



WATTS UP

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Alaska Chapter NECA Newsletter

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Chapter Calendar

April 6
April 13
April 14
April 30

Anchorage JATC
Safety Committee
Board/Membership Meeting
Anniversary of the Inside Agreement

Tool Box Talks

April 05, 2010
April 12, 2010
April 19, 2010
April 26, 2010

Exit Strategies
Fall Protection
Falling Objects/Hard Hats
Fire Evacuation

Take Action

Register by April 9 for 2010 Legislative Conference and PLC Summit

Our collective voice needs to be heard in Washington in this all-important mid-term election year. The **NECA 2010 Legislative Conference (May 4-6)** and the **by-invitation-only Political Leadership Council Summit (May 5-6)** provide the platform, and prompt registration is imperative. **Our hotel room block with discounted pricing ends on April 9.** If you do not register by this date, we cannot guarantee you will receive the discounted rate or even get a room at the [Marriott at Metro Center](#). [Get the latest on the Legislative Conference/PLC Summit and register RIGHT NOW!](#)

Management Education & Training

April 12 Registration Deadline for Future Leaders Conference in Milwaukee

If you're a [Future Leader](#) at your firm or within NECA at the chapter, regional or national level, don't miss your opportunity to sharpen your skills and share your opinions with our association's current leaders at the **2010 NECA Future Leaders Conference, May 13-15** at the historic and luxurious [Iron Horse Hotel](#) in Milwaukee, WI. You'll have to hurry! **Registrations close on April 12.** (Now's also the time for NECA Women Peer Group to sign up for the Summit preceding the Future Leaders meeting.)

NOTE: If you plan on attending the NWPG Summit, but not the Future Leaders Conference - you will need to register online via Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=106695679359623&ref=mf>

[See what's planned for the NECA Future Leaders Conference and register today](#)

Two Ways To Sign Up For NECA Women Peer Group Summit (Do It NOW!)

The [NECA Women Peer Group fan page on Facebook](#) is now over 100 strong, and one of the things all those fans are talking about is the **NECA Women Peer Group Summit**, a half-day seminar to be held **May 13, immediately prior to the Future Leaders Conference** at Milwaukee's Iron Horse Hotel. There's no charge to attend the Summit, but participants should sign up on the [Facebook event page](#) or indicate their desire to attend when/if they [register for the Future Leaders Meeting](#). [Access information about the NECA Women Peer Group Summit through NECA's website](#)

Meetings & Events

Convention Registration Opens June 1; Time To Begin Planning Your Attendance Starts NOW!

Registration for **NECA 2010 Boston (October 2-5)** opens **June 1**, but you don't have to wait until then to begin planning your company's attendance at the NECA Convention and Trade Show. It's not too early to begin planning your attendance at **NECA 2010 Boston (October 2-5)**. Our **2010 convention website** is already up and running, with an at-a-glance-schedule; an overview of Boston featuring information on travel, convention hotels, restaurants and tours; highlights of the Opening Reception, General Sessions, and Closing Celebration; and additional information. Of course, much, much more information will be added over the coming weeks, which makes it a good idea to check in often.

With 70% of exhibit space at NECA's 2010 Trade Show already sold and inquiries continuing to pour in, the exhibitors certainly aren't waiting! You can learn who they are and plan your show floor route on the website. And there you can also learn all about the new Contractors Challenge to encourage NECA members to provide a program for their employees to participate in the educational and networking opportunities coming to Boston.

But the website isn't the only place to find out what's new at NECA 2010 Boston. You can also learn more by checking the tweets on [Twitter @necaconvention](#) and becoming a fan on [Facebook](#). [Our website for NECA 2010 Boston has just gone live. Take a look!](#)

Energy Solutions

NECA-IBEW LMCC in Central Ohio Rolls Out G-PAD

The Electrical Industry of Central Ohio Labor Management Cooperation Committee and the Electrical Trades Center presented an attention-getting device at our Central Ohio Chapter's 13th Annual Kick-off Dinner. It's the **Green Power Alternative Demonstrator**, a portable electrical generation station that demonstrates the solar and wind capabilities of NECA contractors and their IBEW craftsmen. More information and a photo appear in NECA's [Energy Solutions blog](#). Take a look! [See how the NECA-IBEW team in Central Ohio demonstrates green power expertise](#)

Safety

eSafetyLine Topic For April: OSHA Four-Point Workplace Safety Program

Each month, the [special safety site available through NECA's website](#) addresses a specific topic and offers downloadable materials to enable you to provide related [weekly toolbox safety talks](#) * to employees. This month's featured topic is the **OSHA Four-Point Workplace Safety Program**, which focuses on **(1) Management Commitment and Employee Involvement, (2) Worksite Hazard Analysis, (3) Hazard Prevention and Control** and **(4) Training** ~ all elements of safety excellence.

* Four toolbox talks will be available for April. Click on the red numeral for the week (shown on the [eSafety Line calendar page](#)) to download this employee training material.

[Learn about the OSHA Four-Point Workplace Safety Program and teach your employees](#)

Put The New Electrical Contractor Safety Program To Work In Your Firm

With today's OSHA favoring enforcement, our **Electrical Contractor Safety Program** (Index #5001M) manual and CD can be just what you need to attain safety excellence in your organization and avoid trouble with "the enforcers." Your purchase of this new resource includes a [FREE 90-day subscription to the NECA eSafetyLine software](#) (also known as the [NECA Safety Expert System \(Index #5119S\)](#)) so you can customize and update safety programs online. [Order NECA's Electrical Contractor Safety Manual \(Index #5001M\) today!](#)

FUTURE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS.....

October 2-5, 2010	NECA Convention/Boston, MA
October 22-25, 2011	NECA Convention/San Diego, CA
September 30-October 3, 2012	NECA Convention/Las Vegas, NV
October 12-15, 2013	NECA Convention/Washington, DC