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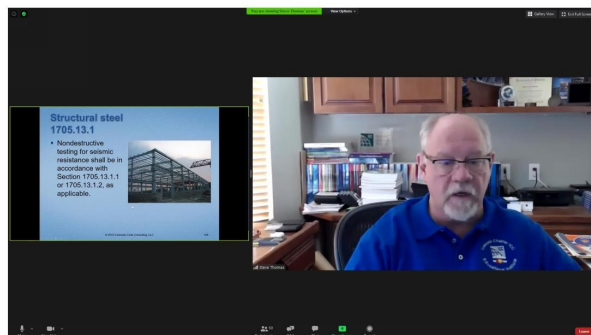


We went virtual this year to accommodate our current circumstances. A great benefit for you because every Thursday through August the Education Committee has training available with different topics each week. Check out Dave's article in the newsletter for more information.

## CCICC Our Mission:

The Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council is dedicated to the Improvement of building safety, by promoting and improving the International Codes, educating the building industry, public, and our membership, and providing mutual aid to building professionals.

CCICC is Dedicated to Building A Safer World





## LETTER FROM THE CCICC PRESIDENT– ANDY BLAKE

Greetings Colorado Chapter of the ICC Members,

I am getting this greeting letter out a little late and I apologize. We are going to have a great year due to all of the great members we have. I am honored to be your President of the Chapter.

I would like to thank Past President Scott Greer and his Board for the awesome job they did in what shall ever be known as “the pandemic year 2020”.

The backbone of the Chapter are the Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs. All Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs will remain the same unless they notify us that they are stepping down. Hopefully in April, we will start in person Chapter meetings again. The Program Committee is working hard to make this happen.

The Board of Directors has two new members this year, Nate Romero from City of Arvada, and Rich Anderson from City of Fort Collins.

One of our top priorities this year is a memorial for Gerry George. We are planning on having a memorial bench placed at Wilderness on Wheels. It would be really great if we could get at least 50 members to come to Wilderness on Wheels -Give A Day event and help us remember Gerry George. The date will be Saturday July 17, 2021, so mark your calendar and bring your gear to help us with some repairs.

Another top priority for the Chapter is helping the small jurisdictions who need assistance or training or just another Building Official to experience what it is like to be a one man or two men show.

If you have any questions or just want to talk, my contact number is 970-370-0582.

Sincerely

Andrew Blake

President of the Colorado Chapter of the ICC

## **“Help Me Help You” – Volunteers Committed to Your Excellence**

By: Shaunna Mazingo, Past President 2011

The Colorado Chapter of ICC is a volunteer organization. You can look at our website or our meeting minutes to find all our different committees and the volunteers that serve on each of those. You can tune into any ICC code hearing to see our code development committee members in action or attend any Educational Institute to see our education committee members working hard. You can attend any Chapter meeting or an ABM to see our program committee in action or attend a summer high school vocational event to see our Building Futures committee mentoring the younger generation and introducing them to the code world.

Then there are people you never see that are still volunteering behind the scenes such as the people keeping our chapter storage unit clean and orderly or those that are checking our mail or ordering our awards. Maybe you received ICC CEUs or AIA credits at a class that was held, someone got those approved and someone entered your attendance. People are getting together to write code change proposal for every single code out there and discussing them, submitting them, and arguing on your behalf. Someone is lobbying at the state capital for anything that will affect our jurisdictions, our communities, and our codes in legislation each year. Someone is reaching out to the local home builders associations, municipal league, various code official groups around the state, and to the Permit Tech Association, the Fire Marshall’s association, the Plumbing and Mechanical Official’s Association on our behalf. If there is a disaster, well there are people right there to help any jurisdiction or agency with a disaster response trained team ready and able to do what it takes to get buildings tagged and aid however needed. There are people updating websites with job announcements and meeting announcements and membership information. There are people working so hard to get membership updated and new databases created and always finding new ways to update payment portals and registration portals and finding new ways to get you handouts and learning opportunities. There is so much going on that we don’t see.

Why do those folks do it? Because they believe in you. Because they believe in this industry. Because they believe in each other and themselves. They have a heart of service. They want the best for their communities. But there is much to do. Many people are retiring and leaving committees, so we need more people to step up and join committees. What keeps people from joining? I hear people say that they are intimidated by the seasoned people on the committees. I say, let those seasoned people mentor you, not intimidate you. I grew in this industry by joining committees where I just watched and learned from people like Dan Nickle, Gerry George, Tom Thompson, Jim Thelen, Dave Horras, Steve Thomas, Tom Meyers, JD Potter, Stephen Kanipe, Steve Byer, and Becky Baker. That’s knowledge you don’t get from a book on in a classroom. That’s experience you can’t get on the job. That comes from being willing to get on a committee with people you think you can learn something from and be willing to help them do what they do because you see what a difference they are making, and you want to be a part of it. They aren’t doing it for themselves. They are doing it to help you get a better education or have a safer building or make your life easier at your job or have a great network to pull resources from or ask questions of when you have to implement something new. It is for us all, not any one person. We need us all to make it happen. No one person can pull this off.

If you are worried you don’t have time, so is everyone else. Well, if more people help, the less everyone has to do right? More wheelbarrows, less loads! Let’s share the yoke, lighten the load. Don’t know how to even go about getting involved? On our website there is a list of committees and each committee has a chairperson next to it. Contact that chairperson and ask some questions about what they do, what the time commitment is, what kind of help they might need. Or send me an email and we can talk. I am always willing to help you figure out how to help someone else. You email me and we will figure out which committee might be your best place to start. If I get 500 emails then I did my job in getting more people involved in helping each other out. Only email me if you want to volunteer your time to help other people! Let’s do this!

