

CODE EPISODE INTERNATIONAL CODE TASK FORCES COMPLETE THEIR WORK

The International Code Task Forces have completed their work on the International Plumbing Code (Standard Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition), International Fuel Gas Code (Standard Gas Code, 2000 Edition) and International Mechanical Code (Standard Mechanical Code, 2000 Edition). If adopted by the Board of Community Affairs at the September 13, 2000 meeting, the new code editions with Georgia amendments identified above become effective on January 1, 2001. A public hearing will be held at the Department of Community Affairs, Room 384, 60 Executive Park South, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2000.

The SCAC approved the final reports of the International Code Task Forces at there July 27th meeting. All three new code editions have Georgia Amendments. **Remember:** In an effort to help states with implementation of the International Codes, SBCCI is covering the codes with SBCCI covers. Therefore, when purchasing the new code books, request the 2000 Standard Plumbing, 2000 Standard Mechanical and 2000 Standard Gas Codes for Georgia with Georgia Amendments.

If you have any questions, please contact the DCA codes consultant assigned to the task force in which you are interested. The assignments are as follows:

International Plumbing Code (Standard Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition): Wayne DuBose (404) 679-3116

International Fuel Gas Code (Standard Gas Code, 2000 Edition): John Watts (404) 679-5246

International Mechanical Code (Standard Mechanical Code, 2000 Edition): Bill Towson (404) 679-3104

NEW DCA INTERNATIONAL CODE TASK FORCES

The SCAC met on July 27, 2000. The SCAC formed four new International Code Task Forces. The Chair and Vice Chair of each task force has been appointed from the SCAC and DCA staff has been assigned. There will be seven individuals on each task force. DCA is now in the process of filling those appointments. The task forces should be up and running by October and will have an ambitious schedule for the next six to eight months. If you would like to be on the interested party's list for one or more of the task forces please contact the appropriate DCA Staff person.

International Building (IBC), Residential (IRC) and Fire (IFC) Codes

- IBC: Life Safety Task Force: Chairman Bill Chambless, Vice-Chair Bob Magbee Bill Towson 404-679-3104 and Mike Lindsey 404-679-4845, DCA Staff General Design Task Force: Chairman: Rex Pless, Vice-Chair: Gerald Driver Mike Lindsey 404-679-4845 and Bill Towson 404-679-3104, DCA Staff
- IRC: Chairman: Gregori Anderson, Vice-Chair: Weldon Nash Wayne DuBose 404-679-3116 and Jerry Hurd-Smith 404-679-3102, DCA Staff
- **IFC:** Chairman: Johnny Pritchett, Vice-Chair: Earl Ferguson John Watts 404-679-5246 and Jerry Hurd-Smith 404-679-3102, DCA Staff

The next SCAC meeting will be October 26th at 10:00 a.m. in the DCA Boardroom. DCA is located at 60 Executive Park South, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30329. If you require further information, please call 404-679-3118.

GWINNETT TECH OFFERS DEGREE IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

Gwinnett Tech, the largest technical college in Georgia, has recently received approval to offer a degree in Commercial Construction Management starting Fall 2000. Courses will include estimating, scheduling, safety and construction management. In addition, a

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requirement will include the Commercial Building Code. The program is different in that it

offers training for professional certifications as offered by such organizations as the Southern Building Code Congress and the National Fire Prevention Association. The program includes an elective option to pursue coursework in building department management that works toward achieving the ICC's Building Official designation. Gwinnett Tech is located approximately 15 miles northeast of Atlanta. Contact Robert Collom at 770-962-7580, ext. 367 for additional information. You may also review the program on line at http://

collomconsulting.home.att.net/ccm-catalog.htm.



SBCCI 55TH ANNUAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE

IN NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

OPRYLAND HOTEL OCTOBER 8-12, 2000



MARK YOUR CALENDAR – the 2000 SBCCI Annual Research and Education Conference is coming soon. It will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, October 8-12, 2000 at the Opryland Hotel. For more information contact SBCCI Headquarters, (205) 591-1853 or email info@sbcci.org or go directly to the SBCCI web site at www.sbcci.org.



Q: When will the International Codes become Effective in Georgia?

