

Monthly Newsletter
of the
Southwest Division
Ohio Chapter, Western Section,
International Association of Electrical Inspectors
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Greetings,

The January meeting was very well attended. As usual it was good to see all of you!

During the Executive Committee meeting plans were finalized for the February Annual Luncheon Meeting (so far we are expecting Regina Hanshaw and Felicia Jackson from the OBBS as our guest speakers); the annual budget was also set and approved; and an ad for our friends at SWOBOA was approved.

The 2012 scholarship awards program is now open. Full information will be distributed to our Division members via email and the website. I wish your son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter the best in the competition.

The Tool Bag Awards (more inside) are next on the horizon as is planning for the next 30-hour refresher course.

Why talk about all of this now?? Because “that time” will be here before you know it!!

See you in February! (Bring your appetite!)

Gaylord Poe
President

NEXT DIVISION MEETING
Wednesday, February 8th, 2012
9:30 AM to 12:00 PM

The meeting will be held at:
James Monroe Community Room
Monroe, Ohio City Building.

BRING A FRIEND TO THE MEETING!

PROGRAM
Our regular business meeting and
OUR ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING
Guest Speakers: Regina Hanshaw & Felicia Jackson, OBBS

Items of interest from the January 11th, 2012 meeting

Secretary's Report: Lorenzo Adam reported that there would be no credits for KY and IA EI licenses for January or February. However all OBBS certifications listed are "good to go" for all of 2012. Lorenzo also reported that the 2011 NEC will be effective in KY February 1st, 2012 and that the RCAC has recommended adoption of the 2009 ICC to the OBBS.

Ohio Chapter Report: Caty Robinson provided a brief update on the status of planning for the Ohio Chapter meeting in Boardman in May. Caty will provide a full report after the next Ohio Chapter Board Meeting on February 17th.

Treasurer's Report: Ken Dunning reported a bank balance of \$25,225.81 with all bills paid. It was agreed that we ask Bud Werling to audit our books for 2011.

Membership Report: Dewayne Jenkins provided a positive and detailed report outlining his activities in retaining existing members and soliciting new members. Dewayne noted that although we are "down" in number from past years, the SW Division still has 145 members. *(Note: The economy we are in at the moment makes being the Membership Chair a tough job and we appreciate Dewayne's efforts.)*

Education Report: Gaylord Poe reported on the upcoming Joint Venture Seminar. The Joint Venture Committee has been very busy with the last minute details for the February 4th regional training. Our annual scholarship award program will be underway before the next meeting. Dewayne Jenkins reported on the status of and planning for the Tool Bag Awards. Significant effort has been made to expand awareness of and participation in this program with the vocational schools in our jurisdiction.

OCILB Report: The OCILB report has been temporarily suspended.

Media Report: Lorenzo Adam reported that our website is seeing a lot of activity. Please continue to visit the site and offer your suggestions for improvements and additions.

UL Report: Jim Zalipski reported on UL's acquisition of Witham Laboratories in Melbourne, Australia. Jim also reported on some recent additions to the UL Newsroom (at UL.com), most notably an issue with a 120v landscape light (by Nuvo) where water is entering the wiring compartment and creating a shock hazard. Visit the newsroom for more information on product safety and public notices.

ETL Report: Ron Schapp was not with us for today's meeting.

Librarian's Report: Caty Robinson reported that more of the new books she ordered are in and available for your review and use. 3 more books (titles by Ray Mullin and Phil Simmons) are being ordered as of this meeting.

Utility Report:

1. **Duke Energy** – Austin Bickett (Customer Project Coordinator) was available for questions and comments. Austin also reported on the progress of the revisions of the Red Book.
2. **DP&L** - John Kenton, Larry Albers were not available for today's meeting.
3. **Butler Rural** - Bob McIntosh, Dennis Armstead were not available for today's meeting.

Code Discussion: Items of discussion included: NEC 358.6, 358.30, and 330.30(A). Basically, the discussion was about using metal tie wire for supporting or strapping cables and conduits.

Code Instruction: Gaylord Poe provided detailed instruction on Hazardous Locations.