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**Building Guide**  
Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council

**Single Family Residential Basement Finish**

**How to Use This Guide**  
Click with your jurisdiction regarding type of submittal (paper or electronic) and for additional requirements. Draw to scale and complete the following (hint: use graph paper with 1/4" squares).

**1. Review This Building Guide**

**2. Provide Floor Plans**

**3. Fill out a Building Permit Application**

The majority of permit applications are processed with little delay. The submitted documents will help determine if the project is in compliance with building safety codes, zoning ordinances and other applicable laws.

**Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms are required.**

The Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council is a professional organization seeking to advance the public health, safety and welfare of the community through the development, adoption, maintenance and enforcement of building codes. For more information, please visit the Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council, 210 West 14th Avenue, CO60001. [www.coloradobuilding.org](http://www.coloradobuilding.org)

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**Building Guide**  
Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council

**Single Family Residential One Story Addition**

**How to Use This Guide**  
Click with your jurisdiction regarding type of submittal (paper or electronic) and for additional requirements. Draw to scale and complete the following (hint: use graph paper with 1/4" squares).

**1. Complete This Building Guide** by filling in the blanks on page three and indicating which construction details will be used.

**2. Provide Plot Plan** (site plan) showing dimensions of your project and its relationship to existing buildings or structures on the property and the distance to existing property lines drawn to scale. See Page 2.

**3. Fill out a building permit application.**

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**For further important information, please refer to the manufacturer's installation instructions.**

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**Single Family Residential Ramps**

**How to Use This Guide**  
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**1. Complete This Building Guide** by filling in the blanks on page two and four, and indicating which construction details will be used.

**2. Provide Plot Plan** (site plan) showing dimensions of your project and its relationship to existing buildings or structures on the property and the distance to existing property lines drawn to scale. See page 2.

**3. Fill out a building permit application.**

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**Building Guide**  
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**Single Family Residential Patio Covers & Carports**

**How to Use This Guide**  
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**1. Complete This Building Guide** by filling in the blanks on page two, and indicating which construction details will be used.

**2. Provide 2 Plot Plans** (site plan) showing dimensions of your project or addition and its relationship to existing buildings or structures on the property and the distance to existing property lines drawn to scale. See Page 2.

**3. Fill out a building permit application.**

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**Building Guide**  
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**Single Family Residential Re-roofing**

**How to Use This Guide**  
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**1. Complete This Building Guide** by filling in the blanks on page two, and indicating which construction details will be used.

**2. Provide Plot Plan** (site plan) showing dimensions of your project and its relationship to existing buildings or structures on the property and the distance to existing property lines drawn to scale. See page 2.

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**Building Guide**  
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**Unheated Single Family Residential Enclosing Existing Patio Covers**

**How to Use This Guide**  
Click with your jurisdiction regarding type of submittal (paper or electronic) and for additional requirements. Draw to scale and complete the following (hint: use graph paper with 1/4" squares).

**1. Complete This Building Guide** by filling in the blanks on page four and five, and indicating which construction details will be used.

**2. Provide Plot Plan** (site plan) showing dimensions of your project or addition and its relationship to existing buildings or structures on the property and the distance to existing property lines drawn to scale.

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# COLORADO CHAPTER COMMITTEES

The Colorado Chapter has a wide variety of committees to assist the Chapter's well being. Take a look at what our committees are, and what they do.

There is still time to join many of these great committee to bring your thoughts and ideas. We love joiners!

## COMMITTEE APPLICATION

# STANDARDIZATION COMMITTEE

The Standardization Committee mission is to develop, maintain and update for each code cycle the small project **building guides** for decks, re-roof, patio cover and carport, residential one story additions, basement finish, enclosing existing patio, detached garage and pole barn. These guides ease the process of applying for permits and completing the projects by aiding homeowners and contractors alike in understanding the requirements of the code.

If anyone likes to brainstorm and collaborate in this process, please join us. We meet online via GO To Meetings usually on Friday from 9 am until 11am. This year meetings are as follows: March 19, May 21, July 16 and November 19.

If you would like to participate please send and email to Cornelia Orzescu at [corzescu@parkeronline.org](mailto:corzescu@parkeronline.org)

## Colorado Chapter Code Change Committee update - February, 2021

The deadline for proposed changes to the Group A code committees has passed and it is expected that the web posting for these changes will be available March 1, 2021.

The committee action hearings were scheduled to be held in Rochester April 11 to 21, 2021. Due to the pandemic these will be held virtually. Those details are being worked out by ICC staff and once we know we can let everyone know how it will work. Should be an interesting change to what we are used to - both being on the committees and in audience listening and presenting for and against proposals.

The web posting of the report of the committee action hearings will be posted on May 24.

The deadline for turning in public comments for the Group A proposals is July 2. We will be scheduling virtual meetings beginning the last week of May and throughout June to review and approve any public comments.

The web posting of the public comments will be posted August 13.

The Public Comment hearings will be potentially held in person September 19 to 22 in Pittsburgh - ICC will be reviewing if this will be in person or virtual depending on the status of the pandemic in the fall.

We will be having virtual meetings the last half of August and first half of September to prepare for the Public Comment hearings.

Once again Colorado is very well represented with having members selected to be on committees in the Group A and Group B codes.

