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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is hot, hot, hot! Summer is here and that means staying well hydrated!

The NOEJATC hosted the annual Louisiana Statewide Apprenticeship Competition this year at our union hall on Saturday, June 12th and it was a very close competition among the six apprentices from around the state, but it was Local 130's own, Kristin Cortez that won Apprentice of the Year! It's been 16 years since a Local 130 apprentice has claimed the title. Congratulations to Sister Cortez for her outstanding effort in the competition and for her hard work in class and on the job. We are very proud!



I would like to thank everyone with NOEJATC that made this year's competition a success. Apprenticeship Director, Sandy Theriot organized the banquet that was held on Friday evening for all the guests attending including Director Todd Stafford with the Electrical Training Alliance, Directors of the State Apprenticeship, committee members, contractors, business managers, and previous competition winners. David Boynes, John Navarre, and instructor David Crumb prepared a delicious lunch of barbeque and jambalaya for everyone on Saturday and our instructors Vincent Avila, Arasimo Geraci, and Ronnie Wolf sat as judges for the competition. This was a great team effort and my sincerest thanks to each of you for your hard work and dedication.

Also, congratulations to our fifth-year apprentices for completing the fifth-year class: James Carroll, Kristin Cortez, Brian Dufrene, Antonio Dyson, Troy Glaviana, Morgan Hamilton, Patrick Hansberry, Grace Kluesner, Abel Mohadi, Mustafa Mustafa, Jessie Pollard, Austin Prats, and Wesley Saxton.

Our work picture should be picking up in the next few months and I look forward to seeing some of our traveling brothers and sisters come home. Recently, Sheriff Marlin Gusman of New Orleans discussed the Phase III proposal of the jail facility. The Nuke will

be hiring for pre-outage in November. The Building Trades Council is working on an agreement with Harrah's for the new hotel tower. Frischhertz Electric is currently doing some demo ahead of the construction and is in the running for the tower.

Our current inside collective bargaining agreement will expire in November and our negotiation committee will be meeting in a few months to discuss the terms we intend to propose for the renewed agreement. Your feedback and input on the key issues is important to that proposal! The membership survey was sent to everyone in April, and I hope we have received yours'. We have additional copies in the office if needed; just call the office or email kelly@ibewlu130.com .

I am pleased to say that the golf tournament by The Building and Construction Trades Council raised \$25,000.00 for Dollars Against Diabetes. This is terrific, annual D.A.D.'s Day campaign donates the money raised to the Diabetes Research Institute.

Sunday, July 4th is right around the corner and Monday is our scheduled holiday from work. I hope your extended weekend is fun and relaxing. Happy 4th of July and have a great summer!



In Brotherhood,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul".

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