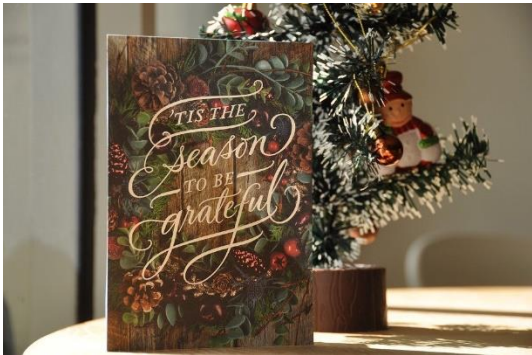




MONDAY MORNING NEWS

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**GOOD MORNING
DECEMBER 21, 2020**



MEETINGS

No Meetings Scheduled

NECA IS GRATEFUL FOR NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBERS!!

16D LLC – NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBER

December was another banner month for new Puget Sound Chapter, NECA Contractor members! 16d llc is one of four firms that joined NECA this month. Duke Davis is the owner and NECA Accredited Representative for 16d llc. The firm has been in business since 2011, and specializes in services to elevator companies and customers with elevator related work. They also perform work in electrical, conveyance, fire, mechanical and building scopes of work. Address: 10602 SW 110th St., Vashon, WA 98070. Phone: 206-354-0876. Welcome Duke and 16d llc to NECA!

ALL WIRE ELECTRIC INC. – NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBER

The Chapter also welcomes All Wire Electric, Inc. to the Puget Sound Chapter! All Wire has been in business since 2004. All Wire performs all types of Commercial, Residential and Industrial Electrical work. Grace Finch is the owner and NECA Accredited Representative for All Wire. Address: 600 SW 13th St., Ste 200, Renton, WA 98057. Phone: 206-935-6100. Website: www.allwireelectric.com. Email: info@allwireelectric.com. Welcome Grace and All Wire to the NECA Family of Contractors!!

ANM ELECTRIC INC. – NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBER

The Chapter's third new member for December is ANM Electric, Inc.! Andrew Clarke is the owner and NECA Accredited Representative for ANM Electric. ANM has been in business since 1995 and performs all types of Commercial and Residential work. Address: 8810 172nd Ave. NE, Redmond, WA 98052. Phone: 425-861-7195. Website: www.anmelectric.com. Welcome ANM and Andrew!!

NW SIGNAL MAINTENANCE, LLC – NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBER

Rounding out the field for December's membership drive is NW Signal Maintenance, LLC! Kevin Kucera is the owner and NECA Accredited Representative for NW Signal Maintenance. The firm has been in business since 2010. Kevin has 30 years of experience in Telecommunications and Railway/Transit experience. The firm's specialties include Street Lighting & Traffic Control, Signage, and Remote System Management. Address: 12800 NE 175th St., Woodinville, WA 98072. Phone: 425-802-1893. Website: www.nwsignal.org. A warm welcome to Kevin and NW Signal Maintenance into the Puget Sound Chapter!!

COVID - 19 VACCINES ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON STATE

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) announced that COVID-19 vaccines are on the ground in Washington State. The first doses will be administered to high-risk health workers, as well as staff and residents of long-term care facilities.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is a two-dose vaccine, given 21 days apart. Clinical trial data show the vaccine is 95% effective at preventing COVID-19 infection starting 7 days after the second dose. Individuals will not be considered fully protected until 1 to 2 weeks after they receive the second dose. The clinical trials revealed no major unanticipated adverse events.

First Distribution

The first doses of vaccine will go to people in Phase 1a. This phase includes high-risk workers in health care settings, high-risk first responders, patients, and staff of long-term care facilities. The DOH estimates around 500,000 people in Washington will be eligible for the vaccine in phase 1a. [Read more details about phase 1a here.](#)

Allocation Plan

The DOH will know more about who will be vaccinated in later phases from guidance made by the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. You can view the interim plan on the coronavirus vaccine webpage, by clicking on the link www.CovidVaccineWA.org. The DOH will share the allocation and prioritization guides for future vaccine phases in the coming weeks.