If you are interested in being a part of the committee please contact Matt Archer, Steve Thomas, or Tim Pate

The following is the list of chapter members who have been selected to serve on committees:

### CODE COMMITTEES

#### ADMIN

Rob Geislinger

#### IBC-E

Matt Archer

Chris Burnette

#### IBC-FS

Kara Gerczynski – VC

#### IBC-FS

Tom Meyers

#### IBC-G

Tom Pitchford

Justin Nielson

#### IBC-S

Cornelia Orzescu

David Renn

#### IEBC

Tim Pate – Ch

Bill Clayton

#### IFC

Marc Sampson – Ch

#### IFGC

Tim Swanson

#### IMC

Janine Snyder – Ch

Shaunna Mozingo

#### IPC

Glen Ratliff

Mark Fasel

#### IPMC/ZC

Kyley Flynn

#### IRC-MP

Wendell Heyen

#### ISPSC

Tim Moroney

#### RECDC

Kirk Nagel

Jim Meyers

### INTERPRETATION COMMITTEES

#### BCIC

CJ Jarecki

#### ECIC

Elaine Shea

### CODE ACTION COMMITTEES

#### FCAC

Michael Roberts

#### PMGCAC

Rich Anderson

#### SEHPCAC

Rachel Bannon-Godfrey

### OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES

#### CCC

Steve Thomas

Gil Rossmiller

#### CSC

Becky Baker – Ch

Steve Thomas

Andre Jaen

## CODE CHANGE COMMITTEE—ENERGY

I'm sure many of you are aware that the ICC Board of Directors recently made public their decision to change the process for how the IECC will be developed. The 2024 edition of the IECC will utilize ICC's standard development process to create the energy code. While the process has changed the efforts from the Colorado Chapter to create the best code we can is still the same. The Code Change Committee—Energy will start their process shortly to discuss potential changes we believe needs to be made with our typical criteria of is it usable, is it understandable, is it enforceable? Shaunna Mozingo after so many years of leading the energy efforts, which we thank her for all of her

volunteered time, has stepped down as the chair. Hope Medina has agreed to step in as the new chair for our energy efforts. She plans on using her experiences with participating in a standard development process to assist our committee navigate through these somewhat unfamiliar waters for the committee. Keep an eye out for two notices. The first being a notice through Constant Contact for the meeting schedule and how to participate in the Colorado Chapter Code Change—Energy. The second being a call for committee for the 2024 IECC. This is a great opportunity to help shape the 2024 IECC. Join the process.

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***THE IECC IS STILL A CODE AND A MEMBER OF THE I-CODES FAMILY.  
IT IS STILL ADOPTABLE***

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## PROGRAM COMMITTEE

With the challenges of Covid, and the restrictions placed on gatherings, this has made for interesting times.

Exciting news from Programs! We are having our first in person meeting in over a year.

As we are all tired of virtual meetings, the April meeting in Centennial will be a great chance to meet, discuss and learn new information face to face.

Once again the camaraderie of our chapter can be experienced, learning, breaking bread together and generally enjoying learning and interacting.

The committee has scheduled the meetings for the rest of the year as well as most of the meetings for next year.

**April: Location:** Centennial **Date:** Friday, April 2, 2021 **Theme:** Hazardous Occupancies and Explosion Relief.

**June: Location:** Colorado Springs (PPRBD) **Date:** June 11, 2021 **Theme:** Forensic Engineering.

**August: Location:** Eagle **Date:** August 19 & 20, 2021 **Theme:** (19th) Rental Housing Inspections and the International Property Maintenance Code & (20th) Manufactured Housing Inspection Program.

**October:** <sup>6</sup>**Location:** Trinidad **Date:** October 15, 2021 **Theme:** Hospital Occupancies under the IBC.

Our Annual Business Meeting will again be at the wonderful Broadmoor. The main instructor for this meeting will be Mark Matheson. As a nationally recognized motivational speaker, Mark will instill his wisdom on pertinent topics for our changing environment.

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

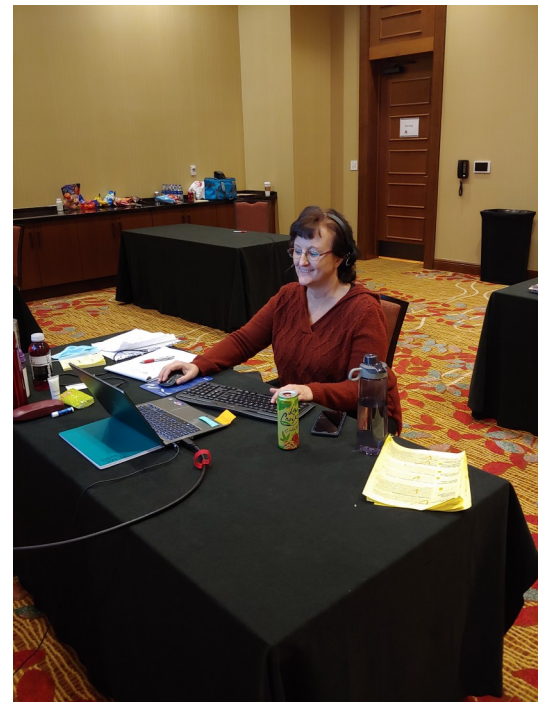
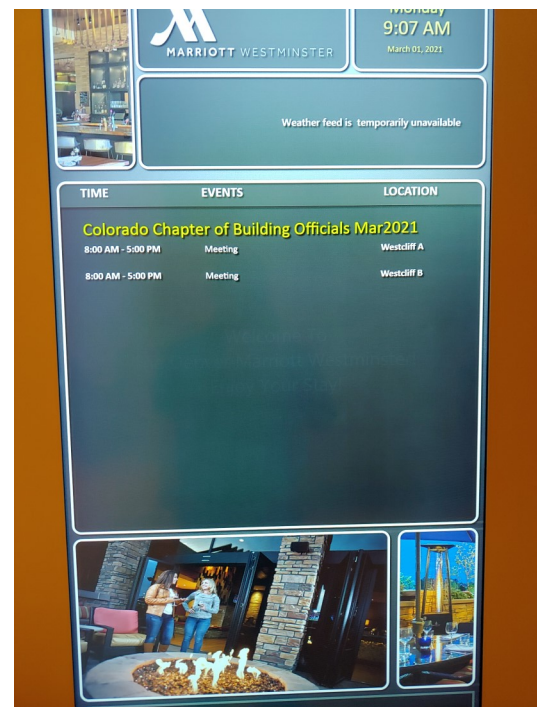
COVID 19 has affected every aspect of our everyday lives and the 2021 CCICC Educational Institute is no different. The pandemic has forced the Education Committee to move the Educational Institute to a virtual environment for the first time ever. The traditional Educational Institute format will be changed into an Educational Institute Series, offering classes not only the first week in March, but throughout the summer on Thursday's through August.

