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Presenting the Long Island Chapter NECA 2013 Board of Directors and Officers



Mr. Bob Dow (at right), Chief Investigations Manager for Suffolk County Dept. of Labor, Licensing and Consumer Affairs was the installing officer at the Long Island NECA Chapter's Annual Installation Dinner in January.

Shown left to right: MICHAEL BENDER - Secretary;
JOHN CASCIANO - Treasurer; PAT SANTORO - Director;
DONALD LESLIE, JR. - Director; ROBERT KOHLMAYER - Director
JAMES GIORGIO - Director; CHRISTIAN HEDLUND - Director;
PAUL DUNN - Vice President; JOSEPH GATHARD - President
Governor NICOLAUS FELDMANN not in attendance.

*More photos from the Installation
Dinner are inside on Page 5*



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From the President...

Budget cuts, record highs at DOW, small business closings, pharmaceutical and aerospace giants moving thousands of jobs off Long Island, and all while Canon opens their new headquarters right here in Melville. What a roller-coaster ride we are witnessing. Terms like “fiscal cliff” and “sequester” have become part of our daily discussions. It often seems there isn’t much we can count on these days but uncertainty itself — The kind of uncertainty that makes our customers reluctant to expand. Yet, while our economy remains unusually stagnant, there are still opportunities to be seized.

It is this very type of business landscape that makes NECA so valuable to our members, the customers we serve, and the engineers, architects, and developers planning and initiating construction projects on Long Island.

By employing the most professional and well-trained electricians the industry has to offer, the NECA value proposition remains strong. Our training partners at the JATC continue to train for tomorrow by teaching the most cutting edge technologies and safety standards with the highest level of dedication.

Additionally, our Chapter’s administrative efforts provide member contractors a collective voice both locally and nationally



JOSEPH GATHARD

with elected officials as well as access to various community and business associations.

Although the recovery progress we are seeing on Wall Street doesn’t yet seem to be working its way down to Main Street, NECA contractors are well positioned to capitalize when the economy begins to strengthen. I am confident that we will lead the charge.

In closing, I want to thank our NECA Management trustees that volunteer so much of their time to serve on the various trust funds. I also want to thank my co-officers and our Board of Directors for all their tireless efforts on behalf of the organization and the industry at large. With their unselfish contributions the Long Island Chapter of NECA continues to provide a major benefit to the entire electrical industry on Long Island.

I encourage you to contact our NECA contractors or call our Chapter office to see how we may be of service to you and help you grow your business.

—Joe Gathard

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2013 NECA CHAPTER GOLF OUTING

JUNE 12, 2013

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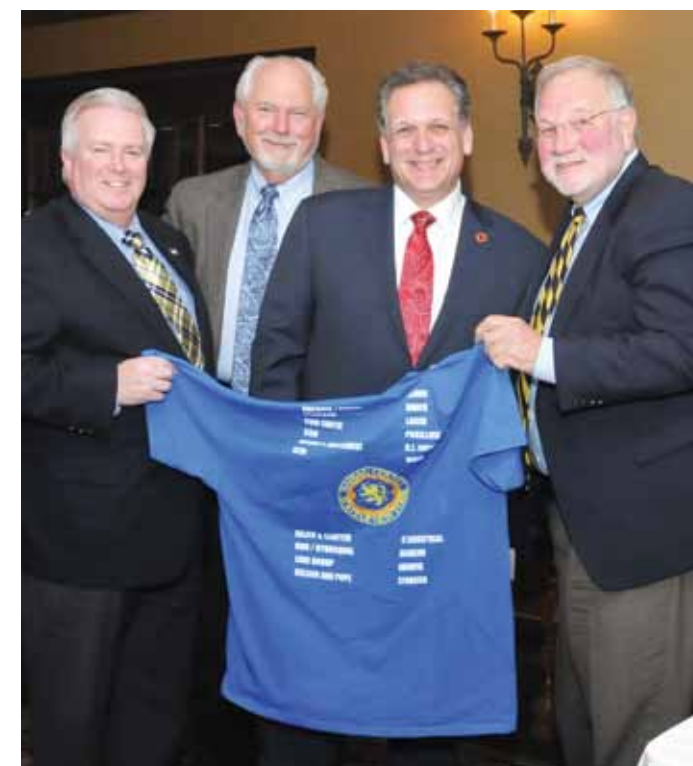
Charles Gardner
Director of Government Affairs



Mangano Cites Efforts of NECA Members In Sandy Recovery

Nassau County Executive Ed Mangano spoke at our February General Membership meeting held at Carlyle On The Green in Bethpage. He outlined his agenda for 2013 – stabilizing taxes and developing the Nassau Hub among the most important. He also spoke about Nassau’s emergency response to superstorm Sandy. Mr. Mangano specifically cited his appreciation for the work done by member contractors of NECA in assisting the County in the recovery efforts.

At right, Joe Gathard, Paul Dunn and Nick Feldmann present commemorative T-shirt to Nassau Executive Ed Mangano



Gardner Addresses Suffolk Legislature on Sales Tax Exemption for Commercial Solar Installations

In January, LINECA’s Director of Government Affairs, Charlie Gardner, spoke before the Energy Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature followed by the full Suffolk Legislature on February 5th. His remarks were in support of the proposal to provide tax exemptions for the sale and installation of commercial solar energy systems. The resolution, introduced by Legislator Sarah Anker of the sixth legislative district, will take effect June 1, 2013, and will complement New York State sales tax exemptions for residential solar energy systems which are designed to encourage residents to install solar energy systems in their homes. •

Long Island Chapter Honored With LIPA Trade Ally Award



The Long Island Chapter was recently recognized as an outstanding partner in the LIPA Trade Ally Program. This award was presented to the Chapter for its consistent contributions to Long Island home and business owners in addition to participation in LIPA roundtables, meetings, training sessions, organizational newsletters and monthly association meetings

In the photo above, Nick Feldmann (left) of Eldor Contracting Corporation and Governor of the Long Island Chapter accepts award from Dan Zaweski, Assistant Vice President of Energy Efficiency and Distributed Generation for the Long Island Power Authority.

OHEKA Castle — January 18, 2013



Long Island NECA Chapter Installation Dinner



What's Happening...

PPE Update

The Long Island Chapter has been hard at work fine tuning our processes and improving our service offerings to our members. In fact, the average turnaround time for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from the time an order is received in the NECA office until it is shipped from our supplier's warehouse is less than two days. As a result of feedback from the field, we continue to raise the bar and have sourced a higher quality, waterproof outerwear that will be available by mid-March.

Long Island Building and Facilities Maintenance Show

The Long Island Chapter NECA will represent our members with a booth on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at the Hofstra University David S. Mack Sports and Exposition Complex.

HIA-LI 25th Annual Business Trade Show and Conference

The Long Island Chapter will partner with Local Union #25 IBEW with a booth on Thursday, May 23, 2013 at the Suffolk County Community College Brentwood campus.

And Save These Dates...

Women in NECA (WIN) Leadership Summit, St. Louis, MO –March 22-23, 2013

Long Island Chapter Golf Outing, Baiting Hollow Club, June 12, 2013

March Chapter Meeting – March 21, 2013

April Chapter Meeting - April 25, 2013

May Chapter Meeting - May 23, 2013



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**JW Marriott Desert Ridge and Spa
Phoenix Arizona
April 14 – 17, 2013**