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Upcoming Events

- **August 9, 2011 - 5 PM**
Board of Directors Meeting
Crest High School Cafeteria
- **August 9, 2011 - 6 PM**
Monthly Meeting
Crest High School Cafeteria



The Cleveland County Home Builders Association monthly meeting

August 9, 2011 — 6 PM

Crest High School Cafeteria

The monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 9, will be at the CREST HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA. The football team is having a fundraiser and will be selling Outback plates. (The cafeteria will be empty before our meeting.) It will help the football team raise money and it will also save the home-builders money as well. Dinner will be served at regular time, 6 pm.

***Directions:** Take 74 West - Turn Left onto Old Boiling Springs Road. Go approximately 2 miles & turn Right onto Crest Road. Turn left into the school bus parking lot. The entrance to the cafeteria is on that side as well. If you have any questions, please call Katie Bradley at: 704-472-0133 or email hbacceo@gmail.com

Don't forget to contribute to NC BUILD-PAC

NCHBA has developed a nonpartisan political action committee that supports the elected officials & candidates who stand behind our industry. The NC BUILD-PAC committee makes sure that your personal contributions are wisely spent by constantly monitoring and assessing candidates' policies on housing.

Now, more than ever, legislative issues must be addressed on a local, state & national level. Our industry must be protected for the future! Please help in any way that you can. A small gesture goes a long way.

Call 704-476-2747 for more information.

21st Century Building Expo & Conference

The premier building Expo & Conference for builders, associates, realtors, architects & trade contractors throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia. We invite you to take time from your schedule to visit the **Charlotte Convention Center September 14-16**. It's a decision that could have a tremendous impact on your business.

***Registration is NOW OPEN for 2011:** Register online or by calling Deborah Alford, 21CBEC Director, at 1-800-662-7129 or email dalford@nchba.org.

EPA Rejects Lead Paint Third-Party Clearance Testing Proposal

On Friday, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rejected a proposal to add third-party clearance testing to the Lead: Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (RRP). NAHB had requested that this regulation be selected for review by the EPA under the Presidential Executive Order for Regulatory Review (Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, 76 FR 3821 issued on Jan. 21) concerning the impact of federal rules on small businesses and job creation.

“We’re pleased that the EPA listened to the concerns of remodelers about the extreme costs the proposed clearance testing would have imposed,” said Bob Peterson, NAHB Remodelers chair and a remodeler from Fort Collins, Colo. “Home owners are saved from spending a great deal of money on lead testing. If remodeling is more affordable, home owners will be able to hire an EPA-certified renovator to keep them safe from lead dust hazards during renovation.”

North Carolina has its own Lead-Based Paint Repair, Renovation and Painting rule that is administered by the NC Department of Health and Human Services. North Carolina's rule is written in such a way that the any changes to the federal rule will be adopted in North Carolina.

“We can be impressed by one who does something big for themselves. But we can only be inspired by one who does something big for another.”

-Simon Sinek

You are Invited to the Builder Event at Ferguson Showroom

Please consider yourself invited to join us at the Ferguson Enterprises Bath, Kitchen and Lighting Gallery Showroom in Gastonia on **Thursday, August 4th at 6 pm** as we host our annual builder event.

We will have dinner and a great time to browse our newly “renovated & refreshed” showroom. We have added lots of new products for you to see.

We are hosting in conjunction with Lincoln County Home Builders Associations. Please take advantage of an excellent opportunity to mingle, network and enjoy some great food and door prizes.

Hope to see you here! If you need directions, let me know.

THANKS!

Cheryl Burgess
Showroom Consultant
Ferguson

CLEVELAND COUNTY CODE NEWS

The latest Engineering Newsletter that I received from Raleigh stated that they have responded to several instances where the following conditions were not met pertaining to Clothes Dryer Exhaust Duct Material. You may want to share this with your subs that install the clothes dryer duct or with your employees if you are installing the clothes dryer duct.

Requirements for Clothes Dryer Exhaust Duct Materials NCMC Section 504.6

Clothes dryer exhaust ducts must comply with the following:

- Must be metal.
- Must have a smooth interior surface.
- Minimum nominal size of 4" diameter (must be round).
- May not exceed 45' from the dryer to the terminal unless otherwise instructed by the duct manufacturer specifically for the dryer it will serve.

Transition ducts between the appliance and the exhaust duct:

- Must be a single length not exceeding 8'.
- Must be listed and labeled for the application.
- Cannot be concealed within the building construction.
- Must remain entirely within the room where the appliance is installed.

As always, should you have any questions, please contact me at [704-484-4997](tel:704-484-4997).

Sincerely,

Paul Ezell
Cleveland County
Codes Administrator



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“Everything in your life is a reflection of a choice you have made. If you want a different result, make different choices.”

