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LOCAL 25 IBEW



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"Long Islanders Serving the Electrical Needs of Nassau and Suffolk Counties For Over 90 Years"

IBEW LOCAL 25 vs. STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 628



On February 22nd, our newly formed IBEW Local 25 basketball team played a charity event against the Steamfitters Local 628 at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale. As you can see from the pictures (see centerfold), 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 the Conduit it is the first day of spring. It was a cold and windy winter, but at least there was no snow. The work picture is starting to pick up, as it usually does this time of year. 2025 should be another good year for work. I'm pretty confident we will be putting out travelers in late spring or early summer, which

would be the 9th year in a row that we have put out travelers. 2024 was a good year; we had over 3 million manhours. The Funds also did well with the returns: the Pension - 10.1%, 401K - 8.1%, and the Annuity - 7.6%.

I had previously mentioned in the last Conduit of an increase to the Local 25 Pension. The increase goes into effect April 1st, 2025, and is retroactive to January 1st, 2025.

Some conferences that will be coming up in March and April are NYC/ Long Island Building Trades, IBEW Construction & Maintenance Conference and the National Building Trades.

This past February 22nd the Local 25 newly-formed basketball team played a charity basketball game against the Steamfitters Local 638 at the Nassau Coliseum. Even though the Steamfitters won, our team played great. I want to wish them luck in their 2025 season.

At the end of March, our Local 25 hockey team will be traveling to Hamilton, Canada for the 60th IBEW hockey tournament. The team went up last year and did very well. I also want to wish them luck at the tournament.

This April 25th, the 'A' Construction contract will expire. So far, the Local 25 negotiating team has met with the contractors twice, with other meetings set on the calendar through April. A letter and a text will be sent out for a ratification vote as soon as we have come to an agreement.

In closing, I want to give a shout out to one of my apprenticeship classmates, Brother Ed O'Brien. Ed is retiring on April 1st. He has been the EIB Assistant Fund Administrator for the past 4 years. Ed was previously Local 25's Vice President and a past Executive Board member. He has done a great job with all the positions that he has held serving the members of Local 25. I personally want to congratulate Ed and wish him all the best in his retirement.

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

IN UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH

Shut it Off

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY JOHN GUADAGNO

As I write this article for the Conduit, I hope we have seen the last of the cold weather. Hopefully, some of the jobs that are on the horizon will start so we can put our members back to work and get into Book 2 'travelers'.

On the home front, negotiations have started for the new "A" Inside Construction Agreement with our NECA partners. We will keep the membership informed of the progress at the April General Meeting.

As I mentioned in the past, we will be asking the membership for increased volunteerism and participation in our committees. Our committees can only have their greatest impact when membership participation is at its highest. Strength in numbers equals effectiveness.

At our April meeting we will be raffling Long Island Ducks tickets.

As a reminder when shopping, please think of the bumper sticker "Buy American...the job you save may be your own."

Enjoy the spring and work safely until we meet again.

New Benefit for Local #25 Members - ID RESOLUTION!

IBEW Local 25 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 25 CALENDAR

Regular Meeting

5:00 PM

2nd Tuesday each month

Executive Board Meeting

6:00 PM

1st & 3rd 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

2nd Thursday each month

Residential

4:30 PM

2nd Thursday each month

Telecommunications

4:30 PM

1st Thursday each month

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Amber Light

Women's Committee LU25

4:30 PM

3rd 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

3rd 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

Don't Work On Live Circuits

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 in May 2022, per capita dues will increase effective **July 2025**.

Work Card Renewal Deadlines & Amounts

Work Cards (Semi-Annually) – Due by March 31, 2025

“A” Construction, Telephone & Residential

- April - September 2025: \$311.00

Unit Work Cards – Due by March 31, 2025

(Maintenance, CE/CW, Pump & Tank, Neon Sign, and Technicians)

- April - June 2025: \$154.00

Payment Methods

1. **By mail** (Include a self-addressed stamped envelope)
2. **Online** at www.ibew25.org (under “Secure Member Login”)
 - Accepted payment methods: **MasterCard, Visa, and Discover**
 - **Cash is no longer accepted**

Important Renewal Information

The Financial Office strongly recommends renewing your work card online. Our system automatically sends a temporary receipt to your email, which serves as a valid proof of payment if you are carded on the job until you receive your official Work Card and IO Receipt by mail.

For any questions, please contact the Financial Office at 631.273.4567.

