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SPORTSMAN'S HOLIDAY

TWO FOURSOMES REMAIN

**Monday, June 5th – Forest Park Golf Course –
11:00 am – lunch - Noon - shotgun start**

We thank the following hole sponsors and prize donors for donating to our Sportsman's Holiday. These funds help us provide attendance prizes as well as prizes for team and contests held that day. If your company wishes to sponsor a hole or donate a prize and are NOT listed below, please call or email Annie, 636-305-6434 / annie@electricalboard.org prior to May 26th, so we can include your company name on our information.

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Bill Regan

LET'S TALK...

Part 2 of our THANK YOU'S...

The Electrical Expo only runs smoothly with an army of dedicated volunteers. They are so helpful at the **seminar program** (12 seminars) for the two days as moderators, attendee badge scanners, handing out presentation info before the seminar and certificates after the program, providing directions to the attendees and doing whatever is needed. The **EBMI booth** is manned by our Board of Directors and Past Chairmen volunteers with a big assist from **Pat Pettey** of Electro Savings Credit Union. We have volunteers organizing the **New Product Area** and the judges for the **Awards program** (New Products and Booth excellence). **Rick Hill** and **Rick Heyman** manned the **Ask the Inspectors** table on Tuesday.

The **Attendance Prize Table** and the **Show Office** were staffed by volunteers throughout all the show hours. We also used volunteers to assist attendees with filling out Expo tickets, handing out badge holders and if they already had their badges, directing them to seminar location or Expo entrance.

Hours before the show opens, several volunteers placed last minute reminders and other **Expo info in the booths.**

On Monday during **exhibitor move-in** we had **John Duda** help in the loading dock area.

In all, 71 volunteers participated in one or more of the above activities with many being there for 1 or both days, and several taking vacation days.

Add to that total, the 24 seminar speakers that volunteered their time and energy to prepare presentations. We certainly appreciate their efforts to provide quality seminars for the attendees. We had 1,895 attendees at 12 seminars. Many attend more than one seminar. In 2014, we had 2063 attendees for 13 seminars. So while the total numbers may be down slightly, we averaged **more** attendees per seminar this Expo.

As you can see, we rely on a large number of volunteers to make an Expo a success. We thank them all of them for their assistance.

We also outsource **registration services to Conexsys Registration Co.** They handle all on-line Expo and seminar registrations as well as at door registrations. Several Shows ago, we had to enter all this data. Our **decorating services** are provided by **Sean Hoffert, Tom Kelly and Leigh Everett** of **Paramount Convention Services.** They provide the carpeting, pipe and drapes for the exhibitor booths, storage of exhibitor displays shipped prior to the show, tables for the new product area and the signage for the Expo. Both companies are tremendous to work with and provided excellent service to the Electrical Board and our exhibitors.

St. Charles Convention Center – This was our third Expo held in St. Charles and the response from attendees and exhibitors has been very positive. It was much easier coordinating all aspects of the show this time around than in 2014 since there were just a few changes made. The entire process from our first meeting through move-out went very smoothly.

Chardean Olsen - Event Manager, **Jennifer Purcell Nowack** - Food and Beverage Service and **Jason Donato** - Audio/Visual went the extra mile to assure a successful event. We also received comments on how courteous the concession stand personnel, cleaning and various other SCCC staff members were to our attendees.

There's a 49 page document from SCCC that details all aspects of the show from security, food and beverage, audio visual, move-in and move-out for exhibitors, diagrams of booth space and various room sets. We appreciate their attention to details for our show and the many activities. They were a pleasure to work with over the past two years.

THANK YOU TO...

OUR EXHIBITING COMPANIES AND PERSONNEL. We realize there is a considerable amount of money, time and effort to bring an exhibit to our show. In this economy, we were very pleased with the support received to SELL-out the Expo. We actually had six companies contact us in February to exhibit but we were sold-out. We used our website to update everyone on the growing list of manufacturers participating in the show. It was nice to see that list grow each month. We thank all the exhibiting companies and hope they will plan to exhibit in Electrical Expo 2020.

Special thanks to the ERO group who filled 92 booths.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

See calendar on www.electricalboard.org

May 23 rd	WEB Officers Installation Meeting
May 25 th	EBMI Vets Memorial Day Observance
May 29 th	Memorial Day (EBMI Office closed) A special day to remember the military personnel who died for this country.
June 5 th	SPORTSMAN'S HOLIDAY at Forest Park Golf Course
June 13 th	EBMI Night at the Cards This game was rescheduled from May 3 rd .
June 22 nd	EBMI Board of Directors meeting Installation of Officers and Board of Directors
July 4 th	Independence Day (EBMI Office closed)
August 17 th	Renewable Energy Summit At Ameren Headquarters 7:30 to 12 noon
Sept. 18 th	GOLFfest At Crescent Farm Golf Course
Oct. 14 th	BBQ at the VA Medical Center
Oct. 14 th	Bowling Fundraiser for Michael A. Postiglione Scholarship
Dec. 6 th <u>Wednesday</u>	CHRISTMAS MIXER at Chase Hotel

Call EBMI at 636-305-6434 for more information or to register for any of these events or visit our website at www.electricalboard.org.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Many of our committees will be working to organize 2017-18 programs

ELECTION OF EBMI OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We used Survey Monkey for the first time for the election of Officers and Board of Directors. So far, 112 members have voted which is a sizable increase over including the ballot in the FLASH newsletter.

