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The Newsletter of IBEW Local 104

WINTER 2022

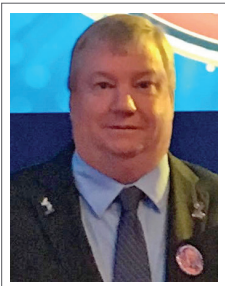
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LOCAL 104

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD  
OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

## BUSINESS MANAGER'S MESSAGE



### Welcome the New Year 2022:

I would like to welcome all our members into this new year and thank you for the great work you have all done. We have faced many challenges throughout this past year, challenges that have changed our daily routines, but not what we stand for with the IBEW. I know that between the political forum, COVID, and the court battles to protect our workers' rights and to keep projects moving forward, it has been a struggle

for many, but as a union, I am certain we will prosper.

We had over 2.5 million hours worked within Local 104's jurisdiction, between the Outside Construction, MBTA and our Municipalities. I also know there were a lot more hours working out of state for different emergencies that we have continued to help keep the power on. We have proven again and again our role as First Responders is important to everyone. This is something we should be proud of.

### What will 2022 Bring?

I expect 2022 will be a very busy year. I do not anticipate a slowdown of work. If anything, I think work will be busier

as a whole. We could not handle the additional work without the extra help from other IBEW locals and without the organizing of new members. At last count, we stand united with over 1,600 Local 104 IBEW members earning us 7 seats at the IBEW International Convention in May, followed by our own nominations in May and then elections this June.

Please keep your thoughts and prayers with the ones we have lost. Let us not forget the sacrifices they made to help this union get to where we are today.

Thank you all again,  
**Brian T. Murphy**  
Business Manager



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## MESSAGE FROM JIMMY FOSTER



Dear Members,

I am very excited to have been recently added to the team here at LU104. My position at the local is going to be a little different. I was brought on to help out and offer some additional training. Initially, I will be offering some transformer refresher training to our membership. We will see where it goes from there!

I have been instructing for NEAT for over six years now. The apprenticeship has changed so much in that time. The new equipment NEAT and LU104 have to offer is amazing! I'm lucky to have access to many of those



Transformer Class. Left to right: Back Row: Billy Hershman, Bart Jones, Jeff Sylvester, Andrew Melanson, Ron Baker. Front Row: Rob Moyes and Jimmy Foster.

resources, including: the in-classroom simulator and the online simulator, just to name a couple. I think it will be great to get more Journeymen through who haven't had experience with some of this equipment. These resources will

be part of the classes that are being offered moving forward.

Anyone that knows me, knows that I love to talk about transformers. I think our membership will benefit from additional training in this technical area. I am very excited to get more Members through the union hall, to see how far our training has come!

We have two in-classroom simulators; one in Mansfield, MA and one in Barrington, NH. Please reach out to me if you are interested in additional training or access to the online simulator.

Jimmy Foster  
Business Rep  
617-438-8106  
Foster@ibew104.org

## MESSAGE FROM DAVE MOREAU, ORGANIZER



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

As we work our way into 2022, there has never been a greater need for our trade. With the increased demand on our electrical grid, we need

all the help we can get to fill the open

job calls. It's important to talk to people you know that may be looking for a career change, or that are just entering the job market for the first time. Tell them what we do. Tell them what the union has to offer them. Talk to them about how the union can set their family up for a solid and secure future! You can give them my number to discuss it further. Also, if you know of, or bump into a non-union line worker, talk to them. They don't

know what they don't know. Most of them are great people. Most of them don't know what 104 has to offer them and their families. It's our job as union members to spread the word and grow the membership. It's never been more important than in these difficult times.

As always, be safe and stay healthy!  
**David Moreau**  
207-347-0665

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Elise Joyce who celebrated 20 years of employment with IBEW Local 104 July 1, 2021! IBEW Local 104 is grateful for your hard work and dedication.