Housing Production Regained Some Strength in June

Nationwide housing stats posted their biggest gain in months this June, rising 14.6% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 629,000 units. This was the best pace of housing production since the beginning of the year, and was reflected in gains across both the single-family and multifamily sectors as well as every region of the country. Though still very low by historic standards, the latest numbers released by the U.S. Commerce Department on July 19 are a good sign that after a very slow spring, builders are gradually beginning to replenish their extremely thin inventories in certain markets. NAHB Chief Economist David Crowe noted that, while single-family starts rose by a solid 9.4% to 453,000 units in June, the bulk of the overall gain was recorded in the multifamily segment, "where we know that demand has been increasing due to the influx of renters in the market." Going forward, he said, "We expect to see a gradual upward trend in new-home production through the end of this year as consumers begin taking advantage of the buyers' market, though not without some bumps along the way." Multifamily starts in June rose by a dramatic 30.4% to a rate of 176,000 units, which was their best pace since January. Combined single- and multifamily starts rose by good margins in every region, posting gains of 35.1% in the Northeast, 25.3% in the Midwest, 10.6% in the South and 5.4% in the West. What's more, permit issuance -- which can be an indicator of future building activity -- also showed a bit of renewed strength in June, with a gain of 2.5% to a 624,000-unit rate. This was the best permit number since last December. While single-family permits were virtually unchanged for the month at 407,000 units, multifamily permits gained nearly 7% to 217,000 units, which was their highest level since October of 2008. Three out of four regions posted gains in overall permit activity, including a 5.2% increase in the Midwest, a 5.5% increase in the South and a 1.4% improvement in the West. The Northeast was the only region to post a decline in permit activity, of 10%.

Aug. 3: Reimagining Universal Design 2 No-Step Entrances, Exteriors and the Surrounding Community

Presented by NAHB's 50+ Housing Council & sponsored by MASCO Cabinetry, this webinar will focus on teaching builders & designers how to overcome design, engineering & cost challenges when incorporating universal design elements in their projects. Participants will also learn how to apply universal design to community spaces & make neighborhoods sustainable & livable for all residents. This webinar will be the second installation of a 3-part series on universal design. Participants can earn 1 hour of continuing education credit toward their designations. The registration fee is \$19.95 for NAHB 50+ Housing Council members, \$24.95 for NAHB members & \$44.95 for non-members. *To register online, visit the NAHB Webinar Wednesdays registration page or contact NAHB's Office of the Registrar at 800-368-5242, x8338.*

Building Permits June 2011

Kings Mountain

Location	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
903 Bethlehem Rd	Owner	Addt/Remodel	\$10,000
348 Holiday Inn Dr	Shelco Inc	New Construction	\$4,000,000
161 Technology Way	Whiting-Turner Cont. Co.	New Construction	\$4,000,000
1306 Merrimont Ave	Horne Construction & Design	Addt/Remodel	\$180,000
114 Raven Dr	Michael Brown	Addt/Remodel	\$10,000
503 Crescent Hill Rd	Homeowner	Addt/Remodel	\$9,000
301 N Roxford Rd	Horne Construction & Design	Remodel	\$28,000
908 Shelby Rd	Centimark Roofing	Addt/Remodel	\$15,500
532 Waco Rd	Homeowner	Addt/Remodel	\$500

All Permits not listed. TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED **\$8,253,000**

Shelby

Location	Owner	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
402 Yorkfield Drive	Matt Smart	Owner	SFD	\$267,495
621-1 S Dekalb St	Eddie Tillman	ES Walker	Upfit	\$250,000
1358 E Marion St	Patricia Archer	Carolina Artisans	Addt & Renovate	\$125,000
301 N Post Rd	Elizabeth Baptist	Owner	Relocate Int. Wall	\$5,000

All Permits not listed. TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED **\$647,495**

Cleveland County

Location	Owner	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
130 Lutz Rd	William Lutz	Clines Modular	SFD	\$147,000
124 Ware Loop Dr	Hershel Davis Jr.	Dennis Ramey	SFD (storm damage)	\$150,000
222-1 Stacey St	Michael Pendleton	Carolina Artisans	SFD	\$293,450
122 Ware Loop Dr	Shannon Patterson	Michael Cloninger	SFD (storm damage)	\$119,500
4436 Shuford Lake Rd	Stephen Walker	Owner	SFD - Log Cabin	\$ 10,000
842 Bell Rd	Justin Bell	Clines Modular	SFD	\$141,000
118 Knight Ln	Charles Knight	Owner	SFD	\$40,000
3420 W Zion Ch Rd	Stephen Davis	Walker Constr.	New Building	\$140,000
700 Billys Dr	Judy Bagwell	Owner	Addt to SFD	\$17,900
604 Belwood-Lawndale Rd	Gene Spurling	Chris Cook	Addt to SFD	\$43,000
226 Poston Circle	Bonnie Wright	Owner	Addt to SFD	\$24,000
216 W College Ave	Gene Cox	Gene Cox	Addt to SFD	\$17,000
153 Jim Hudson Rd	Mary Worley	Owner	Int. Renovations	\$10,000

All Permits not listed. TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED **\$1,152,850**

Total Valuation of Kings Mountain, Shelby & Cleveland Co. \$10,053,345

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