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MEETING DATES

The districts of NCPSMA meet twice yearly.

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January, July

District 2

January, July

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District 3

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District 7

May, November

Pres. Raymond Bowles

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District 8

March, November

V. Pres. Jason Kelly

Phone: 828.456.2402

Meeting Dates & Locations

Should be sent to The Maintenance Beacon two months in advance for publication.

Deadlines

Publication deadline for articles and advertisements is first day of the month prior to month of publication.

Meet LABOR COMMISSIONER JOSH DOBSON

Josh Dobson was sworn in as North Carolina's 18th labor commissioner on Jan. 2, 2021, after serving eight years in the state House of Representatives. Dobson represented the 85th district covering Avery, McDowell and Mitchell counties located in the western part of the state. Dobson is a native of McDowell County and currently resides in Nebo with his wife, Valerie, and his daughter, Kennedy.



Dobson served as a McDowell County Commissioner from 2010 to 2012 before being appointed in 2013 to the 85th House district seat. Dobson was appointed to replace Mitch Gillespie, who left to accept a position with the McCrory administration. Dobson subsequently ran and won re-election to the 85th district seat in 2014, 2016 and 2018.

During the 2017-2018 legislative session, Dobson served as chair of the Subcommittee on Student Health for the Select Committee on Safer Schools, chairman of the Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee and chair of the House Health Policy standing committee.

Additionally, during the 2019-2020 legislative session, Dobson served as a full chair of the House Appropriations Committee and chairman of the House Health Committee.

"Given the recent political division in our state and country, I look forward to bringing a level of civility and bipartisan spirit in my approach to governing," Commissioner Dobson said. "With so many workers' lives at stake, my role here at the N.C. Department of Labor is a great place to start with that approach."

Employee safety is Commissioner Dobson's top priority.

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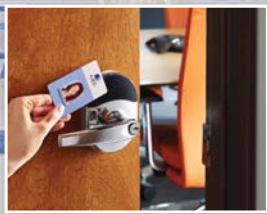
Prioritization for Anyone Working in PreK-12 Schools

Feb 10, 2021

Today Governor Roy Cooper and North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Mandy K. Cohen, M.D. outlined a timeline for Group 3 frontline workers becoming eligible to receive the Covid-19 vaccine, beginning with anyone working in childcare or in PreK - 12 schools on February 24.

"I am grateful to all of our educators and school personnel for going above and beyond in this pandemic to care for children and help them continue to learn," said Governor Cooper. "Starting with a smaller number of Group 3 frontline essential workers helps providers streamline vaccine distribution effectively and efficiently."

Because vaccine supply continues to be limited and the *continued on page 6*



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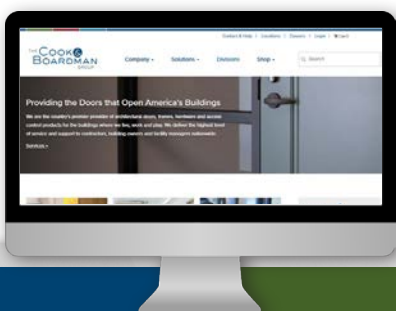
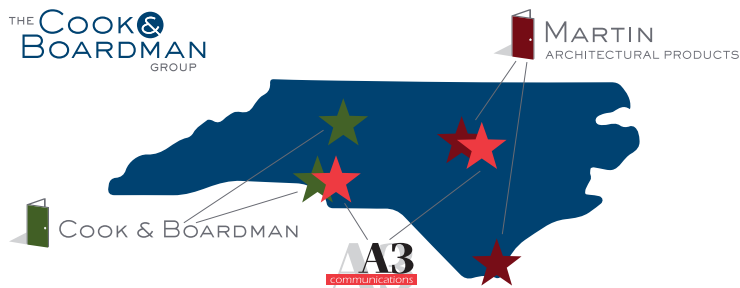
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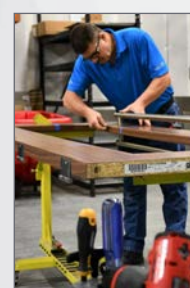
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MEET JOSH DOBSON

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“We want to provide a real service to every business and every worker in the state of North Carolina,” Commissioner Dobson said. “I am excited to continue the collaborative training and education initiatives that have resulted in a continual decline in our state’s injury and illness rate.”

