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CHRISTMAS MIXER

THURSDAY, December 2, 2021

At ST. CHARLES CONVENTION CENTER

Extended Hospitality Period
11:00 a.m. to 12:05 p.m.

Lunch and Program
12:15 pm to 2:00 p.m.

\$67.50 per person

Tables of 8, 9 or 10 or individual tickets available

Mixer FUNMASTER

JAMAL MAYERS, FORMER St. Louis Blues Player

Chris Arb – Leviton – Mixer Chair

Brendan Schwarz – Meglio and Associates – Assistant Mixer Chair

- Chris and Brendan encourage you to invite your associates and customers to attend this year's Mixer. If you have not ordered your tickets yet, call the EBMI office before Thursday, November 18th. Our food guarantee is due to the St. Charles Convention Center by that date. Tickets already reserved will be mailed 11-24.
- **Attendance Prizes will once again be handed out during lunch, but each table will decide who wins.** We are only accepting money, not gifts for this year's Mixer. Anyone wishing to donate at least \$25 towards our attendance prize fund should contact the EBMI office – 636-305-6434 before November 21st, if you have not yet done so.
- **Enjoy the Holiday "spirit" with industry associates. We will also be collecting funds for the Salvation Army's Tree of Lights Campaign and "TWO HANDS – TWO CANS" for "Feed My Peeps". (Details inside newsletter) Please let your guests know about these.**
- **Waivers will need to be signed by each attendee AT YOUR TABLE!!!**

Please complete the form below to reserve a place at the luncheon ONLY if you have NOT yet confirmed your reservation or to donate \$\$\$ to attendance prize fund. Email annie@electricalboard.org or call the EBMI office prior to November 18th.

NAME _____ COMPANY _____

PHONE _____ e-mail _____

_____ # of Tickets @ \$67.50 = \$ _____

Yes, we also wish to donate \$ _____ for attendance prize fund.

Sorry, we cannot attend the Mixer, but wish to donate: \$ _____ for attendance prize fund.

(Please check appropriate box for payment.)

Invoice Will send check Mastercard, AMEX or Visa (Call the office)



Bill Regan

LET'S TALK...

Looking forward to another Christmas Mixer!!!

The Christmas Mixer is our biggest annual event and many of you were disappointed that we cancelled last year. I think we all can agree that it was the right decision. Fortunately, we were still able to donate funds to our two charities that we have assisted over the years. We appreciate the support of everyone who donated attendance prizes and bought raffle tickets to make that happen.

We have decided to hold the Christmas Mixer this year. It is time to re-connect with business associates in the setting of the Mixer. It is no different than going to a restaurant. If you want to wear a mask until you drink or eat, please do so. If you want to avoid the lobby due to crowd around bars, go into the exhibit hall and find your table.

If you are still not comfortable with being there, we look forward to seeing you next year. We understand, no explanation needed!!!

As our reservations start to roll in, there is little doubt that our attendance will be down from prior years. I'm sure many people are still evaluating whether to attend or not. As I stated above, each of us has to make the decision that's best for you.

The St. Charles Convention Center allowed us to cancel last year's Christmas Mixer with a small cancellation fee when they could have charged us the full guarantee amount in our contract. By signing a new Mixer 2021 contract at that time, they allowed us to move the remaining 2020 deposit to this year's event. They are open for business so cancelling this year was not an option. That's one reason why the Christmas Mixer will be held.

The Mixer Chairs, EBMI staff and the Convention Center staff have made several changes in the event. I reviewed these changes in last month's Flash. Please contact me (bill@electricalboard.org) if you would like to know more about the changes.

For those of you that will be attending, it will be a very enjoyable and safe event.

