

Cookout for Scouting *at RiverScape*

The Miami Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America recently held their 10th annual Cookout for Scouting at RiverScape on Friday, June 12th in downtown Dayton. Boy Scouts from around the Miami Valley served up lunch to hundreds of downtown workers. Along with lunch, the Miami Valley Council showed off the great things that Scouts are doing throughout the year to develop strong leadership skills and values. They set up a model campsite and Monkey Bridge and held cooking demonstrations.

The event benefits the Campership Fund of the Miami Valley Council which allows Boy Scouts to attend camp this summer, regardless of their ability to pay. Sponsors for the cookout include the Labor Management Cooperation Committee of the Western Ohio Chapter of the National Electrical Contractor's Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 82; and the Miami Valley Alliance of Construction Professionals (MVACP).

IBEW Local 82 volunteers coordinated the event and worked along side the Boy Scouts preparing lunches.

The MVACP represents over 200 Miami Valley contractors employing thousands of highly trained, skilled craftspeople living in the Miami Valley. Collectively their member companies generate an annual construction volume of nearly one billion dollars; who, in turn, contribute thousands of hours of payroll taxes to support the community. MVACP contractors and workers are committed to providing customers with the highest level of construction experience and professionalism resulting in the optimum levels of job productivity and project quality for an on time, on budget success story.

New this year was a partnership with the United Rehabilitation Services (URS). URS offers a wide variety of services for people with disabilities and their families, including adult daycare, adult latch key, augmentative communications, the Berry

Hearing Center, childcare for six weeks to nine years, community employment, hearing aid sales and service, home-based personal care, in-home respite care, latch key program for youths 10 to 18 years old, physical therapy, occupational therapy, aquatic therapy, senior daycare, speech pathology and vocational training.

The URS held their annual fund-raising program, the Rubber Duck Regatta during the noon hour. Thousands of rubber ducks were dropped into the Little Miami River and "raced" to the finish line. Participants donated \$5.00 per duck and prizes were awarded to the winners. The grand prize was a \$2,500 gift certificate to Krogers.



Boy Scouts serve up lunch.



Thanks to Studebaker Electric for the use of their bucket truck.



Thanks to Chapel Electric who brought two bucket trucks for the event.



20 foot "Quacker" at RiverScape



Boy Scouts build a Monkey Bridge.



Ducks at the finish line.

Market Share *Appreciation*

The Western Ohio Chapter of the National Electrical Contractor's Association (NECA), Signatory Contractors and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 82 have been aggressively going after new construction projects in the Dayton area. That might explain why they have increased market share by 12% since 2004.

A recent study published by the National Labor Management Cooperation Committee, using data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the National Electrical Benefit Fund (NEBF) indicates that in 2004, IBEW Local 82's employment share was 26% and wage share was 28%. By 2007, employment share had risen to 38% and wage share to 39%.

To show their appreciation for this progress, on May 21, IBEW Local 82 sponsored a dinner for Signatory Contractors in the Dayton area. Several photos of buildings showcased the man hours required for these projects, including CareSource, Atrium Medical Center, Miami Valley Medical Center South, Appleton Paper, Dayton Airport Control Tower, Human Performance Wing (WPAFB) and Bethany Village. Large

projects like these employ a substantial number of electricians. But there are also



Ralf Paeg (ESI), Brian Hartshorn (ESI), Dan Neal (NECA), and Nick Behnken (ESI) enjoy the event.

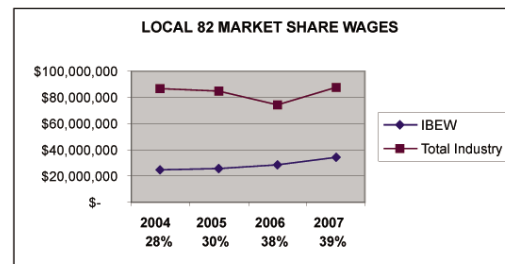
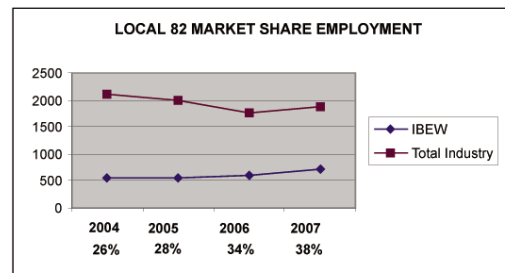
smaller, commercial projects that add to the mix including Town Place Suites Marriott, Ponitz Tech Center, Versailles Schools, and National City Bank.



Executive Director WOCNECA Dan Neal and Business Manager IBEW Local 82 Nick Comstock welcome contractors to the dinner.

