

# JATC GRADUATION DINNER DANCE



On Friday, June 13, 2025, the JATC Graduation Dinner Dance was held at the hall. Congratulations to all the graduating apprentices and I would like to wish them good luck in their careers as Local 25 Journeymen. A special thank you to Chris, Emily and Taylor for putting together this great event. Once again, a great time was had by all.

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# **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**



BY KEVIN B. CASEY

Brothers and Sisters, as I sit here and write this article for this edition of the Conduit, it is the middle of July. We are extremely busy here at the hall with employment. For the last couple of weeks, we have been getting into Book 2 and putting out travelers. I think for the first time in the history of Local 25, we had 0 on Book 1

and 0 on Book 2. It seems that Local 3 has gotten very busy with work, so their members are not coming down to our hall to sign the Book; which is great for Local 3. It is so busy that jobs have gone unfilled, and anyone that does come in to sign the Book, whether it is Book 1 or 2, will go out to work the next day. I even posted on the IBEW Jobs Board that Local 25 is a walk-through. We should continue to stay very busy throughout the rest of the summer and into the fall. This year, 2025, will be the 9th year in a row that Local 25 has put out travelers.

Some events that just passed or will be coming up soon: We just held an amateur boxing event on Saturday, July 12th. There were over 20 fights, and a great time was had by all. We will probably do it again in the winter. In August we will be having our annual block party and the annual softball tournament. And in October, we will be taking the two buses to the NY Jets game.

I would like to congratulate Brother Chris Sarvis on becoming our 2nd daytime JATC Instructor. Chris has been a nighttime instructor for the past few years and will now team up with Brother Jon Cleaver teaching day school. I would also like to announce the retirement of JATC Training Director Chris Kelly. Chris will be retiring at the end of the school year 2026. He has been the training director for 23 years, which is the longest in the history of Local 25. I personally want to thank Chris for all the years that we worked together. Over these past 23 years, he has made the Local 25 apprenticeship the best in the country. I want to wish Chris and his family all the best in his retirement years.

Sisters and Brothers, that ends my report for this edition of the Conduit. Remember to work safe, turn off energized circuits and always remember to stick together out there.

IN UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### BY JOHN GUADAGNO

On Friday, June 13, 2025, the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties held a graduation ceremony at Local 25's union hall. Overall, there were 37 graduates from the state-registered "A" Construction Apprentice Program. The distinguished dais of Industry leaders from both Labor and Management saluted the graduates. Following the commencement exercise, a dinner was prepared and served by CJ's American Grill, and everyone enjoyed the music of Get Your Groove On DJ entertainment. JATC Director Chris Kelly coordinated the entire evening with his staff: Emily, Taylor, and full-time instructor Jon. Special thanks to Joe and Jake from the maintenance staff, the bartending staff, and the servers. I would like to congratulate all the graduates once again on a job well done.

On July 12, 2025, Local 25 hosted a night of boxing featuring 20 matches and over 150 attendees. We all had a great time and look forward to having another boxing event in the winter.

Local 25 will hold its annual Block Party on Saturday, August 9, 2025, from noon to 5 pm, in the back parking lot of our hall. Please come and join the fun.

Our 54th Annual Softball Tournament will be held on August 22nd, 23rd, and 24th at Baldwin Park. Volunteers are needed and appreciated. Please contact the President's Office if you are interested. Good luck to our softball teams this summer.

This concludes my report for this edition of the Conduit. Enjoy the summer, work smart, and work safe, until we meet again.

# New Benefit for Local #Members - ID RESOLUTION!

IBEW Local members now have access to Identity Theft repair and restoration services at no cost to the member. To learn more about this benefit, go to https://idresolution.net/ibew-local-25.

If you believe your identity has been stolen or you are at risk, contact ID Resolution at 877-308-9169. You will need to provide your Group Number and Group Name to verify your account:

Group Number: IBEW 25
Group Name: IBEW LOCAL 25

# **LOCAL UNION CALENDAR**

# **Regular Meeting**

5:00 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month

# **Executive Board Meeting**

6:00 PM

 $1^{\rm st}$  &  $3^{\rm rd}$  Thursday each month

# **UNIT MEETINGS**

## **Neon Sign**

4:30 PM

3rd Tuesday each month

### **Maintenance**

4:30 PM

4th Thursday each month

### CW/CE

4:30 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month

### Residential

4:30 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month

### **Telecommunications**

4:30 PM

1st Thursday each month

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

## Amber Light Women's Committee LU25

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month in the Long Island Room

### Apprentice Awareness Committee

4:00 PM

Last Friday each month

### E.W.M.C.

4:30 PM

Last Wednesday each month

### **Foreman Committee**

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month

### **Retirees Club**

12 Noon

1st Thursday each month

### **Veteran's Committee**

4:30 PM

3rd Monday each month

## V.U.F. Committee

4:30 PM

1st Wednesday each month

# Notice from the Office of the Financial Secretary, Ryan Casey

As a result of an amendment to the IBEW Constitution at the 40th International Convention held May 2022 the per capita dues were increased for July 2025.

