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President's Message Barbara Kuettel

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First and foremost, I would like to extend a heart-felt thank you to the membership for your confidence to elect me as President for 2006. It is a privilege and an incredible honor to preside over our extraordinary organization and I will work diligently at the responsibilities that you have bestowed upon me.

I always look forward to the Annual Banquet at the exquisite Broadmoor Hotel Resort in Colorado Springs with all its lavish amenities, talented young musicians, delicious food and Steve's famous slide show. Most important, it is our opportunity to meet and spend time with the spouses and significant others who make it possible for our membership to thrive and be successful. I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to all of you and I am delighted that you were able to share the wonderful evening with us. Congratulations to Glea Nickle who received the Sis Wallace Award for all her hard work and dedication on the Colorado Chapter's Education Committee, as well as to Steve Byer, the recipient of the President's Award for his exemplary and meritorious achievement in supporting the mission and principals of the Colorado Chapter. I cannot think of two more deserving individuals to receive these prestigious awards. Thank you for your admirable contributions to the Colorado Chapter. Every year our Chapter reaches out to new towns, cities and counties across the State of Colorado and our membership continues to grow. In my opinion, it is crucial for our building officials and their staff to participate on the Chapter committees and attend our meetings and educational programs whenever possible. This year the Chapter's meetings will be held in Denver, Aspen, Parker, Montrose, Lakewood and Colorado Springs. The 21st annual 2006 Educational Institute is March 6th through the 10th. Our two Chapter give-a-days are on June 10th (Girl Scouts) and July 22 (Wilderness on Wheels) and the Chapter Golf Tournament is on July 31st. For specific meeting dates & agendas, building code links, building guides, job listings and other information please visit our webpage at www.coloradochaptericc.org.

I recently received a letter from Wally Bailey, Vice-President of ICC regarding the formation of a Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee. The board-based committee will review the governance of ICC and make recommendations to either amend or retain the current governance structure. The Colorado Chapter of ICC has received a request to identify an ICC member from our chapter to serve on the committee. The modifications to the Governance structure might lead to quotas by region. This could potentially penalize organizations like the CCICC that have worked very hard to mentor strong leaders. The ICC should be led by the best in the nation, not by quotas from each

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region. The potential ramifications of the governance issues will be discussed at the February business meeting.

In closing, I would like to thank Lance Smith, C.B.O. for the City of Englewood for providing countless opportunities for me to participate on several Chapter committees and the Chapter Board under his leadership. In addition, I would also like extend a special thank you to Steve Thomas for his encouragement and continued support to allow me to serve as the CCICC President for 2006. Unfortunately, there is not enough space to thank all the exceptional individuals in our organization who have been extremely supportive and instrumental in my success on the Board over the years. I am enormously appreciative with all of you and I am looking forward to another productive, challenging and invigorating year for the Colorado Chapter of ICC!

Respectfully,
Barbara Kuettel
President



COLORADO CHAPTER OF ICC WEBSITE



If you have not visited the chapter website lately you are missing out on a very valuable resource! The website has been updated and is being maintained with the help of Mike Colucci of Pueblo. Take a look at the things you can now find at your fingertips:

- Meeting announcements, agendas and minutes.
- Training and Educational information, including the Colorado Chapter Education Institute coming in March.
- Building Guides based on both the 2000 and 2003 IRC; also 2003 available in Spanish.
- Calendar of events and meetings.
- Various news items.
- Job listings.
- Membership information.
- Links to other websites like ICC, CAPT and energycodes.gov where you can download the ResCheck and ComCheck software for free.
- Discussion Board: a place where you can ask a question and get answers from other chapter members or just start a discussion about a topic to see how others might handle the same thing.
- Coming soon: Standardization Resource Guide.

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Wind Study by Patrick Buckley

Colorado Chapter announces completion of the Front-range Wind Speed Study

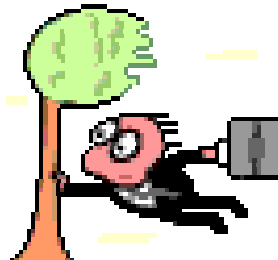
The Colorado Chapter is pleased to announce the recent completion and release of the Front Range Wind Speed Study. The study, which was kicked off in late summer 2004, was officially released at the Chapter's Annual Business Meeting in Colorado Springs on December 9th. The resulting work product including a project report and wind contour map is intended to supplement the gust wind map contained in A.S.C.E. 7-98 which became the wind load design standard in the IBC and IRC.

The eighteen month effort led by Dr. Jon Peterka, PhD, P.E. and member of the A.S.C.E. Wind Speed Committee culminated in a joint presentation to the Chapter membership with the help of the Structural Engineer's Association of Colorado (S.E.A.C.) and included distribution of a study narrative and wind contour maps to the thirty three jurisdictions that helped finance the project. The study area encompassed a significant portion of Colorado's front-range currently defined in the IRC and IBC as a special wind region and included areas extending roughly from the Wyoming border south to the Palmer divide (located between Denver and Colorado Springs) and approached the continental divide to the west and is loosely bordered by Interstate 25 to the east. The study area is centered in an area experiencing significant, sustained growth in new residential and commercial construction; including several metropolitan cities and a population of nearly one million people spread across eight counties.

The wind study was made possible through the cooperative efforts of S.E.A.C. and practicing Colorado structural engineers with financial support organized by the Chapter with voluntary contributions in varying amounts collected from front-range jurisdictions situated in the special wind region. The project was a first time collaborative effort between the design professional community and front-range jurisdictions seeking a comprehensive understanding of Colorado's front-range designation as a special wind region.

The study was originally proposed to the Chapter by Dr. Jon Peterka, PhD, P.E. with Cermac, Peterka, Peterson, Inc. a consulting engineering firm located in Fort Collins, Colorado. As a member of the A.S.C.E. Wind Load Subcommittee, Dr. Peterka brought over thirty years of experience in wind engineering applications and research to this endeavor. During the eighteen month project wind data was gathered from a number of sources and with help from the Colorado State University College of Atmospheric Sciences the data was converted to a wind contour map based upon the three second gust methodology as defined in the IBC and IRC.

Design professionals and jurisdictions interested in obtaining copies of the study report and contour maps may obtain them through the Structural Engineers Association of Colorado, or from Dr. Peterka. Jurisdictions that may be considering formal adoption of the contour map as part of current or future code adoptions or those interested in technical applications and use of the contour map are encouraged to contact S.E.A.C. for local assistance. For more information, please contact Patrick Buckley, building official with the Town of Berthoud at 970.532.2643 or via email at pbuckley@ci.berthoud.co.us



CODE TALK

CHANGES IN THE UPCOMING IRC AND IBC (2006) by Tim Pate

1. Major change to Table 302.3.2 in the 2003 IBC. This table has been reformatted and now will have major changes to the hourly ratings for separations between various occupancies when designing as separated use building. It basically will become much less restrictive in a lot of cases. This table has also been moved into Chapter 5.
2. The incidental use table from Chapter 3 of the IBC has been moved to Chapter 5 and there will now be a definition for "incidental use."
3. The IFC will now require fire sprinklers when you have an A-2 occupancy (Nightclubs, bars, restaurants, etc.) and when the fire area has an occupant load of 100 or more – the 2003 had occupant load of 300 or more. IBC/IFC Sections 903.2.1.2.
4. The rough framed window sill for IRC and IBC houses will need to be a minimum 24" high off floor when the window is 6' or more above grade and if the window is operable. You could install an approved guard in front if you choose. IRC section 613.2 and IBC Section 1405.12.2.
5. Wood engineered roof truss designs for IRC buildings will now need to have bottom chord designed at 20 psf if the openings between chords meet certain minimum dimensions. IRC Table R301.5.
6. Moisture resistant drywall will not be allowed to be used behind tile on walls in bathtubs with showers and shower walls. IRC Section R702.4.2.
7. Approved weather barrier will be required behind all exterior wall finishes on IRC houses. IRC Table R703.4
8. Asphalt shingle packages will now need to be labeled with wind rating if wind design is adopted 110 mph or greater (package will need to say shingles are in compliance with ASTM D3161, Class F. IBC Section 1507.2.7 and IRC Section R905.2.6.
9. The IBC will require approved guards when there is roof hatch closer than 10' to roof edge. IBC Section 1009.12.2.
10. The IBC will now allow the stair between an attached garage and an R-2 unit to meet the dwelling unit requirements for rise and run. IBC Section 1009.3 exception #4. (You still need handrails when 2 or more risers).
11. The IBC will now have same allowances for openings at guards at open stairs in R-2 units as IRC – 4 3/8" sphere cannot fit through. IBC Section 1012.3 exception #5.
12. The IBC will now require at least 60% of public entrances into commercial buildings/tenant spaces to be accessible – the Code now requires 50% maximum. IBC Section 1105.1.
13. The minimum fire separation distance for an IRC house will now be 5' instead of 3'. This change will also allow a maximum 12" overhang encroaching into that 5' as long as underside has fire protection. This would mean no soffit vents. The requirement for no openings is still at 3'. If the exterior wall of house is less than 5' to property line it would need to be one hour fire rated but then would reduce the allowed overhang. IRC Section R302.1.
14. There is new section and table in IBC – section 1504.8 – that limits use of gravel or stone used on roofs in higher wind speed areas – especially when building is in exposure C.

