

WATTS UP

YOUR connection to the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association

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HIGHLIGHTS

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- 2025 NECA Legislative Conference
- 2025 NECA Safety Award Winners
- 2025 Gerald Schulz Scholarship Winner
- NECA WI Summer Meeting Opens late May 2025
- NECA National Annual Meeting Opens -May 21, 2025
- WI NECA Project Management
- NECA Project Excellence Award Application

2025 NECA National Safety Award Winners

Shea Electric & Communications LLC

Recognition of Achievement of Zero Injury Small Contractor Safety Excellence

Van Ert Electric Company Inc

Recognition of Achievement of Zero Injury

SAVE THE DATE

Summer Meeting - July 25-27, 2025 - Lake Geneva, WI

National Convention & Trade Show -September 12-15, 2025 - Chicago, IL Winter Meeting - January 23-24, 2026 -

Wisconsin Dells, WI

NECA Hits the Hill

The NECA Legislative Conference was held April 28-30, 2025, in Washington DC. Jim Eland and Tony Arnone were in attendance.

High level priorities this year for the "NECA Asks":

- Pass Key Tax Legislation to Support Small Businesses.
- Enact Policies for Energy Independence.
- Support Legislation to Invest in our Nation's Infrastructure. Read about the legislative priorities <u>HERE.</u>





NECA National Convention & Trade Show

McCormick Place
West Convention Center
REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 21, 2025

#1 EVENT FOR POWER, LIGHT
AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

learn more

Chapter Dinner September 13, 2025

virtual tour

National Events

NECA Safety Professionals Conference

Des Moines, IA - May 19-21, 2025

Register Here

NECA NextGen Fly-In

Washington, DC - July 21-22, 2025

Register Here

National Training Institute (NTI)

Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti, MI - July 26-August 1, 2025
Info Here

2026 MEP Innovation Conference

Austin, TX - January 26-28, 2026 Info Here

Chapter Events

IBEW 14/Indianhead Division NECA Job Fair

May 15, 2025 - 3-7 PM

Indianhead Division - NECA Contractor Recruitment

June 26, 2025

Baseball Game La Crosse Loggers vs.

Eau Claire Express

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National Educational Opportunities

CALS - CEO Advanced Leadership SeminarDuke University, Duraham, NC - June 8-13, 2025

<u>Register Here</u>

E2E Summit powered by NECA Indianapolis, IN - June 16-18, 2025 **Register Here**

Innovative Institute
Milwaukee, WI - August 7-8, 2025
Register Here

Project Management Apprenticeship Rolling enrollment cohorts

Local Educational Opportunities

Al Webinar Series:

Speaker: John Boner

- May 27 Intro to AI (ELECTRI)
- June 3 Smarter Prompts & Personal Productivity (ELECTRI)
- June 10 The Future of Al for Contractors Sent to all members via Outlook.

Dr. Hanna Seminars:

- June 17 Evaluating High-Performing Electrical Contractors: Key Metrics and Success Habits
- June 18 Managing, Quantifying and Presenting Electrical Delay Claims





Networking General Session

Education Training

Banquet

Live Entertainment

Family Activities

July 25-27, 2025

Register (19)

opens late May 2025



Crash Course: What AI Really **Means for Electrical Contractors** and so much more!

Course Catalog

NECA has a vast library of ondemand online learning including Continuing Education Credits (CECs). courses.necanet.org

Webinars

Lithium-Ion Batteries Electric Vehicles (EVs) Thursday, May 15, 2025 | 1:00 PM CST Info

NECA Future Leaders Webinar: Communicating in a Hybrid/Remote Workspace

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 | 1 - 2:00PM ET Info

Online Education

Virtual Classroom

Info

Project Managers Impact on Financial Outcomes Wednesday, May 7, 2025 | 12-3:00 PM ET

Basic Estimating of Electrical Construction

Monday-Thursday, June 16-26, 2025 10:00 AM -12:00 PM ET Info

Advanced Estimating Strategies

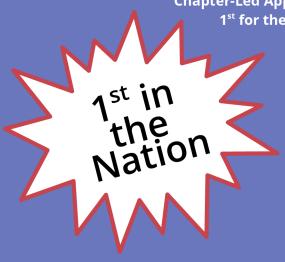
Monday-Thursday, June 16-19, 2025 12:30-3:30 PM ET Info

Transform Your Organization for the Future Wednesday, June 18, 2025 | 12-3:00 PM ET Info

Wisconsin NECA Project Management

Chapter-Led Apprenticeship with ELECTRI International

1st for the Nation, Lead by NECA Wisconsin



Why This Program?

- **Solve your project management talent gap** with proven, on-the-job training.
- **95% apprentice retention rate** graduates stay and grow with your company.
- **Minimal administrative burden** we manage the training and the reporting for you.
- **ELECTRI-supported, NECA-aligned** built specifically for NECA contractors.

Benefits to Your Business

- Stronger leadership, better communication, and fewer project errors.
- Lower hiring costs and faster ramp-up compared to external hires
- Simple compliance tracking and cocumentation handled by our team.

Who It's For

- Contractors ready to grow or promote from within.
- Employers seeking consistent, high-quality project execution.
- NECA members with 1 or more candidates ready to develop their project management skills.

How It Works?

- You identify a new or existing team member with potential.
- We onboard, train, and support your apprentice through a structured 12-month program.
- Your apprentice applies learning immediately to realworld projects on your jobsites.
- You receive monthly progress reports and ongoing coaching support to ensure success.

Getting Started

Pilot Cohort Launch: July 2025

Enrollment Deadline: May 30, 2025

Register with Kristin Knight-Altieri, Account Director,

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NECA PAC

Wisconsin Chapter Annual Goal: \$14,100.00

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