Please take note of the Amounts & Renew early.

Work Cards (Semi-annually) are due by September 30, 2025
"A" Construction, Telephone & Residential
October 2025-March 2026
\$314.00

Unit Work Cards are due by September 30, 2025
"A" Maintenance, CE/CW, Pump & Tank, Neon Sign and Technicians
October-December 2025
\$157.00

### **Payment Methods**

1. By mail (please include a self-addressed stamped envelope)
2. Online, visit www.ibew25.org (under "Secure Member login")
Master Card, Visa & Discover\*\*Please note Cash is no longer accepted\*\*

# Notice to Active & Retired Members

Every member of Local is entitled to a **death benefit** provided by the **International Pension Plan**. Most members also participate in our **Group Life Insurance** with the **Union Labor Life Insurance Company.** 

When you were initiated, you selected a beneficiary to receive each of these benefits. Please review your beneficiary designations. *The beneficiary on either that you designated when you were sworn in may not be appropriate to-day.* If you wish to change the beneficiary on either or both benefits, please contact the Financial Office at 631.273.4567.

Ryan Casey, Financial Secretary

# CRITERIA TO APPLY FOR UPGRADE SCHOOL FOR TELEPHONE JOURNEYMAN

# YOU MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS TO APPLY

- Have a Minimum of Five (5) Years of Membership in Good Standing with Local #25
- 2. Interview with the Telephone Subcommittee
- 3. Provide all Levels of Education
- 4. Provide all Electrical Trainings and Experience
- 5. Provide all Skill Improvement Courses
- 6. Provide all Union Participation i.e. Committee Involvement

COME TO THE LOCAL #25 BUSINESS OFFICE TO FILL OUT APPLICATION

A Dead Circuit Never Killed Anyone



NAME CARD #

Retired Brother Odd Ingebrigtsen A104117 Passed away May 13, 2025

Retired Brother Charlie R. Blakeman A236201 Passed away June 5, 2025

Retired Brother Robert A. Noonan D259386 Passed away June 9, 2025

Retired Brother Edward J. Bisso III D436167 Passed away July 1, 2025

Retired Brother Joseph F. Reiderer D259392 Passed away July 6, 2025

Retired Brother Chris M. Spilberg 6032350 Passed away July 7, 2025

Retired Brother Scott L. McKenney D743677 Passed away July 15, 2025

# In Sympathy

The officers and members of Local Union No. 25, IBEW extend their deepest sympathy to the following members and their families on the sorrowful loss of their loved ones:

Retired Brother Kenneth R. Andorfer Wife
Retired Brother Kenneth R. Andorfer Jr

Stepmother

Deceased Brother Philip A. Howell

Brother Eric Ingebrigtsen

Brother Kristian Ingebrigtsen

Brother Michael Ingebrigtsen

Father

Deceased Brother Robert G. Lebohner

Wife

Deceased Brother Joseph Neenan

# I.B.E.W. LOCAL 25 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Trustees of the I.B.E.W. Local Scholarship Fund will be accepting tuition scholarship applications from students who have graduated high school in 2026, or currently attending a four-year recognized college or university. The Scholarship requirements are as follows:

- 1. Must be a child who is a dependent of an active member of Local Union #in good standing
- 2. Acceptance of study or currently attending a four-year recognized college or university
- 3. Must be a rising freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior currently attending a four-year recognized college or university
- 4. Must have and maintain at least a 2.5 GPA
- 5. Submit a 200-word essay on what unionism and Local has meant to you and your family
- 6. Submit an official high school transcript or a current college transcript if currently attending a four-year college or university at time of application
- 7. Any member who has a child who may qualify must return the application, essay, and official transcripts to the Business Office of IBEW Local by June 13, 2026
- 8. Each child can only win one time Applications will be reviewed and awarded to the most qualified candidates.

# **SCHOLARSHIP FORM**

Member's Name
Card No.
Address
Phone #
Applicant's Name
Applicant's SS#
School Graduated from
Date Graduated
College Accepted To
College Address to Send Check

# **New Benefit for LU #Members & Retirees**



# Welcome to Your Legal Plan With Your Union Lawyer

Dear Members.

With our new legal plan, you will now be able to gain access to attorneys in connection with real estate transactions, preparation of wills, receiving legal advice, drafting letters, and reviewing documents, and much more relating to a variety of matters.