Dobson earned a Bachelor of Science in social sciences from Gardner Webb and a Master of Public Administration from Appalachian State University.

The N.C. Department of Labor is charged by statute with promoting the “health, safety, and general well-being” of more than 4 million workers across the state. The laws and programs it administers affect every worker—and virtually every person—in the state.

The Constitution of North Carolina provides for the election of a commissioner of labor every four years. The commissioner is head of the Department of Labor and also serves as a member of the Council of State. North Carolina law gives the commissioner broad regulatory authority and enforcement powers to carry out the department’s duties for the people.

AHERA LEA DESIGNEE TRAINING

Do you have a LEA Designee to oversee your Asbestos (AHERA) and Lead Based Paint program? If so, how long has it been since they had a refresher of the duties and responsibilities of the designee?

To sign up for classes or learn more information, contact the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology section at (919)707-5950. The website is <https://epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/asbestos/ahmp.html>

The department and website offers additional information on Abatement protocol, a list of accredited abatement contractors, other training opportunities for O&M, abatement, etc.

The below information is direct from NCDHHS website.

Occupational & Environmental Epidemiology

Health Hazards Control

The Health Hazards Control Unit consists of industrial hygiene professionals providing the following services:

- Providing information to the general public on the health effects that may result from exposure to asbestos and lead-based paint.
- Accrediting individuals conducting asbestos management activities in North Carolina and issuing permits for asbestos abatement projects.
- Accrediting training providers and courses that provide training for asbestos accreditations and lead certifications.
- Certifying individuals and firms conducting lead-based paint management activities and issuing permits for lead abatement projects.
- Certifying individuals and firms conducting lead-based paint renovation

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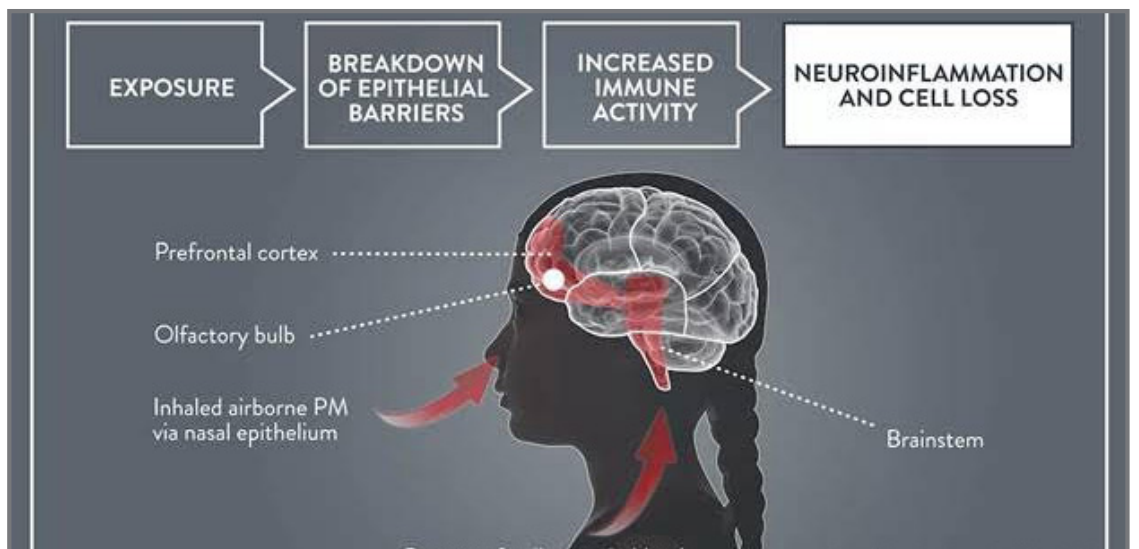
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ROXIE OFF ROAD

Material for *The Maintenance Beacon* has been slim – more so than usual – due to not holding events. I asked some of our vendors for articles about what they have been up to during the pandemic. Many thanks to **Heather Currie, with Camfil USA** for sending the following article. We also welcome articles about your school projects. Please contact Roxie Mack, roxiermack@gmail.com for more information.

