Handi-Clean Jay Palmer Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament Sponsored by Handi-Clean Products, Inc.
8:00-9:00 <i>Onslow</i>	Care, Maintenance, and Fire Code Compliance for Your Stage Curtains <i>Presented by Steve McKee, Premier Drapery</i>
8:00-10:00 <i>Bogue Sound</i>	Structural Pest (2 CEU's) <i>Presented by Patti Alder, Assistant Director & Training Coordinator, NCSU Structural Pest Management</i>
9:00-9:30	Exhibitor Display Selection
9:30-11:00	Exhibitor Display Setup
<i>Onslow</i>	Spectator Seating: Code Compliance and Preventative Maintenance <i>Presented by Stephen Bishop, Seating Safety Solutions</i>
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11:00-12:00	Superintendents & Directors visit with Exhibitors
Noon	Lunch on Your Own
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1:00-5:00	Visit with Exhibitors
Friday 9/23	
8:00-3:45	Registration
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10:00-12:00	Exhibitor Display Breakdown
<i>Bogue Sound</i>	Loman Garrett Showroom
<i>Onslow</i>	Loman Garrett Showroom
12:00	Lunch on Your Own
12:00-1:30	Cornhole Tournament
2:30-3:30 <i>Bogue Sound</i>	Thermoplastic Pipe, Valves, Fittings and Cements <i>Presented by Augie Benfante, Spears Manufacturing Company</i>
<i>Onslow</i>	The HALO Smart Sensor <i>Presented by Steven Webb and Jeannie Kearney, KNC</i>
<i>Fear/Lookout</i>	AC Drive Technology: What It Is, How It Works, and How to Be a Good Citizen in the Application <i>Presented by Perry Conte, Hoffman & Hoffman</i>
6:00-Until	Banquet

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