In addition to you, this plan will also cover your spouse or domestic partner; unmarried, dependent children under the age of 19; or unmarried, dependent children up to the age of 26 if the child is wholly dependent upon you for support and maintenance and is enrolled as a full-time student.

The initial point of contact for every active participant is the toll-free number of the Legal Plan Office of Feldman, Kramer & Monaco, P.C., +1 (800) 832-5182 (for NY) or +1 (800) 292-8063 (for outside of NY). If necessary, the Legal Plan Office will then make referrals to local participating attorneys.

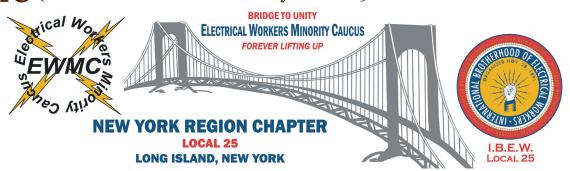
Below, please find a summary of some of the many benefits included in the Legal Services Plan:

- Free Telephone Advice and Consultations
- Free Office Consultations
- Toll-Free 24 Hour Hotline for Emergencies
- Free Letter Writing
- Free Document Review
- Will and/Trusts
- Estate Planning Seminars or "Will Days"
- Free Lease Review Benefit
- Free Uncontested Annulment Benefit
- Free Uncontested Adoption Benefit
- Free Uncontested Name Change
- Free Promissory Note Drafting
- Identity Theft
- Foreclosure
- Veterans Benefits
- Student Loan Reduction Assistance
- Traffic Matter Assistance

- Elder Law
- Bankruptcv
- Real Estate Transactions
- Reduced Fee Benefit
- Criminal Defense
- Referral Attorneys
- Stockbroker Arbitration
- Personal Injury Benefit
- Estate Administration Benefit
- Commercial and Business Law Benefit
- Guaranteed Maximum Fees
  - Bankruptcy chapter 7
  - DWI (first offense and up to two court appearances)
  - Divorce (uncontested, without marital agreement)\*
  - Divorce (uncontested, with marital agreement)\*
  - Separation (uncontested)\*
  - Modification of Child Support (Preparation of pleadings only)

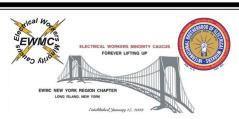


# **EWMC** (Electrical Workers Minority Caucus)



Raffles

50/50



# Fifteenth Annual EWMC Dinner Dance November 8, 2025



Honoring Deborah & Al DePace of Advance Sound



Raymond Mayo Community Leader

&

David Pena IBEW Local 25

For more information please call: Ricky Viera (631) 357-0862

Location: IBEW Local 25 370 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge NY 11788



The EWMC annual dinner dance is back again on November 8th at the union hall. We'll be honoring Advanced Sound, Raymond Mayo and David Pena for the outstanding work they have done for the community and the caucus. Please join us for a great night of dancing and great food. Tickets are \$100 per person. We hope to see you there!

Last month we hosted a comedy night at the Governors Comedy Club. A great time was had by all and thank you to those that came out and supported us. On July 3rd our committee had a Mets game outing to celebrate the hard work our members put in to our committee; our members and their family had an amazing time.

Our monthly meetings are the last Wednesday of every month at 5pm in the Executive Board room. All are welcome to attend and check out our Instagram @ewmc25.

EWMC Recording Secretary Senator Hanley

# **RETIRED MEMBERS**

Our most sincere congratulations to the following Brothers & Sisters who will or have retired: We all wish them the very best! May they enjoy a future filled with happy times and good health.

# IBEW LOCAL 25 PENSION FUND

William D. Adams Robert J. Bordies Nicholas J. Crocitto Michael H. Liese Michael Meditz Albert F. Suchopar

# IBEW INTERNATIONAL OFFICE PENSION

Robert J. Bordies John A. Martyn Gerard McSweeney John J. Monahan Philip A. Perry Greg Rakidjian Albert F. Suchopar Keri E. Webster

Don't Work On Live Circuits

# **Longevity & Retirement Committee** -

# **— LONGEVITY 2025—**

### 25 YEARS

Wesley J. Ayers Michael L. Benasutti Thomas L. Buonasera Peter M. Buonasera Glenn R. Buro Luis Calvao Julio Chea Jr. Gary G. Ciccarelli Kenneth G. Conn Jr. **Christopher Cortes** William Davis John Di Leone Michael A. Di Rienzo Christopher Diebold Shawn Durnin Thomas A. Dziurka Anthony Favuzza Steven J. Filey Jorge A. Flores John Furno David Galindez John Gannon Karen Gaston Kenneth Gruenfelder Paul Halbert Charles H. Henning Jr. Richard E. Hoefler Lisa A. Hofmann **Eric Hughes** Robert Kalberer Timothy Kenney Nazrudeen Khan Daniel B. Kircher Joseph H. Kocsi Ronald Kocsi Jr. Paul W. Korzenko