The decision to go to a virtual event this year was a very difficult decision for the committee to make, but in hind-sight, turned out to be the only viable option. Although the curriculum will be limited to 37 classes this year, we continue to focus on the mission of the Educational Institute in providing quality education for code officials as a reasonable cost. Supporting that mission is the fact that attendees can take more than 5 classes this year if they choose, and at only \$35/class there isn't a better training opportunity anywhere. We have seen a number of people sign up for more than 5 classes, leading to an overall increase in average classes per attendee.

We are very confident that our attendees will get quality virtual training this year, but we are going to miss the opportunity to re-connect with friends and colleagues and we look forward to getting back together at the Embassy Suites in Loveland again next March. On a personal note, this is the first time in about 30 years I haven't watched and prayed for good weather reports for the 1<sup>st</sup> week in March, so LET IT SNOW!

For more information and a list of upcoming classes visit the Chapters website.

[Educational Institute Webpage](#)



# BUILDING FUTURES COMMITTEE THANKS STEAMBOAT SPRINGS



## Building Futures

Your FUTURE, their FUTURE, our FUTURE ..... ***It's so bright we gotta wear shades.*** Yes, Wednesday September 22, 2021 seems far off in the future, but that's the day we will be reaching out with help from our kind and generous friends from Routt County and Steamboat Springs. Planning for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Northwest Colorado Building Futures With A Career In Construction** is well underway – there's a lot of work already being done “behind the curtain”.

The Building Futures committee, representing the Colorado Chapter of the International Code Council, along with our numerous volunteers, contractors, and industry experts, wish to express our deep appreciation to those of you in Steamboat Springs and Routt County who have once again offered not only the use of Howelson Hill Lodge, but your time, energy, and heart-felt enthusiasm in guiding our youth to see, ***and experience,*** the many opportunities that await them in Construction Related careers. A special ***thank you*** goes to Rachel Lundy, Brad Setter, and Tara Cusack for helping to “shine the light” for the youth residing in this beautiful region of our State.

Construction – ***it's not just for breakfast anymore*** – it's for women and men alike, with opportunities ranging from operating heavy equipment to designing interiors of buildings. This industry is not just limited to those with great physical abilities either – there are opportunities for all. The young people in our communities will soon be shaping our Future, so we appreciate the partnership in Building theirs.

Sincerely,  
Hope Medina, Don Marchbanks and all of us with the Building Futures Committee



## INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING?

Are you wanting to participate with this committee? Interested in participating in the Building Futures with a Career in Construction event in Steamboat Springs? NEW FOR 2022—Building Futures with a Career in Construction event in Montrose?

We are always looking for participants.

Booth Presenters

Volunteers

Sponsors

Committee members

Check out our webpage on the Colorado Chapter's website

[Building Futures Webpage](#)

[Upcoming Events Webpage](#)



## Past President's Update for Newsletter

By Shaunna Mozingo

March 15, 2021

The Past Presidents of the Colorado Chapter of ICC have been busy and enjoying life. I have truly enjoyed reaching out to them every quarter or so, just to check in and get a conversation started up between them all and make sure that we are all staying in touch. It's funny, I think I know what everyone's doing and then I'll find out that someone moved away a year ago and I didn't even know about it, I just thought they weren't responding to my emails. We are getting better each time at remembering that we really did spend so much time together throughout our work lives, almost more time than we spent with our families sometimes, that we became close, and we are working on staying in better communication with each other.

So, here's an update from most of us: (in no particular order and you will see that some provide more of an update to me than others , and we'll catch the rest in the next newsletter)

**Patrick Buckley** (President in 2007) Patrick says, "We are Loving our new digs in St. Augustine Beach, Florida." He is now working for the City of Palm Coast Florida since 2019. They are a very busy and rapidly growing community of about 92,000. Patrick tells us that the City has been, "issuing about 1,200 new one- and two-family dwelling permits in our fiscal year 2020-2021. Additionally, we have about 1,750 new multi-family units approved, a steady stream of commercial and light industrial; two new hospitals and a University of North Florida medical training campus proposed for our town center. We expect a build-out of about 125,000 and have lots of room to grow. Palm Coast began in 1969 as a master planned community, unincorporated and platted by the ITT Corporation. Similar to Highlands Ranch I suppose. They platted 44,000 lots with several thousand backing to salt-water canals connected to the Inter-coastal. ITT walked away in the late 90's and Palm Coast was incorporated in 1999. Since then, its been one of the fastest growing cities in the Country. We still have about 14,000 undeveloped scattered lots throughout developed neighborhoods and are constructing new subdivisions as well. Construction techniques are quite different here with mostly CMU and monolithic foundations. Surprisingly, although a 130 mph design wind speed, trusses and bracing as well as wood frame construction when we see it (slightly more inland) is not all that different from Colorado. A State mandated building code and 168 pages of Statutes regulating contractors and another 86 or so pages regulating building code administrators and inspectors. On a rather weird note, we have a statute on the books prohibiting local governments from requiring self-closing hinges on garage / house doors and aren't allowed to require special inspections (known as "threshold building inspections") unless the building is 4 stories or more or is an assembly occupancy greater than 5,000 square feet. We issue about five in-ground pool permits a week."

