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# BILL KUEMPEL TO LEAD ELECTRICAL BOARD DURING 2019-20

**Bill Kuempel, Butler Supply** will be the 111<sup>th</sup> person to lead our organization when he was installed as Chairman of the Board. Bill joined the Electrical Board in 2011 and served on the Board of Directors from 2012-16 before being named as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman for 2017-18.

# The following were installed as Electrical Board Officers for 2019-20 at the <u>June 13th</u> Board of Directors meeting:

Chairman of the Board 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman Treasurer Bill Kuempel Jeff Wahl Michael Smith Kurt Schulz Butler Supply Cummins Sales and Service Schaeffer Electric Eaton's Crouse-Hinds Division

#### Elected to the Board of Directors for a two year term:

Bob Benson – Benson Electric; Joe Burbridge – Leviton Manufacturing Co.; Tom Bush – Eaton Corp.; Steve Dietiker - McClure Engineering; Aaron Eckhardt - Ross & Baruzzini; Drew McMinn –Springfield Electric Supply; Bob Mirbaha - Metro Electric Supply and Craig Schild – Sachs Electric.

The last three past chairs remain on the Board of Directors and they are: Phil Jacquot, Guarantee Electrical, Lacey Bernard, The Okonite Co. and Jeff Stoyanov, Vector Electrical Sales.

### The following individuals were not up for re-election this year:

Mark Brandt – Ameren; Rick Heyman – City of St. Louis; Bob Kaemmerlen -Kaemmerlen Electric; Ken Keeney - Pyramid Electrical Contractors; Dave Meglio – Meglio and Associates; Bob Peat – RJP Electric; Larry Sokolowski – Graybar Electric; Cathi Tennant - Frost Supply; Dave Wakeman – Ameren and Phil Wentz – McClure Engineering.





#### Bill Regan

#### about the benefits and value of the EBMI.

Our Mission is to provide programs and services that **educate**, **communicate** and **connect** our members, the community and our evolving industry.

Today, our VOLUNTEER leaders continue the legacy of those VOLUNTEER leaders that began this organization in 1909. Now, think of all the officers, board of directors, committee chairs and members that strived to make the Electrical Board a viable organization for the industry throughout the almost 111 years of our existence. Too many to count!!!

**BUT** they chose to step forward and participate in some way, that as a group they can achieve so much more that anyone can individually.

I was introduced to the Electrical Board when my Dad was hired as the Executive Vice President in 1968. Since 1974, I worked with many of the dedicated volunteers that kept the Electrical Board as a viable organization.

I witnessed the relationships that were developed through the involvement on a committee or attending events of the Electrical Board. While these relationships started as business, and in some cases they grew as the trust of that relationship became personal. This is still an industry where relationships matter and gaining access to more industry associates is still important. That's where the VALUE of the Electrical Board begins, giving you the opportunity to strengthen and expand relationships.

Yes, you pay corporate dues - \$30-\$45 a month or individuals pay less than \$10 a month (we thank you) and then you pay to attend our programs (again we thank you). But that is how EBMI survives and can continue to provide programs for the industry. We need your support and hope you look at these amounts as investments in your company and not an expense item.

A number of members have expressed to me the **VALUE** they have received by belonging or attending an event.

I will tell you of one situation: A member did not attend our Christmas Mixer and I kept telling about the number of people he will see at the Mixer. Finally, he attended the Mixer and Annie assigned him to a table with other industry associates. He came into the office to thank us for sitting him at a table with someone he had been trying to set up a meeting with but could not get pass the assistant. After spending the luncheon together, the meeting was finally arranged and they did business together for many years. Sure it was lucky that they sat at the same table but if one of them chose not to attend, there is no connection, no meeting and no new business. You just never know how that next person you meet at one of our events can impact your business.

I ask members to email me (<u>bill@electricalboard.org</u>) where they learned something or met someone at an event that benefitted them. Many of you may use our events to stay connected with customers and strengthen the relationship.

On the next page, I listed the programs and services that we provide that can benefit our members and the industry, given that you chose to participate.

