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Alaska Chapter News

Board of Directors and Membership Meetings

The August meeting was well attended this year by Members, Veteran Members and their spouses. Thank you all for coming out and a special thank you to Tom and Sue Brown who spent a couple days preparing all of the delicious food!

Please note that the November meeting has been changed from Wednesday to **Thursday**, November 13, 2014.

NFPA 70E Courses

There will be two 8 Hour NFPA 70E classes offered in September. One in Anchorage on September 8, 2014 and one in Fairbanks on September 12, 2014. They will be held at the Apprenticeship Schools. Please see attached flyers for information on the class and how to sign up.



Take Action

Opposition Mounts Against EPA's Proposed Clean Power Plan

IBEW International President Ed Hill recently testified against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's proposed Clean Power Plan at a public hearing in Pittsburgh, where he also led a protest rally. His is the latest union to come out against the Plan, joining with the United Mine Workers of America, the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, and the Utility Workers Union of America. The proposal's purported aim is to cut carbon pollution from existing fossil fuel-fired power-generating plants. As Hill states, "America needs an energy plan that balances the environment, the economy and jobs, but the EPA's poorly thought-out rule will do nothing but kill vital jobs and threaten the reliability of the electrical grid." NECA concurs.

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Events

09/01/14

Labor Day

09/08/14

8 Hour NFPA 70E Course in Anchorage (See Attached Flyer)

09/10/14

Board of Directors / Membership Meeting in Anchorage [RSVP](#)

09/12/14

8 Hour NFPA 70E Course in Fairbanks (See Attached Flyer)

09/27/14-9/30/14

2014 NECA Convention & Trade Show / Chicago, IL

10/08/14

Board of Directors / Membership Meeting in Anchorage

11/11/14

Veteran's Day

11/13/14

Board of Directors /



Publications & Resources

LAST CHANCE! Help Us Provide The Financial Information You Need. Deadline: August 26

The NECA Financial Benchmark is a report-generating online tool that can save you hours of effort with its interactive, side-by-side comparisons of your financials versus industry benchmarks — more than 20 key liquidity, profitability, leverage, and efficiency ratios against which to evaluate your company's performance. To guarantee accuracy and timeliness, the benchmarks are derived from an **easy-to-complete online questionnaire** of NECA members, and we need your help *NOW* as we collect data for this year's survey. **All submitted data is held in strictest confidence**, and you will be rewarded for your time. **Reward:** All members who respond by the **August 26 deadline** will receive a *FREE* NECA Financial Benchmark report and will be eligible for *discounted pricing* on future reports.

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ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Magazine to Release Mobile App

An interactive version of the monthly magazine to supplement the existing print and online brand offerings coming in late August.

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Labor Relations

BIG NEWS! NJATC Rebranded as The Electrical Training Alliance

Our industry's National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee is transitioning into The Electrical Training Alliance. This change reflects the fact that the NJATC has become a diverse alliance of IBEW local unions, NECA electrical contractors, industry training partners and manufacturers, community colleges and universities, and public and private school systems. In addition, with the advent of a Core Curriculum training model, new National Guideline Apprenticeship Standards that provide greater latitude to local training centers, and implementation of a Blended Learning model that leverages technology to improve our training outcomes, the time is right for rebranding.

"NECA looks forward to the opportunities this change reflects as we look to increase our collaboration with the Electrical Training Alliance on technology solutions for training as well as the creation of content that spans the industry from the

Membership Meeting in Anchorage

11/27/14

Thanksgiving Day

12/06/14

Annual Board of Directors / Membership Meeting & Holiday Party in Anchorage

12/25/14

Christmas Day

apprenticeship to executive management," says NJATC Co-Chair and NECA District 3 VP David Long (Miller Electric, Jacksonville, FL).

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Meetings & Events

Include Pre-Convention Workshops in Your Plans for NECA 2014 Chicago

We want to remind you of some educational offerings that require your "go" or "no-go" decision before you get there — the Pre-Convention Workshops that will be held on Friday, September 26, and Saturday, September 27, at McCormick Place West. Here are the choices for you and your team to consider:

- OSHA ET&D 10 Hour Train-the-Trainer Course (*2-Day Course*)
- NEC 2014 Changes
- Construction Accounting and Tax Considerations
- How to Create and Assess a Company Safety Program
- Productivity Plus
- Exploring BIM: Potential Opportunities and Challenges
- NFPA 70E Best Practices and Responsibilities

How to plan your itinerary: Just go to www.necaconvention.org/convention/schedule/ and play around with your options. You can also see a full list of NECA Show exhibitors and customize a map of the booths you want to visit. You can invest in the full registration package, join us for a weekend package, or exercise other registration options.