CODE CHANGES FOR THE FIRST CYCLE FOR UPCOMING 2009 I-CODES ARE DUE MARCH 24, 2006. IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS PLEASE CONTACT TIM PATE OR TOM MEYERS AND THE CHAPTER CODE CHANGE COMMITTEE WILL BE ABLE TO HELP YOU OUT WITH YOUR IDEAS AND PROPOSALS.



SHOP TALK

Each newsletter will take a code section and show the different versions of that particular section through the code cycles, beginning with the 2000 International codes and finishing with the proposed 2006. This edition focuses on the IRC and the changes that have taken place in the requirements for landings.

2000 IRC

Originally, landings had their own little place in the 2000 IRC, Section 312.

R312.1.1 Landings for stairways. There shall be a floor or landing at the top and bottom of each stairway.

Exception: At the top of an interior flight of stairs, provided a door does not swing over the stairs.

R312.1.2 Landings at doors. There shall be a floor or landing on each side of each exterior door.

Exception: At the exterior side of sliding doors.

The floor or landing at a door shall not be more than 1.5 inches (38mm) lower than the top of the threshold.

Exception: The landing at an exterior doorway shall not be more than 8 inches (197 mm) below the top of the threshold, provided that the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door, does not swing over the landing.

R312.2 Size. The width of each landing shall not be less than the stairway or door served. Every landing shall have a minimum dimension of 36 inches (914mm) measured in the direction of travel.

*In the 2003 IRC there is no longer a separate section just for landings. You will find the requirements in Section **R311**, Means of Egress, under the individual sections dealing with either doors or stairways.*

R311.4.3 Landings at doors. There shall be a floor or landing on each side of each exterior door.

Exception: Where a stairway of two or fewer risers is located on the exterior side of a door, other than the required exit door, a landing is not required for the exterior side of the door.

The floor or landing at the exit door required by section R311.4.1 shall not be more than 1.5 inches (38mm) lower than the top of the threshold. The floor or landing at exterior doors other than the exit door required by Section R311.4.1 shall not be required to comply with this requirement but shall have a rise no greater than that permitted in Section R311.5.3

Exception: The landing at an exterior doorway shall not be more than 7 3/4 inches (196mm) below the top of the threshold, provided the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door does not swing over the landing.

The width of each landing shall not be less than the door served. Every landing shall have a minimum dimension of 36 inches (914mm) measured in the direction of travel.

R311.5.4 Landings at stairways. There shall be a floor or landing at the top and bottom of each stairway.

Exception: A floor or landing is not required at the top of an interior flight of stairs, provided a door does not swing over the stairs.

A flight of stairs shall not have a vertical rise greater than 12 feet (3658 mm) between floor levels or landings. (Continued next page)

The width of each landing shall not be less than the stairways served. Every landing shall have a minimum dimension of 36 inches (914mm) measured in the direction of travel.

The proposed [2006 IRC](#) should read as follows:

R311.4.3 Landings at doors. There shall be a floor or landing on each side of each exterior door. The floor or landing at the exterior door shall not be more than 1.5 inches (38mm) lower than the top of the threshold. The landing shall be permitted to have a slope not to exceed 0.25 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent)

Exceptions:

1. Where a stairway of two or few risers is located on the exterior side of a door, other than the required exit door, a landing is not required for the exterior side of the door provide the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door does not swing over the stairway.
2. The exterior landing at an exterior doorway shall not be more than 7 ¾ inches (196mm) below the top of the threshold, provided the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door does not swing over the landing.
3. The height of floors at exterior doors other than the exit door required by Section R411.4.1 shall not be more than 7 ¾ inches lower than the top of the threshold.

The width of each landing shall not be less than the door served. Every landing shall have a minimum dimension of 36 inches (914mm) measured in the direction of travel.

R311.5.4 Landings at stairways. Should read the same as 2003.

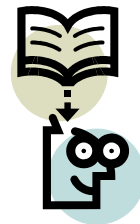


First observed in 1980, Building Safety Week is an annual event to help recognize the importance of making homes and buildings safe places to live, work and play. This year it will be held May 7th – 13th.

For resources like printable handouts, proclamations, and Various other information regarding Building Safety Week, go to ICC's website at www.iccsafe.org, click on "Public Safety" and first scroll to the bottom of the page where you will find information on ICC's coverage of events such as the visit to Capital Hill. There you will also find an interesting news release entitled, "Building Safety Week Survey Identifies Likely Code Violations".

At the top of the Public Safety Page there is an Icon just for Building Safety Week. Here is where you will find downloadable resources that may help your jurisdiction in their participation of the events.

The Colorado Chapter of ICC would like to extend their heartfelt condolences to Brice Miller and his family in the loss of their son Joshua Miller.



21st Annual
CCICC Education Institute
March 6-10, 2006

Several new classes have been added! **Registration Deadline is February 13th!** For more information go to: www.coloradochaptericc.org



2005 Colorado Chapter Annual Business Meeting, Colorado Springs

Top Row: 2005 Chapter President, JD Potter presents Steve Byer with the President's award; 2005 Education Chairman, Dan Nickle, thanks ICC's Laura Scott for teaching "Communication for Code Administration" for the Chapter's education portion of the ABM; ICC's COO, Rick Weiland gives an ICC update on changes affecting Region 11; Gerry George gives the ICC Liaison report for the business meeting.

Row 2: 2005 ICC President, Frank Hodge, and Jeffco's Becky Baker watch as the 2006 CCICC officers are sworn into office; ICC Chapter Liaison, Jason VonWeller sits in on a Board Meeting; Steve Thomas and his trusty camera in the middle of the action; Tom Thompson and Buster all dressed up for the night out.

Row 3: CAPT board members attend the ABM; Barbara Kuettel steps gracefully into her new office as 2006 Colorado Chapter President; The new 2006 Board of Directors for CCICC.

Row 4: Mike Stensland, Becky Baker and Greg Wheeler pose for the camera; Tom Thompson presents Glea Nickle with the Sis Wallace Award; ICC President, Frank Hodge presents the Past President Pin to JD Potter and President's pin to Barbara Kuettel.

AND, THERE WILL BE DANCING!



- 1) Laura Scott and chapter members doing the "Electric Slide" line dance.
- 2) Dave and Dawn Horras enjoying the evening's entertainment
- 3) Wally and Lona Prebis show us all how it's done.
- 4) Tim Pate "busts a move"

Historical Files/Storage Room

The Storage/Historical Committee will be cleaning out the Chapter storage room and organizing our archives and memorabilia early this year.

We have determined that there is some surplus equipment (2-25" color televisions, some overhead projectors, a few slide projectors, and some other miscellaneous a/v equipment). In order to determine salvage value and the best method to discard the surplus, we would appreciate hearing from Chapter members who may have an interest in same. Depending upon the response, we will come up with an equitable method to recover some of the original cost to the Chapter.

As part of our effort, we will also be organizing our archives. If you have any old Chapter records, magazines, newsletters, or similar material that you would like for us to include in our project, please let us know. We will make arrangements for you to deliver or to have the material picked up.

Please contact [Tom Thompson](mailto:t54thompson@comcast.net) (303-422-7808, t54thompson@comcast.net) or [Gerry George](mailto:ggeorge@co.boulder.co.us) (720-564-2610, ggeorge@co.boulder.co.us) to make arrangements regarding either subject. Your response by **March 1st** would be appreciated.

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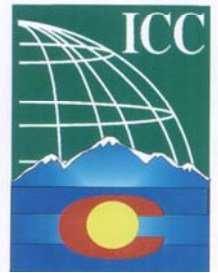
This Member Spotlight shines on Colorado Chapter of ICC's Immediate Past President, J.D. Potter. JD comes to us from Pueblo, Colorado where he works for Pueblo Regional Building Department as the Chief Building Inspector. He and Stacey, his wife of 18 years, have 4 children; 1 boy 8 years of age and 3 girls ages 12, 13 and 23.

