



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 234

IBEW Local 234 Newsletter

The Electrical Worker's Union for Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz Counties

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Business Manager's Report by Andy Hartmann

Sisters and Brothers,

On the Inside out-of-work list we have 5 on Book 1, 48 on Book 2, 7 on Book 3, and 14 on Book 4. There is 1 on Sound & Comm Book 1, 1 on Sound & Comm Book 2, and 3 on Sound & Comm Book 3. There are 2 on CE Book 2. There are 19 on CW Book 1 and 198 on CW Book 2. There is 1 Inside apprentice on the out-of-work list.

The Inside has been having a number of unfilled calls lately. Unfilled calls tend to make our contractors uncomfortable with bidding work. Because of this, our **Organizer Paul**

Gutierrez put on a **Job Fair**, with the help of NECA, at the Union Hall and Training Center on **Tuesday, June 6th**. The national LMCC awarded us over \$18k for advertising for the event. Our signatory electrical contractors were at the Job Fair to interview applicants and answer questions about work and future outlook. Over 180 interested participants showed up to the Job Fair on June 6th. Most of those interested attended one of the two presentations on our electrical apprenticeship program. Others filled out resumes and met with our contractors. Because of the Job Fair we have been able to recruit new members and grow our ranks. The event was a real success. Thanks to our NECA contractors that participated and the Organizers from other Northern California Locals.

The JATC would like to know if anyone is interested in teaching for our Inside apprenticeship program. The requirements to teach are either (1) possession of an associate degree, plus four years of experience; or (2) six

years of experience, a journeyman's certificate, and completion of at least eighteen (18) semester units of college level course work, in addition to apprenticeship credits. The JATC is looking into changing the school nights to Monday, Wednesday and Tuesday, Thursday in order to accommodate parking for all of our apprentices. Class time is from 6-9pm. If anyone is interested contact Andy Hartmann at (831) 633-2311.

If you are on the Family Medical Care Plan (FMCP), each year the FMCP requires members to complete a Spousal Data Form. If you are married these forms **MUST** be filled out and returned to the FMCP. Not doing so, will result in problems with your coverage. Do not disregard. Contact the NECA/IBEW Family Medical Care Plan at 5837 Highway 41 North Ringgold, CA 30736 or call (877) 937-9602 or fax (706) 937-9601.

There is an Aptitude Test scheduled for **Saturday, August 12, 2017** with our new Test Administrator **John Balducci**. The deadline to apply to our apprenticeship program is **Thursday, July 6, 2017**. Applications to apply to the Inside or S&C apprenticeship are available in person Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9-11am and 1-4pm at the JATC Office. Visit tricountyjatc.org for more details. Look for the Application Announcement.

Contact Stacy at (831) 633-3063 if you are able to volunteer for either a morning session, afternoon session, or both on **Saturday, August 12th**. Three proctors are needed for each session.

The **4th of July** is on a Tuesday this year. It is a Holiday and day off for the Inside, S&C, and CECWs. Happy Fourth of July and Independence Day! NECA and I have agreed to extend payday to Thursday for the 4th of July week to give the contractors more time to get payroll done. For that week only, Inside contractors have until Thursday end of day to get you your paycheck.

NECA on Energy Storage Systems

National NECA released *NECA 416 - 2016, Recommended Practice for Installing Energy Storage Systems (ESS)* the latest addition to the ANSI-approved National Electrical Installation Standards (NEIS) series.

NECA 416 describes methods and procedures used for installing multiple types of energy storage systems. It also includes information about controlling and managing energy storage systems, in addition to commissioning and maintaining energy storage systems. This new standard focuses specifically on installations of battery systems, flywheels, ultra-capacitors and energy vehicle (EV) smart charger vehicle-to-grid (V2G) technologies that are used for storing electrical energy in premises wiring systems. Valuable installer and inspector checklists are included as a resource within this document.

This timely release provides valuable insight and important provisions for those involved in installing and providing energy storage system services for their customers. Energy storage systems are essential to renewable sources such as PV and wind systems and provide demand response and load leveling operating characteristics in large scale applications. This new quality performance standard covers the essential good workmanship elements of common energy storage system installations and provides important guidelines for addressing commissioning and maintenance of such systems. This new standard from NECA provides a consistent foundation to build from, when determining and implementing energy storage system use in new installations and existing systems, stand-alone systems, micro-grids, and other systems where back-up power and continuity of electric service are essential. The content of NECA 416 is also aligned directly with the minimum requirements in new Article 706 of the *2017 National Electrical Code (NEC)*.

