



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 234

IBEW Local 234 Newsletter

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

October 2017

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Business Manager's Report by Andy Hartmann

Sisters and Brothers,

On the Inside out-of-work list we have 6 on Book 1, 21 on Book 2, 14 on Book 3, and 8 on Book 4. There is no one on the Sound & Comm books. There are 7 on CW Book 1 and 37 on CW Book 2. There are currently 1 Inside apprentices out of work.

Our International Office has provided 750,000 child identification kits to local unions. The kits are available to members on a first come, first serve basis; we currently have 50 kits. Members who would like to purchase additional kits can do so at

Mark your calendars and plan on attending. We hope you and your family will be able to join us. RSVP to the Hall at (831) 633-2311 with the number of adults and children attending. We will also be having a Health Fair that day, which has been very beneficial for members. In addition to providing flu shots (adults only), Inside members, specifically, will also have an opportunity to complete their required Wellness Exam. A Biometric Screener will be onsite to assist members in completing the health questionnaire and screening. Both the health questionnaire and screening need to be completed in order to satisfy the requirements of the Wellness Program. Inside members need to complete the online health questionnaire and screening by **November 30th, 2017** in order to be in compliance. Contact the Hall at (831) 633-2311 to reserve an appointment time from 10am to 1pm at the Health Fair to complete the Wellness Exam. Although members will be able to complete everything on October 21st at the Health Fair, it is encourage to have the health questionnaire completed prior to your appointment time.

The IBEW Service Awards will be handed out at our annual family picnic on **Saturday, October 21st**. See page 2 for our awardees. This year we have (4) 60-year awardees: **Delbert Slaughter, Theodor Teman, Jack Brumit, and Jimmie Moore**.

The JATC is in the process of implementing online hours input for apprentices and their OJT instead of using the old blue books or yellow sheets. Each apprentice will soon be using their phone or computer to daily input the hours they work in each category of on-the-job training.

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Happy Halloween!

the National Child Identification Program. The price is \$4.95. In the kits, parents and guardians are asked to include their child's medical information, height, weight, fingerprints, a picture and a swab of their DNA. Then store it in a safe place. You may then provide it to police and other law enforcement if your child is reported missing.

The child identification program was started by the American Football Coaches Association in 1997, about one year after the murder of 9-year-old Amber Hagerman in Arlington, Texas. Police efforts to locate Hagerman, whose body was found four days after she was abducted, were slowed by a lack of fingerprints and DNA information.

Our International President Lonnie Stephenson said, "I know we all love our children very much. This small packet could be the most important thing that you do for them. Together, we can be part of the movement to keep all of our kids safe."

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

IBEW 234 Service Awards for 2017

5-Year

Pablo Camacho
Sean Connors
Jose Garcia Jr
Paul Gutierrez
Abraham Kerns
Gabriel Rodriguez
Randyn Trybom

10-Year

Nicholas Castillo
Sergio Castillo
Willie Dietz
Scott Harris
BJ Heading
Miguel Huerta Ponce
Valentin Ivanov
Matthew Kulich
Michael Kulich
Ruben Lozano
Benjamin Madrigal
James Mauras
Philippe Miccoli
Joshua Murray
Ryan Ochinerro
Omar Padilla
Anatoliy Savin
Tyson Towles
David Boggs
Alex Clayton
Carlos Souza
Robert Valenzuela
Michael Zrodlo

15-Year

Joseph Dimaggio
Steve Flores
Arturo Gonzales
David Martinez
Carlos Moncada
Norman Navalta
Josh Stockton
Terry Tatroe
Ezequiel Torres
Lionardo Ortiz

20-Year

Lyle Abraham
Michael Alexiou
Michael Bradley
Miguel Bustos
Jaime Martinez
Ronald Martinez
Robert McClung
Ernesto Morales
John O'Leary
Roberto Perez
Aladdin Preston
Ken Scherpinski
Richard Stone

25-Year

Clint Byrum
Guillermo Estrada
Victor Lepe
Joseph Lockshaw
Daniel Martinez
John Roka
Michael Dempsey

