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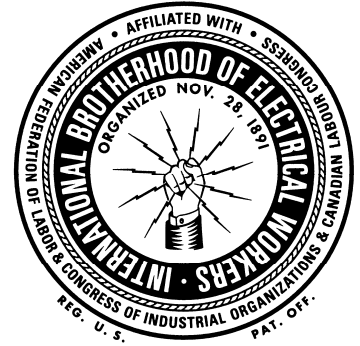
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## News & Information

Bill Hanes, Business Manager



As summer winds down we are moving straight into the fall election. There has never been a clearer choice for Labor in a gubernatorial race.

Governor Culver, via his Executive Order, has started the ball moving for Project Labor Agreements all over Iowa. To date there are in excess of \$400,000,000 worth of construction projects covered under PLA's. We are currently in negotiations with the Board of Regents for the first ever PLA on a Regents project. With the Regents being one of the largest construction users in the state, this is a vital interest to Local 405 and all of Organized Labor. In addition to his Executive Order, under Governor Culver the following issues have been acted on:

1. The Independent Contractor Reform Task Force, in their first six months, identified 116 employers who had misclassified 887 employees.
2. Iowa's Child Labor Law penalties are no longer among the lowest in the Midwest.
3. Legislation has been signed into law that protects the jobs of employees who are called up for deployment as members of the Guard or Reserve.

Have we gotten everything we wanted from the Governor and the Legislature? Not even close. Can we afford to walk away from them?

The following is what the Terry Branstad agenda will look like if he is elected:

Terry Branstad, while speaking to the Iowa Association of Business and Industry's annual convention listed off the bills Organized Labor has been fighting for over the past several years (Fair Share, Prevailing Wage, Doctors Choice) and said "**All of those ideas are dead when I become Governor**". (The Iowa Independent, 6/10/10)

That single statement should be enough to get everyone in this Local involved to help re-elect Governor Culver. Culver means jobs and Branstad means continuous assaults on you and your ability to support your family. Need more? Branstad opposes funded pre-school education and favors increasing the sales tax and creating new value-added taxes. (Sioux City Journal, 4/7/10)

I have asked Mike Olson, Loran Garland, Gene Davis and Erik Barnhill to represent the Local at the Hawkeye Labor Council and as political activists. If they contact you looking for assistance I would hope that every member would be willing to give up a Saturday, an evening or just a couple of hours. They will be working with some Retirees and the State Federation of Labor to get all of us active in this political season. I would like to thank each of them for stepping up and committing their time and efforts to help us re-elect a pro-Labor Governor.

As always, we have Voter Registration forms and Absentee Ballot Requests available here at the Hall.

# August 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Retirees Movie Day 1:30 pm	6	7
8	9	10	11 E-Board Meeting 5:00 pm	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 General Meeting 6:00 pm	19 Retirees Social Club 11:30 am	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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## Delinquent Members

The following members are delinquent in their dues as of *July 1, 2010*: Jesse Bond, Todd Catlett, Chad Ehret, James Goldbeck, Trent Holub, William Jones, and Justin Rundell.

## Electrical Workers Benefit Fund

The following people are drawing EWBF: Walt Loukota. **Third quarter EWBF will be \$10.00 per month or \$30.00 for the quarter. Please make this a second check when paying with your dues.**

## To Members and Staff of Local 405:

The many acts of kindness through prayers, phone calls, visits, food and memorials at the time of Irv's death were amazing. Irv truly loved being an electrician and the special bonding with his brothers.

Our family thanks you for caring.

Kathy Martin, Linda Martin Kappler, and Ric Martin

# ***August EWBF is \$10.00***

## ***The Assistant Business Manager...***

*Rich Good*

The Books are certainly going the wrong direction and we are starting to feel the effects of the recession that has been affecting the rest of the country for the last 2 years. Those affects should be short lived. There is a lot of work coming, but it may be a while before it all gets started. Currently, there are 92 on Book 1, 454 on Book 2, and the Residential and VDV Books are clear. In the last month we have written only 9 referrals.

This year's outage at Duane Arnold will be a small one for electricians. They only plan to hire 11 Electricians total. The first report date for Electricians will be October 4th so calls will probably go in a week ahead of that. We will again do the internet based training at the training center in late September. That seemed to work out well for most of the people on the last outage. The next outage (2012) should be a big one.