#### GET INVOLVED - YOU WILL ENJOY IT

### IN MEMORIAM

The Electrical Board officers and staff express our sincere condolences to **Ron Skeen**, retired from Ajax Electrical Sales whose wife Patricia pass away on June 2<sup>nd</sup>; and to the family of **Bill Shores**, retired from AmerenUE who passed away on June 10<sup>th</sup>; and to the family of **Tisha Vanbarneveld** of TLV Sales who passed away on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS See calendar on www.electricalboard.org

June 12 <sup>th</sup>	ST. LOUIS BLUES
	Stanley Cup Champions
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Celebrate our independence!!!
	(EBMI Office Closed)
Aug. 15 <sup>th</sup>	CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT
	(Formerly our Renewable Energy Summit)
	At Ameren
	Registration – 7:00 am
	Program starts – 8:00 am
	Program ends – 12:00 noon
	Program Flyer will be in future FLASH
Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT
	(Formerly our Renewable Energy Summit)
	At Millbottom in Jefferson City
	Registration – 7:00 am
	Program starts – 8:00 am
	Program ends – 12:00 noon
	Program Flyer will be in future FLASH
Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup>	CHRISTMAS MIXER
(Thursday)	At St. Charles Convention Center
Call EBMJ at	636-305-6434 for more information or to register for
	vents or visit our website at <u>www.electricalboard.org</u>
	send an email to <u>annie@electricalboard.org</u> or
bill@electrica	

MARCH 11-12, 2020 (Wednesday/Thursday) ELECTRICAL EXPO at St. Charles Convention Center

#### **BENEFITS OF THE EBMI**

As our mission statement says, EBMI provides programs and services to **educate**, **communicate** and **connect** our members, the community and the evolving industry. The <u>VALUE</u> is directly related to the <u>TIME</u> investment of your company's associates. Our Education Program is of great value but only if someone attends the classes or seminars. The Expo is a great opportunity to see and learn about products, but <u>ONLY</u> if you attend.

**Education and training** - we offer a number of opportunities in classes and seminars. EBMI co-sponsors program with Ameren Missouri and Ameren Illinois to bring up-to date information on a variety of topics.

As the <u>NEC</u> changes every three years, our materials stay current to keep participants up-to-date on code issues.

Many industry associates need continuing education hours for license requirements so we assist them in acquiring these hours. Engineers need professional development hours (PDHs) and contractors need CODE hours for licensing requirements with the City of St. Louis and Jefferson County. Our NEC class qualifies for the St. Louis County requirement of attending a code class and passing to begin the electrical license process.

We hold forums for the <u>Consulting Engineers</u> community to discuss issues involved with their projects.

EBMI Corporate members can send associates to our classes and seminars at a discounted rate.

<u>Electrical Expo</u> is held every three years that offers the industry education seminars and learn about the many industry products all in one location.

**<u>Communication</u>** - Our newsletter "FLASH" is published monthly and provides industry information. The FLASH is mailed or emailed to our members and also posted on our website.

Speaking of the website, you are a few clicks away from learning about the Electrical Board's programs and services. Do you want to know what companies belong to the EBMI? Take a peek at <u>http://www.electricalboard.org/flash-newsletters/</u>.

Communicate your job openings to the industry through our Job referral service which includes placement in the FLASH and on our website. We can help you make connections with those looking for positions.

The staff answers numerous questions from members and the industry throughout the year. While we do not know the answer to all questions, we hope to direct the call in the right direction to get an answer.

Social media links are included on the last page of the FLASH. Click on them and follow us.

#### <u>Connect members, community and industry</u> <u>associates</u>

Our social events are very popular and bring members and industry associates together. The Christmas Mixer Luncheon attract over 600 people each December, and our golf outings in September and June attract a full complement of golfers and volunteers who interact throughout the day, so you do not have to be a golfer to meet all the golfers. At our Spring leadership luncheon, members and their guests hear speaker on important issues – industry related, inspirational or motivational. EBMI night at the Cardinal game with tickets in the all-inclusive Coca-Cola Patio is a great place to watch the ballgame and mingle with over 150 members and guests.

