

LOCAL 197 NEWS

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June 2005

June Union Meeting

At the June Union Meeting on the 22nd, we will need to address contract proposals for the McLean County Electrical Contractors' Agreement. This contract runs through October 31, 2005. Bring your ideas for discussion. As you remember, this contract is up in 2005 and the NECA contract is up in 2006.

As reported at the May meeting, new referral rules are to be put in place. However, we are waiting clarification and answers on those questions which were raised.

Items to be implemented in the McLean County contract are a drug policy, language concerning discharge for cause two times in twelve months, and Labor-Management Cooperation Committee language. These items are Category I language. Therefore, they will be inserted.

We have a number of new and critical issues to deal with in the upcoming months.

Remember to VOTE

(You must be current with dues to vote.)

Local 197 Election is this Saturday, June 11th.

Polls will be open from 6 a.m. – 11 a.m.

**Vote at the hall located at: 2407 Beich Road
Bloomington, IL**

This is not an Official Ballot.

*Denotes incumbent

Business Manager/Financial Secretary & Delegate to the Convention

*Jerry W. Dehart
Zeke Paire
Lance Reece

President

Ernest Gordon Jr.
*Richard L. Veitengruber

Vice-President

Rob Strasser
Bernie Uszcienski

Recording Secretary

*Frank Kuhns

Treasurer

Stephanie Ashenbremer
Terri Spencer

Executive Board (Seven to be elected)

Dave Ashenbremer	*Larry Mathis
Keith Ashenbremer	*James Miller
Brian Graves	Greg Potter
Laurie Garrett	*Ken McLean
Mark Schweitzer	William Swindle

ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO THE CONVENTION (Vote for only 1)

Dave Ashenbremer
Renee Riddle
Richard L. Veitengruber

*Denotes incumbent

GOLF OUTING – JULY 30TH

This year's golf outing will be on Saturday, July 30th at Fairlakes Golf Course in Secor. There is a sign up sheet at the hall. Cost is still \$50 per man which includes fees, cart, and dinner . \$200 per team.

Please call (827-4868) or come in to add your team to the list.

IBEW SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

August 13 & 14th

Mark your calendars for the Champaign softball tournament. Anyone interested in playing on the team or reserving rooms should contact – Steve Rousey at 530-8029 or call our union hall (827-4868)

BNJATC NEWS

Anyone interested in being an instructor or a substitute for the 2005-06 school year, please send a letter to the committee by June 13th.

The apprentice project competition was won by the Tele-Data class, 2nd place was the 4th year Commercial class.

John Weber presented our BNJATC with the John Moss Memorial Scholarship plaque on behalf of NECA last month. It is displayed in the lobby by the entrance to the training offices. The winners for 2005 were Luther Butler and Ryan Burt.

RED CROSS BLOODDRIVE

The building trades summer blooddrive will be Saturday, August 20th at the Laborers' Hall.

Please call the hall to set up an appointment.
We always need donors!

Useful Websites for IBEW Members

BNJATC – www.bnjatc.org

(school calendar & apprentice news)

H & W Website – www.neca-ibew.org

Spectera (vision benefits) = www.spectera.com

IBEW website- www.ibew.org

New Members to be sworn in at the June meeting will be –

Chris Carlson – inside apprentice

Brian Simmons – inside apprentice