30-Year

Alex Costes
Jose Munoz
John Radich

35-Year

Erik Dybdahl
Brett Ritchie
Carlos Vargas
Manuel Cadena
Jim Zupkus

40-Year

Dennis Mike Ihnot
Mark Behnke
Dorman Evans
Alex Garibay
Kenneth Gorny
Vern Beck

45-Year

Robert Scardina
Tom Sims
Leonard Gentry

50-Year

Gary Fenn
Michael Smith

55-Year

Charles Gillis

60-Year

Delbert Slaughter
Theodor Teman
Jack Brumit
Jimmie Moore

This Month in Labor History

October 2017

1 October 1910 - The Los Angeles Times bombing killed twenty people and destroyed the building. Calling it "the crime of the century," the newspaper's owner Harrison Gray Otis blamed the bombing on the unions, a charge denied by unionists.

6 October 1986 - Female flight attendants won an 18-year lawsuit against United Airlines, which had fired them for getting married. The lawsuit was resolved when a U.S. district court approved the reinstatement of 475 attendants and \$37 million back-pay settlement for 1,725 flight attendants. (United Airlines, Inc. v. McDonald, 432 U.S. 385 (1977))

October 1918 - Women trade unionists hold first national conference.

October 1993 - President Clinton signs the Federal Employees Political Activities Act (Hatch Act Reform) which, for the first time in over 50 years, grants postal and federal workers the right to participate in partisan politics.

October 1879 - Birthdate of Joe Hill, Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) organizer, songwriter, and poet.

October 1648 - Shoemakers of Boston, first labor organization in America founded.

23 October 1938 - National Association of Post Office Custodial Employees organized.

24 October 1940 - The 40-hour work week went into effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

Source: Association of Flight Attendants-CWA calafa.org

Finding a Financial Planner

Do you have a financial planner? Are you planning for retirement or simply deciding where to invest and save your money? A CFP or Certified Financial Planner professional can help you navigate all aspects of your finances. When looking for a financial person, look for those initials after their name. Although many professionals call themselves "financial planners," only Certified Financial Planner professionals have completed extensive training and are held to the highest ethical and educational standards. CFP professionals understand the complexities of the changing financial climate and are committed to make financial planning recommendations in your best interest. No matter where you are in life, you'll find confidence in working with a CFP professional to evaluate your finances and develop a comprehensive plan for your financial future. Find one at <http://www.letsmakeaplan.org/>

JDRF Walk and Support

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) is the leading global organization funding type 1 diabetes (T1D) research. Founded more than 45 years ago by parents determined to find a cure for their children, today they exist for the millions of people affected by this disease.

Each year, JDRF One Walk brings together more than 900,000 people across the country to change the future for everyone living with type 1 diabetes (T1D). This fun, family-friendly event gives people with T1D—and their friends, family and co-workers—the opportunity to raise money for life-changing T1D research.

This year there will be a walk at Lover's Point Park in Pacific Grove on **Sunday, October 1st**. Registration can be found at goo.gl/tEp1qh Local 234 is once again supporting the Kent family for the walk.

More information about JDRF can be found at goo.gl/Pc3XLT

Tri-County Electrical JATC Training News

(831) 633-3063

State Certification Preparation Class

Instructor Will Piper will be teaching a preparation class for the General Electrician State Certification exam. The next class is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 10th from 5-7pm**. Call Stacy at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place.

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, October 17th at 5:30pm**.

CPR/First Aid Class

A **CPR/First Aid with Blood-Borne Pathogens class** is scheduled for **Saturday, October 28th 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.



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.

