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# SEPTEMBER

## 10-16 DON'T FORGET TO RE-SIGN

6	Monday	Labor Day Parade & Picnic Office Closed
14	Tuesday	Union Meeting 6:00PM
21	Tuesday	JATC Meeting 4:00PM
28	Tuesday	E Board Meeting 6:00PM

# OCTOBER

## 10-16 DON'T FORGET TO RE-SIGN

12	Tuesday	Union Meeting 6:00PM
19	Tuesday	JATC Meeting 4:00PM
26	Tuesday	E Board Meeting 6:00PM

### Upcoming Events

#### Labor Day Parade & Picnic

Monday, September 6, 2021

#### John V. Workman Annual Member Steak Fry

Saturday, September 25, 2021

#### 2021 NECA-IBEW Wellness Power Program Biometric Screenings

October 4 & 5, 2021

## THE DAY OF WORKING FAMILIES

### LABOR DAY 2021

#### September 6th

Line Up for parade: 9:00 a.m. vicinity of Franklin Street near the Macon County Sheriff's office.

Start Time for parade: 10:00 a.m.

T-shirts will be available at the parade.

The annual Picnic in the Park will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the main pavilion at Fairview Park. Food, refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

Each person will need a wristband for entry to the picnic. Local #146 has purchased these and will have them available at the parade line-up. For those just going to the picnic, wristbands may be picked up at the Union Office starting Thursday, August 26th.

### 2021 NECA-IBEW Wellness Power Program

#### Biometric Screenings

October 4 & 5 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Local 146 Hall

All members/spouses and dependents will be able to schedule their onsite screening through a link found on the events tab on the NECA-IBEW Wellness Power Program portal . You can schedule your appointment starting **September 13, 2021.**

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## Midstate Electrical Training Center Apprenticeship Graduation Banquet

On July 31, 2021 METC finally got to celebrate the Class of 2020 and the Class of 2021 as they have graduated from Apprenticeship Training. To see pictures of the graduation please visit <http://klsphotography3934.zenfolio.com/p275308125>

During the banquet ceremony, Sean Still from the Class of 2020 was recognized for his outstanding academic achievement during his five years in the program earning the highest GPA. Brandon Koehler from the Class of 2021 was recognized for his outstanding academic achievement during his five years in the program earning the highest GPA.



### Class of 2020

Zach Sirbaugh, Travis Sullivan, Kyle Maxwell, Jessica DeVore, Levi Nadler, Eric Walters & Sean Still.

Not pictured: Dylan Lynch, Ryan McClain, Andrew Mehrkens, Josh Myers, Brandon Westjohn & Clint Zumbahlen.

### Class of 2021

Back row: Houston Napier, Tim Holman, Brandon Koehler, Ryan Nave, Colton Cloyd & Dallas Hubbartt.

Front Row: Trent Younger, Josh Robinson, Dominick Zola, Austin Thomas, Terrance Slaw, D. Michael Dougherty.

Not pictured: Tim Canaday

VDV Graduate: Anthony Pruemmer





## Business Manager's Notes

Greetings Brothers and Sisters and Happy Labor Day! I'm happy to report that our work outlook remains good across all sectors of our Brotherhood. Although work remains good, there are some concerning issues looming out there that could adversely affect our livelihood in the short term. The pandemic continues to have an impact on our everyday lives and supply chain problems have slowed or delayed some of our work. At the time of this writing, mask mandates have been put in place, and with the FDA approval of vaccines, I believe we can expect to see widespread vaccine requirements from customers coming to jobsites soon. I have been fully vaccinated and encourage others to do the same. Vaccines and masks are science, not politics. I also want everyone to keep in mind that this virus affects everyone differently and you shouldn't minimize the seriousness of it because you had it or you knew someone who had it, that didn't get very sick. The person you are sitting next to in the breakroom may have a friend or family member that was hospitalized or even died from COVID. We have lost members to COVID and others have been hospitalized, please think before you speak when around co-workers or customers.

Also, energy legislation has not been passed yet. Labor and environmentalists continue to work with legislators and the Governor's office to come up with a bill that will address green energy, utility investment, decarbonization, and allow the Byron and Dresden nuclear plants to continue operating. Hopefully an agreement will be reached, and a bill passed that will preserve and expand IBEW jobs here in Illinois. We continue to advocate for a bill with strong labor standards such as prevailing wage requirements to ensure that the new energy future is built by IBEW members.

We continue to be challenged by the amount of work in our local. If you are working on the road, I'm asking that you please consider coming home to help man our work. We have worked hard over the years to gain market share and if we are unable to fill calls, we will undoubtedly lose work to the non-union. We have our refuel outage at Clinton Power Station and it looks like the Mueller's Foundry project is finally going to need significant manpower starting in September. Please check the job hotline and help us fill these calls. We also continue to actively recruit non-union electricians to join our ranks. If you know of someone who is working in the electrical field outside of the IBEW please refer them to JD Miller or our office to set up a meeting.

Lastly, the Labor movement lost a giant with the passing of AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka. President Trumka was a tireless advocate for working men and women across the country. He will not be easily replaced and will certainly be missed. With his passing, IBEW Sister Liz Shuler has been selected as the new President of the AFL-CIO. We should all be proud to have a fellow IBEW member running the largest Labor Organization in this country. She is also the first woman to lead the labor movement.

Happy Labor Day!

*Josh*

## Union Meeting Announcements

### Proposition for Membership:

James Davis - CW	Odell Peoples - Apprentice	Andrew Anderson - Motorshop
Jesse Shumacher - CE	Levi Clayton - Apprentice	Trevor Stinson - Motorshop
Riley Walden - CW	Brandon Boehn - JW	James Lewis - JW
Blake Haubner - Apprentice	Brett Clark - JW	Zach Cyrulik - JW
Garrett McMillion - Apprentice	Craig Clark - CE	

### Accidents/Illness/Births/Sympathies:

Brian Schultz had his appendix removed	Nick Buckley's stepmother passed away
Tyler Smock has a new baby girl	Jessica DeVore had a baby girl
Earl Poe's mother and Damian Poe's grandmother died at the age of 96	
Bryan and Chris Hays father passed away	

### Door Prize

### PAC Contribution Drawing

July	Stacy Kelly	Darren Allin	July Union Meeting had 65 in attendance
August	John Eveland	Corey Henne	August Union Meeting had 50 in attendance

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!

**John V. Workman**

**Annual Member Steak Fry**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021**

**Noon to 4:00 p.m.**



All members, apprentices and retirees of IBEW Local 146 are invited to attend the Annual Member Steak Fry. (This is a member only event). As this event is self-funded, a confirmation fee of \$20 is required for all active members and apprentices. Retirees are free. We ask that confirmations and payment, if required, be returned to the Union Office by Friday, September 17.

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Yes, I plan to attend the Annual Member Steak Fry. Enclosed is my \$20 confirmation fee.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ I am retired \_\_\_\_\_ (no charge)

Check and confirmation to: IBEW Local #146 Steak Fry Committee \* 3390 N. Woodford St. \* Decatur, IL 62526