

WATTS UP

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

Issue: June 12, 2025



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HIGHLIGHTS

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NEW AFFILIATE MEMBER

We would like to welcome BuildOps as a new affiliate member to the Wisconsin Chapter. BuildOps is a national online software company helps commercial contractors with customer relationship management (CRM), dispatching their fleet, invoicing, payments, reporting, scheduling, and time tracking. It was built by contractors for contractors. Learn more here.



Apply For the 2025 NECA Project Excellence Awards

To showcase the exceptional work performed by our member-contractors throughout the country, the National Electrical Contractors Association created the Project Excellence Awards to recognize companies for their outstanding commitment, professionalism and ingenuity in delivering an electrical project across 13 different market sectors.

NECA will accept submissions for the 2025 Project Excellence Award until July 3, 2025.



Details can be found HERE.

Wisconsin NECA Project Management Apprenticeship

Chapter-Led Apprenticeship with American Apprentices Work (AAW) & ELECTRICI International
Lead by NECA Wisconsin

1st in the Nation

Benefits to Your

- 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.

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.

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 12month program.
- Your apprentice applies learning immediately to realworld projects on your jobsites.
- You receive monthly progress reports and ongoing coaching support to ensure success.

Info Meeting June 25th 12:00 - 12:30 PM

REGISTER HERE

Getting Started

Enrollment Deadline: July 18, 2025 Company Onboarding: August 6, 2025

Training Begins: August 25,2025







See full Details Here

Summer Meeting

Golf Outing
Opening Session

General Session w/ Hala Nasserddine, Ph.D.

 What AI Really Means for Electrical Contractors Guest Event - Candle Making and Shopping in downtown Lake Geneva Closing Banquet NECAPAC Raffle

Entertainment by FBI and the Untouchable Horns



July 25-27, 2025

Grand Geneva Resort & Spa Lake Geneva, Wisconsin



2025

NECA ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

Discover our top pick of topics and speakers. Something for everyone. Something for you.

Featured Speakers & Entertainment:



SCOTTIE PIPPEN

7-time NBA All-Star, 6time NBA Champion, 2time Olympic Gold Medalist



HENRY WINKLER

Award-Winning Actor,
Director &
Producer



MOTOWN SHOWDOWN

featuring The Temptations & The Four Tops

SEPTEMBER 12-15, 2025

MCKORMICK PLACE WEST CONVENTION CENTER CHICAGO



Chapter Boat
Dinner
September 13, 2025

Reserve Your Ticket

PROGRAMMING

- 13 Educational Tracks
- 1,750 minutes of Convention Education Sessions
- 1,800 minutes of workshops on the NECA Show Floor
- Business Development Seminar
- · Something for all staff!
- <u>Schedule</u>

HOTEL

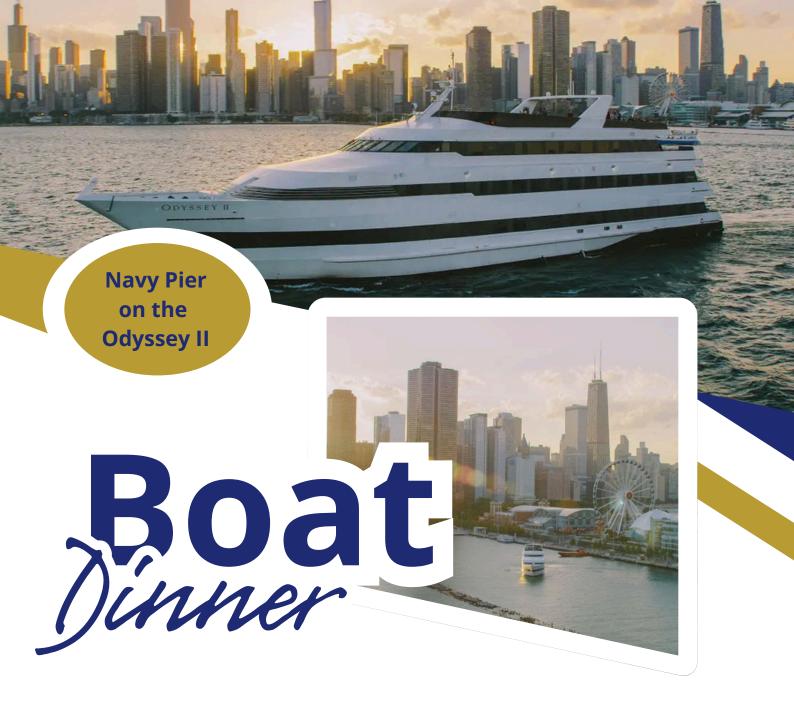
The Wisconsin Chapter has been assigned a room block at the <u>Fairmont Chicago</u>
<u>Millennium Park</u>

Standard Room (1 King or 2 Double Beds \$314.00

This will be reserved at the same time as registration via the registration platform.

