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Upcoming Events

- **June 14, 2011 - 5 PM**
Board of Directors Meeting
Deer Brook Club House
- **June 14, 2011 - 6 PM**
Monthly Meeting
Deer Brook Club House
Speaker: Mark Thompson

The Cleveland County Home Builders Association monthly meeting

June 14, 2011 — 6 PM

Deer Brook Golf Club

Our speaker will be Mark Thompson, who will be doing a question and answer session on new building codes. Feel free to email any questions you may have for the speaker to hbacceo@gmail.com or by calling 704-476-2747.

Register Now for the NCHBA Legislative Conference

The NCHBA 2nd Quarter Committee Meetings, Legislative Conference and Board Meeting will be held at the Raleigh Marriott City Center Hotel June 7-8, 2011. The Legislative Reception will be held at the North Carolina Museum of History in downtown Raleigh from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we will visit our legislators in their offices at the General Assembly to share with them the important issues facing our industry.

**There is no fee to attend any event.

21CBEC conference schedule announced

The 21st Century Building Expo & Conference to be held Sept. 14-16 in Charlotte, North Carolina, offers an exceptional line-up of courses and seminars for everyone in the home building industry. With more than 50 general session seminars, North Carolina Builder Institute courses and NAHB Education classes on the schedule, builders, remodelers, and associates will go home with new ideas and techniques to reinvigorate their business.

To register, go to www.21buildingexpo.com and click on the Conference Schedule link under the Attendees tab. Questions about the 21st Century Building Expo & Conference? Contact [1-800-662-7129](tel:1-800-662-7129).

Lowe's now has an official affinity program with NAHB

To register and find out more information about great offers, visit LovesForPros.com/NAHB or by calling 1-877-435-2440

Why Buildings Matter:

Understanding the Requirements of the NC Energy Conservation Code

Tuesday June 21st, 2011 8:30am-4pm

Sheraton Airport Hotel, 3315 Scott Futrell Dr., Charlotte

6 CEU's for building officials available from this Free Training

- AM:** - Residential provisions of the North Carolina Energy Conservation Code; common (or comical) code compliance issues.
- PM:** - Residential provisions regarding chapter 11.
- Prescriptive provisions of the state's energy code for commercial buildings, recent changes to the vital ASHRAE Standard 90.1.
- What the energy code currently requires, and relevance in the ever-changing state and national energy conservation code development landscape.

Understanding the energy codes will allow builders to provide the highest quality homes and businesses for their clients while maintaining their profits.

Buildings have a critical role in our state's and nations overall energy, power and water demand. A photographic journey around the state and around the world will provide a tangible context for reviewing the requirements of our state's energy code.

Noted building scientist Chris Mathis has spent the past 30 years focusing on how buildings and building products perform, from energy efficiency to code compliance to long term durability and sustainability. He has been involved in both state and national code development for decades, currently serves on the ICC's Green Construction Code development committee and is one of the principal investigators helping to craft an improved energy code for NC. He will be sharing firsthand examples of common code compliance failures and proven solutions.

This **FREE training** is open to builders, architects, engineers, building officials and everyone involved in the building industry. A working lunch is included as long as you register in advance.

Register at www.mathisconsulting.com by June 14th for included Free Lunch.

Contact Bridget Herring at Bridget@mathisconsulting.com
or (513) 967-6919

The road to success is lined with many tempting parking spaces.

CLEVELAND COUNTY CODE NEWS

Information is the key to the Building Industry. The NC Department of Insurance/Office of State Fire Marshall's web-site contains a wealth of information. Sometimes it's hard to navigate but you can eventually find what you're looking for. They have a newsletter where anyone can sign-up to receive information (code changes, interpretations, etc) that you may find useful. The links are listed below. The last one is where you can sign up to receive their newsletter by email. I would like to encourage all of you to subscribe to this, and the best part, it's *free!* Take a moment to visit the sites and surf around, I think you'll like what you see.

KNOW THE CODE

Paul Ezell

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The newest edition of the DOI Engineering Newsletter has been posted. You can find it, along with older editions of the newsletter, at:
http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Engineering/engineering_newsletter.asp

If you know of persons (Building Officials, Designers, Contractors, etc) who are not subscribers, but may be interested in the information the newsletter includes, please forward this to them so that they can subscribe by clicking on the red box on the right hand side of the following webpage:
http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Engineering/engineering_home.asp

Sincerely,

Paul Ezell
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“Fatherhood is pretending the present you love most is soap-on-a-rope.”