## STAY CONNECTED



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IBEW104



youtube.com/  
IBEWLocal104



# CONGRATULATIONS

The IBEW Local 104 officers, members and staff would like to congratulate the members who have recently retired. We wish you all a very happy and healthy retirement:

## 2021

Arthur Andrade  
Henry Barry  
Daniel Blackerby  
David Clayton  
Larry Cobb  
Greg Columbia  
John Consoletti

James Davies  
Garry Hall  
James L. Kornexl  
Anthony Kurpis  
Frank Napolitano  
Stephen O'Donnell  
Frank Reczkowski  
Roland Richardson

Robert Riendeau  
Richard Smith  
Joseph Thompson

## 2020

Gerald Blanchet  
Jerry Bouchard

Karl Forrester  
Steven Gerow  
Ronald Krukowski  
Joseph Mazerall  
Kevin McCann  
John McCann  
Michael Thompson  
Ronald Williamson

Congratulations to our members who have recently topped out to Journeyman Lineman!

## 2021

Michael Adair  
Brian Adams  
Kaleb Allen  
Blaine Bishop  
John Blanchard  
John Boomhower  
Gregory Brown  
Cody Cook  
Gregory Covell  
Joseph Crosby  
David Cutter  
Joseph Davis  
Matthew Doyle  
Justin Fuller  
Seth Gordon

Jonathan Gray  
Jordan Green  
Matthew Hillman  
Steven Lathrop  
Antonio Lopez  
Christopher McCaughey  
Shane McGlone  
Joshua Rideout  
Tony Rizzitano  
Jack Robinson  
Jacob Simmons  
Levi Smead  
Alexander St. Jean  
Nicholas Sweatt  
Charles Wheeler

## 2020

Arlindo Anderson  
Samuel Avery  
Christopher Buckles  
Jason Buttmer  
Chad Carroll  
Jake Ciavattone  
Douglas Clifford  
Merrick Coponen  
Peter Crane  
Cody Crowe  
Michael Darling  
Christopher Desousa  
Patrick Durkin  
Michael Eaton  
William Eaton  
Tyler Farnsworth

Joshua Fortier  
Heath Francois  
Logan Futch  
David Gardner  
Baron Harvey  
Wyatt Huggett  
Christopher Hunt  
Bryce Paster  
Kyle Paterson  
Nelson Pepin  
Dylan Russell  
Shane Skowronski  
Alfred Smith  
Dustin Stadig  
Joseph Stevens  
Cody Trush  
Samuel Wilson

# DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

The IBEW Local 104 officers, members and staff would like to extend our condolences to the families of Local 104 members who have recently passed:

## 2021

Frank Eaton (84 yrs. old)  
George Becker (77 yrs. old)  
Darrin-Carl Moore (52 yrs. old)  
James Rogers (62 yrs. old)  
Brian Loughran (74 yrs. old)  
Roy Voisine (54 yrs. old)  
Edward Murray (80 yrs. old)

George Carson (87 yrs. old)  
Frank Coseglia (58 yrs. old)  
Roy Davis (90 yrs. old)  
Patrick Murphy (39 yrs. old)  
Charles Cassie (58 yrs. old)  
John Geremia (45 yrs. old)  
Tom Junta (63 yrs. old)  
Charles Enwright (91 yrs. old)

## 2020

Bruce Knowlton (73 yrs. old)  
Marc McDonald (73 yrs. old)  
Cory Whitney (33 yrs. old)  
Ryan Newell (29 yrs. old)  
Lee Hickey (64 yrs. old)  
Dana Artruc (67 yrs. old)  
John Lonnberg (65 yrs. old)





## ▶ SAVE THE DATE ◀

### IBEW LOCAL 104 RODEO



**Saturday**  
**May 21, 2022**  
**Kimball Farm**

### IBEW LOCAL 104 GOLF OUTING



**Friday,**  
**September 23, 2022**  
**Crosswinds Golf Club**

424 Long Pond Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360  
(508) 830-1199

7:00 am registration and  
driving range access

8:00 am shotgun start

[www.golfcrosswinds.com](http://www.golfcrosswinds.com)