IBEW LOCAL 25 VETERANS COMMITTEE



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After the PACT Act, signed by President Biden in 2022, an additional 1,000,000 veterans and 10,000 veterans survivors became eligible and began receiving disability benefits that they earned. In 2023, 400,000 veterans (an increase of 30% more than the previous year) signed up for VA Healthcare. VA Healthcare enrollment has increased nearly 50% above 2020 levels.

The VA hired additional staff to meet this increase and open more clinics. Under the leadership of President Trump and his appointed head of DOGE - (Elon Musk) - the VA has fired 2,400 staff members and is planning on firing up to 83,000 more staff members to return the VA to 2019 staff levels of 399,957.

In solidarity

A Dead Circuit Never Killed Anyone

In Memoriam

NAME	CARD #
Retired Brother Daniel P. Haughey	D229459
<i>Passed away November 17, 2024</i>	
Retired Brother Rommie Haywood	D912993
<i>Passed away January 27, 2025</i>	
Retired Brother John J. Schneider	D259044
<i>Passed away February 3, 2025</i>	
Retired Brother Peter Cioffi	A159795
<i>Passed away February 13, 2025</i>	
Retired Brother Thomas E. Bradley	D523650
<i>Passed away February 22, 2025</i>	
Retired Brother Paul R. Roth	D569147
<i>Passed away February 24, 2025</i>	
Retired Brother Richard Klouda	D100517
<i>Passed away February 25, 2025</i>	

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:

Deceased Brother Anthony DeFiore	<i>Wife</i>
Brother Charles H. Henning Jr.	<i>Cousin</i>
Brother Robert M. Milani	<i>Grandfather</i>
Deceased Brother R. Eugene Muller	<i>Wife</i>
Brother Robert Pizarro	<i>Brother</i>
Brother Nicholas A. Rivera	<i>Brother</i>
Brother Matthew A. Rocco	<i>Brother</i>
Brother Justin J. Soares	<i>Mother</i>

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

Trustees of the I.B.E.W. Local 25 Scholarship Fund will be accepting tuition scholarship applications from students who have graduated high school in 2024, 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 #25 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 25 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 25 by June 14, 2025**
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 #25 Members & Retirees

Welcome Letter

Powered by



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FELDMAN, KRAMER & MONACO, P.C.
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS

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
- Bankruptcy
- 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)

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EWMC (Electrical Workers Minority Caucus)



Last month our local EWMC Chapter hosted elections for committee officers. The winners include Ricky Viera as President, Brandon Joachim as Vice President, Rob Link as Treasurer, Senator Hanley as Recording Secretary and Vinny Miller, Allen Murphy, Meaghan Murphy, Ron Decicco, Brian Tovar, and Jose Ramirez as Committee Executive Board members. Congratulations to those who won and thank you to those that voted.

We are also hosting our annual Poker and Domino Tournament in conjunction with the Local 25 Motorcycle Club. The tournament will take place on April 19th, 5pm start at the hall. If interested, please contact David Pena at 516-852-1990.

Our monthly meetings are the last Wednesdays of every month at 5pm. All are welcome to attend.

IBEW Local 25 EWMC & Motorcycle Club
invites it's members, family
and friends to their

10TH ANNUAL TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

**Saturday
April 19th
5 PM Sign In & Seat Assignment
6 PM Start**

Place: Local 25 Union Hall 370 Motor Pky, Hauppauge NY 11788
Please Call ASAP to Lock Up Your Seat!
David Pena 516-852-1990

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\$100 Buy In With \$20 Dealer Option
Unlimited Rebuys For 1st Hour
Plus an Optional Add On @ Break
Limited to the First 72 Players
Walk Ins Welcomed

Dominoes Tournament:
\$50 Per Domino Player
Random Team Assignment
Top Team Payout

Includes Hot
Buffet @ Break
With Coffee
& Desserts
Cash Bar With
Waitress Service
21 & Over,
ID Required.

TOP 4 Players Payout • 50/50
• Lottery Basket • Cigar/Bourbon Basket



With winter behind us, it's time to get ready for the 2025 golf season. This year's scheduled golf outings are as follows:

- Sunday, June 29, 2025 @ Indian Island Country Club – 1st tee time will be at 9am.
- Wednesday, August 13, 2025 @ Smithtown Landing Country Club – 1st tee time will be at 10am.

