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WATTS UP

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

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HIGHLIGHTS

In this issue:

- 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 [HERE](#).

WI & Milwaukee Chapters' Delegation





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 Seminar
Duke University, Durham, NC - June 8-13, 2025
[Register Here](#)

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

AI Webinar Series:

Speaker: John Boner

- May 27 – Intro to AI (ELECTRI)
 - June 3 – Smarter Prompts & Personal Productivity (ELECTRI)
 - June 10 – The Future of AI 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

Dr. Hannah





Summer Meeting

Grand Geneva - Lake Geneva, WI

July 25-27, 2025

Register



opens late May 2025

- ✓ Networking
- ✓ General Session
- ✓ Education Training
- ✓ Banquet
- ✓ Live Entertainment
- ✓ Family Activities

2025



Summer Meeting Educational Topic

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

Course Catalog

NECA has a vast library of on-demand 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

Project Managers Impact on Financial Outcomes

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 | 12-3:00 PM ET

[Info](#)

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

1st in
the
Nation

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 documentation 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 real-world 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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Gerald Schulz 2025 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Congrats to Shelby for winning \$5000 towards furthering her education

SHELBY KRAUS

UW-Platteville
Construction Management
& Construction Safety



WEEBF
Health Benefits

WEEBF



NECA PAC
Wisconsin Chapter
Annual Goal: \$14,100.00

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Legislative



NECA Innovation
Overload

NECA Podcasts

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