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### **30 YEARS**

Stephen P. Barreyre
Kevin W. Boller
Gary K. Bollmann
Gordon A. Conklin
Keith J. Cornell
Dennis C. D'Amico
Ronald Drenckhahn
Richard E. Goupil
Eric G. Gruber
Joseph W. Keller
Kevin P. Mahon
William C. Mc Carthy

Matthew Mc Dermott
Sean P. Meehan
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James V. Metz Jr.
John J. Monahan
Frank P. Monteforte
Patrick E. O'Hanlon
Ralph Porfido
Edward M. Rolston
Andrew T. Russo
Richard J. Scherer
Thomas E. Schlenke
Douglas A. Weisner
James M. Wisdom Jr.

# **35 YEARS**Stan Bildzukewicz

**Robert Blaney Robert Bordies** Robert P. Carmen Miguel Castellanos **Donald Chappell** George C. Colton III **Donald Combs Brian Courtney** Jay Esposito Anthony J. Grucci Ramon C. Juarez Salvatore Lo Cascio Jr. John C. Maikut John H. Maurer Gerard Mc Sweeney Mark R. Meilunas John Morrell James Paulsen John C. Priani Timothy Roden

Thomas R. Savino Jr.
Thomas Schaefer
Michael R. Scheiner
Robert Schugman
Glenn T. Scott
Guy L. Simmons Jr.
Charles J. Tekverk
Michael T. Walters
Sean Wood

### **40 YEARS**

William M. Allen James M. Carney John P. Finger Donald S. Fiore Charles A. Gravina John J. Ingargiola Mark F. Kassay Gary Leuis Fred Malave John P. Mc Dowell **Gregory Mead** Louis A. Ortega Scott J. Schmal Matthew R. Walsh Gary M. Dwyer Keri E. Webster

### **50 YEARS**

William C. Balg Gary E. Blakeley Thomas E. Bradley Casey Brandsema Michael J. Bruni Michael D. Cavanagh John T. Cornell Ralph De Gregorio

# **Longevity & Retirement Committee** -

# - LONGEVITY 2025-

Robert De Maria David M. De Sousa Ralph Di Napoli Robert A. Dibenedetto Robert W. Dow Donald R. Duffy Matthew A. Ferrizz John A. Frontino Andrew L. Gazzanigo William A. Grant **Donald Grundborg** Brian E. Harvey George W. Heydner Bruce A. Horner David E. Husing Andrew G. Johnson Charles S. Katz George J. Koch Ronald H. Lambert Philip Libasci Frank G. Lo Verde Bryan S. Lockwood Richard K. Lockwood Brian J. Martin Raymond E. Mc Kenna Patrick B. Mccavanagh Vincent H. Mcmanus Daniel V. Mizvesky Patrick Nocerino Michael A. Normandy Brian P. O'brien John V. O'connor Peter J. O'neill Robert Pszybylski Mark P. Reilly Thomas Rivoli Walter J. Roland

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### **55 YEARS**

Steven R. Albano Joseph J. Baroletti Robert A. Bjornson Arthur F. Blossfeld Howard A. Brower James W. Carley Daniel T. Carroll James Chadbourne Richard A. Chesney Willard L. Christy John P. Ciofrone Joseph T Corcoran James A. Cornell Thomas L. Cummings Henry W. De Grauw John C. Flaherty Joseph Giacobbe Robert J. Gobright Robert A. Hall Richard J. Heilig Robert H. Herrmann

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## 60 YEARS

John R. Braun

Daniel Gruosso Paul P. Hadnagy William J. Harvey Kenneth Hasenmeyer Robert D. Heaney John F. Loughney Thomas Madonia **Hubert Mcclenic** John C. Morris Ralph H. Ness Richard W. Ostrander George A. Reardon Theodore T. Rozmus Fred A. Schmukler Thomas L. Tartaglia Joseph L. Tekverk Kenneth Udle Lee C. Wish

### **65 YEARS**

Walter C. Baumann John A. Brush **Thomas Coddington** Richard J. Dunleavy John R. Gschwind Lawrence Haslbauer Winston A. Jagger Robert Kaczanowski Michael Normandy Ronald Rebehn Bernard M. Revnolds Robert Trojano

### **70 YEARS**

Richard Junkes Raymond J. Mulvaney Donald V. Quenzer

# **JATC** DUATION DINNER DANCE





















# Boxing is Back at Local 25 After 25 Years



















# PRE-RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINAR

The Retirement Funds of Local 25, I.B.E.W. will sponsor an educational seminar for participants planning to retire in one to two years. The seminar will take place on Saturday, September 27, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The seminar will discuss the benefits available through the I.B.E.W. Local 25 Retirement Funds, the National Electrical Benefit Fund and the International Office Pension Benefit Fund, as well as continuation of health coverage.