SAFE SCHOOLS EVERY DAY PROTECTING STUDENT AND STAFF HEALTH WITH AIR PURIFIERS

Children spend hundreds of hours in the classroom every year learning and developing their young minds. However, air pollution can disrupt their growth and particularly affects the youngest children the most. The major cause of air pollution comes from outdoor sources like particulate matter (PM1) and nitrogen oxide (NOX) from vehicle fumes. Schools in high traffic areas are impacted by this type of pollution the most. Another source of air pollution is volatile organic compounds (VOCs), which can come from custodial cleaning fluids, teaching supplies, building materials, and certain types of paints. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), there is no ‘safe level of exposure to VOCs.’ The harmful air can penetrate through unseen cracks and seams in buildings or can simply enter into the classroom through open doors and windows. Amid COVID-19, the school conditions have changed drastically as many have opted for virtual classrooms, but it is more important than ever to ensure that children are exposed to clean air as they start to return to school.



THE SOLUTION FOR THE INDOOR AIR IN SCHOOLS

Apart from exposure to external traffic fumes, schools are particularly prone to poor IAQ because they are often older buildings that can release radon, a colorless gas naturally produced by soil and asbestos fumes which is toxic and associated with lung problems and cancer.

With the concentrations of some pollutants inside a building being up to 50 times higher than outside, it is essential that schools do more to protect their students and staff.

Ventilation or air circulation through fully opened classroom windows is not always sufficient. The risk of infection in the classroom decreases when stationary air purifiers with integrated high-performance filters are installed. Consider a range of air purifiers that can help reduce the risk of airborne virus transmission. Find an air purifier designed with increased air changes and improved filtration efficiency in mind. Consider a true HEPA filter air purifier (one that will contain pathogens in the aerosols, they're captured via HEPA filters with an efficiency of removing 99.99% of contaminants 0.3 microns in size).

To learn more insights on air pollution, copy and paste the following link into your web browser: <https://www.camfil.com/en-us/insights/air-quality/tab-graphic-air-pollution> or contact Heather at heather.currie@camfil.com.

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- Providing consultative services on lead-based paint and asbestos related issues to homeowners, businesses, schools and policy makers.
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- Contact the Health Hazards Control Unit: (919) 707-5950 or fax (919) 870-4808

Submitted by Bergie Speaks, NCPSMA State President

VICTORY INNOVATIONS RECALLS ELECTROSTATIC SPRAYERS WITH LITHIUM-ION BATTERY PACKS DUE TO FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

Name of product:

Victory Innovations and Protexus Electrostatic Sprayers

Hazard:

The sprayer's rechargeable lithium-ion battery pack can overheat and melt, posing a risk of the product catching fire and/or exploding.

Recall date:

February 3, 2021

Units:

About 405,000 (In addition, 27,000 in Canada)

Description:

This recall involves Victory Innovations and Protexus-branded cordless handheld and backpack electrostatic sprayers used to disinfect surfaces. They come with a nozzle, nozzle wrench, tank, lithium-ion battery pack and a battery pack charger. The Victory Innovations cordless sprayers have a green and white exterior. The Victory Innovations logo appears on the front or the side of the green and white sprayers and model VP-20A or VP-20B appears on the battery pack. The Protexus logo appears on the front or the side of the black and white sprayers and model PX20A or PX20B appears on the battery back. Battery packs on recalled units have visible screw heads and a case with no parting lines.

Remedy:

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled sprayers, remove the battery pack and dispose it in accordance with local laws for disposal of lithium-ion batteries, and contact Victory Innovations for a free replacement battery pack, including shipping.

Incidents/Injuries:

Victory Innovations has received 37 reports of the lithium-ion battery pack in the electrostatic sprayers overheating, catching on fire or exploding, some of which resulted in property damage. No injuries have been reported.

Sold At:

Chemical and cleaning supply distributors nationwide and online at Amazon.com, SupplyWorks.com (Home Depot Pro Institutional) and Staples.com from January 2016 through November 2020 for between \$100 and \$150.