IN MEMORIAM

The Electrical Board officers and staff express our sincere condolences to the family of **Marvin Shaffrey** of Butler Supply who passed away recently; to **Doug & Teresa Brewer** of Vision Electric, whose son Dillon passed away on October 29th and to family of Rick Pfarr who recently passed away.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

See calendar on www.electricalboard.org

***** Waivers will need to be signed for all events**

Nov. 23rd	ARC FLASH & ELECTRICAL SAFETY WILL BE HELD 8:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON At EBMI Office 4 PDH/ Jefferson County 4-elective
Nov. 25th	HAPPY THANKSGIVING EBMI Office Closed
Nov. 26th	EBMI Office Closed
Dec. 2nd	*** CHRISTMAS MIXER At St. Charles Convention Center
Dec. 9th	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Dec. 24th	CHRISTMAS EVE EBMI Office Closed
Dec. 25th	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Dec. 31st	NEW YEAR'S EVE (EBMI Office closes at 12 noon)

Call EBMI at 636-305-6434 for more information or to gain more information on any of our events or visit our website at www.electricalboard.org. You can also send an email to annie@electricalboard.org or bill@electricalboard.org.

Happy Thanksgiving!

HELPING OTHERS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



7th Annual Food Drive at Mixer

TWO HANDS - TWO CANS

Several years ago, the Events subcommittee from our strategic planning session suggested a **FOOD DRIVE** at the Christmas Mixer. We hope to have over 400 people attending this annual event and think of what could be contributed if everyone would bring just **TWO** (or more) cans in their **TWO** hands when attending this year's Mixer.

We have teamed up with "Feed My Peeps" once again to help us collect these cans at the Mixer. They will have their truck parked outside of the entrance to the convention center so you can just drop off the cans at the truck before heading into the facility. Info for guests can be found on our website.

We hope to surpass the 900 cans collected from attendees at the 2019 Christmas Mixer (and the 3,900 additional cans donated by EBMI member distributors), but we need your help in letting your guests know!

We ask all EBMI members inviting guests to the Mixer, please mention to them – **TWO HANDS – TWO CANS** and/or forward the Mixer info sheet emailed to table sponsors.



Donations to Salvation Army

EBMI has a long tradition of supporting the efforts of the Salvation Army and this year is no different. There will be Salvation Army canisters on each table to allow attendees to make a donation during the Mixer. Let's beat 2019 total of just under **\$1,937**. If you cannot attend the Mixer, you can still donate to the Salvation Army by using the link below.

<https://salarmy.us/RedKettleElectricalBoardMO>

FINALLY WE WILL RECOGNIZE

**PHIL WENTZ AND
KEVIN KNOCKE**

**AS MICHAEL A. POSTIGLIONE AWARD
RECIPIENTS**

We hope you will join us at this year's Christmas Mixer when we finally get to recognize two very deserving members of this award.

Phil Wentz (2018-19) accepted the chair of the Education Committee succeeding Keith Cooper as well as taking over teaching our Grounding class for Keith. He was also chair of the Consulting Engineers Forum from 2015 to 2019. Phil has served as co-chair on the Expo Seminar Committee which coordinates the 14 different seminars offered at an Expo and has already volunteered for this assignment at Electrical Expo 2023. He also assisted the Executive Committee and staff with the A/V requirements of our classroom when we moved to the 2nd floor during that year.

Kevin Knocke (2019-20) was the Co-chair of the Expo '20 Awards Committee and coordinated the judging for the new products for several Expos. This is a very important aspect of the show. He makes the winner announcements for all the awards. Kevin takes charge of both booth awards and new products so that the staff can focus on other activities during this 5 hour project. We are confident when Kevin handles this important function for us. He also was recently named Chair of the Industry Awards Committee having served on the committee for many years. Kevin currently serves on the EBMI Foundation Board of Directors. Most importantly, he is Santa Claus at the Mixer (when we have them) and brings good cheer to all of us.

While this award honors and remembers a truly outstanding person who contributed so much to the Electrical Board, it also allows us to recognize an individual that shows an extraordinary dedication and commitment to the Electrical Board during the year. The honoree is someone that goes "above and beyond" to ensure that the Electrical Board remains a successful organization.

While there are many qualified candidates that have assisted Electrical Board over the years, we decided to base our selection on service to the Electrical Board and staff for the 2018-19 and 2019-20 years.