This seminar will be limited to active (not retired) plan participants who are age 55 and older. If you would like to attend, you <u>must</u> complete the coupon below and mail it to:

IBEW Local 25 Retirements Funds 372 Motor Parkway Hauppauge, New York 11788 Attention: Amy K.

SEATING IS LIMITED AND AVAILABILITY IS ON A FIRST COME BASIS. PLEASE COMPLETE THE COUPON BELOW IN ITS ENTIRETY. YOU MUST SUBMIT A COUPON IN ORDER TO RESERVE YOUR SEATING. A CONFIRMATION LETTER WILL BE MAILED TO YOU PRIOR TO THE SEMINAR WHICH WILL SERVE AS YOUR ENTRANCE TICKET.

### SPOUSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

I would like to attend the pre-retirement planning seminar
NAME:
D.O.B.:
Please check:
My spouse WILL WILL NOT attend.
I am not married .



On Friday, June 13, 2025, the JATC held an in-person Graduation Ceremony for Electrician Apprentice Graduates. Present at the ceremony were: Business Manager/JATC Trustee-Mr. Kevin Casey; President/JATC Trustee-Mr. John Guadagno; JATC Trustee Chair- Ms. Jocelyn Jackson; JATC Trustee Secretary-Ms. Susan Pascale; JATC Trustee-Ms. Kristine DeNapoli; JATC Trustee/Chapter Manager Long Island NECA-Mr. A.J. McAteer, along with many other distinguished guests. As I did that night, I would like to congratulate all the graduates and instructors, once again, on a job well done.

# 2025 SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CHRISTOPHER M. CARROLL ABIGAIL L. GROFFMANN

Long Island Electrical Industry Award

**CODY T. OLSEN** 

Local Union No. 25, I.B.E.W. Award

ANDREW D. BEVILACQUA

Long Island Chapter N.E.C.A. Award

KURT T. KRASKA JR.

Local Union No. 25. I.B.E.W. Award

**BRIAN TOVAR** 

Long Island Chapter N.E.C.A. Award

GISCARD C. BOUCHET

Retired member Ted Fuchs "GRUMP AWARD"

**MEAGHAN A. MURPHY** 

THE JOSEPH C. GRAMER, SR. MEMORIAL AWARD

2025 OUTSTANDING APPRENTICE GRADUATES

PRESENTED TO:
JAMES C. CALHOUN
CODY T. OLSEN
&

BRIAN TOVAR

Until my next article please remember: IT'S NEVER TOO INCONVENIENT TO SAVE A LIFE – SHUT IT OFF!

Respectfully Yours, Christopher E. Kelly Training Director



# Local 25 Sportsman's Club

The Sportsman's Club will hold shotgun shoots on Sunday, 8-17-25 and 9-21-25 at 9:00 AM. The venue will be the Peconic River Sportsman's Club, 1 Connecticut Avenue, Manorville, NY 11949. Those interested in attending the shoots will need 100 rounds of #7 ½ or #8 target loads.

The cost for Targets is \$65.00 per hundred;

**Cash only**. Only the use of traditional shotguns with standard magazines will be permitted.

You must RSVP via email to Bill Summers at sportsmenclub@ibew25.org to let us know you are coming.



Thanks, Bill Summers

# The Brotherhood Of Electricians

# **NEC CODE CORNER**

This month we will examine the process of creating the 2026 National Electrical Code, which is nearing completion. The goal of the National Fire Protection Association standards process is to provide for balanced input, global participation, and to prevent any single interest group from controlling decisions. To develop the 2026 National Electrical Code, the process begins with the Public Input Stage beginning in January of 2023 and ending in August of 2023. The NFPA received 3,933 Public Inputs (PIs), to be distributed according to the responsibilities of the 18 Code Making Panels, (CMPs). It was in October of 2023 that the PIs were released to the CMPs so the panel members could familiarize themselves with the proposed language changes and justifications for the proposals, in preparation for the First Draft Meeting in January of 2024. At this in-person meeting, the CMPs decided by majority vote whether each PI is the start of becoming a First Revision (FR) or if it is resolved with a statement from the panel why the recommendation did not result in a FR. There were 1,576 FRs developed at the CMP First Draft Meetings for the 2026 NEC. Once the First Draft technical meetings are over, ballots are sent out from the NFPA to the CMP members for their vote on the FRs as a proposed change. For an FR to move forward in this process, it must receive a two-third affirmative vote from the CMP members. FRs that pass ballot are published as the First Draft Report on the document's information page. This report provides formal documentation on the Input Stage and is published for public review and feedback.