REGISTER NOW

necaconvention.org





Join the Wisconsin and Milwaukee NECA Chapters on Saturday, September 13th for a sunset boat dinner off of Navy Pier on beautiful Lake Michigan on the Odyssey II. Dinner is included along with open premium bar.

Reserve your tickets now!

CLICK HERE

Celebrate at the NECA National Convention with local NECA members.



National Events

NECA NextGen Fly-In

Washington, DC - July 21-22, 2025
Register Here

National Training Institute (NTI)

Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti, Ml July 26-August 1, 2025

<u>Info Here</u>

NECA Safety Professionals Institute

Washington, D.C. -October 28-30, 2025

Info Here

2026 MEP Innovation Conference

Austin, TX - January 26-28, 2026

<u>nfo Here</u>

2026 Women in NECA (WIN) Conference

Dallas, TX - February 2-4, 2026

Info Here

Chapter Events

Indianhead Division - NECA Contractor Recruitment

June 26, 2025
Baseball Game La Crosse
Loggers vs. Eau Claire Express
Email Maureen
maureen@wisneca.com

Tickets still available!





Local Educational Opportunities

Dr. Hanna Seminars:

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



National Educational Opportunities

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

OTHER ONLINE LIVE TRAININGS

NEW ON WISNECA.COM



Protected: Members Only

Sales + Use Tax Matrix - 6/1/2020
 Sales + Use Tax Matrix Attachment - 6/1/2020

Information for members only. ** NEW! Education Library (Video Training) ** Wisconsin Construction Lien Law Card ** Wisconsin Right to Cure Act ** Wisconsin NECA/IBEW Portability Reporting Form ** Lost Work to Non-Union Form ** Madison Fantasy in Lights Employer Reimbursement Form



NEW STAFF

Amanda brings over 11 years of experience in HR and Executive Assistant support, where she has worn many hats - from keeping leaders organized and supported, to building strong relationships and helping teams run smoothly behind the scenes. She truly enjoy being the go-to person others can count on, and is always looking for ways to make things easier, more efficient, and a little less stressful for everyone. Helping others is what she is most passionate about.

Outside of work, Amanda enjoys creative projects like designing her own journals, but her greatest joy is spending time with her family which includes two dogs and a cat who thinks he's one of them. She is excited to be here and looks forward to getting to know everyone and contributing to something great!

AMANDA MATHEWS

Assistant Executive Director

NECA Wisconsin Chapter

Online Education

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

<u>Info</u>

Transform Your Organization for the Future

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 |12-3:00 PM ET

Info

Don't see something you need for your company or employees? Contact Maureen to find trainings for your company! maureen@wisneca.com

Course Catalog

NECA has a vast library of over 100 on-demand online learning including Continuing Education Credits (CECs). courses.necanet.org

Webinars

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

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

Future-Proofing Your Workspace: Strategic Labor Planning and Capacity Modeling

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 | 1-2:00 PM CST Info

The Current - Summer 2025 Government Affairs

Thursday, June 26, 2025 | 12-1:00 PM Info

Trends & Innovation in EV Infrastructure

Thursday, August 28, 2025 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST Info

SOUTH CENTRAL BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL'S LABOR MANAGEMENT EVENT:

THURSDAY, JUNE 26 BREAKFAST AT 7:30 AM, SPEAKERS 8:00-9:00 AM

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST, NETWORKING, AND WORDS FROM

MAYOR, SATYA RHODES-CONWAY

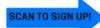
COUNTY EXECUTIVE, MELISSA AGARD

DIRECTOR STRATEGIC PROJECTS, ALLIANT ENERGY, DAVID HERKERT

FEATURED SPEAKERS WILL HIGHLIGHT KEY INITIATIVES IN INFASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THAT SHAPE THE REGION'S FUTURE.

COME TOGETHER AS WE CELEBRATE OUR PROGRESS AND STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS WHILE ENSURING MADISON'S GROWTH IS INCLUSIVE. SUSTAINABLE, AND BUILT ON STRONG LABOR-MANAGEMENT COLLABORATION.















Wisconsin Chapter Annuaˈl Goal: \$14,100.00

Current **Donations:** \$2.300.00

Year end: 10/31/2025

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Legislative







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