It was so wonderful to catch up with Patrick Buckley. We served on the board together and I learned so much from him.

**John Hatfield** (1982): John has made his way to partial retirement. He has finished most of his house construction projects after moving into a Net Zero ready home in 2015. The garden area was expanded this fall and raised beds created as the irrigation system was completed on the small 2 acre property above Montrose. The cold winter was not even an issue inside the super insulated ICF home that he and his wife, Jean, have built to retire in. John misses involvement with the Western Colorado Code Group and the Educational Institute usually gave him a chance to catch up with everyone but that cancellation this year made it hard to get together with old friends and colleagues. He expressed how much of a blow the loss of Gerry George was to the Past President's group because Gerry had helped with so many things during each of our times as Presidents and he will be greatly missed.



**Tom Meyers** (2003): Tom and his wife, Michelle, are doing well over in Western Colorado. He lets us know that being semi-retired does not mean that he is not working as hard as ever. He has been doing some virtual teaching and has been appointed to the IBC Fire Safety Code Development Committee for the Group A process so he will have his hands in the codes once again. He also accepted a contract with the City of Delta to provide back-up inspections for their sole inspection person.

He and Michelle have more work to do on the exterior of their house and have a large shop building to build yet. He continues to be a great resource to a lot of us as we have questions come up or need an instructor for Chapter events.

**Steve Thomas** (1990): Steve is doing great, healthier than ever. He says that once COVID hit, and people started going into hospitals it really was a wakeup call for him. He ramped up exercising and did the Keto diet and lost 35 pounds!!! Way to go Steve! His wife, Teri, is training for triathlons so he says her workouts put his to shame.



Steve's company, Colorado Code Consulting, merged with Shums Coda Associates at the first of the year, and Steve is the Colorado Regional Manager of that Shums Coda Associates/CCC company as well as The National Director of Education so he has some new roles and a succession plan for when he decides he ever wants to retire (that's never going to happen ). All of his staff has transitioned over to Shums Coda Associates as well and they are staying as busy as ever doing all of the same things that they have done and loving life!

**Gil Rossmiller** (2012): Gil and Suzanne moved to Minnesota to be near their grandkids about two years ago. They just welcomed



their fourth grandchild in the the world in January, which now gives them three boys and a girl. They visit them a couple times a month and would not trade that time for anything else! Many of us share that same sentiment!.

Gil still works for Steve Thomas at Colorado Code Consulting/Shums Coda Associates.

**Bob Foote (1991):** Now working for the City of Westminster and has re-joined the Chapter's Code Change Committee and we are so glad to have him back with us haggling over what should and should not be in those darned codes. He was active in it for so long but had to step away for a while and it is so great to have his perspective back.



Bob tells us that the past year has definitely had its challenges. His wife had just bought a new car that only had 200 miles on it when it caught fire while his she was driving it with their daughter in as a passenger. Thankfully neither were hurt. They saw friends and family members die. They had to put their 12 year old lab down. But on a positive note, he loves where he works, he was able to do a lot of hunting, had 2 successful eye surgeries and the Cameron Peak fire did not burn down their cabin even though it came very close. Bob reminds us that there are many things to be grateful for and that he looks forward to being able to reconnect with everyone at a chapter meeting one day soon.

**Dave Tyree (1983):** As most of you know, Dave's mom, Pat, passed away in September of 2020. Dave's dad, also a Past President (1977) of the Chapter, Mr. Perry "Pete" Tyree, is 95 and doing great in a care facility. The family will be glad when they will be allowed to visit him and spend some time with him again. Doing window visits has been about all they have been allowed to do of late.

Dave and his wife, Donna, have had their yard redone, including a deck and patio, fencing, that sort of thing. He really says that his story is the same as everyone else's – Zoom here, gotomeeting there... He works for American Wood Council (AWC), and there is no traveling still, so he does not leave the house much. He and Donna are in the house more together than they ever have been. I think we are all going through that. Dave says that he misses everyone and hopes that we can all get together soon. The loss of family and of his friend Gerry George really opened his eyes. He is learning not to take life for granted.

**Tim Swanson (2019):** Tim was glad to see 2020 in the rear view mirror. He had a fusion in his lower back followed by a lengthy hospital stay due to complications. He is back at work where he is the Building Official for the City of Greeley. He is cutting back on some of his committee involvement and taking a more relaxed approach to 2021. Well, Tim, you've definitely earned it!

**Steve Byer (2008):** Steve is retired and says he is out walking every day, trying to see immediate family when he can. Riding the bike with friends when it's nice out, babysitting the grandbabies when they can, and stating some remodeling projects around the home and for his daughters. While there was no travel for he and his wife last year, he sure is hoping to start again with some trips this summer and is looking forward to seeing us all once again soon.



**Tom Thompson (1990):** Tom had a hard time giving an update because his heart and memories kept going to his friend of 41 years, Gerry George (President in 1998). They worked so much together that it was hard for Tom to give his own update without going to Gerry. That's ok, Tom. We never want to forget Gerry, so you tell all the stories you want to about him, we will sit and listen for hours. We are all ears my friend. Let us never forget those who came before us and those we call friends.

Here's an excerpt from a memory Tom had as an example: *"It is neat to hear from all of the Past Presidents. Just read John Hatfield's post. Here I go again, Gerry and I both worked for John at his code consulting firm, The Building Department Inc. I remember Gerry worked at the Christy Lodge in Avon and also some Beaver Creek work John had. That was between his time at AE West and Frisco. I worked for John in his office doing plan reviews for various clients; helped John with atrium smoke tests at Beaver Creek; and John and I taught code classes at Denver University on both the Denver Building Code and the Uniform Building Code. We also went to Park City, Utah and taught code and developed our Utah contacts into great long-term friendships. I only worked for John from Nov. 1982 to March 1983 when I was laid off from Broomfield."* Tom went on to tell about how his dog, Buster, hiked his leg on Gerry's leg once. It was fun to hear those stories and laugh and smile to think about those two friends in our industry and all they had been through, plus all the people they had made smile along the way and continue to do so.