[facebook.com/golfcrosswinds](https://facebook.com/golfcrosswinds)

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Brian Pierce	Ext. 1107 - President
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Brian Murphy	Ext. 1109 - Business Manager
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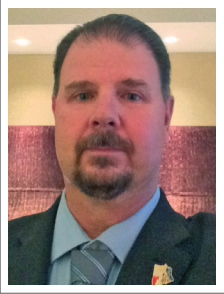
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Bart Jones	Ext. 1103 - Safety Specialist



# MESSAGE FROM **TIM BURGESS**



We are now at the beginning of 2022, currently experiencing what we hope to be the final wave of the battle with Covid 19.



**NEW ENGLAND  
CLEAN ENERGY  
CONNECT**

Local 104, the developers and other supporters of the NECEC project worked tirelessly for 2 ½ years and were ultimately successful in obtaining all the required permits for NECEC. Construction began January 14, 2021.

Then, as many of you may be aware of, on November 2, 2021, a group of supposed environmentalist, who ironically teamed up with fossil fuel generation corporations, were successful in getting enough yes votes using the Maine

people's referendum to temporarily shut down the NECEC project.

The Maine people's referendum has been part of Maine law for 114 years and has never been used to retroactively revoke legally obtained construction permits.

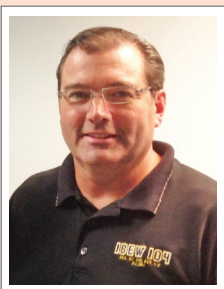
This use of the referendum process will be challenged in court as being unconstitutional. At the time of this writing that exact date has yet TBD.

We are being hopeful that common sense prevails in the courts and that the project will be restarted asap.

As always, Union meetings are held every 3rd Thursday and the winter Certs schedule is available on the website, with classes available in January, February and March.

Thank you,  
**Tim Burgess**  
Assistant Business Manager

## TOYS FOR TOTS FROM **HUGH BOYD**



Once again, IBEW Local 104 stepped up to the plate to help those in need. We have been dubbed once more as a major contributor

to the Toys for Tots campaign in New England.

Every year we bring trucks loaded with toys to the South Boston Distribution Center for the Marines to bring to those in need. Thank you to all in attendance at the Local 104 Christmas Party, where we collected checks and cash for Toys for Tots totaling over \$3,600.00. A special shout out to the selfless Rob Moyes



Family once again for using their home as a drop off center. When the Toys for Tots Marines gave us a Badge of Recognition, we could have found no one more fitting to receive this acknowledgement. Thank you to all that made a special moment in someone's life.

All the best and in Solidarity.



Thank you,  
**Hugh Boyd**  
Assistant Business Manager





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## IBEW LOCAL 104 TRAINING SCHEDULE

Please note, you must be a member of 104 or working with a 104 contractor in order to sign up for training. If you are unsure if you qualify, please call us.

### Massachusetts Hall

**\*Basic Life Support/First Aid/  
Pole Top and Bucket Rescue**  
2/04/22 – 3/04/22

### MA Hoisting License 1B/2A Prep

We do not have a class scheduled at this time, but we can add you to the interest list for first notice of the next scheduled class and to confirm your eligibility.

### New Hampshire Hall

**\*Basic Life Support/First Aid/  
Pole Top and Bucket Rescue**  
2/11/22 – 3/25/22

### Maine Hall

**\*Basic Life Support/First Aid/  
Pole Top and Bucket Rescue**  
2/18/22 – 3/11/22

**\*ALL CLASSES START AT 8:00 AM**

SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE: [ibew104.org/oshe/training](https://ibew104.org/oshe/training)

## UNION MEETING REMINDER

All union meetings are now held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at ALL three locations; MA, NH and ME halls and are connected through video conferencing.

