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United In Labor

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

September signals the end of summer, the beginning of autumn, and the start of a new school year. I trust all our little ones are back in class and their school time routine. You can pat yourself on the back and breathe a sigh of relief that we have survived another long summer!

September also ushers in our extended Labor Day weekend, a holiday that holds immense significance for the Labor movement and, by extension, for each one of us in the IBEW family. It's a moment to celebrate and reflect on the strides we've made collectively, the progress that stands as a testament to our unity, dedication, and unwavering camaraderie. The Labor movement, of which we are a vital part, has positively impacted the landscape of workers' rights and fair conditions, giving voice to countless individuals. We will continue to work diligently for the rights of working men and women!

I'm also thrilled to extend an invitation to all of you. Our annual Membership Appreciation Picnic awaits on September 16th at Toro Park. This event is a perfect example of the unity and camaraderie that define our Local. It's an occasion to come together, share laughter, and create memories with fellow Members and their families. Join us in the festivities as we celebrate the heart of our organization - you, our dedicated Members. We'll share delicious food, vibrant entertainment, and heartwarming conversations. Mark your calendars, RSVP, and join us as we honor the hard work and commitment that each of you bring to our Local.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to IBEW Local 234. You are appreciated, and we look forward to seeing you!

In solidarity,

Paul G

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THE HEALTH CORNER

Hello members and families, As the nurse health advocate for local 234, I am here to assist you with your health care concerns.

Let's Talk about water:

Why? Because drinking water and staying well hydrated is one of the simplest and cheapest ways to improve your health and prevent serious health problems.

Did you know that:

- -Water makes up about 60-70% of your body weight.
- -All your body's major systems and organs depend on water to function and survive.

Please feel free to contact me:

Anita Alvarez RN, Nurse Health Advocate Work cell #: 831-741-8677 (call or text)

Work email: anita@ibew234.org

Be well, Anita

747 El Camino Real Update

Exciting progress is underway at our future new Hall at 747 El Camino Real, and we're thrilled to share the latest developments. As we look ahead, the anticipated opening date is set for January 1, 2024. The transformation of this space is a testament to our dedication to growth and excellence.

Already, the beautification projects have begun, enhancing the visual appeal of the property. These efforts are just a glimpse of the vibrant future that awaits us within these walls.

747 El Camino isn't just a physical space; it's a reflection of our collective vision and determination. It will serve as a hub for camaraderie, collaboration, business, and the advancement of our industry.

As we move closer to our goal, let's continue to unite our efforts and anticipate the countless opportunities this space will bring. Together, we are creating a remarkable legacy.





CELEBRATING THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

What a great time we had on August 21st during our Apprentice Orientation! The energy was electric, the BBQ was great, and the talent in the room was simply undeniable.

The spirit of camaraderie and unity was present as we shared stories, laughter, and aspirations. The BBQ added a delicious touch to the occasion, reminding us that while we're here to work hard, we also know how to celebrate the moments that bring us together. Each apprentice is a testament to the potential that lies within our Union. They are the future of IBEW Local 234, and their dedication to honing their skills will undoubtedly

contribute to the continued success of our trade.

As we look ahead, let's remember the incredible power of education. Every lesson learned, every skill acquired, and every challenge overcome is a step towards a future that is brighter and more promising. Our apprentices have embarked on a journey that will not only shape their careers but also contribute to the growth and prosperi-

tv of our Local.

I am confident that the unity and passion witnessed during the Apprentice Orientation will carry forward into their training and beyond. With the remarkable talent we have in our ranks, there's no doubt that the future of IBEW Local 234 is in capable hands. As we venture into this new chapter, let us continue to support and inspire each other. The dedication of our apprentices, combined with the unwavering commitment of our Members, is a formula for success that cannot be matched.

Thank you for being a part of this incredible journey. Here's to a future that is illuminated by the brilliance of our shared passion and talent.



Happy September Birthdays!