Tom says that he got involved in the chapter in 1979 and at that time, Pete Tyree referred to a group of them as the “Young Lions” because he had a lot of pride with this new crop of you 30 or so year old’s that he mentored and encouraged from their start in the profession. Tom commented about what an example Pete Tyree has been to all of us.

Tom lives in Wheatridge but loves spending time on some property south of Pueblo when they can. He still works for Sunrise Engineering doing some consulting as he still likes to keep his feet wet in the code business even though he has supposedly been retired for 15 years. His kids 4 grandkids live in Edgewater and Keystone so that is not too far away for him. He loves to garden and share his bounty. If you know Tom, you know he loves his dogs as well. Many of you were used to seeing Buster at chapter meetings and even at the ABM at the Broadmoor. After 16 years, he was tired and ready to go home in 2018, but before checking out he trained ASA, tom’s white German Shepard. Asa will be 11 years old in January. He is currently training Tucker, Tom’s 2 ½ year old Australian Cattle dog.

**Gary Goodell (1998):** Gary and his Wife Julie live in Fountain Hills, Arizona. Gary is retired from Colorado Code Consulting/Shums Coda Associates as of January 2021 so now he plans to do all those projects around the house that he has been wanting to do, such as an outdoor patio project and he also wants to build a layout for his Durango & Silverton electric train. He is getting into some photography, accordions and wants to also learn harmonica and guitar, so he’s trying his hand at all kinds of things.

Their son, Luke, has a tattoo shop in Phoenix called Rattlesnake Romance. Gary, Julie, Luke and his wife, Elise, recently took a trip to Sedona and had a great time. Gary and Julie would like to travel some more, maybe start with some day trips and overnight trips in Arizona then venture out to other places eventually. Sounds like he’s got some projects and hobbies to keep him occupied for a little while though .

**Greg Wheeler (1999):** Greg had updated us at the end of the year to let us know that the family was all doing well, no major health issues for him, his wife Renee, their kids or grandkids. They have 5 grandkids, ranging from 1 year to 19 years of age.

Greg is still the CBO for the City of Thornton and still our President of the Board of Directors for the International Code Council, 2<sup>nd</sup> year running. Whew, Greg, you’ve had your work cut out for you and you’ve done an amazing job for us, we couldn’t be prouder of you. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do for ICC as well as for our Colorado Chapter of ICC.

**Kirk Nagle (2015):** Kirk still works for the City of Aurora but found himself, like a lot of us, creating a home office once the pandemic hit so that he could get his work done. He just decided that he would make his in his garage. Apparently sharing a home with another code geek who teaches and has code meetings all day does not make for a very quiet work environment, so you have to do what you have to do. He has a wood stove for those cold days, and he gets the job done. Way to improvise Kirk. Kirk looks forward to days when he can travel again and spend time with family and friends.

**Stephen Kanipe (2009 & 2010):** Stephen had once retired from the City of Aspen and was enjoying time with his wife, CP, traveling to places like New Zealand. Occasionally he would do some code work and go to a codes conference in some horrible place like Orlando or something . He and CP got used to spending time together, going on hikes and foraging for mushrooms and enjoying the colors of Aspen. And then it happened... Mike Metheny, who had taken over as Aspen’s CBO, took the job as Building Official in Snowmass Village when Mark Kittle Retired so Aspen “recalled” Stephen. Stephen agreed to go back and be CBO for a couple of years and admits that “being back in the action doesn’t really suck”. We’re glad you’re back Stephen.

Stephen’s daughter, Marina, and her husband have 5 children and live in Glenwood springs so Stephen and CP love spending time with all of them. Stephen’s son, Tristan, just finished a remodel on a 1904 Potter Highlands in time for their first baby in July. That will make it all even – three boys and three girls. The oldest grandchild is 11.

**Tom Pitchford (2018):** Tom is the CBO for the town of Bennett, CO. The town is growing leaps and bounds and he loves his job. He will be serving on the IBC General Code Development Committee for the Group A code cycle and is really looking forward to serving in that capacity again.

He and his wife, Amy, have been blessed with good health and he has been doing a lot of work in the office and in the field even through the pandemic. He does keep in touch with his daughters remotely as they are scattered all over the country, but he planned to go to Washington State to welcome their second grandchild - first grandson into the family at the end of this past year. I have not heard if they actually got to do that yet. I truly hope so.

**Mike Metheny (2014):** Mike Metheny Lives in Carbondale and is the CBO for the Town of Snowmass Village and is really enjoying that position. His wife, Annie, is still an elementary school teacher in Carbondale but hopes to retire once their kids graduate. Their boys are 15 and 16 and driving so Mike says that they no longer have to provide taxi service . The boys are active in football, basketball and baseball. They also enjoy hunting; fishing and the family all enjoys their occasional trip to the beach. Don’t we all!!!

Mike reminisced about his interactions with Gerry and how he always intentionally misspelled his name with an i – Gerri- just to tease him. He says he will sure be missed.

