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DISTRICT NINE MEETING SCHEDULED MAUI, HAWAII

The next District Nine Meeting is scheduled for April of this year. The Board of Directors has taken action to pay registration and three nights hotel for any local member that is employing on average 5 employees in the field. Interested in attending? Please contact the chapter office for more details.

The District IX Council Meeting will take place at the Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa. Hotel reservations must be made no later than Wednesday, February 28, 2018 to qualify for the special NECA rate, subject to availability.

Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa
2605 Ka'anapali Pkwy,
Lahaina
Lahaina, HI 96761
<http://www.sheraton-maui.com/>

The tentative itinerary for the meeting follows:

Tuesday, April 3rd

1:00 pm

Pre-Meeting Golf Outing:
Kaanapali Royal GC

Wednesday, April 4th

9:00 am—10:00 am

ECCT Meeting

10:30 am—1:00 pm

Chapter Manager's Meeting & Luncheon

2:00 pm—4:00 pm

Council Meeting

6:00 pm—7:30 pm

Welcome Reception (Dinner on your own)

Thursday, April 5th

8:00 am—9:00 am

Breakfast

9:00 am—12:00 pm

Morning Educational Sessions

2:00 pm—1:30 pm

Lunch

6:00 pm—9:00 pm

Reception & Awards Dinner

Friday, April 6th

7:30 am—8:30 am

Breakfast

8:30 am—11:30 pm

POLITICO Report & NECA General Membership Meeting

11:30 am—1:00 pm

Lunch

12:30 pm

Golf Tournament: Kapalua Bay Course

TO BENEFIT ... PARTICIPATE!

STATE MINIMUM WAGE INCREASES JANUARY 1ST

Please remember that in 2016 California passed legislation to increase the State minimum wage to \$15 per hour over time. Under the provisions of that law, California's minimum wage will increase on January 1, 2018 to \$11 per hour for employers with 26 employees or more and \$10.50 for employers with 25 or fewer employees.

[Please click on this link for the minimum wage chart and upcoming changes.](#)

ELECTRI INTERNATIONAL

NEW ELECTRI PUBLICATION RELEASED

ELECTRI commissioned and has now published a comprehensive study by Maxim Consulting Group of Denver, Colorado, addressing ***Inequitable Payment Practices***. The research explored various perspectives on payment practices, payment clauses, the impact of carrying costs, and recommended strategies to mitigate payment challenges.

The Maxim investigative team offers specific mitigation strategies you can

adopt to help address payment problems. The report includes useful guidelines on state-specific payment laws and lien rights, talking points for owners and general contractors, and vendor education to help you understand how the issue impacts pricing.

Addressing Inequitable Payment Practices is available in PDF format at no charge. [Attached](#) is a copy for your convenience.

For additional information about ELECTRI International's complete research portfolio and available studies visit www.electri.org



STATE REQUIRES ELECTRONIC FILING AND PAYMENT OF EDD

Assembly Bill 1245 (Chapter 222, Statutes of 2015) extends to all employers the requirement to electronically submit employment tax returns, wage reports and payroll tax deposits to the Employment Development Department (EDD). Electronic filing and

payment offers employers many benefits, including:

- Increased data accuracy in comparison to paper forms
- Protected data through encryption that is more secure than paper forms
- Reduced cost of printing, mailing and document storage
- Elimination of lost mail

AB 1245 was phased in over a two year period to offer employers ample time to prepare. Effective January 1, 2018, all employers are required to file electronically.

Employers can file and pay electronically today with a simple one-time enrollment in the EDD's e-Services for Business. Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, employers can start managing their employer payroll tax account online now. E-Services for Business is fast, easy and secure. There is no cost to enroll and use e-Services for Business and no specialized software is required.

The EDD is committed to supporting employers as they transition to fulfilling this new state requirement. For employers who may be unable to electronically file and pay, a hardship waiver application will be available.

[Click here](#) for more information on these requirements and how the EDD can assist you.



NEW SILICA RULE HAMMER COMES DOWN

OSHA's revised rule on how much respirable crystalline silica construction workers can be exposed to is finally being enforced, putting contractors in action and worry mode.

