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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

*All meetings are at the
 Electrical Industry Building*

- 04/20 Board Meeting
- 04/20 Membership
- 04/26 LMCC Meeting

MANPOWER AVAILABILITY

Prior Weeks Ending	3/31	4/7
Inside Referrals	60	334
Inside Wireman	102	10
Residential Referrals	0	1
Residential Wireman	0	0
VDV Referrals	2	0
VDV Technicians	7	8
Book 2	9	151
CW-1 Calls	0	0
CW-1 Book	4	4
CW-2 Calls	0	1
CW-2 Book	1	2
CW-3 Calls	0	1
CW-3 Book	2	2
CW-4 Calls	0	0
CW-4 Book	1	1
CE-1 Calls	0	0
CE-1 Book	1	1
CE-2 Calls	0	0
CE-2 Book	0	0
CE-3 Calls	0	0
CE-3 Book	2	3
Inside Apprentices	0	00
Ins. Appr. Referrals	0	11
JATC Ins. Conr Calls	22	13
Res. Trainees	0	0
Res. Trainee Referrals	1	2
JATC Residential Calls	6	3
VDV Trainees	0	0
VDV Trainee Referrals	0	1
JATC VDV Calls	2	1

Negotiations Update

Residential—The Chapter and Local 8 have reached a tentative agreement for a new residential agreement. The Chapter and Local 8 will both hold ratification meetings on April 19, 2017 at 5:00 pm. Our meeting will be in the Electrical Industry Building. Please call Lisa Stichler if you plan to attend so we know how many will be in attendance.

VDV—The Chapter and Local 8 have had four negotiations meetings regarding the current VDV agreement which expires on April 23, 2017. We have another negotiation meeting scheduled on April 18 to try to reach a local agreement. Paperwork has been requested to file for Council on Industrial Relations (CIR) should we not be able to reach a settlement. CIR is scheduled to hear cases May 8-11, 2017. We will give an update on this at the membership meeting this month.

2017 Associate Trade Show

The Associate Trade Show is approaching and will be here before you know it! The Trade Show is scheduled on May 18, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the downstairs banquet hall of the Electrical Industry Building. The show will be set up in the standard format to allow Associate members participating to have room to custom design their booths. The event will center around the theme of the 2017 NECA Convention in Seattle, Washington.

The Chapter is working on mailers and the invitee list. Any suggestions are welcomed. Please find attached the form requesting who you would like invitations sent to. Return this form to the Chapter office (lisa@necaohmi.org or fax to 419-666-6080) as soon as possible so invitations may be mailed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Chapter office.

BIG Changes at the City of Toledo Division of Building Inspections

On April 5, 2017, the Electrical Board of Controls held a meeting for the City of Toledo. Julian Highsmith, the commissioner for the Division of Building inspectors reviewed several major issues and changes:

- Dave Golis and the plans examiner have taken position in the Lucas County inspections department.
- Toledo hired a staffing agency that assigned Tom Hall to fill the position held by Dave Golis until a permanent replacement is found.
- Toledo also hired a staffing agency that has multiple qualified plan examiners to use until the city is able to hire two plan examiners.
- Journeyman licensing renewal has been extended until May 1, 2017. There are 1,000 licensed journeymen who have yet to renew this year. We ask all contractors to check that their journeymen have renewed licenses.
- Julian Highsmith also asked for patience as they go through this transition. He believes plan review will actually be quicker. If there are any major issues, he has provided his personal contact information and has pledged to assist when needed. Mr. Highsmith has assured us the department is open for business despite staffing departures.

If you have any questions or issues, please contact Todd Michaelsen at the Chapter office.

\$\$\$ ADVERTISING MARKETING STIPEND **INCREASE \$\$\$**

The LMCC has **INCREASED** the marketing stipend to **\$1,500.00** for reimbursement of up to half the expenses for advertising for signatory contractors. The previous amount was up to \$1,250.00 per contractor. If the contractor pays less than \$3,000.00, the contractor will only be reimbursed half the cost of the expense. This may be used for any signatory company's advertising such as yellow pages, newspaper ads, magazine ads, development of company flyers to direct mail or delivery, development of company website or other means of direct marketing within our region.

Contact the Chapter with questions.

Annual PAC Golf Outing JUNE 23, 2017

The 8th Annual NECA OH/MI Chapter PAC Golf Outing is on **June 23** at Brandywine Country Club! Join us for golf, food and beverages while raising money for the NECA OH/MI Chapter PAC Fund.

Mark your calendars. More info to follow

27th Annual May 10, 2017 NW Ohio Safety & Health Day safetyandhealthday.com

The event is held at Owens Community College. Registration is onsite beginning at 7:30 am in the main entrance of the Audio/Visual Classroom. It is **free** to all participants and you can attend as many or as few as sessions as you like. Lunch will be available for purchase from 12:00-1:30pm.

Each year there is a keynote speaker that will discuss various forms of safety awareness; concentrating on safety strategies to prevent accidents and injuries while at work. Additionally, sponsor and vendor booth displays will be available throughout the day allowing for multiple spotlights of new and hot items of interest for attendees to see and touch. Check out the website for details.