Importer(s):

Victory Innovations, of Twinsburg, Ohio

Manufactured In:

China

Recall number:

21-073



Consumer Contact:

Victory Innovations toll-free at 888-674-2482 Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET, email at ES-Sprayerbatteryrecall@stericycle.com or online at www.victoryinnovations.com and click on Battery Recall for more information.





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GOV. COOPER OUTLINES TIMELINE ON GROUP 3 COVID-19 VACCINE

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Group 3 population of frontline essential workers is so large, the state needs to move to the next group gradually. Those working in childcare and schools, such as teachers, bus and van drivers, custodial and maintenance staff, and food service workers, will be eligible first. This includes staff in childcare centers and homes, Head Start Programs, Preschool and PreK programs, traditional public schools, charter schools and private schools. (See [Deeper Dive](#) for additional detail.)

States must vaccinate people in groups due to limited supply. North Carolina is currently vaccinating people in Groups 1 and 2, which include health care workers, long-term care staff and residents and people 65 and older. In the coming weeks, providers will continue to vaccinate these groups. More than 40 percent of North Carolina’s residents 65 and older have been vaccinated.

Under the timeline outlined today, the state plans to move to additional frontline workers on March 10th.

“Vaccine supply limitations continue to impact how fast we can get all North Carolinians vaccinated,” said Secretary Cohen. “Keep doing the 3Ws. Wear a mask, wait 6 feet apart, and wash your hands often. And be sure to visit YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov for accurate information.”

NCDHHS is working with partners to develop operational guidance to support childcare and school staff in accessing vaccines. However, current prevention measures will not change. Schools can and should be providing in-person instruction. Under robust safety measures, all students can be in classrooms, with middle and high school students also following six-foot social distancing protocols.

As of today, North Carolina has administered more than 1 million first doses of vaccine and more than 1.5 million total doses.

North Carolina is expected to receive more doses of vaccine over the coming weeks heading into March. This increase and certainty of advance knowledge into the supply chain several weeks out has allowed the state to plan to open vaccinations to group 3. As state officials receive more supply information, additional operational guidance will continue to be provided.

Detailed information about each vaccine group is online at YourShotYourSpot.nc.gov (English) or vacunate.nc.gov (Spanish).

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DR. RODNEY SHOTWELL, SUPERINTENDENT OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS AMONG THREE VYING TO BE AASA PRESIDENT-ELECT

From NCASA and AASA Reports



The School Superintendents Association (AASA) has announced three candidates, including one from North Carolina, who will compete for votes from February 19 – March 12 to become the national organization’s President-Elect. Dr. Rodney Shotwell, Superintendent of Rockingham County Schools, is one of three contenders vying for the office of President-Elect. He began his career in education as a high school history and economics teacher and coach and subsequently served as an assistant principal, high school principal, and Superintendent of Macon County Schools before joining Rockingham County Schools in 2006 as Superintendent, where he serves currently. Dr. Shotwell was named the 2012 North Carolina Honor Administrator of the Year by the North Carolina Music Educators Association and the 2012 North Carolina Superintendent of the Year by the North Carolina School Community Health Alliance. In 2015 he was named the 2015 A. Craig Phillips NC Superintendent of the Year. NCASA honored him with the 2016 Raymond Sarbaugh Leadership Award for state-wide leadership in service in public education. Dr. Shotwell was appointed to the AASA Governing Board in 2013 and served continuously until 2019, when he was appointed to the AASA Executive Committee. In February 2020 he was re-elected to a 3-year term on that committee.

“Cheering you on Dr. Shotwell! We appreciate you being a supportive member of NCPSMA for many years.”

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DISTRICT SEVEN SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

Thank-you for your interest in the District Seven Scholarship. We will award a minimum of one scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 annually. The newest recipient(s) will be named during the District Seven Meeting in May of 2021.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. NCPSMA District Seven current active, associate or retired member (minimum of one year) or their immediate family.
2. Financial Need
3. Acceptance by college, university or technical school
4. Completed application. If application is not complete and accurate it will not be considered.

In addition to the completed application, on a separate sheet please list applicant's extracurricular activities including, but not limited to academic, church, community, etc.

Briefly convey in 300 words or less your hopes, wishes and desires along with why you chose the college or continuing education program you plan to attend.

Include copy of current membership card with application.