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This Month in Labor History

July 2017

1 July 1971 Five craft unions merge to form the largest postal union in the world, the American Postal Workers Union.

2 July 1918 National Federation of Post Office Clerks, Railway Mail Association and National Association of Letter Carriers address a joint letter to Postmaster General Burleson asking for department recognition of postal unions.

5 July 1934 "Bloody Thursday" in San Francisco when the city's mayor called out the police in an effort to hold off a strike by longshoremen. At least two died and a hundred were injured. Workers responded with a general strike, which prompted arbitration, winning longshoremen many of their demands.

1935 National Labor Relations Act, or Wagner Act, was signed into law recognizing workers' right to organize and bargain collectively. The act also established the National Labor Relations Board to administer union representation elections, define employers' unfair labor practices, and enforce the legal rights of employees to join unions.

1965 Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the federal agency which investigates discrimination charges, became operational.

6 July 1892 Striking workers battle Pinkerton detectives at Carnegie Steel Works in Homestead, Pennsylvania. After a 12-hour gun battle, seven workers and three Pinkertons lay dead. Subsequently, 9,000 members of the Pennsylvania were called in and helped to break the strike. As a result, the American steel industry was able to import cheap labor and operate nonunion for two generations, until a resurgent industrial unionism in the 1930s won recognition.

1933 Delegates from four unions formed the National Leather Workers Association.

8 July 1862 Birthdate of labor organizer Ella Reeve Bloor. Among her activities were investigating child labor in glass factories and mines and going undercover to verify for federal investigators the conditions Upton Sinclair revealed in *The Jungle*, his expose of immigrants' exploitation by Chicago meatpackers.

10 July 1987 5,000 APWU and NALC members demonstrate outside USPS headquarters to demand a fair contract.

12 July 1892 State militia breaks 13-day strike against Carnegie Steel Corporation in Homestead, Pennsylvania. During the strike, seven workers died in attack by Pinkerton detectives.

1917 1,186 striking miners deported to desert in Bisbee, Arizona.

15 July 1934 Start of the first nationwide railroad strike in history when Baltimore & Ohio firemen and brakemen walk off their jobs. Sparked by a steady deterioration of working conditions, including wage cuts of up to 45% and 18-hour workdays, the strike lasted two weeks and stopped traffic on two-thirds of the nation's 75,000 miles of track.

19 July 1877 Pennsylvania trainmen seize control of railroads in Pittsburgh to protest 10 percent wage cuts. Two days later, state troopers move in, killing twenty people.

20 July 1971 First labor contract in the history of the federal government signed by postal unions and the postal service through the collective bargaining process.

1979 Fired workers begin camping out at the gates of the BMC in Jersey City, New Jersey to demand back their jobs.

1934 Sixty-seven strikers wounded in Minneapolis truckers strike.

20, 21 July 1978 Walkout by postal workers in New Jersey and California ignites campaign to defeat contract with a capped COLA.

1970 United Farm Workers forced grape growers to sign a contract after a five-year strike.

Tri-County Electrical JATC Training News

(831) 633-3063



CPR/First Aid Class

A **CPR/First Aid with Blood-Borne Pathogens class** is scheduled for **Saturday, July 8th from 8am-1pm**. Instructor Roni Jane Sudyka will be teaching the basics of First Aid and CPR along with Blood Borne Pathogens. Call Stacy at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place. Class size is limited.

2017 NEC Significant Changes Class

Instructor David Martinez will be leading the way through the Significant Changes of the 2017 National Electrical Code. Drop on in! You are welcome to attend one class or as many as you like in this series. This is a (3) hour class. The next class is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 18th at 5:30pm**.

CALCTP Class

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program (CALCTP) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek. This class is a total of 50 hours: 10 hours of lecture and 40 hours of lab. The class schedule will be coordinated with those in attendance.

YOU MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF COMPLETING THE ONLINE COURSE PRIOR TO THE FIRST CLASS. Email your proof to stacy@tricityjetc.org. Students will not be allowed to attend the class if they have not completed the online coursework. Go to bit.ly/IBEW234CALCTP to get started today.