JD still lives in the house that he was raised in and is the 3rd generation to live there. His favorite pastimes are hunting and fishing.

He began working on a neighbor's farm at age 14 and at age 18 began working at the local steel mill. During slow times at the mill he would take up side jobs as a building contractor and when the steel mill went belly-up JD began contracting full time.

Fortunately for Pueblo Regional, JD began working for them about 19 years ago and attended his first Educational Institute then. Eventually he began attending chapter meetings and has become more involved with the chapter in the past 10 years. JD served on the Board of Directors for the Colorado Chapter and worked his way up to President in 2005.

When asked what he would do with his spare time now that the gavel has been passed on, JD says that he will devote more time to the Chapter's web page and to being more involved in various chapter committees.



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2006 CCICC Education Institute Sores to New Heights

Shaunna Mozingo

The 2006 Colorado Chapter of ICC, Inc Educational Institute went down in chapter history as the largest and most successful Institute thus far. There were over 1800 people from several different states registered for classes and because most folks attended more than one day there was an average of almost 1000 people attending on any given day. The Ed Institute offered 65 full-day classes covering 13 different course paths with the "best of the best" instructors from all over the United States. Along with the improved versions of the most popular offered classes there were a number of new courses offered such as the Permit Technician's "Fish Fry on Survival Island" by Franny Knight, "Managing with Impact" by Lynn Pollard, a full 5-day course for Code Enforcement Officers, A comprehensive course on HVAC and Refrigeration requirements for residential and commercial applications, a course that inter-related the IPC and IRC plumbing requirements pertaining to residential buildings, a Fire Code course for our times dealing with hydrogen, a fuel of the future, and various other new courses as well as new instructors that rounded out the entire learning opportunities for those attending.

Also back this year were the Exhibitors, set up on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the Atrium of the Marriott Tech Center. The 29 individual exhibits gave visitors the opportunity to learn about the latest building and construction products and services offered by manufacturers, trade associations and related companies. Each exhibitor was charged a fee to display their product or service at the Institute. The monies raised are what help to keep the cost of the Institute from going up each year to its attendees. The Chapter has not raised registration fees in years and with the help of the exhibits, won't have to any time soon. Chapter member, Jim Thelen of the City of Littleton volunteers his time every year to line up the exhibitors, soliciting the various vendors, taking care of registrations and fees, coordinating their booth size and location as well as trying to even out the types of exhibits on display, which keeps this portion of the Education Institute a huge success year after year. Drawings are held 3 days out of the week for door prizes in the location of the exhibitors. Some of this year's winners included: Richard Harris of Douglas and Richard Irwin of Pikes Peak Regional, both winning IPODs Rick Dunlap of Montrose and Laurel Gregory won digital cameras; Patrick Mosbey of Craig and Jack Tomm of Rapid City, South Dakota took home bookracks; Joe Sutler of Vail and George Tinker of the USAF both won DVD players; Rich Keuck of New Castle and Shannon Metcalf of Evans won Home Depot gift cards. There were prizes donated by Brice Miller of Builderadius, Steve Thomas of Colorado Code Consulting, LLC as well as many other Chapter sponsored prizes awarded for those drawings. While attending next year's Educational Institute be sure to stop in and visit the exhibitors, remembering that they are the reason that your registration has not gone up!



Education Institute continued...



This year was the 21st annual Education Institute hosted by the Colorado Chapter. Each year chapter members volunteer their time to help create the best learning experience possible for the attendees. The process begins a week or two after the current Institute, planning next year's course paths and confirming instructors; preparing registration documents to mail out; confirming meeting facilities, lunches, and activities; receiving and organizing instructor handouts; receiving, organizing, confirming individual registrations; preparing registration packets and name tags; setting up the meeting rooms with equipment brought over from storage after testing it all to make sure that it works; and so much more that it would take its own complete newsletter to adequately describe the amount of time and effort that a couple of dozen people donate to make each Education Institute the growing success that it has become. The Colorado Chapter of ICC's Education Committee welcomes anyone who would like to be a part of the committee, helping with any aspect of the Education Institute. Also appreciated are the comments received on the course evaluations handed out at each class as they help the committee to decide if that particular course or instructor is meeting the needs of the student.



Parking has always been an issue at the ever-growing Institute but this year some arrangements were made through BOMA with a neighboring property to allow parking of any government vehicles without the issuance of any violations and this seemed to ease some of the parking burden. It is hoped that this arrangement will be in place next year as well so that people who carpool in a company vehicle can park across the street, leaving room for other cars in the parking lot. A special thanks to those folks who used the bus or other transit systems to get to and from the Marriott Tech Center for classes.



One thing that the committee heard over and over throughout the week was the complaint that coffee is not set up earlier in the commons area for the morning breaks. Be aware that the coffee costs the chapter approximately \$40.00 per gallon, calculating out to \$1200.00 each morning and again, in an effort not to raise registration fees for the Ed Institute the Chapter has opted out of supplying that early morning coffee outside of the meeting rooms. However, there usually is coffee set up in the exhibitor's area in the mornings, which is usually donated by an exhibitor or chapter member. A big thank you goes to this year's contributors, Wildan and Colorado Code Consulting, Inc, who sponsored that coffee in the mornings and Colorado Code Consulting sponsored the soda break in the afternoon on Wednesday as well.



This year the Fire Marshall's Association of Colorado (FMAC) hosted a social at Garcia's restaurant across the street from the Marriott. The event was well attended with free admission and included free hors d' oeuvres and a cash bar.

Next year's Institute promises to be better than ever. With the focus moving towards the 2006 International Codes there will be a lot of new material to cover. No matter which version of the code you are on, the Colorado Chapter of ICC's Educational Institute always has something for everyone to learn. Thank you to all of those who help to bring it all together, especially the various instructors that support the Colorado Chapter with their time and experience, as well as all of those who attend. Together we will keep it successful in serving the needs of its attendees, thereby serving the needs of communities all over the Country.



Legislative Review for the 2006 Session

By Greg Wheeler, Co-Chair Legislation

The Legislative Committee either monitored and/or actively participated in 12 House Bills and 6 Senate Bills this session.

HB06-1048 is a bill to empower the different state boards and commissions to regulate persons that practice occupations without licenses or authorization. It would also raise the first offense to a Class 2 Misdemeanor and a second or more offenses to a Class 6 Felony. The occupations that are covered by this bill would be those that are regulated by DORA. This includes architects, engineers, electricians and plumbers. This bill was signed by the Governor on March 27, 2006.

HB06-1067 was a bill that was concerning fireworks. It would have prohibited the possession and use of fireworks with some exceptions. This bill was not sponsor by any fire organization and was Postponed Indefinitely on January 31, 2006.

HB06-1145 is a meth lab bill that would create a legislative oversight committee for them to examine the manufacture, distribution, and abuse of methamphetamine. This legislative oversight committee would establish a statewide task force to review, recommend and write legislation to address the problems of manufacture, distribution, and abuse of meth. However, the building officials have been left out of this process even though we have some of the most diligent education in place to date. This bill is still waiting on the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House before it can be sent to the Governor for action.

HB06-1158 is the School Safety Inspections bill. This bill proposed to move the school buildings out of the Division of Oil and Public Safety into the Division of Fire Safety. However, one of the amendments was to leave it in the Division of Oil and Public Safety. It also mandates that inspections are to take place by qualified persons, plan review be performed by qualified persons and establishes one set of building and fire codes to be used. The bill sets up a Board of Appeals, which would have representation from seven different organizations, which include the Colorado Chapter. HB 1158 is still waiting on the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House before it can be sent to the Governor for action.

HB06-1168 is bill we are watching because is could generate telephone calls to the local building department to play referee. This bill focuses on the relationship between landlords and tenants of mobile home parks. However, this bill has been Postponed Indefinitely.

HB06-1177 is the bill for the sunset review of asbestos. This law was signed by the Governor on March 27th to continue the sunset to 2013.

HB06-1188 is the bill put forth by DRCOG for the regulation of mechanical conveyances. In essence, DRCOG's bill is a summary of the sunrise review report, which says our current practice is fine and no further regulation is needed. Unfortunately it was Postponed Indefinitely on March 7th.

HB06-1196 is basically the sunset continuation of architects until 2013. The Governor signed this bill on May 1st.

HB06-1259 is a very important bill for the county building officials. This bill would authorize counties to regulate building contractors. However, Representative Soper requested that the committee postpone the bill indefinitely, which was with a 9-0-2 vote.

