

Monthly Newsletter
of the
Southwest Division
Ohio Chapter, Western Section,
International Association of Electrical Inspectors
May 13th, 2020
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Greetings Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well and staying away from any sickness. Our Division has made efforts to try something new with education and had our first monthly meeting virtually using the Zoom Meeting app. In May, your executive board decided to move forward with our monthly Divisional meeting with an educational offering as normal, just not in person. The executive board takes our commitment seriously to our membership and decided not to cancel our May meeting but instead, host it virtually. While we are moving through some technology challenges we are not letting this hold us down. I hope everyone understands this is not the preferred method for us, just an alternative one. It's very important to us to still have our monthly meetings and provide our members the educational benefits they may need, until we can meet again in person in Monroe.

Until this pandemic and the powers to be can allow us to host our meeting again in person we will continue to use this virtual option currently. We will notify you ASAP once we can meet at the Library Community Room in Monroe. For now, please join us with the next virtual offering.

Sincerely,
Dewayne

NEXT DIVISION MEETING

June 10th, 2020
9:30 AM to 12:00 PM

INVITE A FRIEND TO THE MEETING!

PROGRAM

Our regular business meeting and NEC code instruction:
Grounding & Bonding by Pete Baldauf

Items of interest from the May 13th, 2020 virtual meeting

Secretary's Report: Lorenzo Adam was available for today's meeting and he let us know that he contacted OBBS and OCILB to confirm we could get approval for continuing educational hours using the virtual meeting method. Both parties were very supportive and applauded our SW Division to host the meeting and provide education to our membership in this format. GP spoke with Carol Ross and OCILB has temporarily waived the per credit hour fee normally charged to our contractor members and we are extremely grateful to them. OBBS has also extended the renewal deadlines for permanent and interim certifications due to the current health issues.

Ohio Chapter Report: Pete Baldauf was available for today's meeting and informed us the next Ohio Chapter Annual meeting was canceled for now and refunds will be offered to those who were preregistered. The Ohio Chapter board will meet using the Zoom Meeting app and he does not have a current date for the next meeting. He did announce the Ohio Chapter Board will provide (3) \$750 scholarships to some very lucky graduating high school seniors. Good luck to those deserving recipients.

Treasurer's Report: Lorenzo was available for today's meeting and reported a bank balance of \$27,955.56 with all bills paid.

Membership Report: Larry Parsons was not available for today's meeting. Lorenzo reported we currently have 104 members.

Education Report: Gaylord was available for today's meeting and mentioned that we had (11) scholarship applications this year but unfortunately only (5) students had completed the application as required. Those (5) recipients were notified and will receive \$1000 scholarship each. Good luck to each of those students with their academics.

Legislative Report: Pete Baldauf was available for today's meeting and was unable to give an update on the legislative activity as the State was closed due to COVID-19.

OCILB Report: An OCILB electrical meeting report was not available at today's meeting for review.

Media Report: Lorenzo Adam reported that our website has been updated with a revised calendar and other information.

UL Report: Billy Anderson was not available for today's meeting.

Intertek Report: Eric Williams was not available for today's meeting.

Utility Report:

1. Duke Energy – Austin Bickett was not available for questions.

2. DP&L – Bill Gurley was not available for today's meeting.

3. Butler Rural - Bob McIntosh was not available for today's meeting.

Code Discussion: Was made available for attendees.

Code Instruction: Dewayne Jenkins provided his first virtual presentation on Field Procedures.