



LOCAL NEWS

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UNION MEETING
THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 3, 2016 AT 7:00

Jerry's Pizza will be served at 5:30.



Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family

RESIGNATION ON EXECUTIVE BOARD

Manuel Zertuche has resigned from the Executive Board. If you are interested in filling this position, please call the Hall.

The Executive Board will make a decision at the November meeting.

WORK PICTURE

The local work picture has been picking up every month for the past three with another four men going up to work for Van Ert in Boyden, Iowa at the feed mill. We also filled a one man call for Mayer Electric for a project they are doing in Emmetsburg, Iowa by going into Book 2. Metro Electric added two more men and Trinity added one. Trinity has also put in for two more men and I am in the process of filling that call now.

Work is still very busy nationwide and we have men who have chosen to work in Washington State, California, Hawaii, Des Moines and Omaha. There are open calls throughout many locals and many opportunities keep presenting themselves both locally and throughout the United States.

If there are specific locals you are interested in, please give me a call at the Hall.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

NOVEMBER

WHAT: Wiring Methods Calculations

WHEN: November 9 & 16, 2016

TIME: 5:00-9:00 PM Each Day

WHERE: WITCC-Gaylord Smith Building, Rm C141
30 Participants Maximum

CREDITS: 8 Hours Code towards renewal of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota Electrical Licenses

WHAT TO BRING: 2014 NEC Required

DECEMBER

WHAT: NEC Grounding & Bonding

WHEN: December 6 & 13, 2016

TIME: 5:00-9:00 PM Each Day

WHERE: WITCC-Gaylord Smith Bldg., Rm C141
30 Participants Maximum

CREDITS: 8 Hours Code towards renewal of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota Electrical Licenses

WHAT TO BRING: 2014 NEC Required

This year Nebraska and Iowa will be renewing the state licenses. You are required to have 12 hours of CEU for Nebraska and 18 hours of CEU for Iowa.

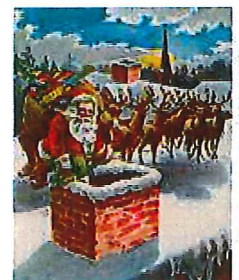
Contact the Sioux City JATC to Sign-up.

Call: 712-274-6474 or

Email: Richard.moon@witcc.edu

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY SET

Children's Christmas Party has been scheduled for Saturday, December 10th at the Union Hall at 1:00PM. We had many volunteers offer to lead the efforts for this cause and I would like to thank Team DiBerardino, Team Anderson, Team Walters and Kendra O'Dell all for saying yes! This event is open to both children and grandchildren 12 years of age or younger. Please call the Union Hall, 712-255-8138, with names and ages of the children to attend. This will ensure us that Santa has the appropriate gifts in his sleigh when the reindeer land on the roof.



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NE AND IA LICENSE RENEWALS

Nebraska and Iowa renewals for licenses have been sent out. If you have not received yours, please call the Hall and we will send a renewal form to you. If you don't have all of your continuing educations, please call JATC and sign up for one of their classes in November or December.

VDV NEGOTIATIONS

VDV negotiations have continued and have reached an impasse. Local 231 is a part of a statewide agreement and has an Interim meeting set for the morning of November 10th in Des Moines. A ratification vote is requested later that day at the Union Hall in Sioux City at 5:00PM to vote on acceptance or CIR direction. This meeting is open to all those members working under the VDV contract and they are strongly encour-

PUMPKIN PATCH

This year's pumpkin patch was a huge success. We expanded on last year by adding a petting zoo, an animal adoption and a photo booth. Dean Bradham, UA Local 33 deserves a big thank you. This year was open to the public and had an estimated 350 people in attendance. We even had help from Boy Scout Troop 700 (Building Trades voted to pay for a pizza party for their help). You can see a Power-Point/Video on our website and Facebook. Hope to see you next year at this event.



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CHRISTMAS PARADE/TREE

Local 231 has once again voted to partner with the Downtown Partners group and sponsor this year's Christmas parade. We are looking for volunteers to help decorate the tree November 10th at 9:00AM. Please call Craig at the Hall to let him know if you can help.

The parade is going to start at 6:00PM November 21st and we will need as many members and their families to volunteer to walk the parade route to pass out candy. We will also be building a float this year and would like to thank Brother Dick "Rueben" Hinrichsen for stepping forward again this year and Nystrom Electric for allowing the float to be built at their shop. We need volunteers to help with this as well. At the time of this writing, we do not have a date scheduled for float decorating, but usually it's sometime the week before the parade. Retired Brother Galen Modlin will once again be providing the flatbed and has volunteered to pull it in the parade. There are many who give unselfishly to this cause every year and deserved to be thanked. Thank you to Brothers Craig Levine, Dick Hinrichsen, Jerry Grimsley, Galen Modlin and Nystrom Electric as well as to those Brothers who are planning on contributing again this year to this event. It takes a lot to make this happen and every year the Local 231 membership steps up. Thank you!