HB06-1264 is a bill that is independent of HB 1048 but would still give the state boards and commissions the ability to regulate persons working in trades and professions without a license or certification. It does not address what the violations are nor change the fines. This bill was signed by the Governor on May 1st.

HB06-1331 is the bill that would include landscape architects in the licensing procedures. This bill ended up with several amendments. It is waiting on the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House before it can be sent to the Governor for action.

HB06-1333 is another one of those bills that does not affect local government, but could generate telephone calls. It is another bill for landlord and tenant relationships, but exempts mobile home parks. It was Postponed Indefinitely on March 8th.

SB06-002 is another meth lab bill which would require all contracts of sale for residential properties to add language regarding meth labs. The language would be to disclose if a meth lab was ever set up on the property or not. The main reason for opposing this bill is that last

session the legislature passed SB05-217 which eliminates liability of the owner of the property if they cleaned the property to state guidelines. This seems like a conflict where the owner complies with the law for clean up, at a great expense, then the state is going to take away the profitability of the sale after approving the clean up and eliminating the liability. However, with much assistance from the Chapter, this bill was a strike below and rewritten. It is now takes into account last year's bill and requires an industrial hygienist to do the testing. The Governor signed this bill on May 1st.

SB06-074 is another bill to give more authority to counties. It would give the building official the authority to issue summons without having to have the county sheriff present to issue the summons for the county building official. The Governor signed this bill on March 31st.

SB06-089 is another run at HOAs regarding the placement of political signs and the parking of commercial vehicles. There is an exemption for emergency vehicles for police, fire and paramedics. The current status of this bill is that Senate's consideration of the Conference Committee was to recede. We believe that this action is to reverse their decision and concur with the House amendments. At this time, no other action has been taken.

SB06-105 is the other bill regarding mechanical conveyances. This one is being pushed forward by the same proponents of the bills for the last two sessions. The sunrise review report staff will probably testify against this bill because their report says it is not warranted. This bill would require all conveyances to register with the state and pay an additional fee. The Chapter has sent a letter to the Governor requesting that he veto this bill. However, to date, only the President of the Senate has signed the bill. The Speaker of the House has not, therefore, the bill has not reached the Governor's desk.

SB06-156 is a bill which could affect whether we can raise our fees without an election by the citizens. It was believed that the bill would not make out of committee because it would have an effect on all levels of government. Well, the bill got amended and everyone but municipalities were removed from the bill and it got out of committee. Fortunately, the 2nd Reading lost with amendments.

SB06-232 was a late bill introduced by Senator Takis and Representative Hodge regarding the certification for employees involved with methamphetamine remediation work. It would have established training and certification programs with oversight by the State Health Department. Senator Takis indicated that the bill needed more work and asked the committee to postpone the bill indefinitely. The Chapter has offered to work with the Senator on the bill for next year.

The Legislative Committee thanks everyone in the Chapter for responding when we needed folks to call senators and representatives to plea our case. Have a great seven months and we'll be back at it next year.

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Date: Friday June 16, 2006

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Directions: E-470 to Parker Road, North on Parker Road to Cottonwood
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Co-Hosts: Gil Rossmiller, Town of Parker and Bob Larscheidt, Douglas
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FRIDAY, JUNE 16

8:00-8:30 Registration

8:30-8:45 Welcome and introductions

**8:45-10:00 Building Science and Codes that Support You- Rob
deKieffer of Boulder Design Alliance will cover sections of the I-Codes that
do. (Continued from April meeting)**

10:00-10:15 Break

**10:15-12:00 Manual J- Gil Rossmiller gives an overview what a Manual J
is and tells us how Parker has eased in this code**

requirement.

12:00-1:00 Lunch –

1:00-2:00 Colorado Chapter, Inc. –ICC June Business Meeting-

Barbara Kuettel, with the City of Cherry Hills Village and
President of the Colorado Chapter-ICC presiding.

2:00-4:00 Field Trip—Village Homes at lydellwilde

Duct Blaster and Home Energy Rating Demonstration-

If you have never seen this done, it is quite eye opening.

4:00

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Committee Highlights

PAST PRESIDENTS COMMITTEE by Tom Thompson

The Past Presidents Committee is comprised of 25 past presidents of the Colorado Chapter who have maintained contact with the Chapter in some regard. They are identified in your new membership directory on page 3. There are a few past presidents, last known to be living, who live out of state that we have not heard from for some time. A roster of all past presidents since the Chapter was founded in 1953 appears on page 44 of the directory.

Noteworthy inactive past presidents include:

Tom Briggs (1962, Aurora)-went on to become the most respected code authority for ICBO codes department until his retirement. If you wanted the “Final Answer” on a code interpretation, Tom was the guy. He was always supportive and provided guidance for our Chapter code change committee in the 80’s and early 90’s. At last report, Tom resides in southern California and periodically visits ICC California headquarters, does some woodworking, and is active in a local service organization.

Ken Christensen (1967, Aurora)-Ken went on to become an ICBO traveling spokesman for the mid-west. He was based in Kansas City and provided numerous update seminars for new code editions. He always enjoyed visiting Colorado and the Chapter looked forward to his updates regarding the latest code edition.

Gordon Clyde (1973, Fort Collins)-went on to become the spokesperson for ICBO on any mechanical code issue. Gordon was well respected and the “go to” guy for the final word on the Uniform Mechanical Code. He always enjoyed hearing from Chapter members and sharing his knowledge.

The Past President Committee meets on call and as needed. It acts as a resource to the President and Board of Directors and has been used to provide a mechanism to research and opine on significant issues which affect the Chapter. Some of the items tasked to the committee have included:

- Starting in the late 90’s and continuing until recently, the Past Presidents were asked to review and report to the Board the pros and cons of hiring an Executive Director.
- Review and report the pros and cons of establishing a scholarship fund.
- Provide guidance, background, and information to the to the Chapter on the consolidation of the legacy code groups to the International Code Council.
- Provide input for any contemplated bylaw changes.

There have also been times when the Past Presidents have offered unsolicited opinion to the Chapter leadership regarding changes to policies, procedures, or philosophical direction. The Past Presidents consider themselves the “conscience of the Chapter”, understanding the need for paradigm shifts and change but not at the expense of our principles, history, or ideals. One can imagine that there is never a lack of opinion from any member of the group, decisions are often not unanimous, a great deal of camaraderie and levity exists when they meet, and they are an important resource.



CODE TALK

CONTINUED CODE TALK, By Sam Dardano

Greeting from (CAPMO), as you all know the 2006 code book are out. I am going to write a series of articles on a few of the changes between the 2003 and 2006 MECH, PLBG and the FUEL GAS CODE BOOKS.

1. I.P.C. 417.4.2 IRC. 2708.3 ACCESS. 2006

The shower compartment access and egress opening shall have a minimum clear and unobstructed finished width of 22 inches.

2. I.M.C 507.2.1.1 Operation. 2006

Type I hood systems shall be designed and installed to automatically activate the exhaust fan whenever cooking operations occur. The activation of the exhaust fan shall occur through an interlock with the cooking appliances, by means of a heat sensors or by means of other approved methods.

3. IFGC 504.3.9.1 IRC 2428.3.9.1 Tee and WYE fittings.

Tee and Wye fittings connected to a common vent shall be considered as part of the COMMON VENT and shall be constructed of materials consistent with that of the COMMON VENT ('B') VENT

Art Museum Tour a Big Hit at February Chapter Meeting

By Charlie Stanley

On the afternoon of Thursday the 16th of February members of CCICC had the privilege of touring the new Denver Art Museum. Shannon Rogers of Mortenson Construction did a power point presentation and discussed the use of the Z Form computer program that was essential for this extremely complex building. Mortenson had not planned on purchasing this program, but after discovering some various complex issues that otherwise might not have been resolved, decided it was necessary. Z Form allows the user to put the entire building in 3D, including the structural members. It was interesting to see a multiple beam connection turned from side to side and upside down. This program also has the capacity to give the exact coordinates of all structural members at any location. Shannon explained that this program enabled the steel manufacturer to install penetrations through I-beams in the factory, which eliminated delays in the field.

We were then taken on a site visit where Shannon discussed the titanium panels on the exterior of the building and how they change colors with different lighting conditions. He also discussed the exterior wall construction with sprayed foam insulation, telling us that the museum had to have a constant 53% relative humidity level. Another difficulty discussed was the fact that the majority of the walls are at angles and this presented challenges throughout construction. All of the interior walls have a class 5 drywall finish on them. With the angled walls up to 18' high, they were presented with the challenge of hanging, as well as finishing the drywall. The crews installed steel studs horizontally over the drywall to act as a ledger as they worked from the bottom to top. They then finished the drywall from the top down.

