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**To Benefit
...Participate!**

LOCAL #234 WAGE ALLOCATION

There will be a wage allocation for the Inside Agreement for Local #234 on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at their General Membership Meeting. Upon notification from the Local, new wage sheets will be prepared and distributed to our members.

The Inside Agreement provides that journeymen will receive \$0.30 effective March 24, 2014.



TITLE 24 NEWS

Because of computer software that has not been completed by the state, the California Energy Commission (CEC) has voted for a six month delay in the implementation of

the energy section of Title 24. That means it will be effective July 1st, 2014, instead of Jan. 1st. (See the notice below from the CEC.) Although some lighting control installations and acceptance testing work will be postponed, unfortunately, there is nothing we can do about it.

We know that you, our IBEW-NECA colleagues, have worked very hard to prepare for the new code by training and registering hundreds of acceptance testers and contractors. Delay or no delay, what you've accomplished is greatly appreciated and still very valuable to IBEW-NECA. Here's why:

- Even with the delay, the CEC did not change the requirement for at least 300 acceptance testers to be registered by mid-December.

**CONGRATULATIONS,
WE PASSED THE 300
MARK!**

- Everyone who has already trained and registered for acceptance testing did so at a lower fee and in fewer hours than will be required after January 1st. This early effort saved electricians, contractors, JATCs, locals, chapters, and LMCCs significant amounts of time and money.
- To facilitate more lighting control installations and acceptance testing work, counties, cities, and towns need to fully understand the new Title 24. We now know have six months to help inform building department officials and increase compliance.
- The energy efficiency section of Title 24 will go into effect on July 1st and we will be ready.

Once again, many thanks for all of your great efforts in acceptance testing training and registration – WHAT AN ACHIEVEMENT!

Bernie Kotlier
Director, Statewide LMCC

*Always bear in mind
 that your own
 resolution to succeed is
 more important than
 any other.*

[Abraham Lincoln](#)



CODE QUESTION OF THE DAY

Question:

Are 208 volt 20 amp receptacles in commercial kitchens located by a sink (within 3 feet) required to be GFCI protected? This is for a steam table located by a serving line in a hospital cafeteria.

Answer:

NEC 210.8(B)(2) requires all 15 and 20-ampere, 125V kitchen receptacles in non-dwelling unit kitchens to be GFCI protected. There is no requirement for 208V or 220V receptacles to be GFCI protected – see more at <http://www.necanet.org/cqd/index/cfm?fa=show&id=4163#sthash.iLACaBbx.dpuf>

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AULD LANG SYNE

The most commonly sung song for English-speakers on New Year's eve, "Auld Lang Syne" is an old Scottish song that was first published by the poet Robert Burns in the 1796 edition of the book, *Scots Musical Museum*. Burns transcribed it (and made some refinements to the lyrics) after he heard it sung by an old man from the Ayrshire area of Scotland, Burns's homeland.



It is often remarked that "Auld Lang Syne" is one of the most popular songs that nobody knows the lyrics to. "Auld Lang Syne" literally translates as "old long since" and means "times gone by." The song asks whether old friends and times will be forgotten and promises to remember people of the past with fondness, "For auld lang syne, we'll take a cup o' kindness yet."

The lesser known verses continue this theme, lamenting how friends who once used to "run about the braes,/ And pou'd the gowans fine" (run about the hills and pulled up the daisies) and "paid'd in the burn/Frae morning sun till dine" (paddled in the stream from morning to dusk) have become divided by time and distance—"seas between us braid hae roar'd" (broad seas have roared between us). Yet there is always time for old friends to get together—if not in person then in memory—and "tak a right guid-willie waught" (a good-will drink).

But it was bandleader Guy Lombardo, and not Robert Burns, who popularized the song and turned it into a New Year's tradition. Lombardo first heard "Auld Lang Syne" in his hometown of London, Ontario, where it was sung by Scottish immigrants. When he and his brothers formed the famous dance band, Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians, the song became one of their standards. Lombardo played the song at midnight at a New Year's eve party at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City in 1929, and a tradition was born. After that, Lombardo's version of the song was played every New Year's eve from the 1930s until 1976 at the Waldorf Astoria. In the first years it was broadcast on radio, and then on television. The song became such a New Year's tradition that "Lifemagazine wrote that if Lombardo failed to play 'Auld

Lang Syne,' the American public would not believe that the new year had really arrived."

Read more: New Year's Traditions
 Infoplease.com <http://www.infoplease.com/spot/newyearcelebrations.html#ixzz2oifPAWKM>



CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH THE TRI-COUNTY JATC

CALCTP

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program (CALCTP) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek is scheduled for Thursday, January 9th at 5:30pm. 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 BRING PROOF OF COMPLETING THE ONLINE COURSE TO THE FIRST CLASS OR EMAIL TO stacy@tricountyjatc.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.

EVITP 3.0

The **Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) 3.0** class with Instructor Stephen Slovacek is scheduled to begin on **Thursday, January 9th** at 5:30pm. This class is a 35 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 of each class provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC.

Inside Blended Learning

Are your IBEW Journeyman interested in taking online classes through our JATC? If so, here is what they need to do: go to the NJATC website to register for the classes they would like to take.