**Community Involvement – These feel good opportunities allow our members to help the less fortunate in our community.** EBMI organizes a BBQ for patients at the VA Hospital (next one October 19, 2019), raises money for the Salvation Army at two events and our "Two Hands – Two Cans" campaign at the annual Christmas Mixer brings in much needed can goods for "Feed My Peeps".

**Joining an EBMI Committee** is a great way to meet other industry associates and give back to the industry that has given you a career. There are over 20 committee chairs who help the staff organize our activities and we are in need of volunteers at most events.

## 21st Century Committee –

Representing EBMI's Future but Working to Shape it <u>NOW</u>

This group organizes events during the year to initiate contact between younger industry associates to help them meet and get to know other members of the industry. They organize a Dart Tournament, Bowling night during March Madness, Golf League and the Fall GOLFfest which connects younger associates with EBMI members. You do not have to be an EBMI members to participate in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Committee events. Email <u>annie@electricalboard.org</u> to have your name added to this committee.

**Electrical Expo** - will be held on March 11-12, 2020 at the St. Charles Convention Center. Our Show Promotion Committee can use assistance in promoting the Electrical Expo and gives you a great opportunity to meet other industry volunteers.

#### Women's Electrical Board

This is a tremendous group of industry women who gain knowledge at monthly meetings, meet face-to face with associates that sometimes they only have contact over the phone or through email. As a group, they are engaged in a number of community services during the year.

## Thanks to our 2019-20 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

## for accepting these leadership positions.

Ameren Missouri-EBMI Task Force

Ron Black, Ameren & Ron Sangster, Centrex Electrical Supply

Ameren Illinois-EBMI Task Force Brian Cuffle, Ameren Illinois & Don Harrod, Springfield Elec.Supply

Board of Directors Bill Kuempel, Butler Supply

<u>Chairmen's Circle</u> Phil Jacquot, Guarantee Electrical

Christmas Mixer

Tim McDonnell, Metro Electric Supply & Chris Arb, Leviton

Consulting Engineers Forum - (TBD)

#### Education

Phil Wentz, McClure Engineering

#### Electrical Expo

Kevin Anders, Ameren Tom Bush, Eaton Bob Kaemmerlen, Kaemmerlen Electric Mike Kelsch, French Gerleman Mike Kemper, Pyramid Electrical Contractors Michelle McCrory, Vector Electrical Sales Chris Philipp, Ross & Baruzzini

#### **Events**

Michael Smith, Schaeffer Electric

#### Finance

Kurt Schulz, Eaton's Crouse-Hinds Div.

#### **GOLFfest**

Bruce Erickson, Siemens Industry & Ed Rhomberg, Vector Elec. Sales

#### **Golf League**

Bruce Erickson, Siemens Industry

#### **Industry Awards**

Nancy Martin, Martin Electrical Sales

#### Marketing & Membership

Jeff Wahl, Cummins Sales and Service

#### Nominating

Lacey Bernard, The Okonite Co.

EBMI Vets John Schertzer, Eaton

#### Sportsman's Holiday

Kurt Schulz, Eaton's Crouse-Hinds Div. & Ron Black, Ameren

#### **21st Century**

Teresa Vitale, Meglio and Associates & Greg Amos, Graybar Electric

#### Women's Electrical Board

Amy Barton, Graybar Electric

Anyone wishing to serve on a committee, please email <u>bill@electricalboard.org</u> or <u>annie@electricalboard.org</u>. New committee members = new ideas!!!

# **CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT**

(formerly our Renewable Energy Summit)

## Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

At Ameren Headquarters

or

# Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>

At Millbottom in Jefferson City

#### 7:30 am to 12:00 noon

## 4 pdh's

\$35 per person for EBMI members firms \$55 for non-members

#### Tentative Topics to be discussed.

- Ameren Missouri's Smart Energy Plan
- Overview of Ameren's Missouri's Clean Energy Projects
- Missouri's Energy Policy
- EV Charging Stations
- Electric Forklifts
- Case Study Mastercard Solar Project

Please scan/email to <u>annie@electricalboard.org</u> before August 7<sup>th</sup>. I will attend on...

