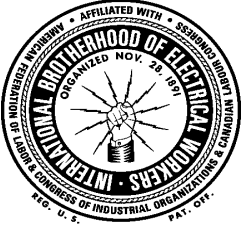


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A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

WORK PICTURE

At this time we have 53 on Book I and 104 on book II. Calls have been steady for Oregon, but slow for Washington. We expect that to continue, as the data centers are seeing some changes. EC Company got PDX-54 at Umatilla and they should start hiring by the time this newsletter comes out. We are still waiting to see who gets the next pods at PDX-52. There have been some layoffs at PDX-52 for Dyna, and it may continue. The Boise Cascade mill in Elgin OR. will need about 15 for their outage in early September and will probably hire the last week of August for that. They will be working at least 7-10's or more and it should last until about September 16th. The Carty project has about 90 on site. They are pulling wire on both shifts and expect to hire for startup and commissioning soon.

As for Washington, things remain slow with a few more schools starting in the Tri-Cities. Knobel's has called for a few in Yakima, but not much else is going on up there. Some good news is that we were successful in getting Kittitas County wages prevailed at our CBA rate again. Since 2001, the prevailed rate there has been \$26.82 and that is total package, including benefits. The new rate, effective September 1, 2015, will be \$57.50 per hour. We have notified all contractors of this change and many have shown a lot of interest in bidding work there again. The main thing is to secure some jobs at the college in Ellensburg, because the survey only counts in the largest city in the county, which is Ellensburg. Should we prevail there over the next few years, then it will remain at our rate for quite a while. It's been a long time coming. We expect that the pulp mill in Starbuck will start this fall. It has been pretty quiet and no new info is out on it. That should take about 15 people for about 12-15 months. One other thing we are in need of is Journeyman Wireman Welders. If anyone is interested in taking a welding course, we have provisions for re-imburement of supplies and tuition. Please check at the training center or union hall. We will have more information for upcoming work at the unit meetings.

ORGANIZING ACTION PLAN

We are in the process of our annual update to our Organizing Action Plan. We are required to do this every summer, or as needed on a regular basis. One aspect of this plan is to get the membership involved with helping the Membership Development Committee (MDC) reach out and contact the future members of the Local. They may be your neighbor, or you may even sit next to them at a sporting or social event. We need to increase membership numbers and our market share, which in turn will increase our wages and benefit package, along with jobsite conditions. Until we get the whole membership involved in this effort, we will be stagnant. We need help with the annual blitz's and also door knocking sessions. It is easy to do and only takes a few hours of your time. We have gift cards for those who volunteer to help out on these blitz's. This is to offset some of the wages lost since they are usually held during the week. We will be holding more MDC meetings this fall, and hope to have an industry night to invite the unrepresented into our ranks.

APPRENTICE GRADUATION

This year saw another great class of apprentices graduate on July 10th. We now have 12 new Journeymen as members of Local 112. When you see them on the jobsite, or at a union function, please reach out and congratulate them for a job well done. They are Matt Bender, Andrew Clement, Jared Feaster, Jeremy Hawkins, Timothy Kreger, David Kurth, Sean Michel, Cira Overson, Mark Poland, Joshua Ross, Mathew Santoy, and David Taylor. We are very proud of you and wish you the very best. We look forward to seeing you at the next union meeting.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

We are in the process of revitalizing our Safety Committee which has been in abeyance for some time. Ed Manthei has agreed to be the Chairman, and we look forward to having this all important committee back in full swing. We expect to have quarterly meetings, but if needed, we can make that into a monthly meeting. Ed was on our last committee as an employer representative and he will be a big asset to us. He is going to attend the IBEW Safety Conference in Texas in September and should have some good information to bring back with him. Thanks Ed for giving up your time for a very important cause.

We have also put together a short safety class to give the new apprentices before they go out to a jobsite. Sometimes they start work before they go to their first week of school, and this will help them be safer on the job until they get the formal training in class. We have seen an increase in injuries for our apprentices, and while that has improved, we want them to be ready to report to work and be safe. They need to go home in the same condition they went to work in. The cost of injuries is something you don't think about until it happens. With a serious injury, you lose wages, benefits and a steady paycheck, not to mention the cost of the medical care and the strain it puts on your family. It also affects our contractors because they get a higher accident rating and that keeps them from easily bidding and competing with other contractors. So keep these things in mind as you go about your day. It only takes a few seconds to get hurt and lose all that you have worked for. So please be safe.

