Greetings to Everyone:

Just a short note from the Membership Committee. Above, you will see our smiling faces and as you can see how happy we are to be working together to help our organization, the North Carolina Ellis Cannady Chapter of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors grow! Sort of like the US Army, we want to be all we can be, as well as our organization.

Now, enough of the blarney. We are an organization of professionals who as all people, these days, are extremely busy with our lives. Our families, our job, our charities, and it goes on and on. No one has enough time to do all they should do and even less time to do what they want to do. Nevertheless, for the majority of us, electrical is our career, not our job. Whether you are an inspector, contractor, supplier, testing agency, etc., electrical is the greatest invention ever to the majority of Americans. The Gallup Poll has twice asked Americans -- in 1947 and again in 2005 -- what they think is the greatest invention ever made. In both surveys taken nearly six decades apart, the same response -- electricity, electric light, or electrical appliances -- is named most frequently. Twenty-nine percent of Americans thought this was the greatest invention in 1947*, and 21% think so in 2005**. This great invention is a major part of what has made our lives what they are. So, let's return the favor.

Therefore, busy person though you may be, our organization needs your help. Please think about joining one of our committees, we have several. And as previously stated Yes we are too busy but how about if you just take some time out and contact another electrical inspector in a jurisdiction that is not yours. Talk to them about Ellis Cannady and about electrical and its future. Exchange ideas, get your thoughts out there, talking, discussing, thinking, you may have the solution to our problems. We need new blood, in the field, in the trade, every facet of it. Every chance you get talk to people, send any thoughts to me, John West, Mitch, any member of the Membership committee and I promise you we will pursue your idea and if it is unworkable, we will work with it until we can something.

Help us out. Thanks for your time!

Just remember: "None of us is as smart as all of us." --Ken Blanchard

Pat Griffith Rose
Membership Chair