

# "The Pipeline" NUCA OF THE CAROLINAS

Hello to All,

JULY, 2018

It appears that the dog days of summer are here to stay. The good news is that each of the members that I have spoken to over the past few months have a good, solid backlog. That is a great news. Hopefully, the economy stays as hot as the weather.

Once again, the NUCA of the Carolinas Spring Conference did not disappoint. The Wild Dunes Resort in the Isle of Palms, SC held true to its history with NUCA. The comradery and fellowship amongst our members is second to none. Thank you to all our members and associate members for your support, whether you sponsored an event, provided a silent auction item, or attended the conference. You are the reason we have such a great association.

Likewise, I want to thank our presenters from the conference: Misty Wise of NC811, Robby Jones of Workplace Safety Solutions, Bill Hillman of NUCA National, and Jay Wilkerson of Conner Gwyn Schenk, Attorney at Law, LLP. As well as Justus Everett of ABE Utilities with his updates on the actions of NC811. A special thanks to a last-minute addition of Ben Aton of Foremost Pipeline Construction and his presentation on *Active Shooters*. All the presenters did a fantastic job. Please do not forget that the fall conference is right around the corner. So, start preparing for the trip to Greenville, SC.

I know that we all have busy months ahead of us, but I do encourage you to keep NUCA of the Carolinas in mind. Please come out and support YOUR NUCA of the Carolinas at the following upcoming events:

**S&RM Meeting** - August 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm-4:00pm

Location: Sanders Utility Construction, Charlotte, NC

**Membership Social** - August 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Sugar Creek Brewing Company, Charlotte, NC

**NUCA Open** – August 16<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00am

Location: Sedgefield Country Club, Greensboro, NC

**Clay Shoot Event** – September 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 11:00am

Location: Drake Landing, Fuquay-Varina, NC



As I close, the final word is: **MEMBERSHIP**. The Membership Committee has been doing a terrific job setting up our membership socials throughout the Carolinas. But, they really need our support. I would encourage each of you to invite a new potential member to one of our events. We need to share the industry leader (aka NUCA of the Carolinas) with all. They are missing out on being a part of the best association in the Carolinas.

As always, thank you for your continued support of NUCA of the Carolinas. Have a safe summer and I look forward to seeing each of you soon. Take care!

Chris Humbert, President

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(NUCA National)



# S&RM Meeting



THANKS TO PATRICK SEAY WITH XYLEM, INC.—Wilmington, N.C. for hosting the May Safety & Risk Management meeting!

Thanks to everyone from: B.R.S., Inc., State Utility Contractors, United Rentals Trench Safety, ANSCO, Park Construction, T.A. Loving, National Trench Safety, Sanders Utility Contractors, for attending the meeting!

## Next Safety & Risk Management Meeting

### Sanders Utility Construction

6801 Brookshire Blvd., Charlotte, N.C.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

2:00—4:00 p.m.

Speaker—TBD

## Safety Ambassadors Club

**NUCA National invites all members to be a member of the NUCA Safety Ambassadors club!**

NUCA's Safety program is one of the best. It provides comprehensive safety services to all members!

The Safety Ambassadors Club has been around for 25 years to create a strong safety culture among the NUCA members. The program provides programs, services and information our contractors need to ensure that they stay in compliance with safety requirements and assure the safety of all employees. The Safety Ambassadors Club has demonstrated that NUCA maintains its credibility with Federal Agencies that regulate the industry and has access to policy makers when new regulations are proposed.

**To become a member of the Safety Ambassadors Club go to [www.nuca.com/sac](http://www.nuca.com/sac)**

**For information on Safety Training and Safety Instructors to:**



**S&RM MEETING/SOCIAL**  
**August 8, 2018**

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Wednesday, August 8, 2018

2:00–4:00 p.m.

Speaker—TBD

**SOCIAL!**

Sugar Creek Brewing Company

215 Southside Drive - Charlotte N.C.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

5:00–7:00 p.m. Beer, Wine, Appetizers

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP SPONSOR THIS  
EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT:**

Linda @ lgoslee@nucacarolinas.org



# 2018 Trench Safety Stand Down!



Foremost Pipeline Construction



B.R.S., Inc.



Date & Time: Thu Jun 21 07:14:38 EDT 2018  
Position: +035.792403° / -078.688817°  
Altitude: 420ft  
Datum: WGS-84  
Azimuth/Bearing: 281° N79W 4996mils (True)  
Elevation Angle: +01.5°  
Horizon Angle: +01.6°  
Zoom: 1X  
NUCA Safety Stand Down

ABE Utilities with National Trench Safety



NUCA OF HAWAII

The NATIONAL TRENCH SAFETY STAND DOWN WAS A BIG SUCCESS!! SO GLAD TO HEAR SO MANY PARTICIPATED!!