The next step in the process is **the Public Comment Stage**. Once the **First Draft Report** is published, there is a **Public Comment** period during which anyone may submit a **Public Comment** to suggest text on the **First Draft**. After the **Public Comment** closing date in August of 2024, the **CMPs** met at the **Second Draft Meeting** in Octo-

ber of 2024. At this meeting, the **CMPs** reviewed the First Draft and proposed additional revisions to the Standard. All PCs are considered, and the CMPs provide an action or response to each. The CMPs use the Public Comments to support the development of proposed Second Revisions (SRs) to the standard. At this in-person meeting, the CMPs decided by majority vote whether each Public Comment is the start of becoming a Second Revision (SR) or if it is resolved with a statement from the CMP why the recommendation did not result in a SR. Once the Second Draft technical meetings are over, the NFPA sent ballots to CMP members for their vote on the **SRs** as a proposed change. For an SR to move forward in this process, it must receive two-third affirmative votes from the CMP members. The revisions that pass ballot are published as the **Second Draft Report** on the document's information page. This report provides formal documentation on the Comment Stage and is published for public review.

The **third step** in the process is the **NFPA Tech**nical Meeting which was held in June of 2025. Following the completion of the **Public Input** and Public Comment stages, there is an additional opportunity for debate and discussion of issues at the NFPA Technical Meeting held during the NFPA Conference & Expo. The technical meeting provides an opportunity for final debate and voting by members over Certified Amending Motions (CAMs). The results will be distributed to the appropriate **CMPs** for review, and vote on any additional necessary actions. The motion requires a simple majority for the vote to pass. The results will be submitted at the NFPA Standards Council meeting in August of 2025, where council members will hear any appeals and evaluate the issuance of the 2026 NEC. The NFPA Standard becomes effective 20 days after the Standards Council issues it. Once this 3-year cycle is completed, The Na-

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# **NEC CODE CORNER**

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tional Electrical Code development process starts again for the next edition of the NEC.

The following is provided for your information and consideration. The 2026 edition of the NEC will be the last version of the NEC to utilize **90.3 Code Arrangement**. Since 1937 the National Electrical Code has been arranged as shown below.

# 90.3 Code Arrangement.

This *Code* is divided into the introduction and nine chapters.

**Chapters 1, 2, 3,** and **4** apply generally. **Chapters 5, 6,** and **7** apply to special occupancies, special equipment, or other special conditions and may supplement or modify the requirements in Chapters 1 through 7.

**Chapter 8** covers communications systems and is not subject to the requirements of Chapters 1 through 7 except where the requirements are specifically referenced in Chapter 8.

**Chapter 9** consists of tables that are applicable as referenced.

Informative annexes are not part of the requirements of this *Code* but are included

for informational purposes only.

Enjoy your awareness with the arrangement of the 2026 National Electrical Code, which we have become comfortable with. The 2029 edition will be different! Substantial changes are on the horizon, as the National Fire Protection Association is in the process of reorganizing the 2029 edition of the National Electrical Code. The game plan for the 2029 edition of the NEC is to add several new chapters, reorganize existing content within new chapters, and provide more visibility and insight into the code. Preliminary information shows an Introduction and twenty-three chapters. The revised NEC structure aims to make learning. understanding, and applying its requirements simpler in today's evolving electrical industry. Time will tell how true this will be. In the meantime, we have a little more than three years to prepare for these changes. The 2023 edition of the National Electrical Code has specific language concerning many types of installations. Remember to consult the code book for more information. Practice using the Codeology Method to answer all your code challenges.

**CODE KNOWLEDGE = CODE CONFIDENCE** 

Tom Dunne

# **IBEW LOCAL VETERANS COMMITTEE**

# **Veterans Resource Guide**



Suffolk County has an online guide for all the benefits that they provide for Veterans. In addition to that there is contact info for private and federal organizations for Veterans needing assistance. There are a multitude of services available including but not limited to financial, medical, educational & navigating the V.A. system.

Website http://suffolkcountyny.gov Email servingheroes@suffolkcountyny.gov Phone 631 853 8387



# National EAP Supports You This Summer: Tools for Wellness, Inclusion & Connection

As we move through the summer months, it's a great time to reflect on personal growth, workplace well-being, and how we connect with others. Below, you'll find timely resources and upcoming events to support your holistic health, celebrate inclusion, and strengthen communication, both personally and professionally.