1. Go to www.njatc.org and click on the "Inside Blended Learning" tab.
2. Under "NOT YET REGISTERED?" click on the blue "REGISTER" button.
3. Select "Tri-County Electrical JATC" for Training Location.
4. Type in the password "IBEW-NECA"

The first class we will be offering is **TEST INSTRUMENTS**. This class is NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE. There is no cost for Local 234 members. However, a \$50 deposit is required, which is refundable upon successful completion of the class.

The Test Instruments course begins by introducing safety requirements for using test instruments. The course proceeds into the specific applications for industry standard test instruments. An overview of measurement principles and test instrument procedures are covered along with an explanation of personal protective equipment as specified in NFPA 70E.

We are able to enroll you in the course once you have registered on the website and made your \$50 deposit. A text book will be mailed to the JATC to accompany the online coursework. Credit cards may be taken over the phone or you may pay by check.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED UPGRADE CLASSES

Congratulations to the following individuals who have recently completed classes offered through the apprenticeship program! We appreciate your commitment to the industry!

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE NEC

- Steve Trybom

OSHA 10

- Stephen Christensen
- Kirt Hackett
- Al Randall
- Murray Temple

CALCTP ACCEPTANCE TESTING

- Adam Cullers
- Anthony Davis
- David Martinez
- Jose Moncada
- Albert Randall

- Steve Trybom
- Carlos Vargas
- Danny Walford

The LMCC will hold a quarterly gift card drawing each quarter. (2) \$100 gifts cards will be awarded each quarter for JW upgrade classes. One gift card will go to the member with the most hours of class completed in that 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 lottery. Encourage your employees to attend!

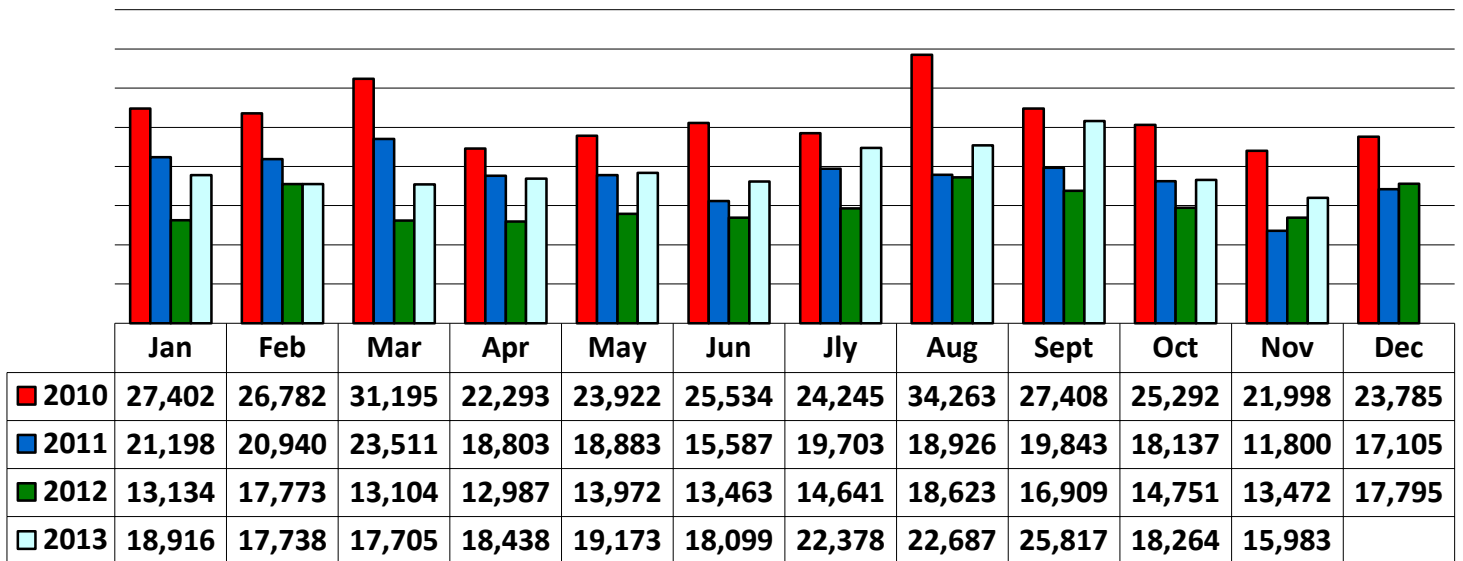


LOCAL #234 AVAILABILITY LIST UPDATE

On the Inside Out-of-Work List, there are 44 on Book 1, 53 on Book 2. For Sound & Communications there is 1 on Book 1. We currently have 5 Inside apprentice available for work.



INSIDE MONTHLY HOURS REPORT



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR



January 1, 2014

New Year's Holiday

January 4 and 11, 2014

JATC Interviews

Training Center

January 7, 2014

Health Trust Meeting

Training Center

January 20, 2014

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

January 21-24, 2014

Western Region Managers' Meeting

March 3-5, 2014

Association Executives Institute

Chicago, IL

April 3-4, 2014

District Nine Meeting

Ojai, CA

July 27 -August 1, 2014

National Training Institute

University of Michigan

October 11-15, 2014

Board of Governors and NECA Convention

Chicago, IL