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### A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER WORK PICTURE

Work will continue to be busy in Oregon and in Washington. Oregon data centers should start needing more people in October as they ramp up again. EC has PDX 80(Hermiston), OEG has PDX 58(Boardman), with Dyna on PDX 59(Umatilla). CREM and Phase II are still working at Con Agra in Richland and have started laying off as they wrap things up. Out in the Hanford area we have FE&C, Northpoint, Magnum, and American performing work on various jobs related to the Hanford cleanup effort. These contractors will need help as well. These jobs are smaller but they can have some longevity. Valley Electric has Memorial Hospital in Yakima, they are looking at a December finish date, they may put another call to help finish, but not sure at this point. There is conversation about the Pulp Mill in Starbuck again, details to come on that. Solar is still on the horizon as the project locations have been chosen, with the work yet to come. There are 39 on Book I and 77 on Book II.

### **COUNTY FAIRS AND PARADES**

The community Parades in Hermiston and TriCities were a big success. We get good exposure and feedback from the people watching the parade. The members and families seem to have a great time representing Local 112 and I want to thank them for giving back to the local. Thanks to Tim Meyers, Chris Doolittle, Bret Carson, Kim Carson, Elijah Bork, Dexter Hall and their families for participating in the Umatilla Fair Parade, and ????????? for their participation in the Benton Franklin parade. A special thanks to Cody Hamann and Moses Torescano for heading up the organizing and doing the "behind the scenes" work to make these successful.

I would also like to thank our members who donated their time to the fair booths for the Building Trades and Labor Councils. Thanks goes to Doug McCauley, Bob Vandecar, Rich Carter, Joe Vandecar, Pat Flanagan and Dave Davis for working the Umatilla Fair Booth, and Moses Torrescano, Dylan Morrell, Teresa & Brett Sawyer, Garrett Cummings, Chase MacRae and Julian Blashka for helping out at the Benton Franklin County Fair.

### COMMITTEE AND INSTRUCTOR OPENINGS AT THE JATC

We are currently looking for a replacement to be Trustee on the apprenticeship committee. I know there has been a lot of interest in being involved with the apprenticeship and this would be a great opportunity to get involved. If interested, please contact the hall and the selection will be made by President Murray.

Also the JATC is looking for part time instructors for the 06 program and JW continuing education classes. This could lead into opportunities at the JATC in the future. We really need the help to advance our programs. Give Dennis a call @ 783-0589.



How many Journeyman Wiremen has our JATC produced in the last ten years?

441 : 19msuy

### Organizing Report

"TO CULTIVATE FEELINGS OF FRIENDSHIP AMONG THOSE OF OUR INDUSTRY."

I was recently approached by an apprentice who had concerns about the attitude of the electricians on the job site. The perception was that IBEW members working for two different contractors on the same jobsite were more than willing to engage in character assassination of each other in the name of Brotherhood. "Unprofessional" was one of the terms used to describe the workers' conduct.

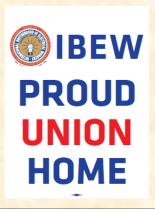
If there is unprofessional behavior taking place on the jobsite, it is by choice. Every day, we all have the choice to be either positive and supportive or negative and degrading. Members who choose to expound on another member's perceived misgivings are not doing a benefit to either themselves or the IBEW. Being negative is easy because it requires no action. To correct something that is inadequate takes thought and time and action. So if there are those among us who feel they alone are living up to their ideals of Brotherhood, please share your wisdom with the rest of us, instead of condemning us for our perceived misgivings.

If we are to live up to our responsibilities as IBEW members, we need to remember that one of the objects of the IBEW Constitution is "To cultivate feelings of friendship among those of our industry."

David P. Davis, Business Rep./MDR

### "FREE" YARD SIGNS

Come to the hall and pick up your sign to proudly display in your yard



The Safety Committee—September 7th—6:00 p.m. @ the hall

### SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Tri- CitiesSeptember 7th7:00 p.m.HermistonSeptember 14th7:00 p.m.YakimaSeptember 21st7:00 p.m.Executive BoardSeptember 28th5:30 p.m.