Application must be postmarked by March 12, 2021 and mailed to Tim Pruitt, C/O Wilkes County School Maintenance Department, 613 Cherry Street, North

DISTRICT SEVEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

It must be complete and accurate or it will not be considered.

A. Applicant

Applicants Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Social Security # _____
Applicant Employer _____
Approximate Salary _____ \$0-\$20,000 _____ \$20,001-\$30,000
_____ \$30,001-\$40,000 _____ \$40,000+

High School Attending/Attended _____
Year of Completion _____
College Attending or Applied to and Accepted _____
Years Attended _____ or Year to Begin _____

B. If Applicable

Spouse _____
Address (if different from applicant) _____
Employer _____
Work Phone Number _____
Approximate Salary _____ \$0-\$20,000 _____ \$20,001-\$30,000
_____ \$30,001-\$40,000 _____ \$40,000+

Current Member of NCPSMA YES NO

If YES, how long have you been a member _____

C. Parent(s) of Applicant if Dependant Child or Adopted Child

Name of Father _____
Address _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Employer _____
Current Member of NCPSMA YES NO
If YES, how long have you been a member? _____
Name of Mother _____
Address _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Employer _____
Current Member of NCPSMA YES NO
If YES, how long have you been a member? _____
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_____ \$60,001-\$80,000 _____ \$80,000+

D. NCPSMA Member representing applicant if other then self or parent

Name _____ Relation to Applicant _____
Employer _____
Current Member of NCPSMA YES NO
If YES, how long have you been a member _____

E. Please list other family members attending school/college, etc

Name	College or School	Year to Graduate	Age

F. Finance assistance applied for or received from other sources

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DEADLY MISTAKES

By Judyth Forte, NC State Plan Coordinator

Fatal Event: On Aug. 30, 2018, a 26-year-old man died while operating a John Deere Gator Utility vehicle and pulling a large gas-powered debris blower. His brakes failed when he was traveling down a steep hill and he collided with a tree.

Investigative Findings: A property owners association created a maintenance department, by hiring staff and purchasing equipment, to take care of 14 miles of paved residential roads and common areas. There were several full-time maintenance staff who were supplemented by seasonal staff from April to October. The maintenance manager was in charge of the department and was responsible for keeping the equipment fully operable and in good repair.

The Gator was designed with four-wheel disc brakes that were activated by a hydraulic system. The parking brake activated the rear brakes only. At the accident site, two pieces of heat-discolored strips of metal were found and it was determined that they were remnants of the right-rear brake rotor. The left-rear brake rotor remained connected to the hub with about 2 inches of very thin metal. The cause for the worn condition was determined to be from long term metal-on-metal contact. The brake pad friction material, which was designed to contact the steel rotor, appeared to be very worn. Both front brake rotors exhibited signs of metal-on-metal contact. The poor braking ability, the weight of the large gas blower and the steep descent all contributed to the accident.

The maintenance manager was responsible for maintaining and servicing the equipment and the vehicles. When written service records for the Gator were reviewed, they were disorganized and minimal. There was no record that any of the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedules had been completed fully and there were no records indicating that the brake system had been serviced at all.

One of the seasonal staff indicated that the parking brake had not been working on the Gator since he started working two months prior. He said that he had been verbally instructed by the maintenance manager to park sideways when on a slope, because the parking brake did not work. The maintenance manager did not take the vehicle out of service for repair when the parking brake had been identified as inoperable. He was not ensuring that the equipment was safe and fully functional or completing regular preventative maintenance. He knowingly allowed employees to use equipment that was in disrepair. The malfunctioning brakes should have been identified and corrected before their failure cost a life.

Discussion: Preventive maintenance is the systematic care and protection of tools, equipment, machines and vehicles in order to keep them in safe, useable condition and to maintain optimal performance.

There were no records available to indicate that the Gator had received routine maintenance at the property owner's association or by an external entity. Proper maintenance schedules and recommendations provided by the manufacturer were not followed and clear records of work completed were not maintained. There should have been a continuous monitoring system in place to record the status of each piece of equipment and a mechanism in place to take equipment out of service until it had been repaired or serviced.