FREE T-SHIRTS

A motion was made and passed at a past Union meeting to give every member in good standing a free Centennial T-shirt. We will place this order December 1st. The motion was amended to also include our retired members as to not leave out the heroes who paved the way!

Please fill out this coupon with your name, size and address and return to the Hall by November 30th. If you want this mailed to you, please send our office a check for \$6.00 to cover postage and handling.

Name _____

Address _____

Circle Size - Medium Large X Large 2X Large 3X Large 4X Large

ORGANIZER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This was a good month.

The first part of the month I attended the Organizer Roundtable's top down contractors work shop. This was an all trade event, but was about 70% IBEW. This was by far one of the best workshops I have been to. Some good strategies discussed and ways to explain to the contractors why we are the best selection out there.

I made it through Union and Clay counties in South Dakota. Work picture is good in this area. I was able to see a good size Proefrock Electric project going on in Vermillion and I stopped and visited with Electric Supply, out of Sioux Falls, on the Vermillion Hospital job they have going on.

We partnered with Building and Trades to host a cookout for Seaboard Triumph Foods. When we first approached them about having a cookout, they were very helpful. The workday before we were informed that a contractor said we would be "too disruptive" to have on site. We set up across the street and served about 125 workers from all the trades and contractors. It was a huge success and great example of how working together makes all our trades stronger.

This month I am going to do both jobsite visits and top down in the Milford and Okoboji area. This area and a good amount of industries are in this area of Iowa. I am coordinating this the pipefitters. Another example of how working together makes us all stronger.

Fraternally,

Craig Levine

Membership Development Director

2016 WALL OF FAME

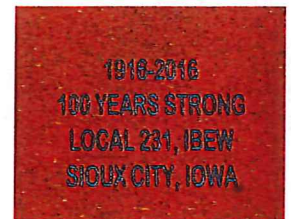
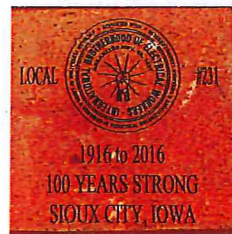
Hall of Fame Nominations are being accepted now and we will be voting on these past heroes at the December Union Meeting. Be sure to send in your nominees.

NEW T-SHIRTS/HATS ARE IN

New t-shirts and hats are in at the Hall and can be purchased Monday through Friday. If you are interested in wearing some of today's most trending clothing, you better not wait too long on picking some of these up! Once the word is out, these babies will be flying off the shelves!

LOCAL 231 BRICKS FROM HENRY MILLER MUSEUM

While at the Convention in St. Louis, MO, Craig Levine stopped at the new Henry Miller Museum and took pictures of the two brick Local 231 purchased. If you get a chance to see the museum, don't miss our bricks!



MEMBERS WITH DELINQUENT UNION DUES

These members are behind for Sep., Oct. & Nov.: **Alan Bermudez, Lucas Fields, Tyler Gill, Corey Hodge, Kyle Lamprecht, Anthony Lane, Brock Linafelter, Jeremey Malenosky, Jessep Marshall, David May, Dallas Mitchell, Chad Muecke, Josh Myers, Mark Oberg, Tim Paul, Troy Pojar, Leathen Richards, Dustin Scott and John Swanberg.** If payment is received before November 30th the \$30.00 reinstatement fee will be dropped.

These members are behind for Aug., Sep., Oct. & Nov.: **Jonathan Cornish, Zackery Hansen, David Hobbs, Austin Walrod and Shawn Winter.** You now owe the \$30.00 reinstatement fee.

These members are behind for Jul., Aug., Sep., Oct. & Nov.: **Joe Ensminger, James Moravek and Ben Polak.** You now owe the \$30.00 reinstatement fee.

This member is behind for Jun., Jul., Aug., Sep., Oct. & Nov.: **Aaron Sokolowski.** You now owe the \$30.00 reinstatement fee.



Northwest Iowa Building Trades at Seaboard cook out.



Thanks to Troop 700 for help at Pumpkin Patch. Left to right; Craig Kelly, Craig Levine, Chris Zeutenhorst, Dalton Zeutenhorst, Ethan Zeutenhorst, Joleen Zeutenhorst and Dylan Levine.



Fun at the Pumpkin Patch!!



Three retirees and J/W stopped by the Hall in October. Left to right: Marvin Russell, Teunis "Tony" Van Voorst, Terry Bernhardt and Tony Vaul.