2020 NEC CODE BOOKS – LIMITED CODE BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

The Puget Sound Chapter has a limited number of 2020 NEC Code Books available for purchase. These Code Books will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Please email Justin@necaseattle.org to confirm your order. NECA requests that firms pick up any Code Book orders at the NECA Office in Shoreline.

2020 NEC Code Books Available:

Loose Leaf (3-Ring Binder) (**12 available**) \$115/each (No Tabs)

Spiral bound (**13 available**) \$107/each

Handbooks – (**13 available**) \$173/each

All “traditional” Soft Cover Code Books are sold out.

GET YOUR 2021 “SPOT THE HAZARDS” CALENDAR FROM LABOR & INDUSTRIES

The Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) has officially announced their 2021 “Spot the Hazards” calendar is available to the public. The calendars are free to Washington State businesses while supplies last. If you are interested in ordering a copy directly from their warehouse, you can order by clicking [here](#). If ordering from the warehouse, please be sure to include a valid mailing address. The calendars are also available to download for free.



ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY – 1988 – PAN AM FLIGHT 103 EXPLODES OVER SCOTLAND

On December 21, 1988, Pan Am Flight 103 from London to [New York](#) explodes in midair over Lockerbie, Scotland, killing all 243 passengers and 16 crew members aboard, as well as 11 Lockerbie residents on the ground. A bomb hidden inside an audio cassette player detonated in the cargo area when the plane was at an altitude of 31,000 feet. The disaster, which became the subject of Britain’s largest criminal investigation, was believed to be an attack against the United States. One hundred eighty nine of the victims were American.

Islamic terrorists were accused of planting the bomb on the plane while it was at the airport in Frankfurt, Germany. Authorities suspected the attack was in retaliation for either the 1986 U.S. air strikes against Libya, in which leader [Muammar al-Qaddafi](#)’s young daughter was killed along with dozens of other people, or a 1988 incident, in which the U.S. mistakenly shot down an Iran Air commercial flight over the Persian Gulf, killing 290 people.

Sixteen days before the explosion over Lockerbie, the U.S. embassy in Helsinki, Finland, received a call warning that a bomb would be placed on a Pan Am flight out of Frankfurt. There is controversy over how seriously the U.S. took the threat and whether travelers should have been alerted, but officials later said that the connection between the call and the bomb was coincidental.

In 1991, following a joint investigation by the British authorities and the F.B.I., Libyan intelligence agents Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi and Lamem Khalifa Fhimah were indicted for murder; however, Libya refused to hand over the suspects to the U.S. Finally, in 1999, in an effort to ease United Nations sanctions against his country, Qaddafi agreed to turn over the two men to Scotland for trial in the Netherlands using Scottish law and prosecutors. In early 2001, al-Megrahi was convicted and sentenced to life in prison and Fhimah was acquitted. Over the U.S. government’s objections, Al-Megrahi was freed and returned to Libya in August 2009 after doctors determined that he had only months to live. In December 2020, reports surfaced that the U.S. Justice Department would unseal criminal charges against another suspect in the bombing, Abu Agila Mas’ud.

In 2003, Libya accepted responsibility for the bombing, but didn't express remorse. The U.N. and U.S. lifted sanctions against Libya and Libya agreed to pay each victim's family approximately \$8 million in restitution. In 2004, Libya's prime minister said that the deal was the "price for peace," implying that his country only took responsibility to get the sanctions lifted, a statement that infuriated the victims' families. Pan Am Airlines, which went bankrupt three years after the bombing, sued Libya and later received a \$30 million settlement.

READ MORE: [Remembering the 1988 Lockerbie Bombing](#)

***Permanence, perseverance and persistence
in spite of all obstacles, discouragements, and impossibilities:
It is this, that in all things
distinguishes the strong soul from the weak.***

[Thomas Carlyle](#)

As of Friday, December 18th, there are 361 JW on Book 1 and 186 JW on Book 2. There are currently 76 Commercial Apprentices, 4 S&C Apprentices, and 0 Residential Apprentices available for dispatch. There are 15 First Period Commercial Bootcamp graduates available for dispatch. There are also 4 Limited Energy Bootcamp graduates and 4 Residential Bootcamp graduates available for dispatch.