Shannon did inform us that with the exception of two of the steel I-beams all of the beams were manufactured in the United States. One of the beams had 3 1/4" top and bottom flanges with a 17" web that weighed in at 500 pounds per foot. These I-beams were manufactured in Belgium.

I would like to thank Pete Bemelen for arranging the Art Museum tour and for hosting the February CCICC meeting at Denver University.

SHOP TALK

Each newsletter will take a code section and show the different versions of that particular section through the code cycles, beginning with the 2000 International codes and finishing with the proposed 2006. This edition focuses on the IRC and the changes that have taken place in the requirements for landings.

This article will explain the metamorphosis of the requirements for incidental uses, separated uses, non separated uses, and separations between fire areas starting with the 2000 IBC, through the 2003 IBC, and ending with the current 2006 IBC.

The 2000 IBC had requirements for separated uses which used Table 302.3.3 for the fire ratings of the separations between uses when designing a building under Section 302.3.3. The interesting portion of this table is that it showed fire ratings for separations between the same occupancy groups along with fire ratings between different occupancy groups. This did not make sense because Section 302.3.3 only required that separate uses have fire rated separations. Section 706.3.5 had the language for fire barrier requirements for separated uses and also for fire area separations (used for the purposes of fire sprinkler requirements based on fire areas) which referred to Table 302.3.3. This led to a lot of confusion from jurisdictions and designers when using Section 302.3.3 and Table 302.3.3 since the references to this table came from 2 totally different areas of the Code.

The 2003 IBC provided clarifications to this problem by deleting the required separations between same uses (typically used to keep square footages below certain numbers for fire areas - for fire sprinkler requirements out of Chapter 9) and added language and new table in Section 706 (section 706.3.7 and Table 706.3.7). Therefore the only time you would use Table 303.3.3 is when using the separated use design option. If you were using fire areas to separate uses in order to keep square footages below fire sprinkler requirements out of Chapter 9, you would use Section 706.3.7 and Table 706.3.7.

The 2006 IBC has drastic changes to all the above areas. All requirements for design options for mixed uses moved from Chapter 3 to Chapter 5 since the location was a better fit due to scoping of Chapter 5. The other major difference was to completely change the required fire ratings and layout of the separation table. The revised table now only shows separations between "dissimilar" types of uses and the ratings are based on potential amounts of fire loadings within these "dissimilar" uses. This made sense since the designer is limited to allowable areas and height based on specific occupancy for each separate area (the higher the hazard/fire loading – the more restrictive area and height) and the total square footages of all separated uses is limited to the ratios of actual versus allowable and all need to be at or less than 100%.

Give-a-Day

Each year, the Colorado Chapter of the ICC gives back to the community by helping with various projects around Colorado. Here's some information about these projects:

Girl Scout Camp Lazy Acres - Rye, CO - June 10th 2006

On June 10th, 2006 the Chapter will be making its annual pilgrimage to the beautiful San Isabel Forest to build another cabin for the Columbine Council of the Girl Scouts. This is an incredible one day event! There is plenty of work for everyone of all skill levels. Meet your peers and show 'em how it is supposed to be done!! Bring your hand tools, sunscreen, and camping gear. Yes, you can camp out before and afterward for free!

Contact JD Potter (719-543-0002) for details.

Also bring your appetite...the girls provide LOTS of good food!

Directions:

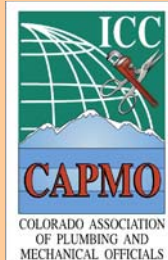
Take I-25 south from Pueblo approximately 23 miles to the Colorado City/Rye exit #74. Head west on Co 165 past Rye approximately 8 miles. Look for the CCICC signs on the right side of the road. The Columbine Girl Scouts camp is approximately 1 mile past YMCA Camp Jackson.

See ya there!

WHO IS THAT?

Ever see an abbreviation for some committee or organization and wonder what on earth it stands for and who in the heck they are? Maybe we can shed some light on some of that as it relates to the building and public safety field. No, CAPMO does not stand for Colorado Association of Propelled Moving Objects.

Here is some insight into CAPMO by Becky Baker



Thanks to the efforts of many dedicated public safety officials, Colorado Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (CAPMO) has grown to be one of the leading ICC plumbing and mechanical chapters in the nation.

Initially sponsored by the Colorado Chapter of the ICC, CAPMO is an active professional association focusing on the plumbing and mechanical community. One of CAPMO's primary missions is to educate its members on the International Plumbing, Mechanical, Fuel Gas and other related codes. By attending monthly meetings, participants are kept current on the latest products and technologies. Building safety professionals, from the newest to the most tenured, find the accompanying open discussion valuable.

CAPMO is a vibrant organization. Twelve educational meetings per year; helping with the mechanical and plumbing tracks for the Educational Institute and sponsoring numerous code changes - - with a high degree of success - - are all activities that ultimately benefit public safety.

CAPMO is also a resource. The organizations' leadership has been tapped to teach across the state and nation. CAPMO has assisted with local code adoptions and on legislative matters. The President serves on an ICC code development committee and on an ASHRE committee.

There are many public benefits in having a knowledgeable staff and CAPMO can help build that knowledge!

President Sam Dardano can be reached at 303-441-4283 or dardanos@ci.boulder.co.us

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE:

*Meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at Jefferson County
9 a.m. – noon*

NOTE: April 20 meeting is at the town of Parker

May 18	June 15
July 20	August 17
September 21	October 19
November 16	December 21

ICC Code Hearings & Annual Conference: September 17 - 30 in Lake Buena Vista, FL

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



This member spotlight shines on Colorado Chapter of ICC's current president Barbara Kuettel. Barb is employed by Colorado Code Consulting, LLC and works for several jurisdictions throughout the state as a residential plans examiner and building inspector. She spends the majority of her time in the City of Cherry Hills Village and she is amazed at the grandeur of these homes.

Barb's construction career started with Jefferson County Open Space in 1992 where she worked on the construction crew for 3 seasons. In September of 1994, she accepted a job with the City of Englewood Building Division and worked as a permit tech and plans examiner for 9 years. Barb participated on numerous CCICC committees and on the Board of Directors under Lance Smith's leadership and she also obtained her Plans Examiner and Building Inspectors certifications while employed with the City of Englewood. In October 2003, Barb went to work for the City of Westminster as a plans examiner for 22 months and obtained her Accessibility Certification. In August 2005, Barb was honored to accept a position with Steve Thomas and Tom Meyers, two of her mentors in the construction industry. "Working for Colorado Code Consulting, LLC is the most intense and exciting job that I have encountered and I have learned volumes during the past 9 months. When you are in the consulting business you learn to use all the various building codes simultaneously (94 UBC through the 2006 I-Codes) and it can be challenging at times. It is amazing how different jurisdictions enforce the building codes and it allows me to view the codes from a more diverse perspective."

On a more personal note, Barb has lived in Golden for most of her life where she raised her son Dan, who will be 20 in June. Dan just finished his 2nd year at UNC and is studying to be a University Music Professor. During her spare time, Barb loves to spend time with her son, family and friends, quilt, work outdoors and travel. Currently, Barb and Dan are planning a road trip to Banff National Park, Canada via WY, MT and ID in late July.

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2006 National Workshop on State Building Energy Codes

July 31 - August 3, 2006

This year's workshop will be held at the:

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Watch the National workshop page on the website for upcoming details. http://www.energycodes.gov/news/2006_workshop/

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In Memory OF...

JOHN PETERSELL-CHAPTER PIONEER-DIES by Tom Thompson

John Petersell served the City of Pueblo for 31 years as a building inspector (1950-1982), the last 9 of which were as Chief Building Official. He passed away March 17, 2006 in Pueblo. This legend will be missed. Many of you may have had the opportunity to meet John at the Chapter's 50th anniversary celebration at the Broadmoor in 2003. He was recognized as instrumental in starting our chapter 50 years prior. He served as Chapter President from 1954-1957 and was a regular attendee at ICBO annual conferences throughout his career. Back in those days, our Chapter was known as the Rocky Mountain Chapter of ICBO. He and his colleagues were known for conducting statewide code training seminars in the 50's.

John was always quick witted and looked forward to meeting and speaking to those new to the code profession. He also had a deep love for scouting and was active in the Boy Scouts for 30 years.