POSITION AVAILABLE

10121 – ELECTRICAL ENGINEER/DESIGNER

Due to an increased workload, Case Engineering, Inc. in Fenton, MO is looking to add the following team members:

(1) 5-20 years Senior Electrical Engineer or Designer, (1) 0-5 years degreed Electrical Engineer. AutoCAD & Revit experience is a plus. To find out more details about the position and/or apply, please visit www.caseengineeringinc.com/careers/

10221 -TELECOMMUNICATIONS DROP BURY

(Kirksville MO Area)

Immediate contract in Kirksville area.

Main duties, but not limited to: placing underground cable for residential and commercial properties from the tap/pedestal to the customer premise via hand digging or trenching machine and as needed, perform sidewalk, driveway and alley bores. Must enjoy working outdoors, have a smart phone, be compliant with safety procedures, good communicator, drug-free and able to perform manual labor.

If interested, please email mlewis@wilkins.com your resume or statement of interest, or contact us at 877-822-1718 or fax resume to 800-460-2402.

10321 – TELECOMMUNICATIONS DROP BURY

Technicians (Kansas City Area)

Immediate contract or employee with benefits positions in Overland Park, Shawnee, Fairway, Prairie Village, Lenexa, Paola.

Main duties, but not limited to: placing underground wire for residential and commercial properties from the tap/pedestal to the customer premise via hand digging or trenching machine and as needed, perform sidewalk, driveway and alley bores.

Must enjoy working outdoors, be compliant with safety procedures, good communicator, drug-free and able to perform manual labor.

If interested, please email mlewis@wilkins.com your resume or statement of interest. Contact us at 877-822-1718 or fax resume to 800-460-2402.

10421 -ELECTRICAL ENGINEER and 10521 - DESIGNER

Due to expansion and increased workload, Horner & Shifrin is looking to add the following team members: (1) Electrical Designer, (1) Degreed Electrical Engineer. AutoCAD & Revit experience is a plus. To find out more details about the positions and/or apply, please visit www.hornershifrin.com/careers/

10721 - ELECTRICAL DESIGNER

Electrical Designers at Solutions AEC work under direct supervision of electrical engineer team members to produce electrical design and construction documents, including electrical engineering calculations and drawings. We are looking for an Electrical Designer who in addition to the responsibilities and qualifications noted below has a strong work ethic, a passion for engineering and continuous improvement, is a good client steward, and believes in and embraces servant leadership.

Please visit our website for additional company information at www.solutions-aec.com. Submit a resume, references, and salary requirements by email to hr@solutions-aec.com.

10821 – ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

Electrical Engineers at Solutions AEC are able to produce electrical design and construction documents, develop and prepare project estimates, maintain strong client relationships and mentor less experienced team members. We are looking for an Electrical Engineer who in addition to the responsibilities and qualifications noted below has a strong work ethic, a passion for engineering and continuous improvement, is a good client steward, and believes in and embraces servant leadership.

Please visit our website for additional company information at www.solutions-aec.com. Submit a resume, references, and salary requirements by email to hr@solutions-aec.com.

EBMI FOUNDATION DONATIONS

We thank the following companies or individuals who have donated to the EBMI Foundation during 2021-22. We plan to award at least 5 - \$1,500 scholarship.

GOLD - \$1,500 AND ABOVE

- Friends of Michael A. Postiglione
- Mike & Brenda Schaeffer and Kris Steiger of Schaeffer Marketing Group
- Friends of Walter Koessel

SILVER - \$1,000 - \$1,499

- IAEI – Eastern Missouri Chapter - In memory of Jerry Feagans
- Friends of Paul Friemel

BRONZE - \$250 - \$999

- John and Beth Duda
- Jackie Postiglione

FRIENDS OF EBMI FOUNDATION - \$1-\$249

Agilix Solutions
Alan Wire
Archway Electrical Sales
Lighting Associates
Pyramid Electrical Contractors
Schaeffer Electric

Jim Bess (in memory of his wife Theresa)
Michael Brown
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Bill Haley
Tim Handlan
Jim and Pat Heisserer (in memory of Wilbert Rath)
Joe Oberneufemann
Bob Pinson
Bob Roderique (in memory of Paul Friemel)

Contributions to the EBMI Foundation (a 501c3 organization). **Voluntary donations to the EBMI Foundation support the Board's scholarship fund. These donations are deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.**

DO YOU KNOW THAT THE EBMI FOUNDATION CAN ACCEPT STOCK AS A CONTRIBUTION?