There are several reasons why market share has increased. IBEW Local 82 implemented the Construction Wireman/Construction Electrician program in 2006. This program has allowed signatory contractors to bid on

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commercial projects more competitively. The Dayton School Board has also recently adopted Responsible Bidder Workforce Standards requiring the payment of prevailing wage as a condition for bidding on contracts. So everyone is on a level playing field.

In today's economy, everyone is tightening their belts and working more effectively. But the key to success is communication between the contractors and the IBEW. Working together they have been able to win more contracts by being competitive and showing the

customer that their workforce displays true craftsmanship in their quality of work, safety records and efficiency.



Highlighted projects, Human Performance Wing WPAFB and Miami Valley Medical Center South.

CONNECTIONS

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Did you know?

- In website addresses on the Internet, "http" stands for "hypertext transfer protocol."
- The average American will eat 35,000 cookies during their life span.

- The U.S. standard railroad gauge (distance between rails) is 4 feet, 8.5 inches.
- Since 1978, at least 37 people have died as a result of shaking vending machines, in an attempt to get free merchandise. More than 100 have been injured.

- 80% of all people hit by lightning are men.
- Although the United States has just 5% of the world's population, it has most of the world's lawyers at 70 percent (over one million)!

Apprenticeship *Graduation*

The Dayton Electrical Training Center Apprenticeship Graduation took place on May 20, graduating eighteen students from the Inside Wireman program and four from the Teledata program. This was the third graduating class from the Teledata program.

The Dayton Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC) offers the best electrical worker training in the area. For the last five years, their grade point average of 90%, has been well above the national average. Training is sponsored by the Western Ohio Chapter, National Electrical Contractor's Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 82. The state-of-the-art training facility is located in the IBEW Local 82 building on Poe Ave.

It's an arduous journey, but well worth it. The fifth year curriculum for an Inside Wireman includes 216 hours of classroom training, 4 Saturday classes, 30-hour OSHA training, State of Ohio Fire Alarm certification, Electrical Project Supervisor I Training, and high voltage cable splicing classes.

Instructors for the electrical Training Center include Journeymen, Contractors, and Electrical Inspectors.

The Training Center offers three programs. The Inside Wireman is a five-year training program and requires a minimum of 8000 hours of on-the-job training and 900 hours of classroom instruction. Upon completion of the 5-year program, the apprentice has earned 45 free credit hours towards an Associates Degree.

The Teledata Installer Technician program is a three

year training program. And the Inside 6+ Accelerated Program was developed for those with 6-10 years experience in the electrical construction industry. It is an accelerated two-year program where upon completion you receive Journeyman status.

Top Inside Wireman graduate Denver Cornett started as a first year apprentice when he was 49 years old. He had worked at McCauley Propeller for twenty nine years and when they relocated their business to Georgia, he needed a new career. After completing an electrician's course at Miami

Valley CTC, he was accepted into the JATC. "I highly recommend the electrical apprenticeship program," says Denver. "The training and benefits are great." Congratulations to Denver, who graduated with an average 97%; and Nathan Mathis, who graduated top in his class as a Teledata Installer Technician.



2009 Inside Wiremen Graduates



2009 Teledata Graduates

Green Jobs

As the U.S. pushes forward with developing green energy sources such as wind and solar power to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels, our nation needs a workforce capable of building those alternative power systems. The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), through their jointly administered training program, the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (NJATC), have a long and proven track record of training the skilled workforce with the expertise needed to turn America green.

The training offered by the NJATC provides an education model that



Instructor Sean Roberts (left) and Asst. Training Director Jeff Davis.

guarantees that all learning objectives required for green jobs are met while providing long-term career paths for the participants.

The Dayton JATC recently held a Green Jobs Open House to showcase their facility to local and state legislators. A highlight of the

event featured a Photovoltaic system, which produces 5-6 kilowatts of energy. Installed on the roof of a house, this system would pay for 10-15% of the required monthly power.

The NJATC has developed curriculum to train their apprentices in order to build, maintain and operate the green industry of the future. Courses include:

- Building Automation – A network of electronic

devices designed to intelligently monitor and control the mechanical and lighting systems in a building to increase efficiency.

- Photovoltaics (PV) – The field of technologies related to solar cells that convert sunlight into electricity.

- Wind Turbines – Rotating machines that convert kinetic energy in wind into mechanical energy, which is then converted to electricity.

- Lighting Controls – Energy savings gained through harvesting sunlight that shines through windows, installing automatic switching, and using dimming controls to save energy.

- Demand Limiting – Limiting peak power demand through the user of power for non-critical loads during off-peak hours.

Green jobs go beyond a single project to support the careers, futures, and communities of workers and their families. They will help residents and businesses reduce emissions and the environmental impact of construction projects.



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