Issued in March 2016, the tougher standard slashes the permissible exposure limit (PEL) for crystalline silica. It goes from 250 micrograms per cubic unit of air ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$), averaged over an eight-hour period, down to 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, and mandates a stricter monitoring and documentation regimen.

Contractors at the time were given a year to get ready, but in the spring OSHA (convinced that many remained far from compliant and operating under a new administration sympathetic to calls for less regulation) announced a three-month delay. Now though — ready or not — construction contractors must comply and are newly subject to

OSHA penalties if they don't. But less than a month in, it's still unclear how well prepared contractors were to meet the standard on day one, and also what OSHA's stance will be on the timing and scope of enforcement.

Tom Zind | Oct 16, 2017 [Click here](#) to read entire article.



UPCOMING CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH THE JATC

OSHA 10

Instructor Stephen Slovacek will be teaching a OSHA 10 on **Tuesday, January 9th** from 5-8pm and **Saturday, January 13th** from 7 am to 2 pm. Call Stacy at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place.

STATE CERTIFICATION PREP CLASS

Instructor Will Piper will be teaching a preparation class for the General Electrician State Certification exam on **Tuesday, January 16th** from 5-7pm and again on **Tuesday, January 23rd** at the same time. Call Stacy at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place.

FIRST AID/CPR

Since First Aid/CPR language has been added to the Inside Agreement and will now be a requirement, the JATC

continues to offer it more regularly. Roni Jane Sudyka is moving with her husband Ed so we will be using a new. Blood borne pathogens will also be covered. The next class is scheduled for **Saturday, January 27th from 8 am to 1 pm**. Call Stacy at the JATC office at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place for future classes as class size is limited.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE

A Significant Changes to the Code series, with instructor David Martinez is scheduled for **January 16, 2018 from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm** and will be held the third Tuesday of the month. 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.

NFPA-70E

NFPA 70E with Instructor David Martinez is scheduled for **Saturday, February 3rd** from 8am to 2pm. David will be teaching the standard for electrical safety in the workplace. Call Stacy at (831) 633-3063 to reserve your place.

CALCTP-AT

The JATC is also taking sign-ups for the California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance Testing (CALCTP-AT) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek. This class is a total of 24 hours. The class schedule will be 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 - CONDENSED

EVITP 3.0 Class Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) 3.0 with Instructor Stephen Slovacek. This class is a condensed version of the 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 provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC. Call Stacy for more information.

APPRENTICE OF THE MONTH

We would like to congratulate first year apprentice **Israel Andrade** for being selected the Apprentice of the Month for January 2018! Milwaukee Tools has provided a reserved parking place for Israel for the month and will also be presenting him with a jobsite cooler as his gift. The JATC selects one apprentice in the program based on attitude, performance and participation in the classroom and on the job. Congratulations Israel!



STATE CERTIFICATION PREP

12/05/17

- Jesus Jara
- Ronald Zych
- Daniel Ortigoza
- Ulises Mendoza
- Francisco Mundo
- Paul Velasquez
- Richard Morales
- David Morales

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE COMPLETING 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

- Jim Brown
- Sergio Castillo
- Nick Prelgovisk
- Robert Rovella
- Ulises Mendoza
- Bryon Borchard
- Hector Camacho
- Brian Sabado
- Brian Stanley
- Mike Speer
- Carlos Vargas
- Josh Murray

12/12/17

- Ronald Zych
- Daniel Ortigoza
- Ulises Mendoza
- Francisco Mundo
- Paul Velasquez
- Ricardo Morales
- David Morales

12/19/17

- Ronald Zych
- Paul Ortigoza
- Francisco Mundo
- Ricardo Morales
- David Morales
- Gary Gabriel
- Ramon Torres
- Berardo Trujillo

APPRENTICE APPLICATION INFORMATION NEW TEST DATE

The Tri-County Electrical JATC accepts applications on a year-round basis. For more information regarding the process, please click in the following link:

[JATC INFORMATION](#)

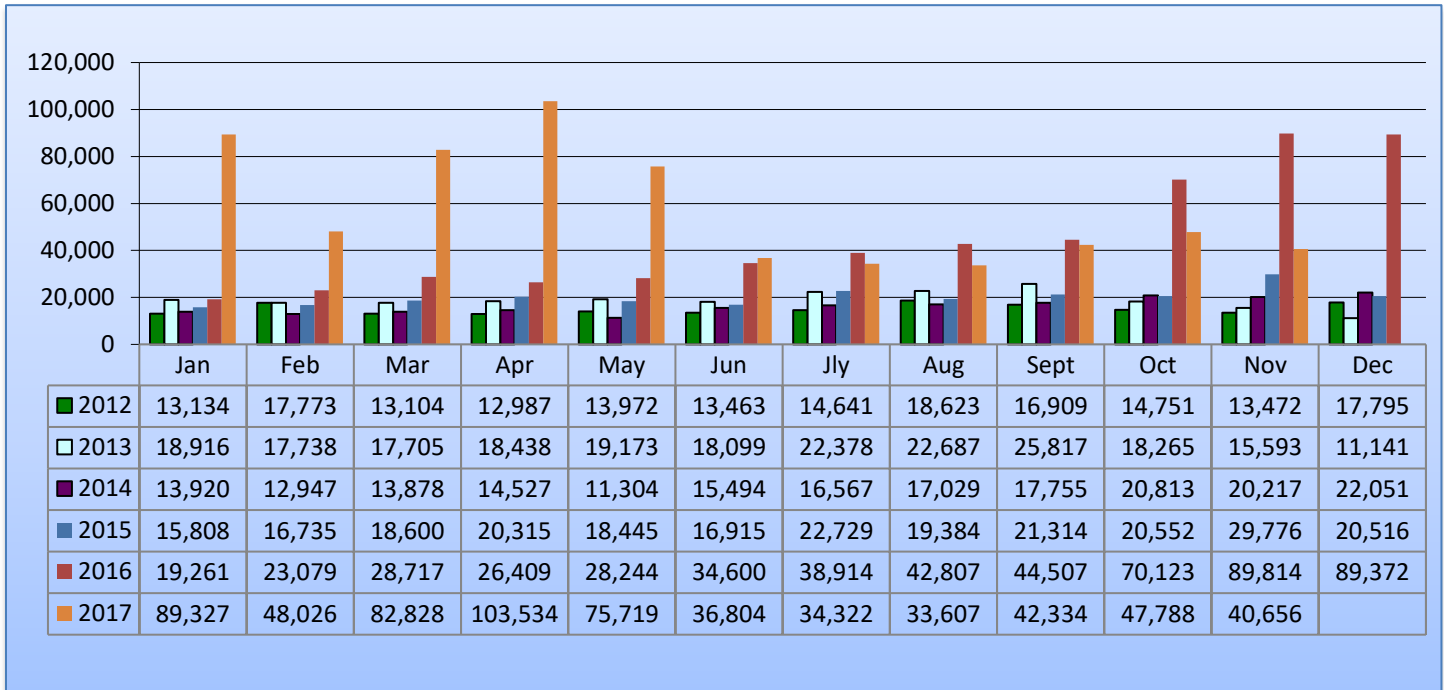


AVAILABILITY LIST UPDATE

On the Inside Out-of-Work List, there are 10 on Book 1, 51 on Book 2, 10 on Book 3 and 13 on Book 4. There are no Sound & Comm on any of the books at

this time. There are 18 on CW Book 1 and 96 on CW Book 2. There is one Inside apprentices available for work at this time.

INSIDE MONTHLY HOURS REPORT





January 1, 2018
New Year's Day

January 18, 2018
Health and Welfare Trust Meeting
Castroville, CA

March 6-9, 2018
Association Executive's Institute
Philadelphia, PA

April 3-5, 2018
District Nine Meeting
Maui, Hawaii

September 29-October 2, 2018
NECA Convention
Philadelphia, PA