A: The target date for the International Mechanical, Plumbing and Fuel Gas Codes is January 1, 2001. **Remember:** These new code editions will be the 2000 Standard Mechanical, Plumbing and Gas Codes. The target date for the International Building, Residential, Fire and other codes will be January 1, 2002: but, more about these codes later.

Q: Will there be Georgia Amendments to the Codes?

A: Yes, there will be Georgia Amendments to the Codes. Therefore, when purchasing new code books, request that the amendments for Georgia be included. Also, Georgia Amendments will be available on the DCA Web Page.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

October:

8-12: SBCCI Annual Conference in Nashville, TN

26 State Codes Advisory Committee Meeting at DCA

If you have any meetings that you would like to include in this newsletter, please contact the Construction Codes Section at 404-679-3118.

ADDRESS/PHONE CHANGE TO PURCHASE CODE BOOKS

The Georgia Plumbers Trade Association has moved! Georgia Plumbers Trade Association 696 Mt. Zion Road, Suite 9-C Jonesboro, GA. 30236 Phone: 770-961-2204 Fax: 770-961-2207

PROFILE CORNER

GOOD-BYE GEORGIA . . . HELLO SBCCI!

By Andrea Lanier

It is with mixed emotions that I have bid good-bye to the Department of Community Affairs and all my friends in code enforcement throughout the State of Georgia – at least in my capacity as Manager of Construction Codes and Industrialized Buildings. I have accepted a position with the Southern Building Code Congress International (SBCCI) as their Director of Government Affairs. This was not an easy decision. However, this was an opportunity I could not afford to pass up.

This is a very exciting time for building codes in the United States. As Director of Government Affairs, I will be working with state and local governments in all of SBCCI's member states in the implementation of the International Codes and the code enforcement process. I will also be involved in legislative matters dealing with various building code issues.

One of the best things about my new position is that I will continue to work with Georgia code officials. I will be attending some meetings around the state. I am still available to answer your questions regarding construction codes and the issues surrounding them. Please feel free to contact me at SBCCI in Birmingham at any time. The telephone number is 205-591-1853. My e-mail address is alanier@sbcci.org. And yes, I have moved to Birmingham!

I have met so many of you during my years at DCA and you have meant so much to me. I have said it before and I will say it again: the folks in the



Andrea Lanier

building inspection departments around the State of Georgia are the greatest bunch of people I have ever worked with. I look forward to working with you even more in the future.

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WEB SITES OF INTEREST

Georgia Department of Community Affairs www.dca.state.ga.us

Southern Building Code Congress International (SBCCI) www.sbcci.org

International Codes Council (ICC) www.intlcode.org

Building Officials Association of Georgia http://boag-codes.tripod.com

State of Georgia www.state.ga.us

State Fire Marshal www.inscomm.state.ga.us

National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) www.nahb.com



NEW CODES GUY!

Taking over the reins at DCA is Ted Miltiades. Ted brings a diverse background of experience both legislative and regulatory, as well as administrative and lobbving. Ted is a graduate of Georgia State University with a **Bachelors Degree in** Political Science and a Masters Degree in Public Administration. Welcome him aboard! Feel free to contact Ted with any questions about the codes



Ted Miltiades

program at 404-679-3106 or tmiltiad@dca.state.ga.us.



THERMAL EXPANSION CONTROL

Thermal expansion devices have been required on water distribution systems equipped with hot water storage tanks since April 1, 1996, the date the 1994 Standard Plumbing Code became effective as Georgia's Minimum Standard Plumbing Code. An amendment to Code Section 613.2 of the Minimum Standard Plumbing Code that better defined Georgia's requirements for the use of thermal expansion devices became effective on October 1, 1997. The placement of thermal expansion devices on water distribution systems with hot water storage facilities is required on all new site built structures, all industrialized buildings and any existing building on which a plumbing permit has been taken out for repairs of additions.

CODY SAYS:

If you have any questions about HB 150 or HB 151, be sure and call DCA because this new law affects your Building Code Enforcement

Program. 404-679-3118





Building Officials please remember to report any change in address, phone, fax, staff, etc. to DCA. Please report all pertinent information to Carolyn Combs at 404-679-3118.