**Brice Miller (2001):** Brice Recalls, “*I actually got into this field out in BOCA Land in 1973. During my last week of college, I ran into this gentleman that had a city car with an inspection department sign on it. He was watering his flowers, so I asked him if he*

*knew what a building inspector did because I was leaving for Colorado to find work. He started asking me more questions than I was asking him. Two weeks later this Building Official convinced me to start working in Normal, IL next door to Bloomington, IL, where Noel Vargo was building inspector. Yep, Noel and I are transplants from out east. It was the late 80's before I made it to Colorado and have enjoyed being involved in this field ever since.*

*It has been an honor to be a part of the Colorado Chapter and have the opportunity to know all of you. After reading all your comments, I had to once again check out Gerry George and Pat Tyree's pictures on the Colorado Chapter's website. I found myself reading Shaunna's interview of Dan Nickle again. All I can say is WOW! What a great group of men and women that have shaped this chapter to be the best in the US."*

Brice says that he has been blessed to be teaching for 13 years now, providing firestopping raining in all but one state in the US. His wife reminds him that they need to have that session in Hawaii . The training sessions have been a great experience to stay connected to all those code officials across the country. The pandemic had an impact on in person training, just like it did for everyone. He and his wife, Jeanne, are doing well, as are their children and grandchildren who live in Castle Rock, Fort Collins and Nashville, Tennessee.

**Mark Gurule** (2017): Mark And his wife, Deb, celebrated their 30 year wedding anniversary. The pandemic has helped them to look at the more positive things in life and be more appreciative of the people they have in their lives. He and Deb both contracted the virus and Mark ended up in the hospital. He says that God was good to him and he recovered, and that life has more meaning now.

Mark still works for Pueblo Regional Building Department. He got involved in the Chapter in 2000 and serves on the Standardization Committee. He says that the Chapter was, and is, the best venture that he ever got involve in for his career. He says that through the years he has met many code geeks (professionals) that have helped him along the way, and he thanks each and every one of them that he has crossed paths with and considers them all friends, past and present.

**Noel Vargo** (1989): Noel and his wife, Char, are doing great. He just got back from 4 days of biking in Moab. Next wek he'll be snowshoeing in the Shrine Mountain Inn huts at the top of Vaill pass so yes, he's upright and keeping busy, as he puts it. I'll say!! Bad weather and a pandemic do not appear to be keeping him down. Go get 'em Noel.

**Shaunna Mozingo** (2011): As for me, well I've been busy just working away at Mozingo Code Group, helping people adopt newer codes and teaching classes on codes and doing research studies. I've been working like crazy on the Educational Institute with Dave Horras and Nathan Romero and Matt Archer. I am serving on the IMC Code Development Committee for Group A this year so that's going to be fun for me. No Energy Codes for me this cycle, Woo-hoo! I got to help write a residential code for the Marshall Islands and am writing some code stuff for Bangladesh and doing more International work, which is fun for me. I love research so that kind of thing makes me really research everything to come up with ideas and solutions and keeps the neurons firing.

My family races motocross so moto season starts in a few weeks. I no longer race, too many crashes and surgeries. Now I organize and run the registration and scoring of the events while my husband, son, and granddaughter race both vintage and modern bikes. We are headed to California in a week to go ride some different motocross tracks and play around out there before the season starts here so that is our idea of a family vacation. I had a cruise scheduled with my best friend again this year, but it was cancelled due to the pandemic. I hope to start getting back into traveling for vacation soon. Last year I had over 230 travel days, but most were for work. I plan to have very little work travel days from now on and a lot more vacation days!

It has been great catching up and keeping in touch with all of the past presidents. As I mentioned, we spent so much time together through our careers and volunteering together in the Chapter on different committees and serving on the board of directors. We will continue to keep in touch as a group of "has beens" and I only share some of these stories with the membership to hopefully let you get a glimpse into the lives of real people who helped form this Chapter. People who gave countless hours away from their families to help grow this industry and to help each other grow in their professions. As you see their stories, please remember that the people serving you now, are these same people years down the road. They are giving up hours and days of their time to make sure that you have opportunities to learn and grow and that this Chapter continues to grow and that the codes continue to grow. There is not one single paid position within the Colorado Chapter of ICC. Every single thing that takes place is because volunteers make it happen and it's been that way for over 60 years! Real people like these past presidents and your current committee members and your current board members, they make it happen. Your chapter needs people like you to make it happen. If you can't participate, that's ok, then just one day, say thank you or shake the hand of someone who does.

Thank you,

Shaunna Mozingo

## REGION XI

Region XI's website is [www.iccregionxi.org](http://www.iccregionxi.org) and general information can be found there such as upcoming education classes as well as meeting minutes. You might want to bookmark it!

Region XI of the International Code Council (The Four Corners Chapter) had a board meeting on Feb 19<sup>th</sup>. During that meeting the Board of Directors approved a budget for the current fiscal year of 2021. Kelly Sadler from ICC also gave a report (she was at home in Texas without power and water at the time!) and then swore in our Secretary, Renee Nix from New Mexico. The board discussed future training meetings and determined that the Spring meeting in April would be a virtual training meeting along with a membership meeting, and an in person meeting is being hoped for in late August in Albuquerque, if the pandemic is more under control by then. The Region XI chapter is trying to provide you with free or very low cost training any chance we get so watch for those announcements.

Your current representatives from Colorado are:

- Dan Weed
- Kara Gerczynski

Jesse Sorensen (Jesse just had to step down as she was hired by ICC, so she will soon be replaced).

