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Alaska Chapter News

Upcoming Meetings & Events

The next Board of Directors and Membership meetings will be held Wednesday, **October 2, 2019** and Wednesday, **November 6, 2019**. It is very important to let Michelle know if you will be attending meetings or not as early as possible so that the Chapter may get an accurate head count for catering.

The 2019 NECA Convention and Trade show was held in Las Vegas, September 14-17, 2019. 23 people from the Alaska Chapter attended.

You can view photos from this event on National NECA's Flickr account.



Government Affairs

Top Three 9/27/19: Congress Avoids Government Shutdown for Now

1. Congress Passes Continuing Resolution to Avoid Shutdown

Congress was able to avoid the upcoming fiscal deadline by passing a Continuing Resolution, H.R. 4378, Making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes. This bill allows the government to remain open at FY 2019 levels through midnight on November 21, 2019.

2. Congress Forms Conference Committee for National Defense Authorization Act

The House and Senate have formed an official conference committee for differences between NECA-supported H.R. 2500, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 and S. 1790: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020.

3. Department of Labor Issues New Overtime Rules

Events

10/02/19

Board of Directors / Membership Meeting
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11/06/19

Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

11/11/19

Veteran's Day

11/28/19

Thanksgiving Day

12/07/19

Annual Board of Directors / Membership Meeting (Chapter Office) & Holiday Party (Embassy Suites) in Anchorage

12/25/19

Christmas Day

01/01/20

New Year's Day

The Department of Labor (DOL) issued a final rule modifying the exemptions to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) overtime rules for employees in executive, administrative, professional, and computing positions, which will take effect on January 1, 2020. Key changes to the rule include:

- Raising the “standard salary level” from the currently enforced level of \$455 per week to \$684 per week (equivalent to \$35,568 per year for a full-year worker);
- Raising the total annual compensation requirement for “highly compensated employees” from the currently enforced level of \$100,000 per year to \$107,432 per year;
- Allowing employers to use nondiscretionary bonuses and incentive payments (including commissions) paid at least annually to satisfy up to 10% of the standard salary level, in recognition of evolving pay practices; and
- Revising the special salary levels for workers in U.S. territories and the motion picture industry.

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NECAPAC

If you would like to contribute to NECAPAC for 2019, you can ask the Chapter for a NECAPAC personal or corporate contribution form, pick one up at the Chapter, or click on “Learn More” below to contribute online. They are also available on the chapter’s website

<http://www.alaskaneca.org/neca-links/>

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Meetings & Events

Employee Benefits Conference Registration Opens **Registration for the joint 2020 IBEW-NECA Employee Benefits Conference is now open.**

The conference will again be held at TradeWinds Island Grand Resort in St. Pete Beach, Florida. The Conference itself will begin Tuesday morning, January 28 and continue Wednesday morning, January 29, 2020 ending by noon. Prior to the Conference there will be an ERTS update and a fund administrators meeting in the afternoon on Sunday, January 26 followed by a reception. Workshops will begin on Monday, January 27 addressing several topics, including responsible contracting language and understanding diversification in the market.

The theme of the conference is “Financial Literacy” and its purpose is to provide information and updates for business managers, chapter managers, plan administrators, and fund trustees involved in local Taft-Hartley plans. In addition to the preconference workshops, attendees to the conference will hear from speakers involved in prescription drug coverage, pension issues, health insurance, investment trends, and legal issues.

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Post-Convention Attendees Info:

We value your thoughts on both the educational sessions and the overall experience as we plan for future NECA Conventions.

Your Opinion Matter: Provide Feedback

Please be sure to complete the survey at www.necanet.org/NECA2019

This survey is used to determine programming for next year's Convention and other NECA programs. All feedback, no matter how small, is welcome!

Download Presentations

Convention and Trade Show Education presentations are available on the NECA website and through the NECA Events app. An email to attendees including course streaming information will be sent in the next week.

[Click here to access](#)

NECA 2019 Las Vegas Highlights and Second Call



Education & Training

FREE 2020 NEC Significant Changes Webinar

Tuesday, October 15 – 10:30 am EST

Join NECA on Tuesday, October 15 at 10:30am EST for a webinar that will provide a thorough review of the most significant changes in the 2020 National Electrical Code® (NEC®) from those that know it best.

Learn about new articles and revisions to existing requirements that have an impact on your daily business.

This is a free event, registration is required.

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Safety

eSafetyLine Toolbox Talks

Each month, NECA's safety website addresses a specific topic and offers downloadable materials to enable you to provide related weekly toolbox safety talks to employees. You can also find more great safety resources here <https://esafetyline.net/neca2/>.

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