Convention Blog Highlights Must-See Sights in Chicago

You already know that NECA 2014 Chicago is your place to meet and network with your peers, discover thousands of product and service solutions, explore and prepare for new markets, grow your company's business and boost productivity, save time and money on the job, and get more work. Attendees will also have the opportunity to see some of the sights that make Chicago a world-class city. We've highlighted a few of our favorite attractions and historical landmarks in the Convention blog, including Wrigley Field, the Chicago Theatre, the Willis (Sears) Tower, the Water Tower, and the Magnificent Mile. Attendees may also enjoy the Grand City Tour and the Architectural River Cruise.

NECA 2014 Chicago Keynote: Chris Gardner and his Best-Selling Memoir

Six years before founding his own brokerage firm, the subject of "The Pursuit of Happyness" was "fighting, scratching, and crawling my way out of the gutter with a baby on my back"

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NECA Newscast Recaps the 2014 National Legislative Conference

Members take action on pension reform, relief from the Transitional Reinsurance Fee, increased infrastructure investment...and more.

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Join Us on August 28 for a FREE Webinar on Arc Flash Loss

Join NECA and Federated Insurance, a NECA Premier Partner, on **Thursday, August 28**, at 1:00 pm EDT (10:00 am PDT) for an *interactive* overview of what happens inside of an arc flash loss. During the webinar, attendees will be presented with various arc flash scenarios, review damages and injuries, and determine what happened and who is liable. It's *FREE*, but registration is required.

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Demo of NECA Safety Meeting App Now Available

The July 8 webinar on the new NECA Safety Meeting App, including questions & answers, was recorded and is now available.

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eSafetyLine Toolbox Talks

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.

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September 8, 2014 at 8am

2012 NFPA 70E Class from the NJATC

Location

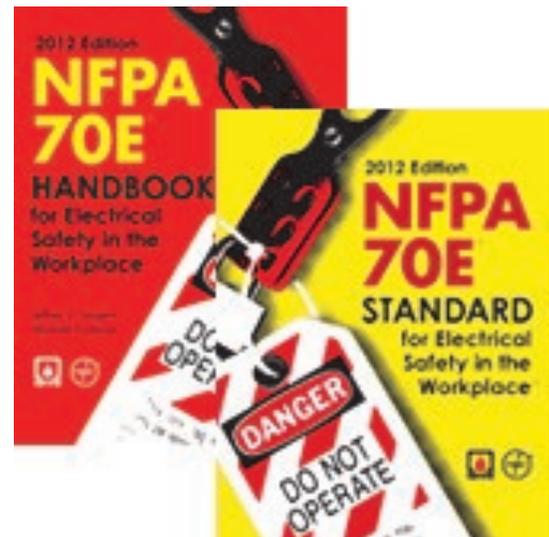
AJEATT
5800 B Street
Anchorage, AK 99518

Contact

Call the Apprenticeship
School at (907) 337-9508
to sign up.

Continuing Education

8 Hours of continuing
education credit will be
available for this class.



ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS

Palmer Hickman, NJATC

Palmer Hickman is the Director of Code & Safety Curriculum and Training for the NJATC. Palmer works to develop and update Apprenticeship and Journeyman Code and Safety curriculum and training aids and Code and Safety training; NFPA 70E (Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace), NFPA 70B (Recommended Practice for Electrical Equipment Maintenance), and NFPA 79 (Electrical Standards for Industrial Machinery). He also serves as an OSHA Construction Standards Master Instructor, OSHA Authorized Construction Outreach Trainer, and OSHA Authorized General Industry Outreach Trainer. Palmer also serves on the NEC Correlating Committee, and NEC Code Panel 1.

Tim Crnco, Cooper Bussmann

Tim Crnco is Manager, Training & Technical Services with Cooper Bussmann. He has been associated with Cooper Bussmann for 22 years focusing on training, the application of overcurrent protective devices, and electrical safety. He is a member of IEEE, NEMA, NFPA and IAEI. He is a committee member of the NFPA 70B, Recommended Practice for Electrical Equipment Maintenance.





There will be an 8 Hour NFPA 70 E course on September 8, 2014

Class will start at 8:00 am and CEU credit will be given by the AJEATT. It is recommended that all inside and outside apprentices should attend this training. Journey workers from all other crafts are encouraged to attend this training as well.

Please contact Melissa @907-337-9508 to sign up

Course will be held at:

AJEATT

Tom Cashen Training Center

5800 B Street

Anchorage, AK 99518





There will be an 8 Hour NFPA 70 E course on September 12, 2014

Class will start at 8:00 am and CEU credit will be given by the AJEATT. It is recommended that all inside and outside apprentices should attend this training. Journey workers from all other crafts are encouraged to attend this training as well.

Please contact Rene' @907-479-4449 to sign up

Course will be held at:
Kornfeind Training Center
4782 Dale Road
Fairbanks, AK 99709