John Agra Brandon Alvarez **Jeffrey Atkins** Nathaniel E Avila Christopher Avala Matt J Battaglia Thomas H Bell Pablo M Camacho Susan M Carter Antonio H Castro Richard E Cruz Ronald L Dyck Richard D Edwards Ismael G Estrada Randall B Evans David J Fisher **Steve Flores** Chris Franklin Michael O Gomez Andrew A Hartmann Bronson J Huerta Wayne J Huston Tyler M Iniguez Nicholas A Karakas Johnnie La Mascus Victor M Lopez Ruben Lozano Steven G Luiz Benjamin I Madrigal Manuel Madrigal Daniel M Martinez David H Martinez Sam Martinez Adrian G Mendoza Jesus Montano Armando V Munoz Norman Navalta Anthony E Pacheco Roberto J Perez Bobby W Pope Ivan Ramirez **Enrique T Ramos** Estevan Rodriguez Robert Rovella Brian Sabado Gary L Schumacher Brvan J Scott Stephen D Slovacek Michael C Stone Jacob C Taylor Tom Thomas Kevin H Trinh Berardo Trujillo Steven R Trybom Lawrence D Tuckness Juan C Vargas Daniel J Walford Andrew T Zavala Ronald D Zych

MONTHLY HOURS REPORT



MONTHLY CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 FLOATING HOLIDAY	2
3	4 HOLIDAY- Labor Day	Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	6 Apprenticeship Classes	7 Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	8	9 CPR/First Aid
	Labor Day		(1st, 4th Years) CLC Meeting			Foreman Development Series
10	11 Apprenticeship Classes	12 Apprenticeship Classes	13 Apprenticeship Classes	14 Apprenticeship Classes	15 First Day of Hispanic	16 Annual IBEW Picnic
	(1st, 4th Years)	(2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	(1st, 4th Years) General Body Meeting	(2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	Heritage Month	
17	18 Apprenticeship Classes (1st, 4th Years)	19 JATC Meeting	20 Apprenticeship Classes (1st, 4th Years)	21 Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	22	23 Foreman Development
		Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)				Series
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
d of Pay Period	Apprenticeship Classes (1st, 4th Years)	Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)	Apprenticeship Classes (1st, 4th Years)	Apprenticeship Classes (2nd, 3rd, 5th Years)		

Tri-County Electrical JATC Training News

UPCOMING CLASSES

Foreman Development

Series:

Instructor: Ryan Porter

Saturday, September 9th

covering Modules 9 & 10

Saturday, September 23rd

covering Modules 11 & 12

Please note that class size is limited to 10 students per class. Sign-up is required – NO DROP INS. Contact Damaris in the JATC office to get your name on the list at (831) 633-3063.

<u>CPR / First Aid with Blood-Borne</u> <u>Pathogens:</u>

This class is scheduled for Saturday, September 9th from 8am – 1pm.

Instructor **Merralinda Goddard** will be teaching on the basics of First Aid and CPR. Contact Damaris in the JATC office to sign up at (831) 633-3063.

Please note that class size is limited and sign-up is required. This is NOT a drop-in class. (Also note that if you reserve a space and do not show up for class, you will be responsible for paying for the class.)

Class completions:

Foreman Development

Series 08/05/23

Alberto Aguilera,

Noe Arana,

Richard Edwards,

Mohammed Garaan,

John Greene.

Angel Lopez-Magana,

Armando Munoz,

Oscar Rivero,

David Salinas,

and Juan Torres

Join Us for the Annual Membership Appreciation Picnic!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 16th, as we gather at Toro Park for a day filled with good times and camaraderie! Our annual Membership Appreciation picnic

promises a fantastic time for families and friends of IBEW Local 234.

Enjoy delicious food, exciting entertainment for the little ones, and a host of activities that will surely create unforgettable memories. From caricature drawings to face painting and jump houses, there's something for eve-

rvone to enjoy.

As an additional highlight, we will also be presenting service pins to our esteemed Members who have reached significant years of dedicated service to our cause. These milestones serve as inspiring markers of the journey we've undertaken together.

We are thrilled to celebrate with you and your loved ones, and we eagerly await this wonderful opportunity to come together as a united Union.

Please ensure you've RSVP'd through your Evite invitation.

See you at the picnic, ready for a day of laughter, fun, and unity!



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IBEW OBJECTIVES

The objects of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers are:

- To organize all workers in the entire electrical industry in the United States and Canada, including all those in public utilities and electrical manufacturing, into local unions
- To cultivate feelings of friendship among those of our industry
- To settle all disputes between employer and employees by arbitration (if possible)
- To assist each other in sickness and distress
- To secure employment
- To reduce the hours of daily labor
- To secure adequate pay for our work
- To seek a higher and higher standard o of living
- And by legal and proper means to elevate the moral, intellectual and social conditions of our members, their families and dependents, in the interest of a higher standard of citizenship.







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