Both outings will include golf, cart, range balls and dinner. There will be gross and net prizes, as well as closest to the pin and long drive winners. All golfers will receive gifts and door prizes. The cost for both outings will be \$125. Apprentices, unemployed members and retired Local 25 members will pay \$100.

Bring friends, family members and co-workers and enjoy a day on the links. All those interested can contact me at 516-369-2280.

Special thanks to the Golf Committee: Roy Starke, Jim Starke, George Starke, BJ Bjornson, George Werner, Matt McDermott, Guy Yuhas, Sal Stuto, Vinny Ferravanti and Billy Jankowski. Without their time and efforts, these outings would not be possible.

Mike Zeffer
Golf Committee Chairman

Notice to Active & Retired Members

Every member of Local 25 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 that you designated when you were sworn in may not be appropriate today. If you wish to change the beneficiary or either or both benefits, please contact the Financial Office at 631.273.4567.

Ryan Casey, Financial Secretary

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IBEW LOCAL 25 vs. STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 628



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2025 JATC Apprentice Application Dates

Please be advised that the application dates listed below are for apprentice positions to begin June - 2026.

• 04/02/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 04/16/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 05/07/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 05/21/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 06/04/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 06/18/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 07/02/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 07/16/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 08/06/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 08/20/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 09/03/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• 09/17/2025	Applications	10:00AM – 12:00 Noon
• October 2025	Aptitude Testing	Dates To Be Determined
• November 2025	Aptitude Testing	Dates To Be Determined
• December 2025	Aptitude Testing	Dates To Be Determined
• January 2026	Interviews	Dates To Be Determined
• February 2026	Interviews	Dates To Be Determined
• March 2026	Interviews	Dates To Be Determined
• April 2026	Interviews	Dates To Be Determined
• May 2026	Interviews	Dates To Be Determined
• May 2026	JATC Committee Meeting - Applicants Selected	
• June 2026	Applicants Indentured - Begin Working as a NYS Registered Apprentice	

JATC – EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION & RECRUITMENT INFORMATION

The Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties sponsors an Apprenticeship program that admits students of any race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin and age to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school.

In addition, the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, pregnancy, familial status, status as a covered

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veteran or political affiliation in administration of its educational policies, admission policies and work policies.

Furthermore, the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties has pledged that the recruitment, selection, employment and training of apprentices, during their apprenticeship, shall be without discrimination because of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, pregnancy, familial status, status as a covered veteran or political affiliation.

Lastly, in order to promote equality of opportunity, the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties hereby pledges to take affirmative action to encourage minorities and women to complete the apprenticeship application and enter into the eligibility pool.

The Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties requires that applicants:

- Must be at least 17 years old at the time of application & at least 18 at the time of acceptance (Proof is required at the time of application)
- Must have a High School Diploma or a High School Equivalency Diploma such as TASC or GED (Proof is required at the time of application)
- Must have taken and passed Elementary Algebra, New York State Math 1 (or equivalent) or Algebra Regents Math (Transcript Proof is required at the time of application) (Transcripts or Certificates of Completion of courses taken after High School can also be submitted. For example: College, Technical School, Military Records, etc.)
- Must be a resident within the geographical area of Nassau/Suffolk County for at least 12 months prior to the date of application (Proof is required at the time of application)

- Must attest to the following criteria as indicated on the application:
 1. Be able to climb and work from ladders, scaffold, poles and towers of various heights
 2. Be able to crawl and work in confined spaces such as attics, manholes and crawlspaces
- Must be able to read and understand English
- Must be able to hear and understand verbal instructions and warnings in English
- Must have a valid NYS driver's license to operate company vehicles
- Must have reliable transportation to and from various work sites and related instruction within the geographical area
- Must receive a qualifying score on the NJATC/AIR aptitude test administered by the JATC
- Must be interviewed by the JATC
- Must submit to and pass a substance abuse test, paid for by the JATC, before final acceptance
- Must provide DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, if applicable, after offer

Applications can be made, in person only, at 370 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, beginning April 2, 2025 through September 17, 2025 on the following dates: 04/02/25, 04/16/25, 05/07/25, 05/21/25, 06/04/25, 06/18/25, 07/02/25, 07/16/25, 08/06/25, 08/20/25, 09/03/25 and 09/17/25. Interested applicants should contact the nearest New York State Department of Labor office or the JATC for the Electrical Industry of Nassau and Suffolk Counties at (631) 434-3939 ext. 1 for more information regarding the application process.