California Advanced Lighting
Controls Training Program

CALCTP



Congratulations on Completing Class

October 2017

CPR/First Aid with Instructor RJ Sudyka on September 9th:

Wallace Barnes, Will Clough, Brad Conger, Kyle Evans, Nick Karakas, Beau Kelly, Cody Mahler, Francisco Mundo, Carlos Prado, and Gilbert Sanchez

2017 NEC Significant Changes with Instructor David Martinez on September 19th:

Stevan Gamez, Jim Brown, Sergio Castillo, Jonathan Stanley, Jose Moncada, Robert Rovella, Ulises Mendoza, Abraham Adams Jr., Bryon Borchard, Hector Camacho, Brian Sabado, and Brian Stanley

COMET with Instructor Paul Gutierrez on September 21st:

Nick Luczak, Nick Karakas, Will Clough, Israel Andrade, Sam Martinez, Austin Pless, Jaime Hernandez, Wallace Barnes, Bryan Scott, Scott Benson, Beau Kelly, Chris Swim, Ruben Lozano, Gerardo Espinoza, Joshua Haupt, Ruben Rodriguez, Gilberto Espindola, Ashley Gibson, Stevan Gamez, and Jacob Taylor

State Certification Prep. With Instructor Will Piper on September 26th and 27th:

Antonio Castro, Marcus Gaeta, Stevan Gamez, Erik Henry, Francisco Lopez, Chris Lucero, Ulises Mendoza, David Morales, Ricardo Morales, Francisco Mundo, Daniel Ortigoza, Aladdin Preston, Jaime Talingo, Ramon Torres, Berardo Trujillo, and Ronald Zych

Bachelor of Arts in Construction Management

Rowan University's B.A. in Construction Management degree completion program provides those with an associate's degree or at least 60 credits with the remaining credits necessary to complete a bachelor's degree in this growing field while taking classes online. Applicants with less than 60 credits may work with an enrollment counselor to explore available options. This program is ideal for journey persons 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 University's program has received the endorsement of NABTU.

Scholarships are available to first-year students through the Governing Board of Presidents Scholarship, up to \$3,600 toward tuition per recipient.

Find out more about this program and how to register and apply here: goo.gl/tPH4Kt

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 **Jly/Aug/Sept** were **Stevan Gamez** for the most hours of training and **Jorge Mendoza** for the lottery. Congratulations! Each will receive a \$100 gift card.

The IBEW SPARQ Newsletter

The IBEW SPARQ is a quarterly newsletter highlighting IBEW values. **SPARQ** stands for **S**afety, **P**rofessionalism, **A**ccountability, **R**elationships and **Q**uality. Together, these values provide the framework for excellence and guide our approach to every day on the job. SPARQ newsletters can be found at www.ibew.org/COE-SPARQ

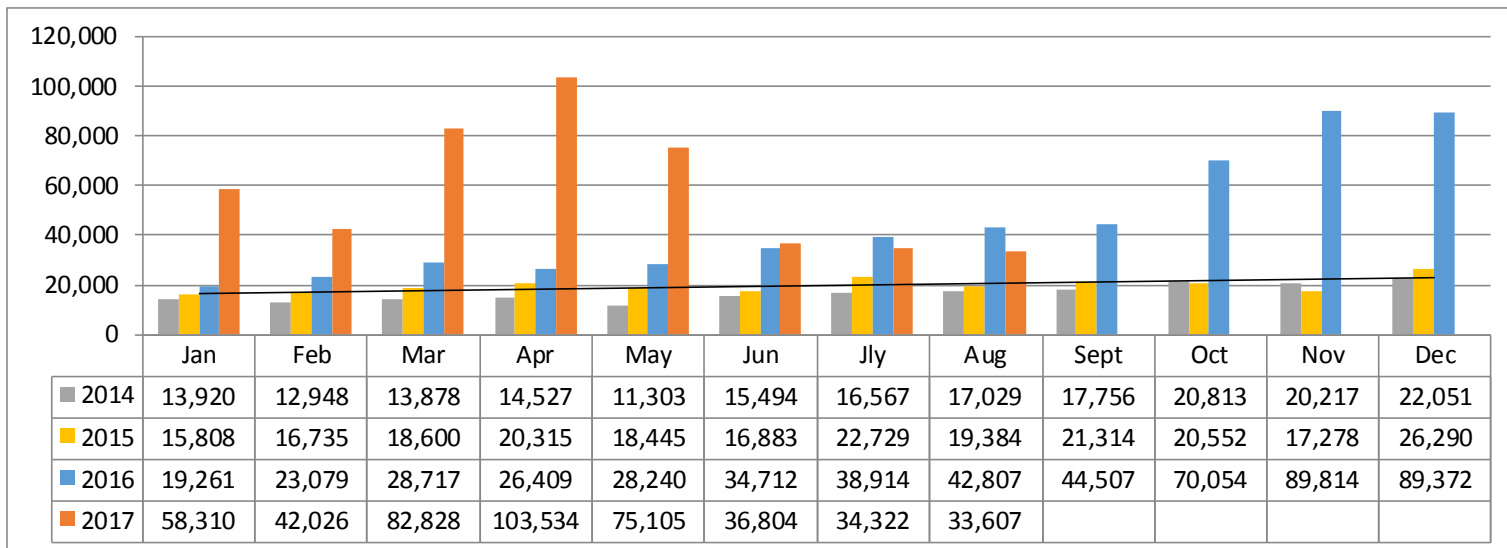
Assemblymember Mark Stone Labor Breakfast