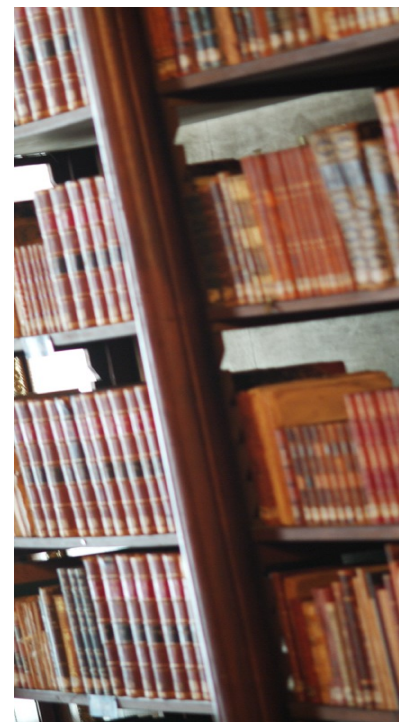
Region XI has formed a new Education committee, and Samantha Everett from Loveland CO and Cathryn Nelson from Herriman UT are the co-chairs. This committee hopes to connect more virtual and in-person training needs with those that are being provided, and communicate those events to you. This way you as a member are aware of training to occur in any of the 4 affected states and you could take advantage of virtual training in a nearby state just like you do in Colorado. We intend to place those on the website as well. Our webmaster is Michael Eckhoff from Hoover Treated Wood, and he has been doing a great job!.

If you would like to be more involved with Region XI, contact Dan Weed at [dweed@coloradocode.net](mailto:dweed@coloradocode.net) and he will try to find a spot for you!

### COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE OPPORTUNITIES

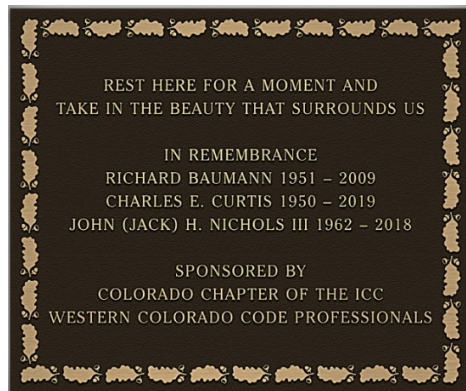
The Colorado Energy Office is providing free 2018 and 2021 IECC training for industry professionals and code adoption assistance for jurisdictions. Register for the [Wednesday webinar series](#) or [inquire here](#) about group trainings and technical assistance!

The [Energy Code Adoption Toolkit](#) is a resource for all industry professionals that reviews the cost implications of changing code cycles, the benefits, how to troubleshoot and navigate compliance pathways, and many more resources!



# Western Slope News

The Western Colorado Code Professionals (WCCP) have nearly completed a Memorial Bench that will be placed in Lake City, Colorado. Jack Nichols III was the Building Official for Hinsdale County and Lake City when an ice-climbing accident on 2018 took his life. The Colorado Chapter of the ICC donated generously to this endeavor to honor Jack and two other Building Officials who served in this remote and beautiful community. The CCICC donation was used to help fund Hinsdale County Schools' Outdoor Adventure program started by Jack's wife, Leslie. Leslie taught students the language of mathematics, then later became the Superintendent of Hinsdale County Schools, and now serves as the Superintendent of the Gunnison Watershed School District.



The slabs of Douglas Fir for the Memorial Bench were harvested from the local forest by Sentinel Tree Woodworks and are in a County Shop Building awaiting the rest of the components that will be brought up from the Montrose area. The trip planned for February 16<sup>th</sup> had to be postponed due to a snowstorm that made travel a bit dangerous. Final assembly and dedication are being arranged by Richard Kimball, the current Hinsdale County Building Official. Dedication will take place in the spring or early summer.

The City of Ouray is looking for a new Building Official. There have been numerous personnel changes in recent years, but with new leadership from Silas Clarke, who started as the City Manager just two months ago and who is about to hire a new Community Development Director, it is anticipated that Ouray will soon have things “back on the tracks”. If you’re interested in a change to this kind of beautiful scenery, be watching for the job advertisement on the CCICC website.

San Miguel County has hired a new Building Official. Matt Gonzales has been working as a Combination Inspector for the Town of Mountain Village (think Telluride Ski Mountain) for a number of years so he is accustomed to the challenges of these high-altitude construction projects. San Miguel County, however, ranges in elevation from 14,021 feet to 5,308 feet it it's 1289 square miles of terrain, with projects ranging from an 8000 sq. ft. guest home valued at \$1000.00 sq. ft., to a “normal” bathroom addition in the arid west ranching areas surrounding Norwood Colorado. The population of San Miguel County is shown to be just over 8000 people, but with many of the residences being second or third homes, the actual numbers are a bit of a moving target. Matt can be reached at [mattg@sanmiguelco.gov](mailto:mattg@sanmiguelco.gov).

## FMAC

The Fire Marshals Association of Colorado has been busy over the last few months working on various projects. We have finally purchased our virtual meeting platform and associated video equipment. As soon as we can hold in-person meetings we will be implementing our new equipment so that we can have our meetings both in-person and virtually. This will help expand the involvement in this organization throughout the entire state, rather than just around the metro area.

Additionally, we are finishing up our production of a residential fire sprinkler side-by-side video. This has been more than six months in the making. When complete, it will provide fire departments with the tools needed to start the discussion of adopting residential sprinklers into their jurisdictions. Items will include formal and informal videos, social media videos, template power point presentation, and template informational on the benefits of residential fire sprinklers. The intent of this is to help fire departments begin the process and provide various tools to make their process easier.

We are also working on creating a training program through the Colorado State Fire Chiefs Annual Leadership Challenge. This program will include topics such as, human resource management, community and government relations, administration, health & safety, code adoption and enforcement, compliance interpretation, inspections & plan review, leadership, and community risk management. 2021 will be the first offering of this program and will hopefully evolve into a certificate program like what the Colorado State Fire Chiefs already offer for fire chiefs, and company officers.

Lastly, FMAC has decided to not charge membership fees this year. So if you are curious what benefits being a member of our organization can provide, this is a good time to do so. If you would like to join visit the following link:

[Fire Marshals Association of Colorado - Join FMAC \(wildapricot.org\)](https://wildapricot.org).

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