If you cannot vote through Survey Monkey for any reason, please email bill@electricalboard.org and let us know why. We did hear from one member that his company will NOT allow them to access Survey Monkey.



Join our EBMI Vets Memorial Day Observance

is May 25th with wreath laying at 11:00 am at the Kirkwood War Memorial on Lindbergh across from the train station. Lunch afterwards at PJ's. Industry associates are invited to attend. Please RSVP to annie@electricalboard.org we can let PJ's know how many to expect for lunch.

QUOTE

Memorial Day remains one of America's most cherished patriotic observances. The spirit of this day has not changed - it remains a day to honor those who died defending our freedom and democracy.

Doc Hastings

2017-18
ELECTRICAL BOARD
OFFICERS ELECTED

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Treasurer - **Kurt Schulz**
Eaton's Crouse-Hinds Division

Immediate Past Chairman – **Phil Jacquot**
Guarantee Electrical

In accordance with the Electrical Board By-laws, Article IX-Section 6, Dennis Weisenborn, chair of the 2016-17 Nominating Committee has verified the ballots submitted and approved the election of the above officers. Mark Barthel, Bob Benson, Ron Black, Joe Burbridge, Tom Bush, Mike Kelsch, Jim Porter and Craig Schild were also elected to serve a two-year term on EBMI's Board of Directors. The new EBMI officers and newly elected Board members will be installed at the June 22nd Board of Directors Meeting.

WOMEN'S ELECTRICAL BOARD
OFFICERS FOR 2017-18

Chair – **Kris Steiger**
Schaeffer Marketing Group

Vice Chair – **Carey Adkisson**
Crescent Electric Supply

Treasurer – **Amy Barton**
Butler Supply

Secretary – **Jeri McCormick**
FISHCO GROUP

Past Chair - **Carol Bourbon**
Schaeffer Electric

Congratulations to the new WEB officers. These officers will be installed at the May 23rd WEB meeting.

2017-18
ELECTRICAL REPRESENTATIVES
ORGANIZATION (ERO)

President - Dave Meglio
Meglio & Associates

Vice President - Bobby Davis
Hendrix Co.

Treasurer - Jim Erlinger

Secretary - Michelle McCrory
Vector Electrical Sales

We look forward to working with this leadership group during the upcoming year.

2017-18
ILLUMINATING ENGINEERING
SOCIETY
ST. LOUIS SECTION

President – **Callia Ball**
Lighting Associates

Vice President – **Courtney Sheets**
RLG

Secretary – **Thad Martin**
JEMA

Treasurer – **Julia Heutel**
HOK

QUOTE

In the business world and the volunteer world, each job has certain requirements that must be met in order for that job to be done properly and for that organization to survive and prosper.

Ron D. Burton

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

1117 – Mechanical/Electrical Design Technician –

Kuhlmann *design* Group, Inc. (www.kdginco.com), a growing, vibrant Architectural, Design & Engineering firm has exciting opportunities for a talented Mechanical/Electrical Design Technician. Experience working in the Commercial, Retail, and Hospitality industries a plus. Visit the employment page of our website for requirements and application information. EEO Employer W/M/Vet/Disabled

1217 – ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING MANAGER

Peoria, IL (open to our Normal, IL or Champaign, IL office locations)

Qualified candidates must be proven leaders with solid technical experience in the preparation of MEP construction drawings, specifications, submittals and construction administration. The ability to build a team, develop and mentor staff, collaborate with other disciplines, establish and maintain budgets, and work in partnership with leadership throughout the entire Company is essential for this opportunity. Design aspects include lighting and lighting controls, HVAC systems and power distribution systems applicable to commercial, governmental, healthcare, higher education, retail and industrial facilities. A working knowledge of the integration of fire alarm, voice/data, and mechanical controls into building systems is also essential. Please Apply Online by clicking on the link below

<http://newton.newtonsoftware.com/career/JobIntroduction.action?id=8a3b93ee4aebc807014af4eefb977a9e&source=Electricalboard.org>

1317 – ELECTRICAL ENGINEER – PROJECT MANAGER Peoria, IL (open to our Normal, IL or Champaign, IL office locations)

We have an immediate opening for an Electrical Engineer within our Facilities Science and Technology team in our Peoria, Normal or Champaign, IL office. This key position will serve as a project manager for the local electrical engineering team supporting local and nationwide clients.

Qualified candidates must have solid technical experience with the preparation of electrical construction drawings, specifications, submittals and construction administration. The ability to develop and mentor staff, collaborate with other disciplines, establish and maintain budgets, and work in partnership with leadership throughout the Company is essential. Job duties include managing projects and providing quality assurance for lighting, power systems, fire alarm, communications and data. Project types will involve

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2117 – SR. ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

Ambitech Engineering is searching for an ambitious Sr. Electrical Engineer to join our Team in Maryland Heights, Missouri. Please log on to www.ambitech.com to apply.