Assemblymember Mark Stone will hold his 5th Annual Labor Breakfast on **Thursday, October 19th** at IBEW Local 234. The Assemblymember annually invites labor community leaders to discuss important issues facing our working families. Breakfast once again will be provided by the Choke Coach!

Inside Wage Allocation

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Monthly Hours Report



Happy October Birthdays!

Salvatore Abramonte
Patrick Allingham
John Battaglia
Jeffrey Beers
Scott Benson
Sergio Birrueta
Michael Bradley
Jose Cabrera
Edgar Campos
Javier Contreras
Eugene Davis
Geneva Fanning
Daniel Fernandez
Raymond Guerra, Jr.
Erik Guerrero
Andrea Hall
Michael Higuet

Victor Jimenez Puga
Desiree Jones
Jared Journet
David Karalius
Roger Lackey
Christophe Leininger
Anthony Lidell
Ricardo Lopez
Jonathan Martinez-Chavez
James Mauras
Clarke McCarty, Jr.
Robert Melgar
Philippe Miccoli
Juan Morales
Christopher Olsen
Ryan Porter
Angel Ramirez

Johnny Ramirez
Derrick Rendon
Joel Rodriguez
Jack Russo
Anatoliy Savin
Jeff Singer
Brad Lee Smith
Francisco Sosa
Michael Steel
Michael Suarez
Ramon Torres, Jr.
Erick Tucker
Jesus Uribe
Oscar Valero
David Vasquez
Moises Zuniga, Jr



This Month's Local 234 Winners!

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

Voluntary PAC (Political Action Committee):

Manuel Garcia won \$5 and donated it back.

Apprentice Give-Away:

Javier Martinez won \$23.40.

Give-Away Winners:

Daniel Ortigoza won a pair of Klein strippers.

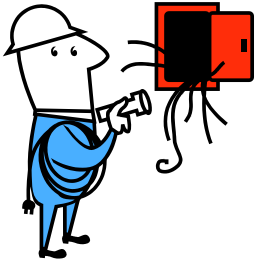
Ulises Mendoza won a Progress Meeting cooler.

Javier Martinez won a Local 234 No-Dog level.

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

Wednesday, October 11th, 2017

@ 6:30 pm



Quote of the Month

"No culture can live if it attempts to be exclusive."

- Mahatma Gandhi

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 COLUMBUS DAY	10 Certification Preparation @ 5pm	11 Membership Meeting @ 6:30pm	12	13	14
15	16	17 JATC @ 5pm Code Class @ 5:30pm	18	19 Mark Stone Labor Breakfast	20	21
22 End of Pay Period	23	24	25 E-Board Meeting @ 6pm	26	27	28 CPR/First Aid @ 8am
29	30	31 HALLOWEEN				



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