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Alaska Chapter News

Registration for NECA 2014 Chicago

Registration for NECA 2014 in Chicago opens next **Thursday, May 29th**!



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New NECA ID Cards for 2014

NECA National identification cards for 2014 have been mailed to accredited representatives and individuals affiliated with NECA Member companies in the national database. Cards include the firm's NECA member company ID number and individual ID number. These cards give you access to meetings and events on the National site as well as the NECA store. If you have received a card for an employee or employees that are no longer with your firm, you will need to log onto necanet.org and update your company's employee list. Please let the Chapter know if you need assistance.

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June 18th 2014 Board of Directors and Membership Meeting

The June 18, 2014 Board of Directors and Membership meeting will be in Fairbanks at the Westmark Fairbanks Hotel & Conference Center in the Minto Banquet Room. The Board meeting will be held at 4:30pm and the membership meeting will be held at 5:30pm with dinner served at 6:45pm. If you plan on attending from out of town, you can stay at the hotel at a discounted rate of \$149 for a standard room. The group name is "Alaska Chapter, NECA." You can call the hotel at (800) 544-

Events

- 05/26/14
Memorial Day
- 06/18/14
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting in Fairbanks [RSVP](#)
- 07/04/14
Independence Day
- 07/10/14
NECA Open 7:00 am at Anchorage Golf Course
- 08/13/14
Board of Directors / Membership/Veteran Member/Guest/Spouse Meeting in Anchorage
- 09/01/14
Labor Day
- 09/10/14
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting in Anchorage
- 09/27/14-9/30/14
2014 NECA Convention & Trade Show / Chicago, IL

0970 or by clicking "Learn More" to take you to online booking where you can enter code "NECA061814." Please contact the Chapter if you need assistance.

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Take Action

Multi-Year Transportation Bill Introduced, But...

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), the stop-gap measure that funded surface transportation programs for fiscal years 2013 and 2014, expires September 30, but the Highway Trust Fund is on track to become insolvent before then — as early as July. As a member of the Transportation Construction Coalition, NECA has been encouraging your participation in Hardhats for Highways to send a message to Congress: *"Now is the time to fix the Highway Trust Fund!"*

The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee approved the bipartisan MAP-21 Reauthorization bill on Thursday. If ultimately passed, it would guarantee current funding levels for highway programs, indexed for inflation, through 2020. But, the bill does not address how to pay for this spending. Also, no companion bill has been raised in the House, where leaders have already ruled out any move to raise tolls or taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel to replenish the Highway Trust Fund. Clearly, NECA and NECA members (*especially, those who are involved in highway projects*) still have much advocacy work to do.

FYI: The Transportation Construction Coalition's 2014 "fly-in" takes place at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., **June 10-11**. It's a great opportunity to hear from top federal policymakers and meet with their congressional delegation to discuss pending transportation issues and advocate for an appropriate fix to the Highway Trust Fund. *You're invited and encouraged to attend!*

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Contractors, Congress Connect on Capitol Hill

NECA's National Legislative Conference was a great success, attracting nearly 150 electrical contractors from around the country to Washington, DC last week to meet with their congressional representatives and other policy and political leaders. They took this opportunity to discuss NECA's top legislative issues, which include multiemployer pension reform, the transitional reinsurance program of the Affordable Care Act, infrastructure investment, energy policy, and contracting reform.

10/08/14
**Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting in
Anchorage**

11/11/14
Veteran's Day

11/12/14
**Board of Directors /
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

NECA contractors participated in more than 250 meetings with the lawmakers in their Capitol Hill offices. Feedback was very positive, with members of Congress and their staff promising to work toward resolution. To find out what happened at this year's Legislative Conference, click the following links:

- [NECA's Politics for Breakfast: Charlie Cook Keynote Address](#)
- [Members of Congress Address Conference Attendees in Open Discussion](#)
- [Day 1 of the 2014 Legislative Conference](#)
- [Electrical Contractors Descend on Capitol Hill for NECA Legislative Conference](#)



On The Job

FREE Webinar to Explore Options for AFCI Protection

Join ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR magazine and Leviton on Thursday, **May 22**, to find out what you need to know about arc-fault interrupters (AFCIs) and the National Electrical Code. This *FREE* webinar that starts at 2:00 Eastern will also introduce you to the latest solution to help prevent arc-faults: the AFCI receptacle.

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Webinar: NECA's First Blended Learning Course, Basic Foremanship

NECA's latest education program and first-ever blended learning course, **Basic Foremanship**, launches May 28. To roll-out this exciting new offer, NECA's Director of Education Stephanie Adamec will review the Basic Foremanship program and answer questions about the new blended learning course in an upcoming webinar, scheduled for **May 28, at 2:00 p.m. EDT.**

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Education & Training

Registration Now Open for 25th Annual NTI

The National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee's **National Training Institute** began as a retreat offering instructor training, but now it advances a wide variety of educational and training opportunities to meet the rapidly changing demands of *everyone* in the electrical industry. About 2000 industry participants are drawn to the **University of Michigan** every summer for a week of professional education classes, technical training classes, the Outstanding Apprentice

Graduate Program, and even special programs for electrical contractors. This year's NTI (*July 26-August 1 in Ann Arbor, MI*) offers all that *plus*:

- An **Outside Industry Symposium**, providing an update on safety and OSHA rulemaking, utility training and marketing programs, and more;
- A **Trade Show**, featuring new and upcoming products, tools and techniques from NJATC Training Partners and other industry leaders;
- The **Women in Construction Symposium**, supported by Women In NECA (WIN) and allies, on mentoring, leadership, communications and other motivating topics; and
- **Tours**, the return of the **AJ. Pearson Charity Golf Tournament**, and *still more!*



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Publications & Resources

NECA/EGSA Revise Standard for Installing Generator Sets

This National Electrical Installation Standard (NEIS) describes installation requirements and procedures for generator sets used for on-site power production, including emergency applications and covers the installation of generators used for on-site power production in commercial or institutional buildings, including emergency applications. NECA joined efforts with the Electrical Generating Systems Association, the industry organization representing generator manufacturers, to develop this ANSI-approved publication. Developed jointly with the Electrical Generating Systems Association (EGSA) and is approved as an American National Standard (ANS.)

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Safety

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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