I had the pleasure of introducing myself to John at the Albuquerque ICBO meeting in 1980. It was fun to share childhood memories of when my father was contracting in Pueblo and I could remember that he reluctantly had to call John, at home periodically, to arrange an inspection the following morning. John would chastise him for not calling the office during the day but would always show up in time to keep the work moving. That was just the kind of guy he was...dedicated, helpful, and caring. You will be missed, John, God Bless You.



In Memory of Donald E. Clark, Past President and CALBO member, who passed away in Grants Pass, Oregon, on April 11, 2006, in the presence of his beloved daughter, Stefanie, and other family members.

Don was the Senior Plans Examiner and Deputy Building Official for the City of Clovis when he retired earlier this year. Prior to that, he was the Building and Planning Official in the City of Kingsburg for 16 years and a general contractor for nine years.

Don received CALBO's Building Official of the Year Award in 1997 and Educator of the Year Award in 1998. He held a teaching credential in building safety and code administration and taught in community colleges and for the CALBO Training Institute.

Don was known for his great sense of humor and love for the open skies. Not only did he fly his own plane on a routine basis, he actually built the plane with the assistance of his father. One of his greatest joys was to go flying with his granddaughter, Hailey. She loved it as much as he did.

Don had been ill for many months. In all that time, he never lost his sense of humor nor his determination to defeat cancer. He recently moved to Oregon to be with his mother and brothers.

We will remember the many contributions Don Clark made to CALBO and to his friends long into future. In his memory, the CALBO Educator of the Year Award has been renamed the Donald E. Clark Educator of the Year Award. Happily, we were able to tell Don about this change a few weeks ago.

Funeral services were held in Oregon with family in attendance. A memorial service in California was also planned.

**December 2006
Newsletter**

**Included in this
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Fire Safety Agency Names New Director

Denver Post 08/29/06

Boulder resident Kevin R. Klein has been named director of fire safety with the Colorado Department of Public Safety.

Klein, 44, earned a master's of public administration degree from Harvard University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Colorado.

The appointment, effective immediately, was announced Monday by public safety Executive Director Joe Morales.

The Division of Fire Safety provides training and certification programs for the state's firefighters, fire inspections for casinos and maintains a statewide inventory of fire equipment and fire incidents.

Klein replaces Paul Cooke, who resigned in July.



The chapter's Program Committee seeks member input on ideas for educational topics that you'd like to hear at chapter meetings. If you have an educational topic that you want to learn about or know of a topic that will be of interest to others please contact a Program Committee member and bring those ideas to the light. These are your chapter meetings and you have a say in what happens.

Contact: Stephen Kanipe at stephenk@ci.aspen.co.us or Tim Pate at tpate@ci.broomfield.co.us

Colorado Chapter exhibits I-Codes to Public Officials

By Dave Horras

Members of the Chapter's Public Relations Committee represented the Chapter at this year's Colorado Municipal League 84th Annual Conference earlier this summer. The Chapter was a Silver Sponsor for the event which was hosted by the Town of Breckenridge June 20 – June 22.

The Conference attracts local elected officials from all over the state to attend workshops and seminars covering topic that range from legal issues, to economic development to E-Government trends. The CML Annual Conference is the premier meeting for municipal officials in Colorado with more than 700 top decision-makers from cities and towns throughout the state in attendance.

The sponsorship included the opportunity to exhibit the I-Codes along with Chapter services and activities to the conference attendees. This opportunity has been very beneficial over the years in exposing the important role of building code enforcement, and specifically the I-Codes, to community decision makers in a casual, relaxed atmosphere.

As part of the CCICC exhibit the Chapter holds a drawing for code books. This year's winners of 2006 IRC's were David Blanchard, Town Administrator for the Town of New Castle and Monty Torres, City Administrator for the City of Brush.

The CML Annual Conference has proved to be a great way for the Chapter to establish recognition amongst this influential group of officials. This Conference has also been the first contact in the process of getting codes adopted in some area of the state previously without building regulations as well as allowing us to form a partnership with CML in providing code training to elected officials at the Educational Institute.

CODE TALK

By Tim Pate

The code change hearings and the Annual Business Meeting in September in Orlando, Florida were a resounding success. The Chapter had excellent representation once again on the national code change committees. Tom Meyers sat on the IRC Committee, Tim Pate and Dan Weed sat on the General Committee, Steve Thomas sat on the Means of Egress Committee, Gary Pringey sat on the Energy Committee, Dave Tyree sat on the Structural Committee, Robert Geislinger and Joe Jaramillo sat on the Fire Committee, Sam Dardano sat on the Mechanical Committee, and Greg Wheeler sat on the Existing Building Committee. Every year we get more people placed on the various committees and hope to continue to grow our reputation on the national level in the upcoming years.

The chapter code change committee also sent some members out to watch the various national committees in order to report back to our local committee when we do our strategy sessions for the upcoming public comment process. Between the national committee members and the chapter people who sat in the audience we will be able to come up with an extremely good strategy when the code change monographs come out for review.

The code change monographs are supposed to be published around December 1, 2006 for our review. The deadline for public comments is January 24, 2007. The Code change committee is planning on having a strategy meeting around the middle of November and then we will meet at least twice between December 1 and January 24 to come up with written challenges to the various code changes.

The Final Action Hearings monograph is due to be published around April 6, 2007. The final action hearings are scheduled to be in Rochester, New York from May 22 through 25, 2007.

Some of the interesting code changes that were approved are below:

1. A new section was added to Chapter 4 of the IBC that will give direction on how to do "Live Work" dwelling units. These typically are a 2 or 3 story dwelling unit with some sort of business type occupancy on the main floor. Most jurisdictions have had to figure out how to deal with these types of uses in the past by some sort of alternative design method. This change was approved by the General Committee but will be challenged in order to make some technical changes. It will probably be approved with some sort of modifications at final action hearings in Rochester.
2. There is a new section that will require "fire service access elevators" within all buildings over 120' tall. These are special elevators to be used by fire service personnel to get up to the fire floors. There were numerous technical problems with change and this change will no doubt be challenged for Rochester.
3. The upcoming 2006 IBC will now require areas of refuge at all stairways and elevators even if building has sprinkler system. The 2003 had exception for sprinkler systems. There was a successful code change for the 2009 that puts the exception back into the Code so buildings with sprinkler systems would not need the area of refuge.
4. The Chapter was successful in a code change which changed the requirement for handrails within an R-2 use from 2 or more risers (typical for all commercial stairs) to 4 or more risers (typical for stairs under the IRC).

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5. The Chapter wrote a code change on where to measure adjacent to a deck or walking surface to determine when a guard would be required. The guard is required when the change of elevation is over 30” but is not clear on where to take this measurement. Our change was to measure 36” away from the upper level. It appears that the Committee liked a different change which said 24” but asked for some modifications to bring back to final action hearings.
6. The Chapter wrote a change to define Means of Egress in the IRC since the Code is not clear on how far we should regulate from the interior to the exterior. The Committee approved a modified proposal that appears to define this to extend from the front door (main exit) to grade and stop there.
7. The maximum slope of a ramp under the IRC will now be 1 in 8 instead of the 1 in 12 as in the 2006 IRC.

These were just some of the highlights. There were well over 2000 total changes for all of the I codes so it is extremely important for all of us to try to take some time in reviewing the upcoming report of the public hearing coming out in December. If you see anything that you feel needs attention please contact Tom Meyers or Tim Pate (or any other member of the Code Change Committee). If you or anyone you know are interested in being a part of the Chapter Code change committee, please contact Tom or Tim and we will get you on the mailing list for upcoming meetings.

The annual business meeting was also a success and well attended. Numerous local building officials were able to attend and reported back on the ICC Board of Director elections and also on the status of the “governance” issues.

CODE CHANGE ALERT

By Tim Pate

2005 ASME A117.1a – 2005 ELEVATOR CODE

There was a code change in the 2005 ASME A117.1a Elevator Code – section 2.11.6.3, which will not allow any type of door to be installed in front of the elevator enclosure doors.

This will now be in direct conflict with section 3002.6 out of 2003 or 2006 International Building Code, which allows doors to be installed in front of elevator car doors as long as these doors are “readily openable from the car side without a key, tool, special knowledge, or effort.”

You should be aware of this conflict when you decide to adopt the upcoming 2006 IBC since this document references the 2005 ASME A117.1a document. DRCOG will also begin enforcing the 2005 ASME as of January 1, 2007 for all jurisdictions they serve, whether or not you have adopted the 2006 IBC. The 2003 IBC references the older ASME A117.1a and does not have this new restrictive language.