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There was no indication that the maintenance manager had any formal training in maintaining the equipment that he was responsible for. He rose to the position of maintenance manager at the housing association due to other staff leaving the department. There was no verification process in place to assure that he had the necessary skills or qualifications to carry out the expected duties. An alternative to hiring a qualified person would have been to have the equipment serviced and maintained by an authorized dealer or mechanic.

The maintenance manager was not accountable to anyone in a management position that would have been responsible for regularly checking the status of the equipment owned by the association to assure that equipment was maintained and in good working order.

Recommendations: Have a preventative maintenance schedule in place for each piece of equipment and follow the manufacturer's recommended guidelines. It is critical to ensure that the vehicles and equipment receive the required service and maintenance to prevent dangerous mechanical failure.

Employees should be trained on:

- The use of each piece of equipment. How to conduct a visual safety inspection of equipment before and after use.
- How to recognize the signs of wear and damage.
- How to report an issue with the equipment.
- How to take equipment out of service.
- How to recognize the hazards associated with the tools or equipment they are operating and the work they are performing.
- The methods to avoid injury to themselves or others resulting from the identified hazardous conditions. How to clean and lubricate equipment.

The need for, and use of, personal protective equipment. This information should be provided by the employer.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Important Exhibitor Information Concerning the Thirteenth Annual NCPSMA Western Convention/Workshop May 26 & 27, 2021

Hotel Reservations

Our reservation block with Ridgecrest **ends May 10, 2021**, after which date room rates are not guaranteed. Ridgecrest hotel room reservations are to be made on an individual basis. When you make your reservations for a hotel room at Ridgecrest, you **must** tell them that you are a participant of the NCPSMA Convention/Workshop. The room rates will be between \$79 and \$139 (no tax) depending on the room and occupancy number of each room. Reservations request will need to include group name and city along with the name, address, phone number and e-mail address if available for each attendee. Reservations are to be made by calling directly into the Ridgecrest reservations department (800-588-7222). All reservations are required to be guaranteed by a credit card number to "guarantee the room." **Checks must be made payable to Ridgecrest.** Individual reservation deposit required is one night's room rental. This deposit is refundable less a \$10/room processing fee if canceling 60 or more days prior to arrival, one-half refundable if canceling 30-59 days prior to arrival, and non-refundable if cancelling less than 30 days prior to arrival. Ridgecrest is not a "transient hotel", thus rescheduling of cancelled rooms requires greater advanced notice. Please keep this in mind and help avoid cancellation penalties. **Check in time is 4:00 pm and check out time is 10:00 am. You need to let Ridgecrest know if you will need a handicap accessible room when you make your reservation.**

Meal Tickets

Meal tickets need to be purchased along with the registration (if you plan to eat meals at Ridgecrest). The following meals will be available on the meal ticket: Wednesday breakfast and dinner and Thursday breakfast, at a cost of \$34.00. Wednesday and Thursday luncheons will be provided by NCPSMA. Meal tickets must be purchased through Roxie Mack. Please purchase before May 10, 2021.

Ridgecrest Behavioral Standards

Ridgecrest is a Christian Conference Center. In keeping with our mission, the following standards help to assume the comfort of our guests.

- Alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, firearms, and fireworks are **not** permitted anywhere on the grounds.
- The use of tobacco and tobacco related products are prohibited. A \$250 cleaning fee will be incurred per incident if this standard is violated. Burning of incense or candles is prohibited.
- Immodest clothing, distasteful monograms, bare feet in public areas, or any extreme styles of dress is prohibited.
- Pets are not permitted in any Ridgecrest facility. However, service animals as defined by ADA regulations are permitted. ADA regulations define a service animal as "any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit on an individual with a disability, including physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability." Per the US Department of Justice, "The crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this definition." Such animals are not service animals and are therefore not permitted in any Ridgecrest facility.
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Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, May 26