## **Retirees Social Club**

The Retirees Social Club met on Thursday, July 15th at 11:30am at the Londoner British Pub and Restaurant. They had 15 in attendance. They will meet again on Thursday, August 19th at 11:30am in the backroom of Bushwoods Sports Bar and Grill, located at 350 Edgewood Road SW. If you would like to attend, please contact Jim Ryan, Retirees Chairman, at (319) 396-7904. The Retirees also met on Thursday, July 8th at the Hall for Retirees' Movie Day, they watched *The Bucket List*. Next month the Hall will be showing *Sherlock Holmes* on Thursday, August 5th at 1:30 pm. If you'd like to come please call the Hall at (319) 396-8241 to sign up. Don't forget your lawn chair.

## **Union Dues**

There are different options now for paying union dues to avoid being late. The first option is to go online to [www.ibew405.org](http://www.ibew405.org) and pay your union dues through the Local's website. When you choose to pay them online, it will take you to the PayPal website but you do not need a PayPal account to pay online. You can use your debit or credit card to make a payment. There is a charge associated with paying your union dues online because the Local is charged when you make the payment. Your E.W.B.F. cannot be paid online.

The second option is to set up Bill Pay through your bank. This service is set up through your bank to send us a paper check at a certain time (you decide when) of the month to send out a certain amount of money. Please don't confuse this with an ACH debiting system. We don't give out routing numbers so the amount can be transferred into the General Fund. If that were so, there would have 600+ payments made to the

General Fund each month with no way of knowing who made the transfer. But if you set it up to do a Bill Pay to send out payment for monthly union dues on the 20th of each month, you will never be in jeopardy of being late. Bill Pay can be used to pay your E.W.B.F. , too, but please make sure that they are on different checks when setting this service up.

Lastly, you can pay your union dues the old fashion way. You can either mail them into Local 405 or stop by our business office. We are located at 1211 Wiley Boulevard, SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404. Our office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

If you have any questions concerning these options, please feel free to give us a call at (319) 396-8241 or (800) 798-8241.

### ***Phone Numbers...***

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Wells Fargo: (319) 286-1832 \* Mercy EAP: (319) 398-6694

**Auxiant: (319) 398-3283**

**Vanessa @ ext 1221** for: Monthly Statements, HRA, Self-Pays, Eligibility, Pension & 401k or to initiate a disbursement

**Karen @ ext 1218** for:  
Medical, Prescription and Vision

**Linda @ ext 1216** for:  
Dental Claims or to Verify Benefits

**Angie @ ext 1227** for:  
COBRA Coverage, Weekly Accident & Sickness Benefits or to report a Claim

## **JATC Training Center News**

Mike Carson, Training Director

Journeyman Classes will be held provided minimum enrollment is met.

**Visit [www.crejatc.org](http://www.crejatc.org) to register for one of these classes.**

### **Generators-Installation and Connections 3 CEU's 25 seats available each class**

This class will cover single & three phase generators as used in residential, commercial and industrial installations. 1 night, 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Tuesday, Sept. 14th or Tuesday, Sept. 21st.

### **Grounding at Separate Buildings or Structures 2 CEU's (Code) 18 seats**

This class will address the appropriate sections of Article 250 of the NEC for grounding and bonding at buildings or structures supplied by a feeder(s) or branch circuit(s). Section 250.32 provides requirements for grounding of electrical systems and equipment at buildings or structures that are supplied from a common service.

Monday, September 13th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

### **Grounding Separately Derived Systems 2 CEU's (Code) 18 seats**

This class will discuss the requirements in the NEC for grounding separately derived systems as provided in Section 250.30. When a separately derived system (such as a transformer or generator) are installed, several considerations and conditions must be met in order to ensure proper grounding and bonding has been achieved in the installation. Monday, September 20th, 6:00-8:00 pm.

### **Instrumentation Calibration & Troubleshooting 18 CEU's (Seating Limited To 9)**

This course will broaden the students' awareness of instrumentation through guided hands-on experience and instructor lead lab exercises. This class will be excellent preparation for individuals planning on taking the EPRI Part B (Hands-On) Examination. After completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- Properly install and mount electronic instrumentation in accordance with industry-accepted standards.
- Correctly install field wiring in accordance with the National Electrical Code and terminate on instrumentation devices.
- Test electronic instrumentation to verify proper operation and calibration tolerances using a variety of test instruments and meters.
- Correctly identify and correct calibration errors in electrical instrumentation devices to ensure proper field operation.
- List the requirements for the standard test equipment and meters.

Mondays & Thursdays, 6:00 to 9:00 pm, September 27-October 14.