Also, ALL applicants MUST respect & maintain a proper social distance while standing in line, both inside and outside the building, and when completing the application for apprenticeship.



New! Nutrition and Wellness Services Now Available

We're excited to announce that our EAP provider, National EAP, has expanded its services to include food and nutritional health support! You now have access to:

- **Medical Nutrition Counseling Referrals** – Covered by most major insurance plans, with self-pay and HSA/FSA options available.
- **Personalized Support** – 1:1 virtual nutrition counseling with expert, flexible Registered Dietitians.
- **Request a referral today!** Contact National EAP at info@nationaleap.com.

Gearing Up for Springtime: Free Webinars

Spring is the perfect time to refresh your skills and strengthen workplace culture.

Join two upcoming **FREE THRIVE webinars** designed to help you grow:

Wednesday, March 12 | 12:00 PM ET
Boosting Productivity with Time Management
[Register for the March 2025 webinar >>](#)



Thursday, April 10 | 1:00 PM ET
Leadership Spotlight: Fostering Psychological Safety at Work
[Register for the April 2025 webinar >>](#)



Your Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is Here for You!

National EAP provides **confidential counseling services and online resources** to support you and your household.

- 24/7 Support:** Call **1-800-624-2493**
- Email:** info@nationaleap.com
- Online Resources:** [Click here](#)
- Login Details:** Username & Password = **"Local 25"**

Here's to thriving in 2025!

– The National EAP Team

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

- Luis M. Barradas
- James F. Cirillo
- Vito S. Cudia
- William R. Fernandez
- Egon H. Graw
- Richard A. Iracane
- Kevin J. Kenney
- Robert J. Mennigke
- Christopher P. Muench
- Edward W. O'Brien
- George Ovalle
- Philip A. Perry
- Raymond F. Pomerico
- Richard F. Townsend

IBEW INTERNATIONAL OFFICE PENSION

- Kevin J. Kenney
- Thomas Kretschmer
- Timothy H. O'Shea
- Arthur H. Vita

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NEC CODE CORNER

This month we will continue exploring the **2023 National Electrical Code**, particularly **Article 210 Branch Circuits**, revision to section **210.52(C)(2)**, **Island and Peninsular Countertops and Work Surfaces**. A significant change has been made to this section to improve kitchen safety. The NEC has revised the locations where receptacle outlets on islands and peninsulas should be installed. According to section **210.52(C)(2)** it is no longer a requirement for receptacle outlets to be installed in island countertops and peninsular work surfaces. If receptacle outlets are desired at these locations, they shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of **210.52(C)(3)**, which allows for a few options, including **above**, **on**, or **in** a countertop or work surface, using receptacle outlet assemblies listed for use in work surfaces or countertops. 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. The **Outline and Language** of the code is included below. Practice using the Codeology Method to answer all your code challenges.

CHAPTER, ARTICLE, PART, and SECTION!

2023 National Electrical Code

Chapter	2 Wiring and Protection
Article	210 Branch Circuits
Part	III Required Outlets
Section	210.52(C)(2) Island and Peninsular Countertops and Work Surfaces.

Receptacle outlets, **if** installed to serve an island or peninsular countertop or work surface, shall be installed in accordance with **210.52(C)(3)**. If a receptacle outlet is **not provided** to serve an island or peninsular countertop or work surface, provisions shall be provided at the island or peninsula for future addition of a receptacle outlet to serve the island or peninsular countertop or work surface.

210.52(C)(3) Receptacle Outlet Location.

Receptacle outlets shall be located in one or more of the following:

- (1) On or above, but not more than 500 mm (20 in.) above, a countertop or work surface
- (2) In a countertop using receptacle outlet assemblies listed for use in countertops
- (3) In a work surface using receptacle outlet assemblies listed for use in work surfaces or listed for use in countertops

Receptacle outlets rendered not readily accessible by appliances fastened in place, appliance garages, sinks, or range tops as covered in **210.52(C)(1)**, Exception No. 1, or appliances occupying assigned spaces shall not be considered as these required outlets.

Informational Note No. 1: See **406.5(E)** for installation of receptacles in countertops and **406.5(F)** for installation of receptacles in work surfaces. See **380.10** for installation of multioutlet assemblies.

So what does this mean?