 $\Box$  August 15<sup>th</sup>  $\Box$  August 27th

Check one:

Will call EBMI with Mastercard, AMEX or Visa infoWill forward check prior to deadline

**FOR ENGINEERS ONLY:** Do you need pdh letter for this seminar?

(Engineers: If not marked above, there will NOT be a pdh letter available at the seminar for you.)

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<u>Table top participants so far...</u> CK POWER INNOVATIVE FACILITIES SOLUTIONS LIGHTING ASSOCIATES MARTIN ELECTRICAL SALES MASON AND ASSOCIATES MEGLIO AND ASSOCIATES SCHAEFFER MARKETING GROUP TICK TOCK ENERGY

Cost of table top is \$125 for EBMI members and \$150 non-members. Email <u>bill@electricalboard.org</u> before July 3<sup>rd</sup> for a table top.

### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

#### **4219 - APPLICATIONS POSITION**

Working with AGI32 lighting design software to design lighting for various types of project and building applications.

- AutoCAD experience and/or Revit experience are not required, but useful for this position
- Facilitating project layouts for design/build projects in a timely manner
- General lighting knowledge not required but useful for this position
- Manage large amounts of emails and answer in a timely manner
- Contribute to team effort by accomplishing related results
- Answer phone calls and handle with a professional attitude

• Stay updated on product knowledge with company training Send your resume to <u>kkoenig@laiweb.net</u>.

#### 4319 – LIGHTING CONTROLS POSITION

Lighting Associates has an opening for a Lighting Controls Position

- Basic understanding of electrical systems and become an expert in controls
- Work with BlueBeam and AutoCAD for projects
- Troubleshoot equipment over the phone or onsite
- Manage time and responsibilities and contribute to team effort

Send your resume to <u>kkoenig@laiweb.net</u>.

**4419 – CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE-** City Lighting Products is a lighting distributor whose mission is to provide the best service possible while providing innovative lighting solutions for our customers.

We are seeking a Customer Service Representative to become an integral part of our team! The primary objective of this position is to manage customer orders. You will also be asked to process orders across a number of communication channels. To do well in this role you need to be able to remain calm when customers are frustrated and have experience working with computers.

**Responsibilities:** 

- Maintaining a positive, empathetic and professional attitude toward customers at all times.
- Responding promptly to customer inquiries.
- Communicating with customers through various channels.
- Acknowledging and resolving customer complaints.
- Knowing our products inside and out so that you can answer questions.
- Processing orders, forms, applications, and requests.
- Keeping records of customer interactions, transactions, comments and complaints.

- Communicating and coordinating with colleagues as necessary.
- Providing feedback on the efficiency of the customer service process.
- Ensure customer satisfaction and provide professional customer support.

Please email resume to <a href="mailto:phenneman@citylighting.com">phenneman@citylighting.com</a>

#### 5119 – ENERGY SERVICES CONSULTANT

- Under general supervision, to represent the Company as a single point of contact with customers, builders, developers, any Company representatives, and other appropriate contacts regarding service requests of higher complexity.
- To process and monitor customer applications for service from start to finish, including, but not limited to the following activities:
- Design assigned jobs of intermediate to high complexity in accordance with Company electric standards.
- Provide accurate job information as required to the Design Center.
- Provide high level of responsiveness to customers regarding service requests and impactful projects.
- Provide the customer with information on rates, charges, programs, service requirements and other technical expertise as required.
- Obtain all required customer approvals, easements, and rights-of-way as needed, and to prepare appropriate contracts, permits, releases, plats and records.
- Make field inspections and prepare material and labor estimates, plats and drawings as needed for proposed construction.
- Investigate and initiate resolution to customer reliability concerns and inquiries.
- Use transit and level and other surveying instruments/tools as required

To apply: visit Ameren.com/careers OR contact jkrsul@ameren.com

# 6119 – WAREHOUSE WORKER –

### Fletcher-Reinhardt Company

Job Description

- Use a forklift to pull orders, put away material, ship material by UPS, load, and unload trucks. We have the following types of forklifts: both stand up and sit down.
- When filling orders, the orders are generally mixed pallets and employees are on and off the forklifts several times per day.
- Must be able to lift 50 pounds without assistance. Some items are up to 100 pounds, but the employees are not required to lift over 50 pounds without assistance.
- General warehouse housekeeping, such as sweeping and cleaning, is required.
- Our material is stored both indoors and outdoors. Work is required outside, including during inclement weather.
- The warehouse is not air conditioned, but is heated.
- We use "RF" guns for receiving and shipping.
- Occasional overtime, as required by supervisor, to meet company needs.
- Before coming onto our premises, the following must be passed: -
  - Drug screen test
  - Background check
  - Basic skills assessment

For more information about our company or to apply, please send contact information to "<u>mjr@fr-electric.com</u>.