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## APPRENTICESHIP & JOURNEYMAN TRAINING NEWS

The work picture has slowed quite a bit this past few weeks and several apprentices are currently laid off.

The instructors just recently returned from the National Training Institute and will be wrapping up with the end of the year Craft Certification hands –on challenges and getting ready for the 2017—2018 school year, which starts right after Labor Day. We will have well over 150 apprentices in classes this school year and with the changes in the Learning Management Systems delivery method and the 2017 NEC updates, they will have a very full plate this year.

On top of all that, we will be restarting the Limited Energy Apprenticeship Program and applications are currenly open until the end of the month. Contact the Training Center for more info. We will also begin offering Basic Education classes in the near future and the Limited Energy Program will move to a night training schedule sometime later this year.

The JATC will be needing additional instructors to teach CEU classes for licensed electricians, as well as the Basic Education and Limited Energy classes. Please let me know if you are interested in any of these opportunities and I will gladly take the time to talk to you about our future training needs.

509.783.0589

Dennis Williamson, Training Director

### "Thank You" For Attending Your Union Meeting in August

### TRI-CITIES

Travis Swayze
David P. Davis
Carl Sorrels
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Justin Grady

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Tim Meyers
Brett Carson
Kim Carson

Travis Swayze
J. C. Kruger
Patrick Magana
Tim Robel
D. Williamson
Travis Sellers
Neil Knight
D. J. Skone
Paul Carney
Luke Hillman

**YAKIMA** 

# In Memory of

### ALFRED R. SMITH

Brother Alfred R. Smith passed away on June 27, 2017 at the age of 89. He was initiated into the IBEW by Local 779 in 1955 and began working out of Local 112 in October of 1960. He deposited his Traveling Card into Local 112 in 1966. He was a 62 year member of the IBEW.

Brother Smith worked a very diverse career from the shops, to the dams and the Hanford Project. He left our jurisdiction in 1975 for several years and worked in other jurisdictions including Locals 1547, 48 and 970 before return to Local 112 in 1982, where he worked sporadically until his retirement in 1991.

#### **DAVID A. THOMPSON**

Brother David A. Thompson passed away on Friday, July 21st at the age of 76. Dave was initiated into the IBEW in 1971 and was a 46 year member. He deposited his Traveling Card into Local 112 and worked on several construction projects throughout Local 112's jurisdiction before retiring in 2011. He was a car and boat enthusiast and enjoyed his many collectibles. Dave was always very outgoing to anyone he met and always welcomed you with a big hello.

\*\* RETIREE BREAKFAST CLUB \*\*
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st -9:00 A.M.
Local 112's office-RSVP 735-0512

### SAFETY SDOT

How to Prepare a Safety Committee and Be Successful

The Safety Committee should be comprised of a group of members who value the safety and well being of their peers. The Committee should meet once per month for a general meeting and set up sub-committees to accomplish specific tasks.

We need to define the purpose of the Committee and our overall goals in a Mission Statement. All members need to be excited about learning and promoting safety and the Safety Committee has one of the important jobs in our Local. We need to set clear goals, educate our new apprentices and journeymen and work towards minimizing injuries and accidents for all our members. We need to establish action items and set a completion date to accomplish the tasks. Currently, we have several action items, but we need more participation from the membership to accomplish these tasks. We are working to establish safety posters to distribute to large jobs and local shops. We are also working on a safety video to loan to contractors to help them educate their employees on safety.

One of our accomplishments to date, is the requirement that all new apprentices complete the OSHA-10 class within two weeks of starting the apprenticeship program. We still have a lot to accomplish and we are looking for more members to job our group. To be an effective committee, we need more than the three members who participate on a monthly basis.

Please join us on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the hall before the Tri-City Unit meeting.

Butch Manthei, Chairman Local 1

Local 112 Safety Committee

509.528.2493

Have a Safe & Happy Labor Day

T-Shirts for sale at the hall



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