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ECA OTTAWA CHRISTMAS GALA A HUGE SUCCESS

November 30, 2018 - ECA Ottawa President Mark Conrad and his wife Susan were the proud hosts of our highly successful 52nd Annual Christmas Gala. This year we enjoyed a record number of attendees. The dance floor was packed all night thanks to the exceptional music from the Sway Band and the Champagne Punch Ice Bar was a big hit. Our terrific photographer, Melissa Leroux, was busy all night and we hope to have access to your smiling faces very shortly. All in all it was a wonderful evening and I'm confident everyone is looking forward to next year already! Thank you to everyone at the Chateau Laurier for their support throughout the night and thanks to everyone who came out Friday night. Finally, thank you to our sponsors who make it much easier to host such a hi-class party. Our thanks go out to: Federated Insurance, Franklin Empire, GAL Power, Guillevin International, Lumen, Modern Niagara, Nedco, and Waterman Sales. See you all next year.



ONTARIO BILL 47 UPDATE

Bill 47, Making Ontario Open for Business, passed third reading and received Royal Assent on November 21, 2018 but there are some points you need to be aware of especially with regards to the promised new apprenticeship ratio. The Ontario College of Trades no longer has the authority to determine appropriate journeyman to apprentice ratios for those trades that are subject to a ratio. Instead, the Minister has the power to set journeyman to apprentice ratios by regulation. Unless a different ratio is specifically established by [regulation](#), employers must abide by a 1:1 journeyman to apprentice ratio for those trades that are designated as being subject to a ratio. That is, an employer cannot have more than 1 apprentice for each journeyman. **Electrical is currently subject to the established regulations.** [Click here](#) and scroll to 'Electrician section 10 & 11' to see the ratio's as they stand now. More to come.



REMEMBER - NEW STABILIZATION FUND APPLICATIONS PROCESS IN 2019

Starting in January 2019, all applications for the Local 586 Stabilization Fund will first be received and reviewed by the ECA Ottawa office prior to review by the IBEW. Shortly, the Rules and Regulations, along with an updated application form will be posted to the ECA Ottawa website. For those companies that take advantage of this fund, please make note of this major change in the process.



OCA SYMPOSIUM & TRADE SHOW

ECA Ottawa is a 'Partner Association' in support of the Ottawa Construction Association's brand new Symposium & Trade Show. This new event takes place at the EY Centre on February 27, 2019. There are a vast array of exhibitors demonstrating the latest in products, services and technologies. In addition, there are a significant number of world-class educational programs which we would encourage you to attend. These include presentations on Light Rail and Transforming Ottawa: The Next 5 Years. For more information on becoming an exhibitor, sponsor or to register visit the [ECA Ottawa website](#).



ECA OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS

President Mark Conrad, the Executive Committee, Board of Directors and ECA Ottawa staff wish you and your family all the best during the upcoming Christmas holiday season and a wonderful and prosperous New Year. Please note the ECA Ottawa office will be closed Monday, December 24th and it will reopen Wednesday, January 2nd.

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