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President's Message

Happy New Year to everyone.

What will 2022 bring to us all? As of now frigid temperatures with no easy outlet to escape. It would also appear to be more of the same with Chapter meetings continuing to be a combination format of online and in person with in person events being cancelled or postponed. I am sure we are all sick and tired of it and wishing for it to all be over. I do get the feeling that we will be soon coming to a time where we just learn to live with it and can get back to some more normal activities. Perhaps take the opportunity to join one of the other ECAA Chapter meetings online to see what is going on in their regions.

There continue to be opportunities for Associate members to present new products and technology at meetings taking place across the province, so reach out to the office if you are interested in presenting. PEC courses will start again in February and at this time will continue to be delivered virtually. Membership renewals have been sent out and renewals have been coming in steadily. We appreciate everyone's continued support. Please remember that one of the key benefits of membership is the access to others in the industry be it suppliers, manufacturers or fellow contractors. This can be very beneficial to be able to discuss common problems, success's or challenges in the industry.

Stay warm over the next few days and maybe by January 12th we will be wearing shorts!

Respectfully,
Scott Hutton
ECAA Provincial President



Upcoming Events

FORT McMURRAY CHAPTER MEETING

Tuesday, January 11th | 5:45 pm Networking
Presenter: Hubbell Canada: Safe & Reliable
Electrical Solutions from Hubbell

[RSVP Here](#)

EDMONTON CHAPTER MEETING

Monday, January 17th | 4:00 pm
Virtual Only **Inspections Updates with Epcor,
City of Edmonton and The Inspections Group**

[RSVP Here](#)

CALGARY CHAPTER MEETING

Thursday, January 13th | 5:00 pm Networking
Courtyard Marriott Calgary Airport Hybrid
format, for those attending in person Restriction
Exemption Program is being followed.

Associate Spotlight Presentation: LSW
Lighting, Michael Gonzalez on Simple Cost
Effective Solutions for NECB 2017 Lighting
Requirements
Want to sponsor this meeting? Contact [Camille](#)

[RSVP In Person](#)
[RSVP Virtual Attendance](#)

LETHBRIDGE CHAPTER MEETING

Wednesday, January 26th | 5:00 pm
Networking
Sandman Lethbridge Lodge Hybrid format, for
those attending in person Restriction Exemption
Program is being followed.

Associate Spotlight Presentation: LSW
Lighting: Michael Gonzales Simple Cost Effective
Solutions for NECB 2017 Lighting Requirements.
2nd Presentation By: John Knoll, The Invisible
Iceberg

[RSVP In Person](#) [RSVP Virtual Attendance](#)

***Special thanks to the Calgary Chapter and all those that
contributed donations to the Calgary Food Bank.*** At the Calgary
Winter Gala we raised a total of \$1720 in cash donations along with
approximately 300lbs of food collected by our members!



Change of plans.

We would like to celebrate safely together and that is just not possible at this time.
This event has been postponed. Stay tuned for more details.

• EDMONTON CHAPTER •

President's Ball



Upcoming Training

[Legal Implications -
February 10th & 11th,
2022](#)

[Basic Electrical
Estimating - February
17th & 18th](#)

[1 Day Arc Flash &
Shock Training -
January 25th, 2022](#)

[CE Code Update
Training](#)

Buildforce Canada is launching a newly updated version of **Working in a Respectful and Inclusive Workplace Course**. For managers, supervisors, and anyone working in construction. Learn how to create and participate in a respectful and inclusive workplace to help ensure that your company offers a place where everyone feels wanted and welcomed. For more information on this course contact chryniw@ecaa.ab.ca

2022 - 2023 PEC Course Schedule

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To register for Legal Implications or Basic Electrical Estimating click on the links above. For all other dates, please contact chryniw@ecaa.ab.ca

Industry News

*It's membership renewal time. Invoices were emailed in December for your **2022 ECAA Membership Dues**. We value your membership and thank you for your continued support. If you did not receive an invoice please contact caustin@ecaa.ab.ca*

It is with sadness we share the passing of Art McCandless on December 15th. Art will be remembered for his dedication to the Electrical Industry in Alberta. His passion and commitment to the betterment of our industry will never be forgotten. Not only did Art volunteer his time with ECAA, he was committed to many other industry organizations as well. Our condolences go out to his family and friends. [Art McCandless Obituary](#)

The following **Building STANDATA** is now available on the Alberta.ca website. Follow the links below to view or print copies.

