We have all heard the saying

"Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration".

After a little google research I found out that Thomas Edison was the man who coined that phrase. Another fact I discovered is that Edison did not invent the light bulb. There were dozens of other geniuses working on perfecting the light bulb.

Thomas Edison's eureka moment was not in inventing the light bulb but in creating a carbon-filament lamp in a vacuum. This one improvement of the concept of the light bulb created the first commercially practical incandescent light that led to a bulb that could burn for 1,200 hours.

We may have also heard that Thomas Edison say he did not fail 9,999 times but he found 9,999 ways not to build a light bulb. It's easy to see the perspiration that a man like Thomas Edison lived by.

Another story that I came across some time ago is somewhat the opposite of the genius/perspiration percentages. It's called “Fix the Ship”.

A giant ship’s engine failed. The ship’s owners tried one expert after another, but none of them could figure out how to fix the engine.

Then they brought in an old man who had been fixing ships since he was young. He carried a large bag of tools with him, and when he arrived, he immediately went to work. He inspected the engine very carefully, top to bottom.

Two of the ship’s owners were there, watching this man, hoping he would know what to do. After looking things over, the old man reached into his bag and pulled out a small hammer. He gently tapped something. Instantly, the engine lurched into life.

He carefully put his hammer away. The engine was fixed!

A week later, the owners received a bill from the old man for ten thousand dollars.

“What?!” the owners exclaimed. “He hardly did anything!”

So they wrote the old man a note saying, “Please send us an itemized bill.”

The man sent a bill that read:

- Tapping with a hammer $2.00
- Knowing where to tap $9,998.00

Effort is important, but knowing where to make an effort makes all the difference!

Both of these examples show us the need to not only be persistent and diligent, but to always try and find ways to work smarter too. After being in the construction/code enforcement industry for many, many years now, I think I have a pretty good knowledge of the codes and that came through years of study, training and work (perspiration). But these days I apply that knowledge (effort) much differently than I did when I started as a brand new inspector.

This is a great industry to be in and I hope we all put in the PERSPIRATION and EFFORT into all we do, both on the job and off.

Take care.

Carey Maedgen
President - Utah Chapter
Hello all,
as we start the new year I would like to start by
telling you all thank you for the job you do in
making sure people are safe in every building
they enter. As we look to what promises to be
an interesting legislative session I would like to
recap some of the changes that have been put in
place over the last legislative session.

I think the most important statute change was
the timing on plan review and what can be
rejected by a plan reviewer for redraw. The law
currently states that towns, cities and counties
are required to complete a residential plan
review (see section 10-6-160 of the State Code for
definition of “Residential”) in no more than 14
business days and that a city may not require a
redraw of the plans if the changes that are
needed are minor. The new law also allows the
jurisdiction conducting the plan review to
attach the changes that are required to the
construction documents and issue the permit
with the understanding that those corrections
are now going to be required at inspection. This
was done to give the plan reviewer the option of
still providing corrections to the plans while
allowing the contractor to receive a permit and
start construction as soon as possible.

It is believed that this change has influenced
many building departments to increase
efficiencies and help issue permits faster. The
HBA has expressed that many building
departments have done an amazing job
in decreasing the the time it takes to obtain a
building permit, some it has not changed and a
few have gotten worse. They have expressed an
interest, once again, to eliminate the entire
plan review process for residential projects this
coming legislative session.

I feel that it is very important that we put
ourselves on the other side of the counter,
which is where most of us came from. I have
heard so many of us complain about how other
jurisdictions are so hard to get a building permit
from yet we employ the same policies and
requirements in our own offices. I once heard an
Italian Proverb that said "Perfect is the enemy
of good." I agree with you all that in a perfect
world it
would be best if the plans were perfect but if we
continue to cause unnecessary delays in the
plan review process the HBA will push to
eliminate it. I also believe that the thorough,
timely plan reviews are essential to helping the
contractor give the future owner the best
product at the best price the fastest. I believe
most of us want this and are trying our best to
achieve it. I recently read a book by Marshal
Goldsmith that discussed how many people try
to "add too much value." I think many times we,
in good faith, try to add too much value, try to
make the plans perfect at the cost of delaying
projects weeks or months. I know that many of
you feel that the plans should be fully code
compliant prior to issuing for permit, and I
think that would be great as well, but I was
shocked to here how many jurisdictions are
requiring redraw on over 50% of the SFD plans.

I hope as we conduct our plan reviews that we
don't throw out the good in search of the perfect
when the reality of loosing them both is looming
in the horizon.

This will be my last letter in the Utah Chapter
newsletter, it has been my privilege and honor
to serve the amazing members of this chapter. I
have learned from all of you and I am so much
better at my job because of my interactions
with you all. I want to thank you for your
professionalism and dedication to our industry.

Thank you all for this great ride that is Chapter
service, I encourage all to go through this
wonderful experience.

In the play The Duchess of Padua written by
Oscar Wilde the statement is made "Some cause
happiness wherever they go: others whenever
they go."

Thank you and goodbye!!

Thomas Peterson
Past President - Utah Chapter
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2015 IRC Chapters 3 Work Study Group

Tuesday January 8th 2019

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This course will cover the administration and implementation of the codes for policy and laws. How to meet the requirements for plans, inspections and permitting. The course will also cover the skills needed to do the job and survive. Sample cases will be part of an interactive ‘hands on course’. Soft skills with dialogue will also be covered. All parts of the certification preparation including budget preparation and supervisory styles will be discussed.

**Lunch is on your own**

Material: 2015 IBC
Seminar Fee:
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Webinar Locations: □ Vernal City □ St. George □ Moab □ Park City

Instructor Profile:

Jason Van Ausdal, A licensed Commercial and Residential Inspector and Chief Building Official with Springville City, offers the industry over 18 years’ experience. An active member of several professional organizations, Jason is currently serving as a board member on the Utah Chapter Association of Electrical Inspectors and the Utah Chapter ICC. Jason has taught several classes for the Home Builders Association and Utah Plumbing and Heating Contractors Association. Jason also serves on the Electrical Advisory Committee for the State of Utah. Jason also is a certified building plans examiner and certified building official.
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Robert Church
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CBO, Springville City

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INSTRUCTORS

Monday March 18th at 8:00 AM

Robert Church

Currently the director of Utah Prosecution Council, Bob Church will provide guidelines for administering the legal aspects of code with regard to enforcement. He has taught the course, Legal Aspects of Code Administration, for the International Code Council (ICC) for almost 17 years, traveling across the country teaching. He authored the latest redraft of the Legal Aspects of Code Administration manual which was published last year.

Tuesday March 19th at 8:00 AM

Jason Van Ausdal, CBO

A licensed Commercial and Residential Inspector and Chief Building Official with Springville City, Jason will discuss scope and administration, use and occupancy classifications, types of construction and interior environments from the 2015 IBC. He will also discuss Basic Code Enforcement and the 2015 IZC, covering 3 of the 4 books allowed for your open book exam.

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