# **RECAP OF** June 3rd Sportsman's Holiday

What a terrific day for a golf outing. Temperatures in the 80's with a nice breeze for our 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Sportsman's Holiday at Forest Park Golf Course. We had 128 golfers and 21 volunteers enjoying a beautiful day on the links. Some enjoyed it more than others as the event recap will show. Overall, it was another successful outing for our members and guests. We thank Kurt Schulz and Ron Black, Chairs of the 2019 Sportsman's Holiday for helping us co-ordinate this event.

Special thanks to FEDERATED INSURANCE for donating tees, koozies, sunscreen and card tools for the vets hole.

#### **CONTEST RECAP** FORMAT THIS YEAR

Shamble - 4-person best ball

Congratulations to the TEAM winners in our three flights. There was a scorecard playoff in each flight.

> Flight A – Dennis Weisenborn's team - 59 Flight B – John MacArthur's team - 65 Flight C – Randy Kunkel's team – 72

All three flights had a scorecard playoff to determine winner.

#### PAR 3 CONTEST WINNERS

Dogwood Hole #2 - Kevin McDaniel - 7'-8" Dogwood Hole #5 – Corey Schelle – 6'- 10" Dogwood Hole #8 –**R. Johnsnon** Hawthorn Hole #2 - Chuck Huxol - 2' - 4" Hawthorn Hole #4 – Ed Walker – 5'

Each Par 3 winner received \$80 cash prize.

#### **EBMI VETS CHARITY HOLE**

Winner of the Cardinal Tickets Hawthorn #9 - Bruce Erickson - 12"

#### We thank Butler Supply for providing the four Cardinal tickets.

We raised \$700 for our EBMI Vets and their continuing efforts for the Veterans at VA Hospital. We thank our golfers for their participation at the VETS Charity Hole.

#### PUTTING CONTEST BENEFITTED THE SALVATION **ARMY AND EBMI SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

This special event raised \$405 which will be split between the two charities. We thank Forest Park Golf Course for donating two foursomes as our Putting Contest prizes. There were 171 entries into the drawing.

John Milla and Rob Raddish won the Putting Contest drawing for the foursomes donated by Forest Park.



We thank the following hole and attendance prize sponsors.

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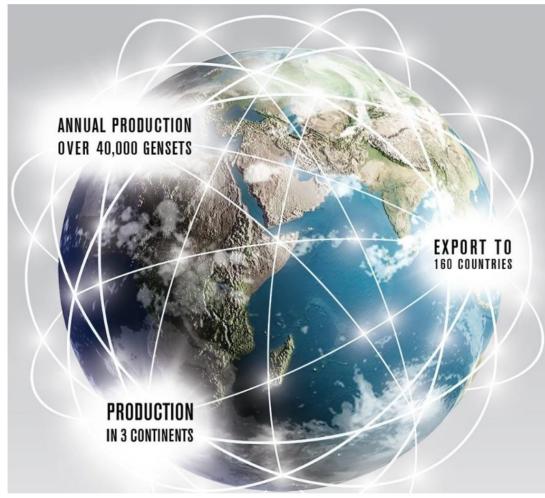
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We thank all of our wonderful volunteers who help the staff at the Sportsman's Holiday!

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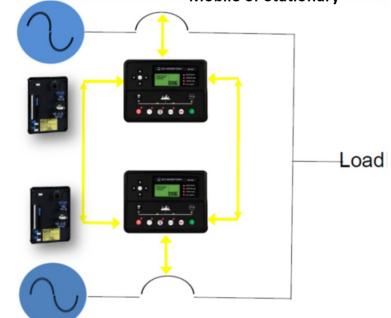
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