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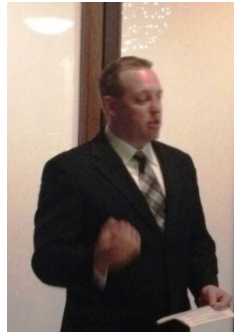
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To Benefit...Participate!

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD



Our thanks to Eddie Bernacchi, our Lobbyist in Sacramento who joined us at our General Membership Meeting on February 20th. Eddie gave an informative update to our members in attendance about the political happenings in the State of California. He stated that there have been several successes for our members (please see the year end report that was emailed under separate cover).

Eddie reported on, among other key items, that on December 19, 2013, the California Energy Commission (CEC) adopted the Proposition 39: California

Clean Energy Jobs Act – 2013 Program Implementation Guidelines in accordance with Proposition 39 (which was passed by voters in 2012 to tax out-of-state corporations). The CEC is working with a number of key stakeholders to implement the California Clean Energy Jobs Act (Proposition 39). The recently signed Senate Bill 73 spells out the details of how the grant funds are to be allocated to California's K-12 schools and community colleges, and includes a number of requirements to ensure Proposition 39 funds deliver the expected energy efficiency and cost savings. Locally the total award allocation will be \$4.5 million for Monterey County, \$2.9 million for Santa Cruz County, and \$958,000 for San Benito County. The total for our tri-county region is more than \$8.4 million. These funds are for investing in cost-effective energy projects.



REMINDER!! NEW WAGE SHEETS DISTRIBUTED FOR MARCH 24 INCREASES

New Wage Sheets have been distributed to our members for the new wages that go into effect on March 24, 2014. Should you need to access them in the future, don't forget that they are available on the private website located at www.mbccneca.org along with other useful tools.



DRUG FREE WORKFORCE PROGRAM GOES INTO EFFECT

The Drug Free Workforce Program will go into effect on June 1. Information about the program is now available in the private section of our website at www.mbccneca.org. If you are interested in putting in a drug free call, please contact either Jerri Champin or Andy Hartmann and we will help guide you through this new procedure. Drug testing

referrals should be available starting in April for those members on the Books.



SAVE THE DATE...LOCAL #234 BBQ PLANNED

You are all invited to attend the **Annual Local 234 BBQ** which is scheduled for **Saturday, September 20th** at the Buckeye Picnic Area in Toro Regional Park on Highway 68. Bring the whole family to our annual union lunch for a fun time, delicious food, and good company.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY Wearing of the green

Originally, the color associated with Saint Patrick was blue. Over the years the color green and its association with Saint Patrick's Day grew. Green ribbons and shamrocks were worn in celebration of St

Patrick's Day as early as the 17th century. Saint Patrick is said to have used the shamrock, a three-leaved plant, to explain the Holy Trinity to the pagan Irish, and the ubiquitous wearing and display of shamrocks and shamrock-inspired designs has become a feature of the day. In the 1798 rebellion, to make a political statement, Irish soldiers wore full green uniforms on 17 March in hopes of catching public attention. The phrase "the wearing of the green", meaning to wear a shamrock on one's clothing, derives from a song of the same name.



NECA CONVENTION 2014 – CHICAGO!!

Save the Date! Plan to attend the 2014 NECA convention & trade show at McCormick Place West in Chicago, IL. Early registration will open on May 23rd this year. We have not been assigned to a hotel yet, but watch for additional information!!

For more information, visit <http://www.necaconvention.org/>

BLUEPRINT FOR ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING FIRM BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The researchers created a manual that provides Electrical Contracting (EC) firms with an understanding of business development and explains why business development is crucial to a firm's continued success and survival. The manual also shows through examples and case studies how to implement – successfully – a business development strategy.

While the manual applies to EC firms of all sizes, its focus is on the smaller EC firms that make up the majority and may not have the time and resources to dedicate to business development.

The manual provides a step-by-step process to develop a business plan that addressed each of the seven key elements as follows:

- Purchaser/Customer
- Product/Service
- People
- Production/Delivery
- Promotion
- Pricing
- Profit

NECA Members may download this manual in PDF

(at no cost) at the following website:

<http://www.electri.org/research/blueprint-electrical-contracting-firm-business-development>
(click on “Obtain Report”).



CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH THE TRI-COUNTY JATC

EVITP 3.0

The **Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) 3.0** class with Instructor Stephen Slovacek is scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, February 18th** 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 provided by the Monterey Bay LMCC.

CALCTP

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program (CALCTP) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 18th** at 5:30 pm. 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.

CALCTP AT CLASS

The California Energy Commission has adopted changes to the California building Efficiency Standards (Title 24, Parts 1 and 6) that require lighting controls and devices to be certified as properly installed and operational, prior to issuance of occupancy permits. The California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance Technician (CALCTP-AT) certifies acceptance technician employers and technicians. All acceptance test technicians must be employed by an acceptance test employer that provides support as well as quality control.

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance

Testing (CALCTP-AT) with Instructor Stephen Slovacek is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 18th** at 5:30 pm. This class is a total of 24 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 \$125 application and 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.