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

We are in the third and last year of our Inside Agreement and will be negotiating a new contract next year. This is a good time to start thinking of any items that you would like to ask for. While wages and benefits are an important part of the contract, it is not the only thing that we need to consider. Other items for negotiations are language changes, or jobsite conditions. If you have any ideas for the Negotiating committee, please write them down and submit them to the Local Union office.

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Tri-Cities	September 3rd	7:30 p.m.
Hermiston	September 10th	7:30 p.m.
Yakima **	September 8th	** 7:30 p.m.
Executive Board	September 25th	5:30 p.m.

Please note that the Yakima meeting date has been change for this month due to scheduling conflicts.

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JOURNEYMAN TRAINING

ELECTRICAL TRAINING CENTER

2014 NEC Code Update II—8 hrs. Sept 15th & 17th 6:30 pm
 Oregon Rule & Laws—4 hrs. September 19th—8:00 am
 Transformers—4 hrs. September 19th—1:00 pm

Call 509-783-0589 or e-mail classes@jatec112.org to register

JOURNEYMAN—Online quick check for your CEU's—Washington & Oregon license holders—Go to www.jatec112.org and go to LINKS on the right hand side to WA & OR License Look Up. Then hit Search by Name !

Dennis Williamson, Training Director

“Thank You”

For Attending Your Union Meeting in August

TRI-CITY

Pete Marsh
 David P. Davis
 Greg Jacobson
 Joe Legard
 Karla Walton
 Rachel Frank
 Kat Stressle
 Bob Legard
 Travis Sellers
 Davis S. Davis
 Greg McMurphy
 Caleb Kauer
 Tim Murray
 Dylan Morrell

Aaron Weiss
 Teresa Sawyer
 David Myles
 Patrick A. Smith
 Robert Morfin
 Jason Guin
 Loren Smith
 Dennis William-
 son
 Todd Stiens
 Justin Cassidy
 Jarod Taylor
 Keith Cowan
 Levi Currans
 Leon Rail

HERMISTON

Pete Marsh
 David P. Davis
 Travis Sellers
 Don Snider
 Dan McConkey
 Joe Vandecar
 Tim Meyers
 Doug McCauley
 John Hasher
 Robert Ritzer
 Jeffrey Carrick

YAKIMA

Pete Marsh
 Paul Carney
 Travis Sellers
 Dave Rink
 JC Krueger
 Tim Robel
 Neil Knight
 Scott Dzurik
 Ben Griswold

**IEEW HEALTH & WELFARE
 COALITION HEALTH FAIR**

Saturday, September 26th

8:00 a.m.—12:00 Noon

Red Lion Hotel— 2525 N. 20th Ave., Pasco

Testing includes a comprehensive blood test that screens kidney function, liver enzymes, electrolyte imbalance, diabetes and more. In order to obtain valid results, it is recommended that you fast for 12 hours before testing, which means no food or drink except for water. Diabetics should NOT fast. In all cases, prescription medication should be taken. Testing also includes a thyroid screen, prostate disease screen and a vitamin D test. Flu shots will be available.

Due to demand, pre-registration is required and opens on August 19th and closes on September 14th. Go to www.coalitionhealthfair.org to register. These tests are 100% paid by your insurance and is available to adults over age 18.

Be good to yourself and your family !

PIN PRESENTATION

Invite Letters Have Been Mailed

Letters have been mailed to this year's pin recipients who have 25 years or more of membership to a pin presentation and banquet to be held on Saturday, September 26th at the Richland Red Lion. The Local holds a pin presentation every three years and if you feel you should be receiving a pin this year, please contact the hall so we can check it out. We don't want to miss anyone !



**THANKS TO OUR MEMBERS
 WHO HELP OUT AT THE
 COUNTY FAIRS !**

With the summer season comes the county fairs and each year we have members who volunteer to help out in the labor booths at the Umatilla and Benton – Franklin Fairs. Thanks to the following members who volunteered their time at this year's Umatilla fair: Bob Vandecar, Julian Blashka, Dave Davis, Rich Carter, Bob Ritzer, Marty Brown, Joe Vandecar, Travis Swayze, Dan McConkey and Pat Flanagan. The Benton & Franklin Fair booth was manned by Dylan Morrell, Valentin Roman, Josh Massey, Dave Glessner, Dave Myles, Teresa Sawyer, Kyle Burnstad, Drew Clement, Rylan Grimes and Garry Cummings.

**Call the hall if you want to
 help out on our next**

BLITZ

September 22nd—24th

4th ANNUAL



**PICNIC
 Monday, September 7, 2015**

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Free lunch served from

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

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