### **Motor Circuit Calculations 6 CEU's (Code) 18 seats**

This course will cover the proper sizing of separate overload protective devices, branch-circuit conductors, branch-circuit, short-circuit, and ground-fault protection, sizing of motor feeder conductors, and feeder overcurrent protection for motors; Article 430 of the NEC. Tuesday, and Wednesday, October 5 & 6, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Calculating Fault Currents 5 CEU's 18 seats**

This course will introduce the following:

- Why short-circuit/ground-fault studies are necessary and often required.
- Understand what equipment needs to be taken into consideration.
- Procedures for calculating the available fault current.
- How to complete fault current calculations at a number of points in a sample electrical distribution System.

Monday & Tuesday, 6:00 to 8:30 pm, October 18 & 19.

### **Electrical Safe Work Practices 5 CEU's 18 seats**

Course Outline: This course has been developed to provide workers in the electrical industry a better understanding of the hazards associated with working on or near energized electrical equipment and circuits and the manner and conditions under which such work may be performed. After completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Recognize the hazards of energized electrical work.
- Be aware of the trauma associated with electrical events.
- Understand how the design of electrical systems can help reduce or eliminate electrical hazards.
- Understand the elements of an arc flash hazard analysis.
- Determine the necessary PE by calculation of incident energy or by using the Hazard Risk Category tables and notes found in NFPA 70E.

Monday & Thursday, October 25 & 28, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Transformers-Installation and Theory 8 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will expose students to transformer construction, connections, sizing and theory. Single phase, three phase, buck-boost and banking connections will be performed. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities. Tuesday & Wednesday, September 7-8, 5:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Structured Cabling Terminations 4 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will discuss the proper techniques used to install and terminate category rated cable. It will also address color-coding configurations. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities. Wednesday, September 22nd, 6:00 to 10:00 pm.

### **Motor Controls-Control Diagrams and Symbology 6 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will cover motor control diagrams. Covered items include ladder diagram construction, symbols and functions of devices associated with motor control circuits. Covered wiring will include both two and three wire control. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities.

Wednesday & Thursday, October 6-7, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Motor Controls-Timers and Timing Circuits 3 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will cover basic application and operation of timers. Covered items include the different types of timing functions as well as the symbols and wiring associated with timing circuits. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities. Thursday, October 21st, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Motor Controls-Interlocking Control Circuits 6 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will expose participants to more advanced motor control circuits. Covered items will include the purpose of mechanical, pushbutton and electrical interlocks. Sequencing control circuits and forward/reversing control circuits. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities. Wednesday and Thursday, November 3-4, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Motor Starting Techniques and Applications 3 CEU's 18 seats**

This course will address the various techniques used to reduce system impact of starting large AC motors. The operation of autotransformer starters, primary resistor starters, solid-state controllers, part winding starters and wye-delta starters will be addressed. Wednesday, November 10th, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

### **Variable Frequency Drives-Programming and Control Applications 4 CEU's 12 seats**

This course will address programming; control/power wiring and the theory related to variable frequency drives. Class time will be split between the lab and classroom activities. Wednesday, December 8th, 6:00 to 10:00 pm.

Please take note of the JATC policy regarding non-attendance of JW classes: \*Any person that is register for a training class and is a no-show without an advanced notice to the training center a minimum of 24 hours prior to the scheduled class will be assessed a charge of \$10.00 per hour of scheduled instruction. This policy is necessary in order to provide maximum opportunity for each class to have full enrollment.

# Members in Arrears as of 7/1/10

Stanley Ambrose	Joshua Hendryx	Jonathan Noesen
Mark Angerer	Stephen Hull	Jebediah Novak
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David Baker	Brennan Jacobsen	Justin Panek
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Steven Benish	Todd Kelly	Josh Plett
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Andrew Boston	Mark Kromminga	Gary Sandt
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Daniel Brady	Chris Lang	Travis Schule
Andy Brakshiek	Galen Lantermans	Rick Schulte
Benjamin Britten	Lucas Leaven	John Shaffer
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Thomas Carver	Rich Lindemann	Nolan Smith
Zach Casey	Scott Long	Eric Sojka
Jason Chambers	Keith Long	Darrell Spencer
Scott Clark	Marty McAllister	Marty Standley
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Chad Cronbaugh	Robyn McCauley	Eric Steffen
Matthew Curtis	John McCrane	Roger Steichen
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Donald Gardner	Steven Morrow	Donald Walterhouse
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