



MONTHLY

News and Views from the Connecticut Association of Home Inspectors, Inc.

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Meeting Dates

Sept 28 *Electrical* - Tim Mikloiche, Electrical Training Services, LLC

Oct 26 *Heating* - John Doht, Rheem Heating Systems

Nov 16 *(Tentative)*
Ventilation Seminar
** Note: Early date due to Thanksgiving

Holiday Inn
201 Washington Ave
North Haven
(203) 239-6700



Connecticut Association of Home Inspectors, Inc
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18 Garden Place, Derby Connecticut, 06418

8/29/05

David Hetzel,

Hi Dave,

First of all I hope that you are well, a healthy retirement is well deserved.

I was saddened to learn of the closing of the Institute, I think that I am the person with the distinction of being the longest continually Certified inspector from the Institute, so I can speak from experience. I have always supported what you set out to accomplish, and always referred the Institute for beginning inspectors, not only because it was where I got the information to begin my career in inspecting, but the support over the years has been something to depend on. I now feel that my flank is unguarded, that something will be missing from this industry, not only in Connecticut but nationally, that cannot be duplicated or imitated.

The founding of the Institute in 1989 was a bold step, as your friend Wick Chambers related to me, it wasn't enough to have a Home Inspection School, it had to be "The Home Inspection Institute of America, Inc." but as anyone that knows you will attest, that is your style.

I have said to you personally and in articles that I have written on the subject, another great accomplishment that can be attributed to you and your organizational skills, "CAHI" The Connecticut Association of Home Inspectors, Inc. an idea that you set in motion, at a time when it was needed so much. What a great tribute to you and the industry that you care so much about, to have this Association be so successful, there have been many changes over the years, but the basic goal that you insisted on, educating the inspector, to better serve consumers, is still our standard.

Thank you Dave, for being a Pioneer, for being there, and for the advice and support you have given me and countless others over the years.

Fraternally,

Pete Petrino,
Treasurer, CAHI
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President's Corner

Dwight Uffer

Once again we have come full circle and we are entering the fall season with the real estate market still purring along. Many of us have seen some declines in business while others are still finding the market robust. As we enter late fall and early winter, predictions are that the market will soften due to increased energy prices and also rising interest rates. I suggest we all put away a few bucks to sustain us through the winter months!

The fall also brings about the election of new officers for CAHI. On September 14th, the Board of Directors of CAHI will meet to select a new President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The board will also consider the applications of three members to sit on the board of directors. This is an exciting time for CAHI, as we always welcome new blood in the organization and people with new ideas and energy to bring those ideas to reality. As I look back over the past two years that I have served as President of this fine organization, the most memorable times were meeting new people coming into the organization and seeing many new faces every month. This is evolution and that is what this industry is in need of. New people with fresh ideas and better educated in the performance of home and property inspections. This is what the home buying public is also looking for, someone who will look out for their well being when purchasing real property. To that end, CAHI has always been committed. We have tried to bring you the best in subject matter and professional speakers to enlighten all of our membership, which will better serve the public. If we can continue to bring about these fine programs, then our duties are fulfilled as an organization.

I would like to thank all of the directors and officers that I have served with over the past two years, as well as the membership, for their cooperation and backing during my tenure as your President.

CAHI Donates to Relief Fund

In keeping with our organization's commitment to the community and our fellow countrymen, CAHI has elected to send a donation to help in the effort to assist, feed, clothe and find shelter for the unfortunate citizens who have been devastated by **Hurricane Katrina**. CAHI will continue to help and support this relief effort as needed in the coming months.

In the past, we have supported **Spooner House**, a homeless shelter. This year, CAHI also participated in supporting **Channel 3's "Kids Camp Celebrity Golf Tournament"** which will be held this month. The tournament raises monies to provide relief to inner-city kids where they can enjoy camp in the country during the summer months.

CAHI is committed to doing our share!

September Keynote Speaker

This month's meeting topic is **Electrical**.

Our meeting will feature Tim Mikloiche as the speaker. Tim is the lead instructor for Electrical Training Services, LLC in Hebron, CT. Tim's presentation will consist of all aspects of home inspector electrical inspections. If you are a home inspector, this presentation is a must! Bring all the questions you have.

2 hours of Continuing Education Credits

To All Members of CAHI August 31, 2005

As you read this message, thousands of your fellow Americans are without shelter, potable drinking water, medical attention or food to sustain them. The devastation caused by the recent hurricane has destroyed the lives of millions of your fellow citizens. As an American and a business man living in the northeast, each and everyone of you goes home each evening to a warm bed, a family, and three meals a day. It is now time for all of us who enjoy these God given comforts to help those in need. I ask each and every member of CAHI to contribute as much as you feel comfortable with to the American Red Cross, Salvation Army, Ameri-Cares, or any other legitimate charitable organization involved in the relief effort.

I have spoken with Pete Petrino and the church that he belongs to, First Congregational Church of Derby, will accept donations without any deduction for overhead expenses. They will make sure your contributions will get to the people and agencies that will do the most good.

Send your donations to Pete Petrino, 18 Garden Place, Derby, CT 06418. He will make sure your donation is used as it should be. CAHI is also positioned to make a considerable contribution to the relief effort within the next few days.

The organization that is collecting funds is:

The Missionary Society of CT
125 Sherman Street
Hartford, CT 06105

100% of all funds will go to the relief effort, distributed through Church World Services. All workers are Volunteers or already paid through employment of UCC.

THERE ARE NO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.

Anyone that wants to contribute through CAHI can either send a check directly to Hartford with the notation at the bottom of the check "For Emergency USA" or to me by check or credit card and I will forward the funds from here.

Any other information that anyone needs about this can call me at (203) 734-6009.

Pete

I thank you all for this consideration.

Dwight Uffer, President,
Connecticut Association of Home Inspectors, Inc.



REWARD **\$25.00**

GUEST SPEAKER OR NEWSLETTER ARTICLE



CAHI will pay \$25.00 to any member who provides us with a guest speaker for one of our monthly meetings or for any article that is submitted and used in the monthly newsletter.

Your guest speaker's name and contact number should be given to Woody Dawson (203) 272-7400 or Barry Small (860) 655-6383 (barrysmall@yahoo.com).

Articles must be e-mailed to Rich Kobylenski (rkoblenski023@earthlink.net) and should be a PDF or Word document. Articles should pertain to our industry.

We will review articles for content and reserve the right to edit, use and/or refuse them.

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The Licensing Board meetings are held at 9:30 am,
Department of Consumer Protection, Room 117, 165
Capitol Avenue, Hartford.

The public is always welcome.

E-mail Bernie Caliendo for the latest meeting schedule at
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