There is a \$125 stipend available upon successful completion provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC.

CALCTP-AT Class

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance Testing (CALCTP -AT) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek. This class is a total of 32 hours. The class schedule will be coordinated with those in attendance.

The prerequisite for this class is completion of the 50 hour CALCTP. An application form must be completed prior to starting class. To register for this class there is a \$225 application/record maintenance fee. Go online to goo.gl/qkW7AI to complete an application and pay the application/record maintenance fee.

There is a \$125 stipend available upon successful completion provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC.

EVITP 3.0 Class

Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) 3.0 with Instructor Stephen Slovacek. This class is an 18+ hour course. It is a prerequisite for EVITP that you are a California Certified General Electrician. As a bonus, there is a \$125 stipend available upon successful completion provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC.



Congratulations on Completing Class

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2017 NEC Significant Changes with Instructor David Martinez on June 20th:

Jose Moncada, Will Nunes, James Brown, and Sergio Castillo

NorCal JATC Schedule of Classes

The 2017 Sound & Communications upgrade class schedule has been posted on the NEW NorCal JATC website at www.norcal-jatc.com/installer-tech/calendar/

Bachelor of Arts in Construction Management

Rowan University's B.A. in Construction Management Online is designed as a degree completion program for individuals who already have an Associate's degree or equivalent number of credits, and prefer to continue working while earning their degree. Applicants with less than 60 credits may work with an enrollment counselor to explore available options. This program is ideal for journeypersons and seasoned professionals in the construction industry, as well as apprentices who are looking to develop leadership skills and advance their careers. The B.A. in Construction Management degree prepares individuals to supervise, manage, and inspect construction sites, buildings, and associated facilities. Rowan's program has received the endorsement of the **North America's Building Trades Unions (NABTU)**, a powerful voice in the educational advancement of trade professionals through world-renowned apprenticeship training and educational programs and through collaborative partnerships with industry, community organizations, and institutions of higher learning. [Read more at goo.gl/5WtxLv](http://goo.gl/5WtxLv)

Mike Holt NEC Question and Answer

Q. What does the NEC mean by "Readily Accessible"?

A1. Accessible, Readily (Readily Accessible). Capable of being reached quickly for operation, renewal or inspections without requiring those to whom ready access is requisite to take actions such as the use of tools (other than keys), to climb over or under, remove obstacles, or resort to portable ladders, and so forth [Article 100].

Note: Use of keys is a common practice under controlled or supervised conditions.

Note: The answers to these questions are based on the 2017 NEC®.
Underlined text indicates a change in the rule for the 2017 NEC.

Source: Mike Holt Enterprises Electrical News Source May 2017 www.mikeholt.com

LMCC Education Quarterly Drawing

The LMCC holds a quarterly gift card drawing. (2) \$100 gifts cards are awarded each quarter for those taking JW upgrade classes. One gift card goes to the member with the most hours of class completed in the last quarter. The other gift card is awarded by lottery. Every four hours of completed classes will equal one entry in the lottery, with no limit. The member with most hours is ineligible for the lottery.

The winners for **Apr/May/Jun** were **Steve Rios** for the most hours of training and **Juan Palacios** for the lottery. Congratulations! Each will receive a \$100 gift card.

We Need Your Graduation Photos

The JATC is missing the graduation photos from the classes of **2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003**. If you are a graduate of one of these classes and/or have a copy of one of these missing graduation photos, please bring it to Stacy at the JATC so that we can add your class graduation photo to the wall of graduates.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

Our Condolences

Brother **Jimmy Van Deusen** passed on May 21st. He was a 55-year member.