Coming up in August, National EAP is hosting a FREE THRIVE Webinar focusing on communication:

"Communicating Well with Difficult People" Wednesday, August 13th at 1:00 PM ET

Register at: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3660019565879114586

Or Scan the QR Code Below:



In addition to this valuable webinar, July and August are meaningful months for raising awareness around key areas of personal and professional well-being:

### July is Disability Pride Month

This month we celebrate and create spaces where all individuals,

regardless of ability, can thrive, personally and professionally.

August is National Wellness Month

Take time to focus on your well-being by building healthy habits, practicing self-care, and consistently engaging with wellness resources.

#### Online Resources from National EAP

<u>Explore your EAP Member Portal</u> for mental health, inclusivity, physical wellbeing, and more. When logging into the Member Portal, enter our company.

Username: Local 25 | Password: Local 25

Also, **Download Wysa**, a CBT-based mental resilience Al app. Request your referral code from your HR department or by emailing info@nationaleap.com.

Your Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is Here for You!
National EAP offers confidential counseling services and
online tools to support employees and their families.
To speak with a clinician:

Online Request: Complete our NEW online EAP Intake form

Call Us: 800-624-2593
Email: info@nationaleap.com



To all our Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your continued help and support. The Committee of Political Education (C.O.P.E.) for Local 25's mission is simple yet incredibly important. We need to make our brotherhood stronger. With a stronger brotherhood, we can hope to create an even better life for all of our families. One of the best ways to make our Union better is to work with local politicians who align with our needs. Whether Democrat, Republican, or

Independent, our goal is to support Candidates whose policies and voting records stand strong with union friendly labor issues.

The political season is coming up fast. Any help with phone banks, literature drops, or political walks will be greatly appreciated. No matter how big or small the election, we aim to make a difference to hopefully make our lives better.

Co-Chair Lisa Hofmann & Co-Chair Allen Murphy

The 2025 Local 25 golf season began on June 29th with an outing at Indian Island Country Club in Riverhead. The weather was great and the golf was followed up with dinner, awards and prizes at the Village Idiot Pub at Indian Island. Fifty-two golfers enjoyed a day of golf, food, drinks and laughter.

# Here are the results of the June 29th outing:

1st Low Net Garrett Blearn 71

4th Low Net **Dick Summers** 73

2nd Low Net **Joe Esposito** 71 3rd Low Net Chris Eschmann 72

1st Low Gross Walter Korpowski 78 2nd Low Gross Joe DiMeglio 78 3rd Low Gross Mike Zeffer 83 4th Low Gross **Drew Squillicioti** 83

Women's Low Net Valerie Liese 102

Retired 1st Low Gross Jim Donohue 87 Retired 2nd Low Gross Roy Starke 90 Retired 1st Low Net **Jim Starke** 73 Retired 2nd Low Net **George Werner** 71

Closest to the Pin – Hole #5 **Jim Foy** 23' 1" Closest to the Pin – Hole #8 **Kevin Liguoiri** 0' 31" Closest to the Pin – Hole #11 **Dan Birmingham** 19' 11" Closest to the Pin – Hole #17 Garrett Blearn 8' 1"

Longest Drive – Hole #16 **Chris Callahan** 

The "Last Out" cash winner was **Kevin McGrane**.

Thanks to all that attended the outing and to the staff at Indian Island Country Club and the Village Idiot Pub.

The next outing will be held on August 13th at Smithtown Landing Country Club.

Special thanks to the following Golf Committee members who help make the outings a huge success:

> **Roy Starke George Werner** Jim Starke **Guy Yuhas** George Starke **Matt Mc Dermott** BJ Bjornson **Sal Stuto**

Vinny Ferravanti Billy Jankowski

Enjoy your game and enjoy your time with family and friends on and around the course! Mike Zeffer Golf Committee Chair



# Important Phone Numbers

The following telephone numbers and websites are listed for the convenience of all covered members:

### **ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY BOARD**

Benefit Fund Office, 631-434-3344 Fax 631-434-3397 E-mail: info@eibofli.org Web Site: EIBofLI.com

#### **LOCAL IBEW**

631-273-4567 Fax 631-273-4773 www.IBEW25.org

# HEALTH & BENEFIT FUND MAGNACARE

Customer Service Hospital/Medical Toll free 1-877-624-6224 www.magnacare.com

### **Medicare Eligible Retirees**

Empire BlueCross Blue Shield, Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) Member Services: 1-833-910-4432 RX Information: 1-833-409-1228

Labor First Advocacy, the dedicated number for IBEW Local No. retirees on Medicare 1-855-460-7493

