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Maxwell makes IFLY safe

iFLY Indoor Skydiving experience recently opened its first Ohio location in the Liberty Center, a \$350 million mixed-use complex in Liberty Township. The experiential entertainment company, which simulate freefall conditions in a vertical wind tunnel, opened adjacent to Dick's Sporting Goods in 2018 in a building with updated architecture compared to other locations.

iFLY has flown more than 8 million people in a dozen countries and at sea since launching the modern vertical wind tunnel industry in 1998. The company has 67 facilities operating in the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia with 28 wholly-owned in the United States and "significant growth plans" worldwide in the next two

years, according to Liberty Center officials.

Maxwell Lightning Protection Company of Dayton installed the lightning protection required for this project. Jeremiah Hoskins and David Ralph Marvin were the primary installers for the indoor skydiving facility. They coordinated their work with the electrical contractor in order to get lightning conductors concealed from the roof to the ground.

According to Adam Maxwell, LP, Project Manager/field Foreman with Maxwell, "Because of the build of the structure, safety requirements were 100% tie off on the roof level and it has a five-inch parapet wall which would be difficult work for anyone untrained in our scope of work." The job went smooth and was completed on time.

"We see this as being a very large draw for us," said Tracy Kocher, Marketing Director for the Butler County Visitors Bureau. "It also pairs nicely with our (Start Skydiving) facility up in Middletown, so we'll have both options available, people who actually want to skydive from a plane or just try it out with this indoor skydiving facility."

The expert instructors show you how to take off and fly in the most technologically advanced body flying tunnels in the world. Whether you want to try something truly unique for a special occasion or start a new lifelong adventure in flying, they'll make sure you fully experience your dream of flight.



Primary installers Jeremiah Hoskins and David Ralph Marvin.

NECA appoints David Long as next Chief Executive Officer

T. David Long was recently appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA). Long officially joined the NECA staff on April 1, 2019. "After a national search, the Executive



David Long

Committee and Vice President At Large. "David's experience as an electrical contractor, his current service as NECA President and his unending dedication to advancing our

industry make him the ideal leader for NECA at this important moment in time."

With more than 40 years' experience in electrical contracting, David was the former President of Miller Electric in Jacksonville, Florida. He brings demonstrated experience in strategic planning and organizational growth, as well as leadership and mentorship of substantial teams. A dedicated NECA volunteer, David has held many roles within the association, including serving on the Board of Governors, Executive Committee and Council of Industrial Relations and most recently culminating as President of the Association.

NECA is the voice of the \$171 billion electrical construction industry that brings power, light and communication technology to buildings and communities across the U.S. NECA's national office and 118 local chapters advance the industry through advocacy, education, research and standards development. Nearly 4,000-member companies account for approximately 300 million manhours per year.

Committee unanimously selected David Long to serve as CEO," said Larry Beltramo, Chair of the NECA Search

Employee appreciation

There are clear links between employee appreciation and its impact on employee engagement and productivity. Therefore, it's important for leaders to be able to bring out the best in their workers and a little appreciation goes a long way.

To show their appreciation for the excellent work performed by the employees in the electrical industry, the Labor Management Cooperation Committee (LMCC) made up members from the Western Ohio Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 82 are continuing to provide lunches to workers at various jobsites throughout the Dayton area. In addition, individual letters of appreciation are being distributed to each worker to thank them for their commitment to quality and safety on the job site. It is their fortitude and dedication that makes each project a success.

Northridge School Rehab Chapel Electric

Chapel Electric is in the final stages of construction at the new Northridge Local School building located just off of Dixie Drive, in Dayton OH. Dan Miller is Chapel's Project Manager and John Dailey is the General Foreman.

The \$45 million construction project started in 2017 and is

scheduled to open this fall, right in time for the 2019/2020 school year. The facility will house all of school district's students from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Shook Touchstone is the



Lunch at Northridge.

construction manager on the new 203,000-square-foot facility which also includes a large commercial serving kitchen and large activity rooms with an open concept in design along with a complete renovation of the School's existing auditorium-gymnasium. The Shook Touchstone / Chapel team also recently completed a \$22 million project at Bethel Schools in Miami County and a \$46 million project at Greenville City Schools in Darke County.

When Northridge's new K-12 school opens it will be the first school in the State with a BluePoint Alert security system, designed to help keep our students and faculty safe. The facility is powered by a 3200A service and a 125KW Generator and Emergency



Northridge Rehab.

system with an architectural LED lighting system featured throughout. Over 25 employees were served lunch at the Northridge School Rehab project on May 17.

Encompass of Dayton ESI Electrical Contractors, Inc.

Lunch was provided to over 10 employees on June 28 at the new Encompass hospital on Main St.

Birmingham, Alabama based Encompass Health Corp. and Premier Health are building a new \$27 million inpatient

electrical scope associated with the site including: electrical utilities, feeder conduit, wire, and



Employees at Encompass jobsite.

terminations, distribution equipment, lighting and controls, general power, generator, fire alarm systems, tele/data rough-in and cabling, nurse call rough-in and cabling, security rough-in and cabling, and A/V rough-in and cabling.

The hospital will provide inpatient rehabilitation services and higher medical management for patients recovering



Encompass Rehabilitation Institute of Dayton.

rehabilitation hospital, to be named the Rehabilitation Institute of Ohio. The hospital is located across from the Miami Valley Hospital campus at the intersection of Apple St. and South Main St.