OSHA 30

Demonstrate your commitment to workplace safety and compliance with OSHA 30. OSHA 30 is being offered to those that have taken OSHA

10 within the last six months. OSHA 30, with Instructor Joe Murillo, is scheduled for **Saturday, April 5th from 7am to 3:30pm**. Three additional classes are scheduled for Thursday, April 10th from 5-7:30pm, Wednesday, April 16th from 5-7:30pm and Saturday, April 26th from 7am to 3:30pm. Call to reserve your place in the class.

You must have completed OSHA 10 within the last six months in order to take this class.



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!

FIRST AID/CPR

- Adrien Antosz, Sr.
- James Brown
- Michael Carpenter
- Carlos Moncada
- Nicholas Prelgovisk
- Robert Rovella
- Charles Ruiz
- Steve Trybom
- Carlos Vargas

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE

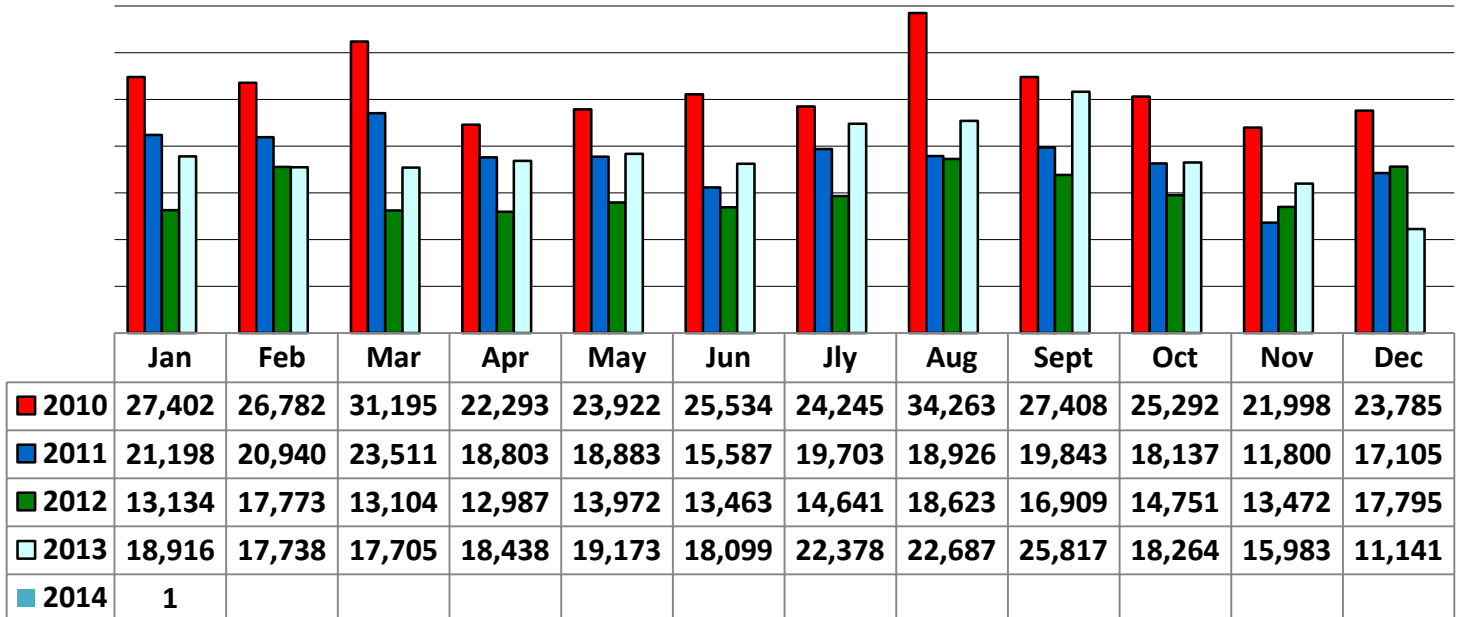
- Juan Vargas
- Jonathan Stanley
- Brian Stanely

LOCAL #234 AVAILABILITY LIST UPDATE

On the Inside Out-of-Work List, there are 48 on Book 1, 42 on Book 2, and 1 on Book 3. For Sound & Communications there is 1 on Book 1. We currently have 3 Inside apprentices available for work.



INSIDE MONTHLY HOURS REPORT



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR



March 3-5, 2014

Association Executives Institute
Chicago, IL

March 11, 2014

Health Trust Meeting
Castroville, CA

March 17, 2014

St. Patrick's Day

March 18, 2014

JATC Meeting
Castroville, CA

April 3-4, 2014

District Nine Meeting
Ojai, CA

April 16, 2014

Statewide LMCC Meeting
Zero Net Energy Training Center
San Leandro, CA

July 27 -August 1, 2014

National Training Institute
University of Michigan

September 20, 2014

IBEW Local #234 BBQ
Toro Park Buckeye Area
Salinas, CA

October 11-15, 2014

Board of Governors and NECA Convention
Chicago, IL