[19-BCI-026](#) Energy efficiency exemptions for oil and gas industrial buildings

To view all Building STANDATA [click here](#).

2022 EIAA Technical Conference February 11th & 12th, 2021. For more information on the conference and to register [click here](#).



The Government of Alberta is pleased to announce the launch of a new call for proposals for projects that help newcomers build their careers and contribute to Alberta's economy. The Alberta Immigrant Mentorship Innovation Grant will allow eligible parties to apply for funding for projects that support the development of career mentorship opportunities for immigrants in Alberta.

For complete details on the application process, including important dates, please visit <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-immigrant-mentorship-innovation-grant.aspx>. Review the [application guidelines](#) for detailed information on eligibility and application requirements.

The deadline to apply for the Alberta Immigrant Mentorship Innovation Grant is **February 2, 2022**. An applicants' information call will be held on **January 12, 2022**.

All inquiries regarding this call for proposals should be directed to FQRPlan@gov.ab.ca.

CAREERS FOR YOUTH

Maximize your impact



with a matching gift!

Support youth internships - good for youth, good for employers, and good for the future

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CAREERS DONOR MATCHING CAMPAIGN TODAY!

CAREERS is on a mission to quadruple the annual number of paid student internships to 6,000 by 2024 and we need your help! Thanks to the generous contributions of The Newell Family and the CAREERS Board of Directors, \$650,000 is available to match donations from new investors.

CAMPAIGN DETAILS:

- New industry or individual donations are eligible for 1:1 matching up to \$650,000.
- Includes donations from February 19, 2020 – September 30, 2023. Excludes sponsorships or registrations.

DONOR RECOGNITION

CAREERS Donor Matching Campaign listing in annual report, campaign webpage, newsletters & social media.

Careers is currently sitting at **\$565,993.08!** ECAA is proud to support CAREERS; [for more information or to make your donation click here.](#)



2022 EBPowerCon, hosted by Electrical Business Magazine, engages with subject matter experts one-on-one and via panel discussion to shed light on trends and technologies so as to empower electrical professionals with knowledge and insight into markets and opportunities.

Featuring 3 special Extravaganza Days, EBPowerCon is OPEN 24/7 for 6 weeks January 17 to February 25 giving everyone ample opportunity to check out the Sessions and Valued Supporters.

To learn more about joining as a Sponsor or the Exhibit Hall, contact Jennifer at jdiiorio@ebmag.com.

Source: ECAO news update



The Costs and Benefits of Hiring and Training Apprentices in Canada. The Canadian Apprenticeship Forum (CAF-FCA) is hosting an online event with employers about the business case for apprenticeship. A lot has changed since their last return on training investment study in 2009 and given all the changes in the economy, it is definitely time to re-explore the costs and benefits of apprenticeship training.

When

Thursday, January 20, 2022 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM EST

Where

This is an online event.

Contact

Canadian Apprenticeship Forum
613-235-4004
info@caf-fca.org

[Register Now](#)

This information is being shared on behalf of CAF-FAC



The Electrical Safety Authority's podcast *Grounded in Ontario* latest episode on Energy Storage and we thought you might be interested in listening in.

ESA dedicated the latest episode of ***Grounded in Ontario*** which you can listen to [here](#), a podcast made especially for Licensed Electrical Contractors, Master and certified electricians as well as those aspiring to enter the trade, to all things **energy storage**. Host Josie Erzetic speaks with Trevor Tremblay, Technical Advisor at ESA, about important updates to the Code and all LECs need to know about installation requirements. In this podcast episode.

Anyone can subscribe and listen through [Apple](#), [Spotify](#), [Amazon](#) or [Google](#).

Source: ECAO news update



BOMA Awards 2022 Call for Nominations Now Open. The BOMA Edmonton Awards recognize quality and performance, innovation and creativity, teamwork and collaboration, as well as community and environmental awareness. Finalist will be recognized at their awards gala on April 12, 2022. [For more information or to submit](#)

[your nomination, click here.](#)

Check out the latest from Alberta Association of Optometrist Eyesafe Blog. The lens treatment that's right for your job. Managing lighting levels and glare, inside and out. Technological advances in terms of style and fashion have made having the newest and coolest safety eyewear both functional and easier to wear. A major change has been the advances in lens tints, colour and coatings for safety eyewear. The seemingly endless options make it much easier to ensure safety performance while taking advantage of the current trends. [Read More.](#)

Next Issue of The Spark will go out Friday, February 4th, 2022



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We value your feedback and its important to us, send us your comments and feedback.

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