-Bill Cosby

Housing Affordability Hits Highest Level in 20 Years

Nationwide housing affordability hit new highs in this year's first quarter, according to the latest reading of the **NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Opportunity Index (HOI)**, released May 25. During that time, 74.6% of all new and existing homes sold were affordable to families earning the national median income of \$64,400. That's better than the previous high of 73.9% established during the fourth quarter of 2010, and marks the ninth consecutive quarter in which the index has risen above the 70% level. Before 2009, the HOI rarely topped 65% and never reached the 70% margin. The bottom line: Homeownership is now within reach of more households than it has been for more than two decades — at least it should be, if not for tight credit conditions that are impeding both builders and buyers right now. The most affordable major housing market in the country in this year's first quarter was Syracuse, N.Y, with 94.5% of all homes sold there affordable to households earning the area's median family income of \$64,300. Also ranking near the top of the list were several of the usual contenders: Youngstown-Warren-Boardman, Ohio-Pa.; Indianapolis-Carmel, Ind.; Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich.; and Toledo, Ohio. Meanwhile, remaining at the bottom of the affordability scale this time around were New York-White Plains-Wayne, N.Y.-N.J., followed by San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, Calif.; Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif.; Honolulu; and Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif. Read our press release for more, or view the HOI tables online at www.nahb.org. Contact: Ashok Chaluvadi (800-368-5242, x8482)

FATHER'S DAY — INTERESTING FACTS:

This is a big day for the 66.3 million fathers in America.

The idea of Father's Day was conceived in Spokane, Washington by Sonora Dodd while she listened to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Dodd (now known as "the mother of Father's Day") wanted a special day to honor her father, William Smart, a widowed Civil War veteran who was left to raise his 6 children on a farm.

The following year, June 19, 1910 was chosen for the first Father's Day celebration, proclaimed by Spokane's mayor because it was the month of William Smart's birth.

Decades later, the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers was issued in 1966 when President Lyndon Johnson designated the 3rd Sunday in June as Father's Day. Father's Day has been celebrated annually since 1972 when President Richard Nixon signed the public law that made it permanent.

Nearly 95 million Father's Day cards were given last year in the United States, making Father's Day the fourth-largest card-sending occasion.

Sons & daughters send 50% of the Father's Day card to their dads. Nearly 20% of Father's Day cards are purchased by wives for their husbands. That leaves 30% of the cards which go to grandfathers, sons, brothers, uncles and "someone special."

While not everyone in America is a fan of Father's Day, 72% of Americans plan to celebrate or acknowledge Father's Day.

Building Permits April 2011

Kings Mountain

Location	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
901 Ramseur St	K F Davis Homebuilders	Addition/Remodel	\$60,000
348 Holiday Inn Dr	Shelco Inc	New Construction	\$255,000
313 N Gaston	Homeowner	Addition/Remodel	\$990
305-1 Ebenezer Rd	Paul Davis Restoration of Charlotte	Addition/Remodel	\$25,222
108 E King St	Simon Roofing & Sheet Metal Corp	Addition/Remodel	\$63,576
507 Mitchell	Homeowner	Accessory Structure	\$700
604 Mica St	Homeowner	Accessory Structure	\$400

All Permits not listed. **TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED** **\$405,888**

Shelby

Location	Owner	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
801 W Grover St	City of Shelby	Carolina Artisans	Repair to Building	\$34,000
902 Spring Garden Dr	Paul Champney	Owner	Add Deck	\$25,840
1408 Sharon Circle	Dennis Huntley	Southern Craftsman	Add Screen Porch	\$11,000
613 E Marion ST	Paul Rupe	Pete Connely	Roof over Porch	\$20,850
207 Cider DR	Darryl Ford	Owner	Add Porch	\$500
1601 Lackey St	Dewayne Caldwell	Owner	Add Deck	\$350
301 S Dekalb St	El Acapulco	Owner	Renovations	\$1,000
403 Gold St	James Livingston	Owner	Add to Dwelling	\$16,660
117 Kenwood DR	Craig Whisnant	Marr Construction	Renovations	\$42,000
1111 S Washington ST	Lawanda Rich	Christy McCleary	Interior Renovations	\$4,500
413 Windcrest Dr	David Champion	Owner	F/S Carport	\$1,000

All Permits not listed. **TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED** **\$157,700**

Cleveland County

Location	Owner	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
288 School House Rd	William Chapman	Owner	SFD	\$150,000
1316 E Stage Coach Trl	Richard Carroll	Owner	SFD	\$220,000
158 Corinth Church Rd	Mary McNeilly	Costner Construction	SFD	\$70,000
124 Whetstine Rd	James Russ	Clines Modular	SFD	\$197,000
138 Press Sweezy Rd	James Allman	Owner	SFD	\$120,000
114 Rosebank Dr	Barry Self	Clines Modular	SFD	\$257,000
127 Carriage Ct	Darryl Mims	Costner Construction	Detached Garage	\$75,000
709 Belwood-Lawndale Rd	Robert Watts	Norman Construction	Storage Building	\$42,000
118 S Toney ST	James Pruett	Darren Hill	Add Living Room	\$18,000
431 Moriah Church Rd	Morris Memorial	Carolina Artisans	Addition to Church	\$300,000
110 S Main St	GWU	Rodgers Builders	Student Center	\$12,100,000
4222 W Dixon Blvd	BPB Realty Inc	Walker Construction	Office Addition	\$172,000
743 Trinity Church Rd	Cathy Hensley	Owner	Enclosed Carport	\$6,000

All Permits not listed. **TOTAL VALUATION OF PERMITS LISTED** **\$13,727,000**

Total Valuation of Kings Mountain, Shelby & Cleveland Co. \$14,290,588

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