NUCA NATIONAL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT OVER 19,000 WORKERS WERE INVOLVED IN THE SAFETY TRAINING THIS YEAR!!

IF YOU HAVE NOT SUBMITTED YOUR NUMBERS TO NATIONAL, PLEASE DO SO AND THEY WILL SEND YOU YOUR CERTIFICATES AND HARD HAT STICKERS!!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND BRING YOUR TEAMS HOME SAFE EVERY NIGHT!!





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## **Know What's Below – Always Call 811 Before You Dig**

Contributed by: Ann Rushing, NC811 Education Manager

There are nearly 20 million miles of underground utility lines in the United States. These buried facilities, including gas, water, sewer, cable TV, high-speed Internet, landline telephone and electric, provide the services Americans depend on for their basic everyday needs.

If you are planning a job that requires digging, even if you plan to hire a professional, a call to 811 is required before you begin working. 811 is a free, FCC-designated national one-call number that connects a caller from anywhere in the country to the appropriate local one-call center, which in this area is NC811.

NC811 will then alert the affected underground facility owners so they can dispatch locators to mark the approximate location of their lines with paint or flags.

Every nine minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling 811.

Unintentionally striking a line can result in inconvenient outages for entire neighborhoods, harm to yourself or your neighbors, and costly repairs.

Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a call to 811. Installing a mailbox, building a deck and planting a tree are all examples of digging projects that should only begin after you have waited at least 3 full working days after calling and confirmed that all facility owners in your area have either marked their lines or declared the area clear of any lines.

Here's how it works:

1. One free, simple phone call to [811](tel:811) makes it easy for NC811 to notify all appropriate utility companies of your intent to dig.
2. Call 3 full working days prior to digging to ensure enough time for utility lines to be marked accurately.
3. When you call 811, a representative from NC811 will ask for the location and description of your digging project.
4. NC811 will notify affected utility companies, which will then send professional locators to the proposed dig site to mark the approximate location of your lines.
5. Once lines have been accurately marked, roll up those sleeves and carefully dig around the marked areas.

Make a phone call, not a judgment call. Learn more about 811 at [www.nc811.org](http://www.nc811.org) and keep your project safe for you and your community.

# NUCA OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018**

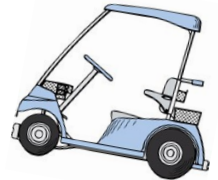
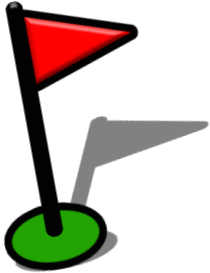
Sedgefield Country Club—Dye Course

5700 Cardinal Way

Greensboro, N.C. 27410

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! CHECK YOUR EMAIL IN BOX

OR VISIT [WWW.NUCACAROLINAS.ORG](http://WWW.NUCACAROLINAS.ORG)



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**JAMES RIVER  
EQUIPMENT**

# LEADERS ARE BUILT BY DIGGING DEEP.



## NUCA of the Carolinas Educational Foundation Scholarships

### 2018 Scholarships Awarded

<b>First Place—Brenton Lawing</b>	(Western Carolina University)
<b>Second Place—Emily Hall</b>	(North Greenville University)
<b>Third Place—Emily Williams</b>	(UNC Wilmington)
<b>Simon Everett Scholarship - Allison Shingleton (Community Service)</b>	(University of Mt. Olive)