Save the Date

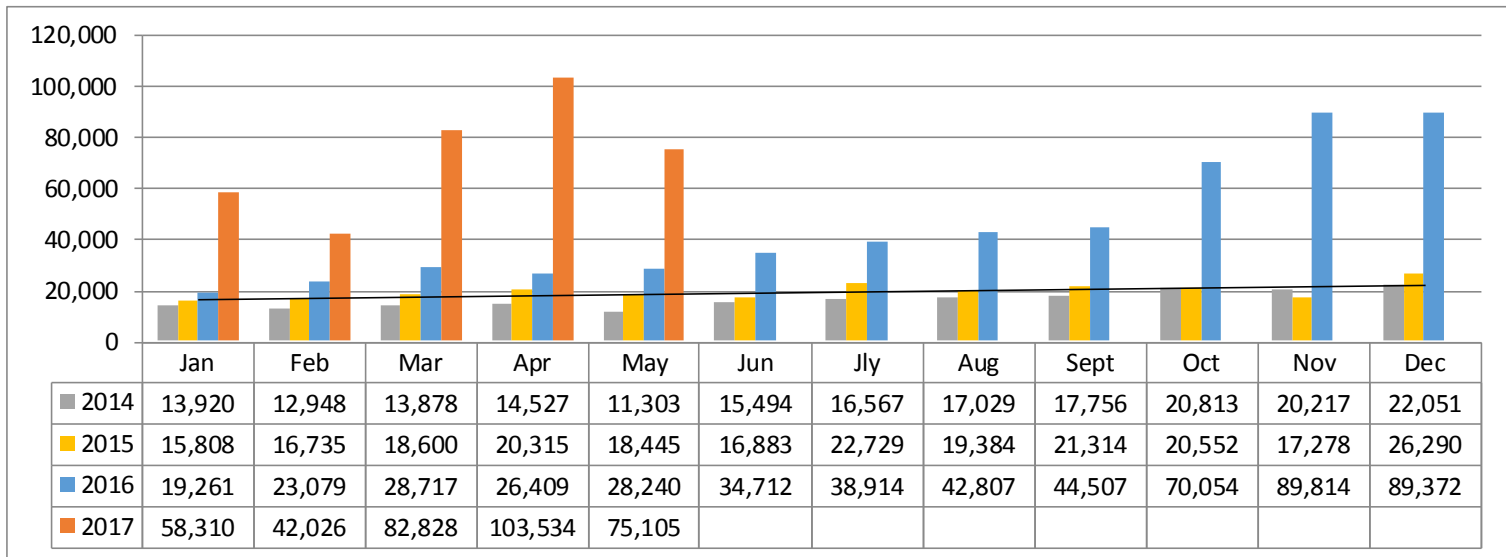
The annual Local 234 Family Picnic will again be at the Buckeye Area of Toro Park in Salinas on **Saturday, October 21st**. Mark your calendars.

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Monthly Hours Report



Happy July Birthdays!

Roderick Abron
Efrain Amezcua
Johnny Baker
John CBreaux
Monico Cabrera
Corey Cardenas-Perron
Ken Cardoza
Ronald Carpenter
Nicholas Castillo
Arthur Cisneros
Bradley Conger
Sean Connors
Brett Creason
L. Earl Davis
Harry Deupser
Seth Dietz
Philip DiGirolamo
Francisco Espinoza
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Stevan Gamez
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Zachery Garner
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Michael Gruber

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Matthew Kulich
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Greg Maggini
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Jose Recio, Jr.
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Rosendo Rodriguez
John Rodriguez
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Alex Sanchez
Willis Shepard
David Silva
Michael Stevenson
Josh Stockton
Raymond Sykes, II
Murray Temple
Ezequiel Torres
Seth Vajner
Austin Valentine
Robert Valenzuela
Carlos Vargas
Lisa Vitz
James Walker
Vernon Walker



This Month's Local 234 Winners!

The winners from the **June** union meeting.

Voluntary PAC (Political Action Committee):

Stefan Marceron won \$5 and donated it back.

Apprentice Give-Away:

No apprentices were present to win \$23.40.

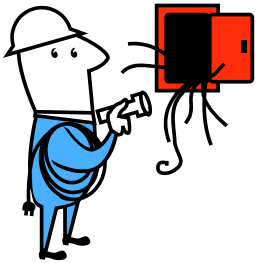
Give-Away Winners:

Kapena Magallan won an IBEW knife.

Ulises Mendoza won a CME insulated mug.

General membership meetings are the second Wednesday of each month. The next general membership meeting will be:

Wednesday, July 12th, 2017
@ 6:30 pm



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Quote of the Month

"We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it."

— William Faulkner

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6 Aptitude Test Deadline	7	8 CPR/First Aid @ 8am
9	10	11	12 Membership Meeting @ 6:30pm	13	14	15
16	17	18 JATC @ 5pm Code Class @ 5:30pm	19	20	21	22
23 End of Pay Period	24	25	26 E-Board Meeting @ 6pm	27	28	29
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