As you consider year-end donations, please know that the EBMI Foundation can accept checks and appreciated assets, such as stock as a contribution to the EBMI Foundation for our scholarship program. **If you are considering a stock donation, we recommend you discuss this with your tax advisor first.**

If you are still interested in donating stock, please contact the EBMI Office for the paperwork needed to transfer the stock to the Foundation account.

JANUARY 18TH DEADLINE TO SUBMIT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Do you have a son or daughter who is a senior in high school this year or now in college? Why not have them apply for an EBMI Scholarship!

Please e-mail annie@electricalboard.org as soon as possible to request the application and criteria on the EBMI scholarships. She will e-mail information so you can forward to your son or daughter. **You** must be an EBMI member for one year to apply for a scholarship for your son or daughter.

We are committed to provide five - \$1,500 scholarships but have given as many as seven during a year.

Lunch & learn about EBMI

The Executive Committee is also reaching out to member companies that want a lunch and learn for your associates to hear what EBMI has to offer the industry.

There may be a chance to network through the 21st Century Committee or Women's Electrical Board activities. They may wish to enhance their industry knowledge by taking education classes but have not been made aware of these opportunities.

If interested call Bill or Annie at the office 636-305-6434 to set up a lunch & learn.

Need pdhs, this seminar will be held - in person at EBMI Office.

ARC FLASH & ELECTRICAL SAFETY

PDH: 4 / JC: 4-elective (Half Day Seminar)

INFORMATION: In this half day seminar, Dave will discuss Arc Flash & Shock Hazards and the most critical requirements of the new 2021 Edition of NFPA 70E, Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace.

Topics include:

Overview and explanation of Arc Flash and Shock Hazards.
Real-world, practical examples that illustrate the need and effectiveness of NFPA 70E.
Relationship and differences between NFPA70E, NFPA70B, NFPA 70 & OSHA.
OSHA and NFPA 70E Justification for Energized Work.
Arc Flash Labeling Requirements including Explanation and Proper Interpretation.
Shock Hazard Risk Assessments.
Limited and Restricted Approach Boundaries for Shock.

Detailed instruction regarding the use and care of, rubber insulated, voltage-rated gloves.
Insulated tools and other voltage-rated materials.
Arc Flash Hazards and Boundaries.
Arc Flash Hazards with covers on and/or doors closed vs. covers off and/or doors open
Arc Flash Risk Assessment Procedures
PPE Selection for when the Incident Energy Analysis has been performed.
PPE Selection for when the PPE Category Method must be used.
Proper care and maintenance of Arc Flash PPE
New Job Safety Plan & Job Briefing Requirements – recommendations for implementation.
Energized Electrical Work Permits (EEWP) Host Employer & Contract Employer Responsibilities.

Nov. Seminar

Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2021
8:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon

LOCATION: EBMI office
900 S. Highway Dr.-Ste. 203
Fenton, MO 63026

Feb. Seminar

Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022
8:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon

INSTRUCTOR:
DAVE RITTER
Ritter Safety & Facility Support

	<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Late</u>
Employees of non-member firms	\$170	\$ 220
Employees of Electrical Board member firms	\$ 110	\$ 160

Email annie@electricalboard.org before 11/15 to receive advanced rate and register for this seminar.

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We wish all of our members a safe Holiday Season and hope you continue to help the less fortunate during this joyous season. There are many people who need our help, so remember to drop a \$1 in the kettle, donate to one of the food pantries or you may even know a family that would appreciate a helping hand.

We are also thankful that you choose to belong to our organization.

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