- 7:00-8:00** Breakfast-Meal Ticket Required (Cafeteria)
- 7:30-4:30** Registration
- 8:00-10:00** “Electrical” (JS 5 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 1 of 4 - Must attend all classes
Presented by Will Hill
- “Pump Cavitation” (JS 3 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 1 of 2 - Must attend all classes
Presented by James M. Pleasants
- “Pesticide – Ornamental and Turf” (JS 4 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 1 of 2 (O&T) - Must attend both classes
*Presented by Steve D. Pettis, Commercial and Consumer Horticulture Agent
NC State Cooperative Extension*
- “Playground Safety” (JS 2 B / 2nd Floor)
*Presented by Bill Marrs CPSI,
Recreation Restoration*
- “NC Locksmith Renewal” (JS 1 D & H / 1st Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 1 of 4 - Must attend all classes for 8 hours renewal credit
Presented by ASSA Abloy/DSS Carolinas
- 8:00-9:00** Coffee Break for Exhibitors
- 8:30-9:00** Exhibitor Display Selection (JS 1 A / 1st Floor)
- 9:00-10:00** Exhibitor Display Setup (JS 1 A, B, C, E, F, G / 1st Floor)
- 10:00-11:00** Opening Session and Vendor Recognition
(JS 2 C / 2nd Floor)
- 11:00** Visit with Exhibitors
(Exhibitors will distribute their individual door prizes during this time).
- Noon** Luncheon with Exhibitors (JS 2 A&B / 2nd Floor)
- 1:00-2:30** Visit with Exhibitors
(Exhibitors will distribute their individual door prizes during this time).
- 2:30** Exhibitor Display Breakdown
- 2:30-4:30** “Electrical” (JS 5 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 2 of 4 - Must attend all classes
Presented by Will Hill
- “Introduction to Geothermal Systems”
(JS 3 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 2 of 3 - Must attend all classes
Presented by James M. Pleasants
- “Pesticide – Ornamental & Turf” (JS 4 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 2 of 2 (O&T) - Must attend both classes
*Presented by Steve D. Pettis, Commercial and Consumer
Horticulture Agent NC State Cooperative Extension*

Wednesday, May 26 continued

- 2:30-4:30** “NC Locksmith Renewal” (JS 1 D & H / 1st Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 2 of 4 - Must attend all classes for 8 hours renewal credit
Presented by ASSA Abloy/DSS Carolinas
- “Microsoft Spread Sheet Demonstration”
(JS 2 B / 2nd Floor)
*Presented by Justin Dyson, Director of Maintenance Operations
Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools*
- “Air Quality” (JS 2 A / 2nd Floor)
Presented by Camfil
- 4:45 until** Cornhole Tournament
- 5:30-6:30** Dinner-Meal Ticket Required (Cafeteria)

Thursday, May 27

- 7:00-8:00** Breakfast-Meal Ticket Required (Cafeteria)
- 7:30-11:45** Registration
- 7:45-9:45** “Electrical” (JS 5 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 3 of 4 - Must attend all classes
Presented by Will Hill
- “Pesticide Structural” (JS 4 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 1 of 2 (Structural) - Must attend both classes
*Presented by Patti Alder, Assistant Director & Training
Coordinator, NCSU Structural Pest Management*
- “NC Locksmith Renewal” (JS 1 D & H / 1st Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 3 of 4 - Must attend all classes for 8 hours renewal credit
Presenter – ASSA Abloy/DSS Carolinas
- 8:00-10:00** “Turf Equipment Maintenance” (JS 2 A / 2nd Floor)
Presenter TBA
- Insurance Safety/Slip-Trip-Fall** (JS 2 B / 2nd Floor)
Presented by Randy Cranfill, Surry Insurance
- 10:00-12:00** “Electrical” (JS 5 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 4 of 4 - Must attend all classes
Presented by Will Hill
- “Pesticide Structural” (JS 4 / 2nd Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 2 of 2 (Structural) Must attend both classes
*Presented by Patti Alder, Assistant Director & Training
Coordinator, NCSU Structural Pest Management*
- “NC Locksmith Renewal” (JS 1 D & H / 1st Floor)
2 CEU’s – Class 4 of 4 - Must attend all classes for 8 hours renewal credit
Presented by ASSA/Abloy/DSS Carolinas
- OSHA Inspections** (JS 2 C / 2nd Floor)
Presented by Randy Cranfill, Surry Insurance
- 12:15-1:30** Luncheon (JS A/E & B/F 1st Floor)
- 1:30-2:30** Closing Session (JS A/E & B/F 1st Floor)
- 2:45-until** Advisory Council Meeting (JS D/H 1st Floor)