Until this revision, the typical location for placing receptacles in kitchens has been to mount them on the countertop back wall, under the cabinet or on the side of the island in order to comply with NEC spacing requirements. Injury reports have shown that appliance cords are getting hooked or pulled, resulting in tipping, and spilling the contents of countertop appliances and people getting injured or worse. The Consumer Product Safety Commission has data from 1991 through 2020 with an estimated 9,700 burns and other injuries treated at hospital emergency rooms. The CPSC published a report in June 2021 detailing injuries that have occurred in kitchens due to either cord pulls, trips, or snags. A substantial number of these injuries occur to children under 5 years old, whose curious nature leads them to pull on hanging cords. This resulted in second and third degree burn injuries, including ten deaths. The report also includes the death of a wheelchair-bound person when the contents of a countertop appliance spilled on their lap.

As worded in **210.52(C)(2)**, receptacle outlets installed to serve an island or peninsular countertop, or work surface is now optional. These receptacle outlets are no longer allowed to be installed on the side of an island or peninsular location. If a receptacle is installed to serve an island or peninsular countertop, it must be GFCI protected and installed based on the following two sections. Section **210.52(C)(3)(1)** permits the receptacle to be installed **above** the countertop within an elevated backsplash space, but not more than 20 inches above the countertop, and section **210.52(C)(3)(2)** allows the receptacle to be installed **within** the countertop surface using a listed assembly. When choosing the work surface installation method, the receptacle outlet assembly shall be listed for use on work surfaces or listed for use in countertops. Remember, according to **210.52(C)(2)**, if a receptacle outlet is not offered to serve an island or peninsular countertop or work surface, a wiring method must be provided so a receptacle outlet could be installed in the future. The 2023 edition of the National Electrical Code certainly meets the purpose of the code – sensible revisions reflecting advances in technology along with industry practices for the practical safeguarding of persons and property from hazards arising from the use of electricity.

CODE KNOWLEDGE = CODE CONFIDENCE

Tom Dunne

MONTHLY CODE CHALLENGE

Find the correct **Chapter**, **Article**, **Part** and **Section** and win a prize!

Receptacles shall not be installed in a _____ position in or on countertop surfaces or work surfaces unless listed for countertop or work surface applications.

Use the 2023 National Electrical Code Book

Send in your **answer** with the correct **Chapter**, the correct **Article**, the correct **Part** and the correct **Section**, including the correct **1st**, **2nd** and **3rd level subdivision** to: ckelly@lijatc.org and win a prize.

The Brotherhood Of Electricians

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 25 IBEW

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

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1-855-460-7493

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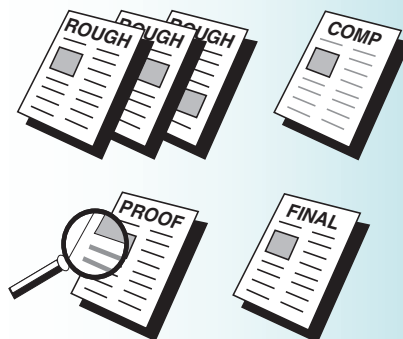
Did You Know?

- ❖ Illegible hand writing is called griffonage.
- ❖ The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn in is called the “armscye”.
- ❖ When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark, (!?) it is referred to as an “interrobang”.
- ❖ The day after tomorrow is called “overmorrow”.
- ❖ The wire cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called the “agraffe”.
- ❖ A day on the planet Venus is longer than a year on Venus; it takes longer for Venus to rotate once on its axis than it does for it to orbit the Sun.
- ❖ Blue whales can consume up to half a million calories in a single mouthful of krill.
- ❖ Each limestone/granite block that makes up the Great Pyramid of Giza weighs 2.5 tons. And there are 2.3 million of them.
- ❖ The most-visited country on the planet is France, with over 90M visitors annually, and in second is Spain.
- ❖ Owls don’t have eyeballs, they have tubes/cylinders and rod shaped eyes that do not move. They need to move their heads to look around.

- Vinnie D'Ambrosio

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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

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*Yours in Brotherhood,
Christopher Callahan
Chairman of the VUF*

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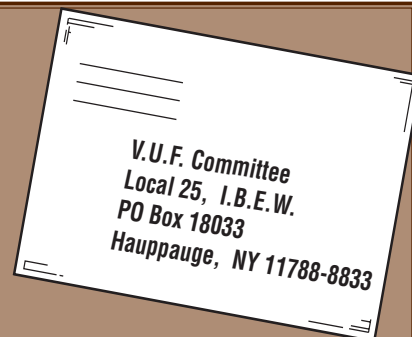
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