### Hospital Precertification/2nd Opinion

Toll Free 1-877-335-4725

#### Dental:

DDS Preferred Provider 516-794-7700 www.ddsinc.net

#### **Davis Vision**

For information: 1-800-999-5431 <u>www.davisvision.com</u>

### **EPIC Hearing Service Plan:**

1-866-956-5400

#### **Prime Therapeutics Pharmacy:**

For prescriptions 10/1/24 and after. 1-800-424-1701 www.primetherapeutics.com

### **National EAP**

### Employee Assistance Providers

1-800-624-2593 www.nationaleap.com

# I.B.E.W. LOCAL PENSION FUND: The Prudential Insurance Co:

Pension Checks: Missing/Change of Address, Call: Toll Free, 1-800-421-1056 www.prudential.com

NEBF Pension: 1-301-556-4300 NEBF Education & Information Web Site can be accessed at: NEBF.com

# Did You Know?

- All the world's bacteria stacked on top of each other would stretch for 10 billion light-years.
- ♦ Abraham Lincoln was a licensed bartender.
- Queen lead singer Freddie Mercury was born with four extra teeth in his upper jaw giving him his distinct smile
- Napoleon Bonaparte was once attacked by a swarm of rabbits.
- Chewbacca in "Star Wars" is based on George Lucas' dog, an Alaskan malamute named "Indiana," who also inspired "Indiana Jones."
- ❖ The oldest continuous sporting event in the U.S. is the Kentucky Derby.
- It takes roughly 540 peanuts to make a jar of peanut butter.
- Actor Roy Schneider improvised the famous "Jaws" quote, "You're gonna need a bigger boat.
- Sir Isaac Newton invented the color wheel in 1666.
- There are eight NFL teams currently without cheerleaders.
- Approximately one quarter of the bones in your body are in your feet.
- Lemons float in water, but limes sink.

Vinnie D'Ambrosio





# V.U.F. COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

Your donations help those families who find themselves in hard economic times. If you could find it in yourself to give and if you can give a little. I know that we all do what we can, but it would really mean a lot to those families if you could.

Come on down to the General Meeting every month on the second Tuesday at 5:00pm. I hope to see you soon and if you need to reach me, you can call me at 1-631-615-9295 or email me at <a href="mailto:ccallahan@ibew25.org">ccallahan@ibew25.org</a> for any concerns.

# **V.U.F. Donations**June 1, 2025, to July 31, 2025

Ambrosio, Charles, A. Baumann, Walter, C. Sr. Beaumont, Walter, C. Braun, John, R. Callahan, Christopher, C. Casey, Kevin, B. Casev, Ryan, G. Cavanagh, Michael, D. Cleaver, Jon Corrigan, Francis, X. Corrigan, Paulette, B. Crockett, Douglas, W. Cruse, Robert, L. Czaikowski, William, W. Di Leone, John, . Doherty, John, P. Faryna, Gary, J. Frenke, Craig, P. Guadagno, John, G. Heidrich, Frederick, L. Jr. Henke, Andrew, J. Holschuh, Paul Jones, Sergio, R. Kassl, Adam, C. Kearney, Brian, R. Kelly, Christopher, E. Knusch, Richard, E. Koch, George Lawless, Thomas, P. Mahlmann, James Majkut, John, C. Maurer, John, H. Mc Carthy, Timothy, S. Mc Ginley, William, J. Meehan, Sean, P. Meyer, Jerry, P. Normandy, Michael, A. Oliveri, James, A. Parrington, Eugene, L. Perry, Donald

Price, John, J. Psillos, George, M. Reichert, William, A. Ritzmann, Edward, S. Rozmus, Theodore, T. Sander, Gerald, J. Schlosberg, Waldemar, F. Schneeloch, Paul, M. Jr. Schryver, Robert Sehlmeyer, Ernest, F. Skladel, Thomas, A. Sullivan, William, C. Jr. Sweeney, Michael, J. Tartaglia, Thomas, L. Tatara, Jonathan, G. Visnefsky, Eugene, A. Walsh, Patrick Wish, Lee, C. Zimmermann, John, T. Zimmermann, Paul, F.

# DO THE RIGHT THING

PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED ENVELOPE TO MAKE
YOUR DONATION TO THE VUF COMMITTEE TO HELP
THE MEMBERS WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED



# Don't Work On Live Circuits



PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID CENTEREACH, NY PERMIT NO. 52

# Important Notice

The job line number is 631-273-4557, press option 6%.
Daytime job line hours are from 8:am to 5:00 pm.
Withtime job line hours are from 5:00 pm to 8:am.



# **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

In accordance with Telephone Communications Act (TCPA), all text recipients must opt-in to receive any future texts from IBEW Local Union #25. It is important that all members implement the following procedures as soon as possible.

Members/recipients should log-in at notify. Workingsystems.com using your cell phone number to opt-in or opt-out of receiving text messages. Instructions for opting in and opting out on this website are provided on YouTube: How to use the LaborPower Opt-In website.

It is your responsibility to implement these procedures or you may miss out on important information that is being sent to our members regularly.