This would typically only present a problem when a building has a fire rated corridor and has these solid doors installed in front of the elevator door to resolve the smoke migration restrictions into elevator shaft and there is not a true elevator lobby. This would also apply to the “Smoke Guard” type door system. These fire rated corridors are typically required in non-fire-sprinkled buildings and also in I-1, I-3, and R occupancies (sprinkled or non-sprinkled).

You should contact your elevator inspector about this conflict if using DRCOG and also decide how to resolve this conflict if and you are adopting the 2006 IBC.

ICC GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

By Tom Thompson

The August 15, 2006 Second Interim Report of the Governance committee can be found at:
http://www.iccsafe.org/membership/governance/Interim_Report081506.pdf

The report summarizes activities of the committee to date. The report was the subject of discussion at an 8/31/06 teleconference held by ICC. Approximately 25 participants from all across the United States weighed in with opinions and questions. Most of the comments were supportive of the committees work and lauded the Board for allowing ample opportunity for members to provide input on the contemplated governance changes.

Highlights of the Report include:

- Increasing Board size from 18 (14 at-large and 4 officers) to 28 (11 at-large, 11 regional (based upon current Regional Service Map), 4 officers, and 2 public interest members.
- Changing the conduct of elections with at-large candidates running in a pool with candidates receiving the most votes getting the seat. Currently at-large candidates may select which seat (and person) they are running against. Election for Regional seats would be conducted separately and determined by election by the entire membership.
- Nominating process changes would provide for more time for the membership to get to know the candidates in advance of the annual meeting.

Comments received at the teleconference and a scheduled member forum at the annual meeting, 9/19/06, 1030-1130, will be considered by the committee when developing final recommendations to the Board later this year. It is anticipated that any necessary bylaw changes to accomplish the proposed Governance changes will be considered by the membership at the Reno annual meeting in 2007.

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ANALYSIS OF HB 06-1158
CONCERNING SCHOOL SAFETY INSPECTIONS,
AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
BY TOM THOMPSON
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In an effort to understand the impacts of this bill on local government, I have reviewed the bill and offer my analysis for your review. **This bill is effective July 1, 2006.** This paper starts with a section by section summary of the bill, followed by a brief executive summary at the end.

Section 1-Enforcemnt

8-20-104

Standard enforcement clause.

Section 2-School construction (public schools under authority of a Board of Education or Charter School)

22-32-124 (1)

All buildings and structures shall be constructed IAW Building and Fire Codes adopted by the Director of the Division of oil and public Safety in the Department of Labor and Employment (“Division”).

22-32-124 (2)(a)(I)

The Division is responsible for conducting plan reviews and inspections for compliance with the adopted codes, except that, the Board of Education or charter school may request that the Division delegate the responsibility to the appropriate local building or fire department.

22-32-124 (2)(a)(II)

The Division shall cause copies of building plans to be sent to the appropriate fire department for review of fire safety issues. The fire department has 10 days to review same for compliance with the fire code adopted by the Division (can request an extension if complex).

22-32-124 (2)(a)(III)

If fire department declines opportunity for plan review or any subsequent inspection, or if no certified fire inspector is available, the Division of Fire Safety, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Security, and Fire Safety, Department of Public Safety shall perform the review or inspection.

22-32-124 (2)(a)(IV)

If deemed in conformance, a CO shall be issued (typo-by the fire department?) prior to use. A fee can be charged for plan reviews and inspections based upon direct costs of providing the service and IAW rules established by the Division for same.

22-32-124 (2)(a)(V)

If responsibility for plan review and inspections is delegated to the local building and fire authorities (see 22-32-124 (2)(a)(I)), those reviews and inspections shall be in lieu of those made by the Division. The Division is ultimately responsible to insure reviews and inspections are performed if local authorities elect not to do so. Local authorities are not required to assume this service.

22-32-124 (2)(b)

If Division conducts the necessary inspection to determine compliance (presumed final inspection/no mention of other in process inspections), it shall charge a fee of \$200. Plan review and permit fees shall be determined by the Division based upon actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses.

22-32-124 (2)(c)

Inspectors for plan review and construction inspections shall be certified by ICC, NFPA, or similar national organizations with equivalent qualifications.

22-32-124 (2)(d)

Inspecting entity shall cooperate with affected Board of Education or Charter school.

22-32-124 (2)(e)

If disagree on code interpretation, it is determined by the Board of Appeals of the Division.

22-32-124 (2)(f)

Rules of Division adopted IAW Article 4 of Title 24.

22-32-124 (3)

Local fire authority or Division of Fire Safety may conduct inspections to insure schools are maintained IAW fire code adopted by the Division. If local fire authority does not perform the inspections, the Division (assumed to mean Division of oil and public safety-see22-32-124(1)) shall have the authority and duty to conduct these inspections. (Will they delegate this responsibility to Division of Fire Safety?)

Section 3-Board of Appeals

22-32-124.5 (1)

(a) "Board of Appeals"-as created in this section.

(b) "Division" means the Division of Oil and Public Safety in Department of Labor.

22-32-124.5 (2)(a)

Six member BOA appointed by the Executive Director of DOL.

22-32-124.5 (2)(b)

Members of BOA shall consist of one representative each nominated by: 1) Colo. Assoc. of School Boards, 2) Colo. Assoc. of School Executives, 3) Colo. Chap. ICC, 4) FMAC, 5) Colo. State Fire Chiefs' Assoc, 6) Rocky Mountain Chap of Council for Educational Facilities Planners International, and 7) Colo. Counties, Inc. (previous section says 6 members, 7 groups accounted for?).

22-32-124.5 (2)(c)

Staggered terms for Board.

22-32-124.5 (2)(d)

No compensation.

22-32-124.5 (2)(e)

BOA adopts reasonable procedures.

22-32-124.5 (3)

Board of Education, Charter school or junior college board of trustees may appeal to BOA.

22-32-124.5 (4)

Hearing scheduled within 15 days of receipt of request.

22-32-124.5 (5)

BOA can not waive requirements.

Section 4-Junior Colleges

23-71-122 (1) (v)(I)

Similar to 22-32-124 (1) above but applicable to Junior Colleges. All buildings and structures shall be constructed IAW Building and Fire Codes adopted by the Director of the Division of oil and public Safety in the Department of Labor and Employment (“Division”).

23-71-122 (1)(v)(II)(A)

Similar to 22-32-124 (2)(a)(I) above, in that, the Division is responsible for conducting plan reviews and inspections for compliance with the adopted codes, except that, the ~~Board of Education or charter school may request that~~ Division may delegate the responsibility to the appropriate local building or fire department. This clause seems to allow this to take place without the junior college board of trustees involvement, until you read 23-71-122(1)(v)(II)(E).

23-71-122 (1)(v)(II)(B)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(a)(II) above, the Division shall cause copies of building plans to be sent to the appropriate fire department for review of fire safety issues. The fire department has 10 days to review same for compliance with the fire code adopted by the Division (can request an extension if complex).

23-71-122 (1)(v)(II)(C)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(a)(III) above, if fire department declines opportunity for plan review or any subsequent inspection, or if no certified fire inspector is available, the Division of Fire Safety, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Security, and Fire Safety, Department of Public Safety shall perform the review or inspection.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(II)(D)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(a)(IV) above (without typo?), if deemed in conformance, a CO shall be issued by the Division or fire department prior to use. A fee can be charged for plan reviews and inspections based upon direct costs of providing the service and IAW rules established by the Division for same.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(II)(E)

Similar to 22-32-124 (2)(a)(V) above except that if the Division after consulting with the affected junior college board, authorizes plan reviews and inspections by the building or fire department, those inspections shall be in lieu of those made by the Division. The Division is ultimately responsible to insure reviews and inspections are performed if local authorities elect not to do so. Local authorities are not required to assume this service.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(III)

Same as 22-32-124 (3) above, the local fire authority or Division of Fire Safety may conduct inspections to insure schools are maintained IAW fire code adopted by the Division. If local fire authority does not perform the inspections, the Division (assumed to mean Division of oil and public safety-see22-32-124(1)) shall have the authority and duty to conduct these inspections. (Will they delegate this responsibility to Division of Fire Safety?)

23-71-122 (1)(v)(IV)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(c) above, inspectors for plan review and construction inspections shall be certified by ICC, NFPA, or similar national organizations with equivalent qualifications.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(V)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(d) above, inspecting entity shall cooperate with affected Board of Trustees of a Junior College District.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(VI)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(e) above, if disagree on code interpretation, it is determined by the Board of Appeals of the Division.

23-71-122 (1)(v)(VII)

Same as 22-32-124 (2)(b) above, if Division conducts the necessary inspection to determine compliance (presumed final inspection/no mention of other in process inspections), it shall charge a fee of \$200. Plan review and permit fees shall be determined by the Division based upon actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses.

