CARL FALCO RETIRES AFTER 30 YEARS WITH THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL DIVISION

May 31, 2006 marked the last day of Carl Falco’s career with the Structural Pest Control Division. A N.C. State University graduate with a degree in Forestry; Carl began working with the Division as a Structural Pest Control Inspector in the Charlotte area and was later promoted to Supervisor. Carl eventually was named Assistant Director of the Division and upon Ray Howell’s retirement on August 1, 1996, Carl was promoted to Director of the Structural Pest Control Division. Carl’s expertise regarding all aspects of the Structural Pest Control Industry and his dedication to the Division will be missed by all. The following letter is from Carl and it is addressed to the Structural Pest Control Industry of North Carolina:

May 30, 2006
NC Pest Control Operators
As you probably know by now, I have decided to retire from the NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services effective June 1, 2006. I would like to thank the Association and the industry members for the opportunities you have afforded me in my career with the SPCD. It has been interesting, frustrating, entertaining, and even contentious at times, but ultimately a most enjoyable time and a rewarding career.

I have made many friends during my tenure with the Division and learned considerably of human nature. You have challenged me and lead me to grow, sometimes reluctantly, both intellectually and in my abilities to deal with people. Thank you.

Before long I will begin other endeavors that I hope will be as rewarding as the last 30 years. Though I am looking forward to new challenges I plan to stay close to the structural pest control industry for the foreseeable future. I look forward to working with you in new ways in the future.

Until then,

May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
The sun shine warm upon your face
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

Sincerely,
Carl E. Falco

THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL DIVISION’S HEADQUARTERS HAS MOVED!!!

The summer has been a busy one so far for the SPCD—we moved our Raleigh headquarters the last week of June! Our new physical address is located in the Ballentine Building at 2109 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, N.C. 27607 while our new mailing address is 1090 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1090. Our 919-733-6100 (phone number) and 919-733-0633 (fax number) both remain the same. Our web site address of www.ncagr.com/str-pest remains the same and you just click on the Structural Pest Control Section to access our home page. Also, we have joined forces with the Pesticide Section to form the Structural Pest Control & Pesticide Division. Our new name is the Structural Pest Control Section. Mr. James W. Burnette, Jr. is the Director of the newly formed Structural Pest Control & Pesticides Division.
NEW LICENSE EXAM LOCATION

The monthly License/Certification exams that are held in Raleigh will no longer be held at the McKimmon Center beginning in February, 2006. The new location will be the Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. Horse Complex located at the N.C. State Fairgrounds. The physical address is 4601 Trinity Road, Raleigh N.C. This location has been secured for all months (beginning in February) in 2006 except for August, October and November. Please refer to the exam dates in this bulletin and visit our web site (click on License/Certification, then Examination schedule) for future dates and directions to the Hunt Horse Complex.
The Structural Pest Control Committee approved the following settlement agreements with structural pest control operators:

- R. Clay Metcalfe of Pest Patrol in Greensboro agreed to pay $12,500 for performing pest control work without a current license. Metcalfe performed 547 household pest services, 18 termite treatments, one powder post beetle service and issued 133 Wood Destroying Insect Reports during a period of 10 months while his license was lapsed. The committee agreed to suspend $10,000 of the penalty if Metcalfe pays the remaining amount within three months and does not commit a serious violation of the N.C. Pest Control Act.

- Paul E. Mauney of Mauney Termite in Matthews agreed to pay $25,000 and attend and complete the N.C. Pest Control Association WDIR Accreditation class for failing to renew his pest control license while continuing to perform pest control work. Mauney performed 2,015 services during a period of 11 months while his license was lapsed. The committee agreed to suspend $12,500 of the penalty if Mauney pays the remaining amount within 18 months.

- Donald E. Lee Sr., formerly of Bug Free Termite & Pest Control in Newton, agreed to pay $2,700 for failing to renew his pest control license and liability insurance while continuing to perform pest control work. State law requires pest control operators to maintain insurance for their business. During a period of eight months while his license was lapsed, Lee performed six pest control services. The committee agreed to suspend $1,700 of the penalty if Lee pays the remaining amount within a year and does not commit a serious violation of the N.C. Pest Control Act.

- Robert N. Poole of Intersect Termite & Pest Control in Burlington agreed to pay $10,000 for failing to renew his pest control license while continuing to perform pest control work and allowing his liability insurance to lapse for 10 months. State law requires pest control operators to maintain insurance for their business. Poole performed 564 household pest control services and 25 termite services during a period of 25 months while his license was lapsed. The committee agreed to suspend $5,000 of the penalty if Poole pays the remaining amount within a year and does not commit a serious violation of the N.C. Pest Control Act.

- Abdul W. Pasha of Pasha Extermination Service Inc. in Charlotte agreed to pay $400 for failing to correct deviations involving the drilling and treating of slab areas of a house in Charlotte. An inspector with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services performed an inspection and sent Pasha a notice of warning to correct treatment within 30 days. The inspector returned for a re-inspection after 30 days and found that the corrections were not made.

- Aaron Sampson of Sampson Termite & Pest Control Company in Parkton denied wrongdoing but agreed to pay $2,500 for failing to renew his pest control license while continuing to perform pest control work. The committee agreed to suspend $2,000 of the penalty if Sampson pays the remaining amount within 30 days and does not commit a serious violation of the N.C. Pest Control Act.

- Gary Davies, formerly of Clegg’s Termite and Pest Control Inc. in Fayetteville, agreed to pay $2,000 for falsifying records of proposed treatment plans. Davies proposed termite treatments at three residences in Fayetteville where an NCDA&CS inspector found no evidence of subterranean termite infestations. At a fourth residence, Davies reported termites in a garage area but not in the home’s crawl space where the NCDA&CS inspector later found active termites. The committee agreed to suspend $1,000 of the penalty if Davies pays the remaining amount within 10 months and does not commit a serious violation of the N.C. Pest Control Act.
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