



# Professional Engineers of North Carolina South Piedmont Chapter Newsletter

## SPC February 2009 Meeting Notice

**When:** Tuesday, February 24, 2009

**Where:** Hal Marshall Center, Mecklenburg County Government Offices  
700 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC  
(The old Sears Building)

**Cost:** \$30.00 for members and guests

**Time:** Social: 5:30  
Dinner: 6:00  
Program: 6:30 – 7:45.

**Program:** “A New Era of Electronic Plan Submittal”

While Mecklenburg County currently uses one of the most high tech programs to support the permitting and inspection process, we are involved in a long term technology development project, moving our process to completely paperless in the next 12-18 months. This project, jointly developed with the City of Raleigh, is primarily focused on electronic plan submittal (EPS). Mr. Bartl will review progress to date, what the new system will look like, as well as an early look at the Single Portal concept, providing AE's with a single submission point, no matter the project type or location in Mecklenburg County.

**Speaker:** James N. Bartl, AIA

Director of Code Enforcement, Mecklenburg County Government

Jim Bartl is the Director of Code Enforcement for Mecklenburg County. He is responsible for all construction plan review, permitting and inspections services, throughout the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County and the six towns of Davidson, Cornelius, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville.

Prior to joining Mecklenburg County in July 1996, Mr. Bartl practiced architecture in St. Louis with Hellmuth, Obata and Kassabaum Architects, one of the largest architecture firms in the country. From 1976 to 1988, as a principal of Westminster Company – one of the leading entities in the St. Louis urban renovation movement- he was instrumental in reconstructing the

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**PDHs**

**Offered:** 1 PDH (Note: While PENC offers Professional Development Credit for this program, it is up to each Professional Engineer to determine if the content is relevant to his/her individual practice and suitable for his/her continuing education.)

**RSVP:** By 5:00 pm Thursday 2/19/09 to Rob Belisle ([rbelisle@wpceng.com](mailto:rbelisle@wpceng.com))



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## Speaker Bio

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fabric of several urban neighborhoods, planning and building a number of historic renovation projects as well as many high quality, affordable residential projects.

Since Mr. Bartl's arrival at Mecklenburg County, the Code Enforcement Department has introduced many cutting edge initiatives and process changes, including the North Carolina Rehab code, the OnSchedule Commercial Plan Review Program, the Meck-SI Special Inspection website and paperless process, and the 2009 ICC Live-work changes.

Mr. Bartl is a licensed Architect in Missouri, Illinois and

North Carolina. He holds a B.A. from Iowa State University and a Master of Architecture from Washington University in St. Louis.

## Mark Your Calendar

**February 15 - 21, 2009 - National Engineers Week**

**March 20, 2009 - State MATHCOUNTS Competition - NC School of Math and Science, Durham, NC.** MATHCOUNTS is a national math enrichment, coaching & competition program that promotes middle school mathematics achievement in every U.S. state & territory. Sponsored by PENC & NSPE, MATHCOUNTS® is one of the most successful education partnerships involving volunteers, educators, industry sponsors & students.

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**June 11-13, 2009 - PENC Professional Development Conference - Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC.** PDHs for the engineer and fun for the family! Plan now to attend. More details Spring 2009.

# Highlights from the South Piedmont Chapter's PE/PLS Ceremony in January . . .



Steve Amos, PLS - Current president of North Carolina Society of Surveyors.



Sixteen new Professional Engineers and two new Professional Land Surveyors were in attendance.



Doris Rodgers (NCBELS), Zhengzheng Hu, PE, Gary Thompson, (NCBELS), and David Pond, PE, (NCBELS).



Tommy Sherard, PE - PENC Keynote Speaker.

## . . . and Some MATHCOUNTS Photos