Section 5-Definitions**24-33.5-1202 (2.5)**

“Certified Fire Inspector” means a person with fire safety plan review or inspection responsibilities who is employed by or volunteers services to the state or a governing body as a fire inspector and who is certified by the Division to conduct fire safety plan reviews and inspections pursuant to 24-33.5-1211.

24-33.5-1202 (3.5)

“Fire Dept.” means the duly authorized fire protection organization of a town, city, county or city and county, a fire protection district, or a metropolitan district or county improvement district that provides fire protection.

24-33.5-1202 (7.5)

“Governing Body” means city council, county commissioners, board of trustees, board of directors or otherwise the governing body of the fire district.

Section 6-Duties of the Division**24-33.5-1203 (1)(p)**

Conduct construction plan reviews and inspect public school and junior college buildings and structures IAW 22-32-124(2)(a) and 23-71-122(1)(v)(II).

Section 7-Powers and duties of the Director**24-33.5-1203.5(1)(a,b)**

Supervisory control or division employees and adopt rules necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of Articles 12 and 14. Such rules to be adopted IAW Article 4 of this title.

24-33.5-1203.5(2)(a,b)

The director shall adopt a fire code identical to or modeled on the IFC published by ICC and also adopt nationally recognized standards that the director may find necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Part 12.

24-33.5-1211(1)(a,b,c)

The Division shall certify a person with fire safety responsibilities who is employed by, under contract to, or volunteers services to the state or a governing body a fire inspector if the person files an application with the division, pay the required fee, and is older than 18. And, passes the fire code certification examination as prescribed by the director of the division, or holds a valid and current fire code certification from ICC, or demonstrates to the director that the person meets equivalent qualifications (they may adopt education rules and will require the local governing body to attest that they are competent.

24-33.5-1211(2)(a,b)

Certifications issued by the Division are good for three years unless the certified inspector’s employment or contract is terminated or they cease doing voluntary services.

24-33.5-1211(3)

Renewal same as initial requirements.

24-33.5-1211(4)

Director of the Division shall establish a certification fee.

Section 8-Appropriation

\$72,647 appropriated to DOL to allocate to Division of Oil and Public Safety for fiscal year beginning 7/1/06 and 1 FTE to implement this act.

\$55,645 and 1 FTE to Division of Fire Safety for same.

Section 9-Effective date

7/1/06

Section 10-Safety clause

This act deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1. Public, charter, and junior colleges are to be built IAW standards adopted by the Director of Division of Oil and Public Safety in the Department of Labor and Employment (Division).**
- 2. The Division is responsible for conducting plan reviews and inspections on same unless the governing body for the affected school requests the local jurisdiction to be involved and the Division delegates that responsibility.**
- 3. The Division is required to send plans to the local fire department for review of “fire safety issues”, local department has 10 days to review. If they choose not to participate, or if no certified inspector is available, the Division of Fire Safety, Department of Public Safety is required to review the plans. This review is to be IAW the International Fire Code. It is unclear whether IBC issues could be raised as “fire safety issues”. For instance, since height and area tables are not in the body of the IFC, can they be in play since the IFC does refer in various sections to the IBC?**
- 4. Fees can be charged for services IAW policies of the Division. Anyone conducting inspections or reviews must be certified by the Division.**
- 5. Disagreements on code interpretations settled by a Board of Appeals established by the Division.**
- 6. Local fire authority and Division of Fire Safety have authority to conduct routine maintenance inspections.**

**“The greatest revolution of our generation is the discovery that human beings, by changing the inner attitudes of their minds, can change the outer aspects of their lives.”
William James**

Chapter's Give-A-Day Project At Wilderness on Wheels

On July 22nd members of the Colorado Chapter of ICC made a trip to Wilderness on Wheels to help reconstruct one of the board walks on the property. W.O.W. is located on U.S. 285 sixty miles southwest of Denver or 3.8 miles west of Grant, Colorado.

There was a great turnout to replace three sections of the boardwalk and the crew was finished by 2:30 p.m.

Special thanks to Jim Ferren, Simpson strong-Tie Co., for providing two QuikDrive auto-feed screw guns and all of the screws.



PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Tom Thompson

I went to visit Mac (Past President 1978) and Joan Larson yesterday. Mac wanted to donate some historic information to the Colorado Chapter. Old issues of Building Standards Magazine and the Rocky Mountain Chapter Magazine were included. Also, photos of Beryl and Sis Wallace! Mac and Joan are doing well, looking the same as I last saw them several years ago. Mac will be 85 next month. He indicated that maybe they would surprise us one of these days and attend a Chapter meeting.

COLORADO CHAPTER'S ANNUAL SOJOURN TO THE SAN ISABEL NATIONAL FOREST

By JD Potter

On Saturday, June 10th, the Chapter membership once again made their pilgrimage to the San Isabel National Forrest and the Lazy Acres Girl Scout Camp as part of the Chapter's annual Give-A-Day program. This year members enjoyed sunny, warm weather for a nice change as they worked to enclose and repair two cabins. With material donations provided by Stock Lumber Company of Pueblo, Drury Brothers Roofing and logistics coordinated by the Pueblo Regional Building Department, all those who attended enjoyed a very busy day enclosing cabins with new siding and screening and replacing and repairing landings, stairs and guards. These older, open sided cabins now provide protection from the elements and bugs and will be greatly enjoyed by the scouts according to Cheryl Scott director with the Columbine Council of the Girl Scouts. Lunch and lots and lots of Girl Scout cookies were provided by the Scouts and were warmly received by hungry workers. This is the 6th year the Chapter has visited the Lazy Acres Camp as we continue to revitalize an area heavily used by the Girl Scouts. Although much progress has been made in updating the camp, a lot of work remains so mark this on your calendars for next June when the Chapter returns to tackle the next project.



“There is no limit to what a man can do or where he can go if he doesn't mind who gets the credit.” Robert Woodruff- Head of Coca-Cola

LET'S STUDY!

Check out some of these ideas for your study needs:

www.iccsafe.org : The ICC Online Campus has code classes to meet all of your needs at a discounted price to members. There is also a full page of training options through ICC just by clicking on the "Training" link on their website. The ICC store has more than just code books. Purchase flash cards, video series on various code subjects, workbooks and manuals, and much more.

www.coloradochaptericc.org : Go to the chapter's website for information on the upcoming 2007 Colorado Chapter Education Institute. With more classes than ever and a focus on the 2006 I-Codes there is certain to be something for everyone. You can also find helpful Building Guides on the website. The Guides are published for the 2000, 2003 and soon to come the 2006 I-Codes as well as being available in Spanish.

International Fire Code Certification Class sponsored by the Fire Marshal's Association of Colorado is being held January 11/12 through March 1/2, 2007. The purpose of this program is to provide participants with assistance in their preparation for the IFC certification exam at the Inspector I and II levels. For additional information on times and location call (303) 430-2400 ext 4542.

www.coloradoe4energy.org : for information on Colorado Building and Energy Codes this is a great source of information.

www.codecollegenetwork.com/co/index.html : for free training online check out this website. It is especially helpful for contractors and inspectors alike, as it gives short demonstrational videos on how to properly install various building components.

www.cocapt.com : The CAPT website has a great library of resources that its members can check out as well as information on the CAPT agenda at the upcoming Education Institute.

Fun with BTU's

A British thermal unit is the heat required to raise the temperature of 1 pound of water 1 degree Fahrenheit.

It's the amount of heat stored in half a birthday candle.

A gallon of fuel oil will produce 140,000 BTUs.

A ton of coal will release 25 million BTUs.

A 1000 watt light bulb will use 3,400 BTUs hourly.

A one mile walk will work off about 300 BTUs.

A one mile bike ride will require 200 BTUs.

A warmed up car uses 8,000 BTUs per mile.

1kw.hr = 3,413 BTUs

It's been estimated that you or I consume, expend, store up, and transfer about 500 million BTUs in every year of our lives.

This information was taken from ICC's 2006 International Mechanical Code flash cards. For information on ordering flash cards go to www.iccsafe.org and visit the ICC Store, select 2006 Codes, then the type of code you wish to study,(i.e.: Mechanical Code) then select code references. Members pay only \$14.50 for a pack of over 150 flash cards to aid in the study of a particular International Code. It's a great study reference!

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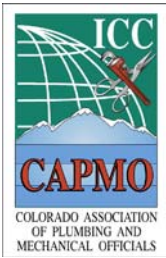
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