The freestanding inpatient rehabilitation hospital will include 60 private patient rooms, a spacious therapy gym, an in-house pharmacy, courtyard, four-chair dialysis suite, three bariatric rooms, an isolation room, dining room, and dayroom areas.

Project partners include the architect Gresham Smith, Doster Construction from Birmingham, and Admiral Engineering. ESI Electrical Contractors, Inc. of Dayton is contracted to perform all

from stroke and other neurological disorders, hip fractures, brain injury, spinal cord injury, amputation and



Lunch at Encompass.

complex orthopedic conditions. Patients will receive access to advanced technologies, therapy and 24-hour nursing care.

Construction is anticipated to be completed in spring of 2020.

Greene County Career Center

Chapel Electric has started work at the new Greene County Career Center. Dan Miller is Chapel's Project Manager and its General Foremen are Dan Reising and John Dailey.



The new Greene County Career Center.

This \$62 million facility includes a 260,000 square-foot, two-story building and is being erected on vacant land in Xenia at U.S. 35 and U.S. 68. The project is slated to be finished by July 2020 and open in time for the 2020-2021 school year. While the concept is focused on aerospace, the building, the labs and the classrooms have been designed to provide flexibility for the career center, which will allow them to change their programs as the needs of the community and industry evolve in the future. Students will have

access to the most modern technology and equipment available.

Chapel Electric is working together with ESI Electrical Contractors on this project. All technology systems will be provided and installed by Chapel Romanoff Technologies (CRT). Chapel will employ many GCCC students who are working on a co-op basis during their summer break.

The project includes a specialty LED lighting package, dual 3000-amp services with a 300KW generator and emergency backup system. There are 2 complete commercial kitchens (a serving kitchen for the students and faculty and a Culinary Arts kitchen).

Dayton Tornado

On May 27, Memorial Day, the Dayton area experienced 15 tornadoes, causing extensive damage in Dayton, Trotwood, Beavercreek and Celina. The destruction was devastating. Several IBEW Local 82 members helped family and friends in the aftermath.

From Buck Ross, President Chapel Electric Co. "We sent all of our JVS new hires over to the Dayton Foodbank for their first day on the job with us, at 8:00am to lend a hand for the day. Amy Fox our Assistant Controller went with them as well. They all enjoyed the day, lending a hand sorting items for the Dayton Foodbank."

From Ben DeHart, Estimator/Project Manager with ESI Electrical Contractors. "There were many involved in the cleanup. One in particular

was Kevin Kreitzer. He was very active in arranging volunteers in the Beavercreek area with a local church group the weekend following the tornado."

From Yvonne Mullins, Membership Director with



IBEW Local 82. "One of L.U. 82's CW has been helping in the tornado relief clean up. His name is Michael Steffens. Michael has helped several of Local 82 members as well as other folks in the community. The day after the tornados hit, Michael and his family (parents) were out in force helping the community and our members."

Thanks to all those who lent a helping hand.

Graduation 2019

On June 20, the Dayton, Ohio Area Electrical Training Alliance (ETA) held the Class of 2019 graduation banquet. This was the 73rd graduation with fifteen apprentices moving up the ranks to Journeymen.

Training Director Eric Gray kicked off the celebration by congratulating the graduates and welcoming their families. "The first class graduated in 1946, and here we are today continuing to graduate our Journeymen with well over the national

grade point average," says Eric. "I want to thank our many instructors who cover over 20 areas of expertise in the electrical industry, for their dedication in making our apprentices the best Journeymen in the industry."



2019 Graduates.

There are many career paths for these graduates, 59 to be exact, from Foreman, Inspector, Contractor, Instructor, to Training Director.

The top graduate for the Inside Wireman program is Christopher Weyant; the top graduate for Telecommunications Installer is Cody Fuduloff; and this year with perfect attendance, Inside Wireman Cade Craig. Congratulations to the entire class including Inside Wiremen: Joshua

Conatser, Cade Craig, Benjamin Cseh, Bryan Day, Garry Hayden, Jermale Hightower, Aaron Horn, Ryan Murphy, James Vincent, Jeffrey Walden and Christopher Weyant; and the Telecommunications Installers: Cody Fuduloff, Jeremiah Knight, Josiah Lynn, and Tabitha Null.

A big thanks to the ETA Instructors, ETA Staff, Local 82 Officers and Staff, Western Ohio Chapter NECA and the Local 82 Mentoring Group for their dedication and participation in the success of this graduating class.

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Upcoming Events

1st ANNUAL “DRIVING OUT CANCER” GOLF OUTING

IBEW Local 82 is sponsoring the 1st Annual “Driving Out Cancer” Golf Tournament at Pipe Stone golf course on Saturday, July 13. All proceeds will be donated to the Dayton Physicians Hope Foundation that provides non-medical, financial assistance to patients undergoing cancer treatment. The LMCC is also a sponsor of the outing, at the \$1,500 Gold Level.

LMCC / NECA / IBEW 16th Annual Golf Outing

**WHERE: Walnut Grove Country Club
Dayton, Ohio**

WHEN: Monday, September 23, 2019

The 16th Annual LMCC/NECA/IBEW Golf Outing will take place on Monday, September 23 at Walnut Grove Country Club.

For registration information, please contact Cindy Tucker at cindy.tucker@att.net.



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