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

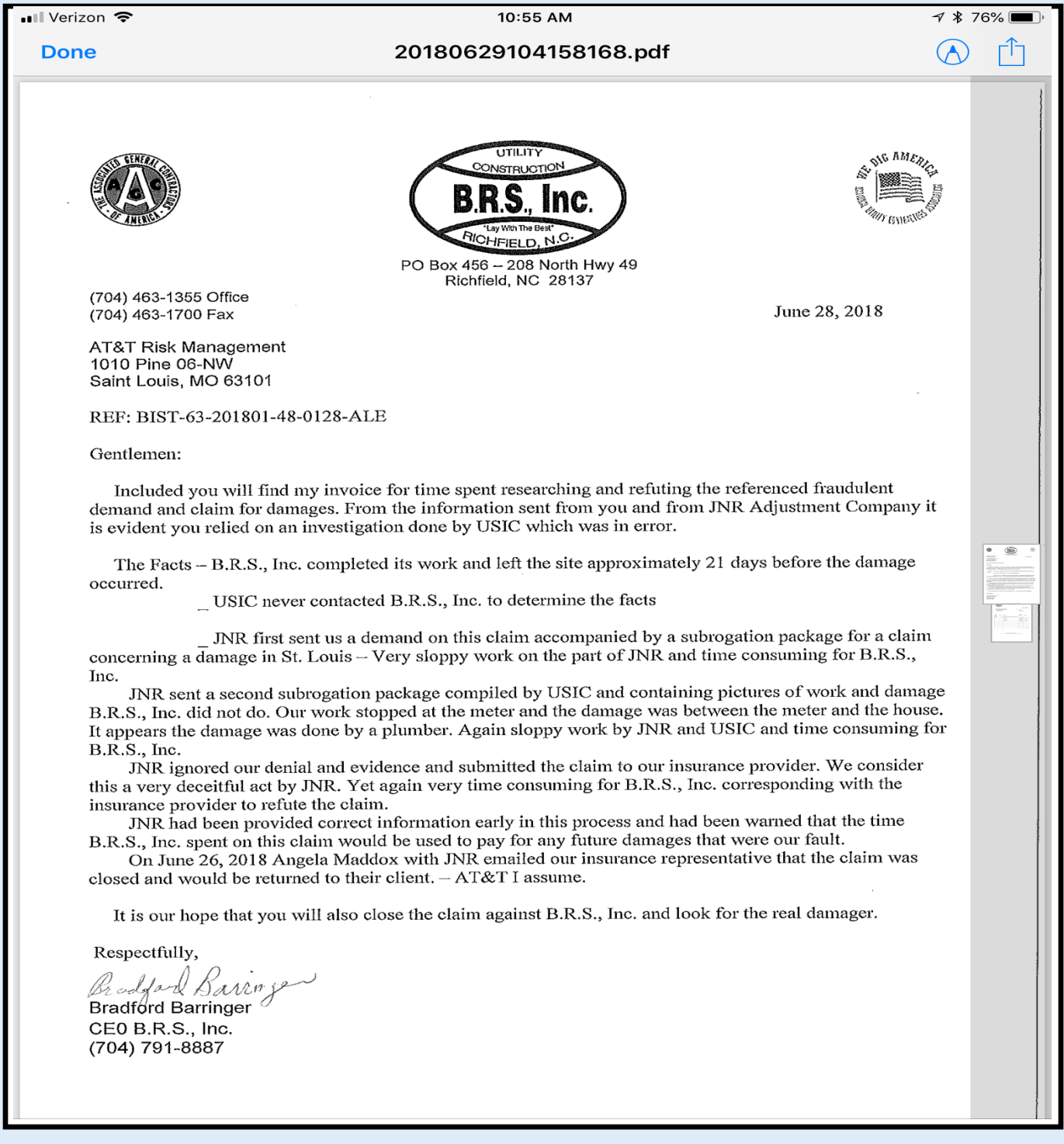




# A WORD FROM BRAD

## Fraudulent and Inflated Claims

Below is an example of the kind of documentation we need. All members are encouraged to pick a case or two, document them well and send them to me. **No documentation=No case.** Brad





**Friday, September 21, 2018**

**Registration Begins at 11 AM**

**Lunch will be provided**

**REGISTRATION  
COMING SOON!!**



**3146 Chalybeate Springs Road**

**Fuquay Varina, NC 27526**



**\$125 per Person**

**4 Shooters Per Team**



# NUCA WEBINARS!

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**NUCA National Webinars are available to members at NO COST!**

**In an effort to provide the NUCA national membership expanded educational opportunities, the NUCA staff have put together a series of industry webinars. For more information visit [www.nuca.com](http://www.nuca.com) and click on the “LEARN” tab.**

**"Trade Tariffs"**

Wednesday, July 18, 3:00 PM (EST) - Bryce Mongeon, Director of Government Relations, NUCA

**"The Nine Essential Components of a State Damage Prevention Program"**

Wednesday, July 25th, 3:00 PM (EST) - Shane Ayers, Deputy Director, Virginia State Corporation Commission's Division of Utility and Railroad Safety

**"Innovative Uses of Drones for the Underground Utility Contractor"**

Wednesday, August 22nd, 3:00 PM (EST) - The Engineering Firm of Draper-Aden and Associates Richmo

**"How to Manage Distracted Driving in the Workplace"**

Wednesday, September 12th, 3:00 PM (EST) - Bill Jenkins, CNA Insurance, Olen Vanderleeden, "Fleetsaver" by Cogosense

To register for the webinars just email Jim Stepahin, Director of Education and Training at [jim@nuca.com](mailto:jim@nuca.com)—he will forward you the link to join the webinar.

NUCA is pleased to announce the newest addition to its staff, **Bryce Mongeon**. **As NUCA's Director of Government Relations**, Mongeon will manage NUCA's advocacy program and Political Action Committee. Bryce comes to NUCA with Capitol Hill experience and contacts from important congressional lawmakers and committees who make important decisions affecting our industry. **He can be reached by email, [bryce@nuca.com](mailto:bryce@nuca.com) or phone, 703-890-7813 (direct).**

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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  - confirm your password • an email address
  - confirm the email • tax ID for corporations, LLCs or Social Security number for sole proprietors
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7. **CLiC** the red button in the email



Get your 2018 license application in your NCCLiC account

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