

# North Georgia Code Officials Association Quarterly Meeting

**When:** **Wednesday** – June 19, 2013 @ 8:30AM- 12:00PM  
Sign up and breakfast at 8:30AM; Training begins at 9:00AM.

**Where:** The Calhoun Depot -- 109 S. King Street Calhoun, GA.

NOTICE: Our original speaker; Rich Ruh; was hospitalized earlier this week with a medical issue and will not be available. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery. We were fortunate to get these fine folks from Minnesota to fill in for us. Please attend if at all possible so that we can keep a 'strong' Chapter.

**Topic:** 'Fasten Masters'

**Speaker:** Rich Guthrie

**Bio:**

Mark Guthrie  
Code Compliance Specialist, FastenMaster – OMG

Mr. Guthrie is responsible for code compliance and product development at FastenMaster - OMG, a leading manufacturer of structural fasteners based in Agawam, Massachusetts. He has worked with the ICC in the development of the evaluation criteria for structural wood screws, a new category of fasteners being used to replace lag screws and bolts in many applications. As well, he has worked closely with the committee responsible for the proper evaluation of fastener coatings, especially in contact with wood treatment chemicals. His current role has Mark working closely with contractors, educators, manufacturers and trade groups, especially within the decking industry, to address ongoing safety and code compliance issues.

**Directions:** See Google maps.