Responsibilities: The position requires the candidate to work as part of a project team in the execution of electrical projects. These projects include brownfield, greenfield, retrofit, or debottlenecking / expansion in oil and gas, petrochemical, specialty chemical, biofuels, renewable energy, pharmaceutical, and the food/beverage industry. The Electrical Sr. Engineer will lead electrical design efforts for industrial clients.

Qualifications: Technical expertise in power distribution design and details for industrial projects. Knowledge of NFPA 497/499 is a plus. Candidate should have small/medium capital project experience in a lead role for Electrical (power) engineering design. Proven track record in leading team of electrical engineers and designers, but with also a solid history of technical expertise in power supply and distribution.

Years of experience: 15+ Years of experience; **Education:** BSEE or Higher; **Certifications:** PE is Strongly Preferred; **Software:** SKM, CADD familiarity, but not a must.

4117 - INSIDE SALES REP

WESCO Distribution, Inc. –St Louis location has an immediate opening for an IC Inside Sales Rep. All information can be accessed through the link below.

https://hrconnect.wesco.com:443/OA_HTML/OA.jsp?OAFunc=IRC_VIS_VAC_DISPLAY&OAMC=R&p_svid=182853&p_spid=8735052&p_lang_code=US

RENEWABLE ENERGY SUMMITS

August 17th at Ameren Headquarters
August 30th or 31st in Jefferson City
Date TBD in Cape Girardeau

Tentative topics

- Current utility trends and view of the future.
- Solar Projects
- EV Charging stations at workplace or for fleets. Update of Transportation Electrification.
- Energy Storage

Table top opportunities are available at each location. Cost: St. Louis - \$125; Jefferson City - \$100 and Cape - \$100. If interested in a table top or attending any of the three locations, please call the EBMI Office at 636-305-6434.

These programs are organized by the Ameren Missouri –EBMI Task Force.

Solar Panels Proposed At St. Louis Airport to Benefit Customers - From Ameren Missouri's Power Forward.



Ameren Missouri is taking off on a forward-thinking plan to increase the amount of solar energy available to customers. On May 3, the company announced plans for a new solar generation facility to be built at St. Louis Lambert

International Airport. Energy produced there would be available for its customers through the Community Solar Program.

"What better way to showcase that we're a progressive region committed to finding innovative solutions to energy generation than by placing a large solar field at the airport," said Mike Mueller, vice president of Economic and Technology development, Ameren. "Ameren Missouri continues to lead the way by investing in more clean energy delivered reliably and affordably to our customers."

Customer Choice

The plan calls for Ameren Missouri to build up to a one megawatt facility at Lambert. Once the plan is approved by city officials and state regulators, Ameren Missouri customers can sign-up to purchase blocks of solar generated energy.

"This is a simple solution for customers to take part in solar generation," said Dan Lidisky, director, Technology and Renewable Development, Ameren. "Nothing is installed on a customer's roof, and the experts at Ameren Missouri take care of maintaining the solar panels."

The airport is an ideal location for solar panels. There is an abundance of open land that would otherwise go unused. Panels would be positioned away from runways and out of the line-of-sight of pilots taking off or coming in for a landing.

"We're proud to be a part of this proposed project because St. Louis Lambert International Airport is heavily focused on impactful, environmentally sustainable projects and this is another positive piece that aligns with our mission," said Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge, airport director.

How it Works

The program will be open to Ameren Missouri residential and small business customers. Once the subscription period opens later this year, interested customers can sign up for 100 kilowatt-hour blocks of solar generation. Customers can subscribe for the equivalent of up to half of their average electric usage based on the previous 12 months' usage. A limited number of blocks will be made available at a price yet to be determined. Once the program is fully subscribed, construction of the solar facility will begin. Solar generation could start as soon as next spring. Customers interested in the program can go to AmerenMissouri.com/communitysolar for more information.

"Based on what our customers are telling us, we believe there is a strong interest in this program," Lidisky said. "Only those who sign up for the program will pay the cost related to installation of this new solar generation facility."

Long-Term Plan

Ameren Missouri is focused on adding 500 megawatts of new renewable energy generation to its portfolio. In addition to this solar project, Ameren Missouri recently launched a second solar program targeted at businesses interested in hosting solar generation on their property. The company currently operates the 5.7 megawatt O'Fallon Renewable Energy Center, which is capable of producing nearly 8 million kilowatt-hours of energy from the sun's rays each year.

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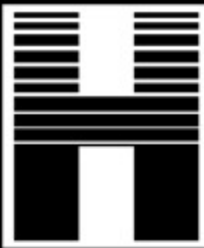
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NOTE NEW DAY FOR

CHRISTMAS MIXER 2017

(Please mark your calendars)

WEDNESDAY, December 6th

At Chase Hotel

The past several years, the Christmas Mixer has been on a Thursday
but in 2017 the Mixer will be held on a Wednesday.

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