



Short Circuit

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON CHAPTER

October 2026

Southwest Washington Chapter
SATURDAY DECEMBER 5TH

HOLIDAY PARTY

STARTS AT 5:30 PM

13204 Country Club Dr. SW
Lakewood, WA 98499



2026
Project
Excellence
Award

IN RECOGNITION OF
OUTSTANDING
ELECTRICAL
WORKMANSHIP



Entries are due by October 31st!

Winners Announced at the 2026 Holiday
Celebration

We are looking for projects that showcase the quality
work our Members perform throughout the year.

**The projects must be completed between:
Nov 1, 2025 - Oct 31, 2026**

Members may submit up to 5 entries, and must
contain at least 1 photo.

**Submit your Project Excellence Award
Application online by clicking below:**

[Submission Form](#)

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NECA Safety Meeting App



Stay on top of workplace safety with the **Safety Meeting app**. Easily schedule, document, and track safety meetings — all in one place. Simplify reporting and keep your team informed and compliant.

If you have any questions regarding any of these services please contact the Chapter at 253.584.4095



Chapter Education

2026-2027 Chapter Education



Below is the 2026-2027 Class Schedule! Add the dates to your calendar. The Chapter will send out additional information when registration opens for each class!!

October 13, 2026 | Pam Schofield

Contract Law

November 13, 2026 | Dale Carnegie

AM Analyze Problems & Make Decisions | Manage Change
PM Delegation & Time to Work on Your Business

January 5, 2027 | Wired Leadership

Computer Basics for the Field

January 19, 2027 | Dave O'Brien

Understanding Construction Accounting

February 3, 2027 | Mark Federle

Using NECA's Claim Management Resources

March 2, 2027 | TopCon Solutions

Bluebeam Essentials & Bluebeam Advanced

April 1, 2027 | Wired Leadership

Leadership Succession Planning

May 26, 2027 | Awad Hanna

Change Order Management in Electrical Construction

June 10, 2027 | NECA National

Basic Labor Relations and Negotiations

2026-2027 Lunch & Learn Schedule

Fisher Phillips	Employer Solutions
10.2.26 WA Paid Sick Leave	2.18.27 Crisis Management
3.18.27 Lien Law	5.6.27 Workers Comp Red Flags

National Education

To register for any courses contact the Chapter at 253.584.4095
or click on the desired class to register online.

Virtual Education



October 13 | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Project Planning - Preconstruction to Closeout

October 16 | 7:00 am - 10:00 am
Change order Management

December 9 | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Crew Level Production Planning & Execution

[Virtual Learning Registration](#)

NECA's Online Project Management Series

On Demand Project Management Classes!!!

The project manager is an essential part of every electrical construction project. They must act as a conduit for information and have great communication skills.

Click below for more information

[More Information](#)

Call the Chapter at 253-584-4095 for
Enrollment



Calendar



VMT 890 (-20)	PLO 4,350 (+200)	REP 10,955 (+585)	QRT 445 (+15)	BPV 6,800 (+115)
MJB 2,609 (+35)	PCN 7,654 (+149)	NFR 4,522 (+122)	USH 1,632 (+54)	OMJ 3,652 (+182)

Oct 2	L&L Washington Paid Sick Leave
Oct 4-7	National Convention Las Vegas
Oct 12	JATC Meeting/ JATC Office
Oct 13	LMCC Meeting/ JATC Office
Oct 13	Contract Law
Oct 19	Future Executive Committee/ NECA Office
Oct 21	Board of Directors Meeting/ NECA Office
Nov 9	JATC Meeting/ JATC Office
Nov 10	LMCC Meeting/ JATC Office
Nov 13	Dale Carnegie
Nov 16	Future Executive Committee/ NECA Office
Nov 18	Board of Directors Meeting/ NECA Office
Nov 26-27	Thanksgiving - Holiday
Dec 7	JATC Meeting/ JATC Office
Dec 8	LMCC Meeting/ JATC Office
Dec 14	Future Executive Committee/ NECA Office
Dec 16	Board of Directors Meeting/ NECA Office
Dec 25	Christmas - Holiday

6 Months of Unemployment

	Thurston	Pierce	Grays Harbor	King	WA State
Mar	4.7	5.3	6.3	4.8	5.2
Apr	4.8	5.4	6.3	4.9	5.2
May	4.5	5.2	5.8	4.7	5.2
Jun	4.1	5.4	5.2	4.9	5.2
Jul	3.5	5.4	4.4	4.9	5.0
Aug	4.3	5.1	5.4	4.7	4.9

Future Events

- Oct 4-7** National Convention | Las Vegas
- Oct 19-21** Safety Professionals Conference
- Oct 25-28** IF Benefits Conference
- Dec 5** NECA Holiday Party
- Feb 24** General Membership Meeting
- Apr 12-14** NECA Now | Coronado