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## Graduation 2008

Congratulations and best wishes go to our fourth year graduating class. We know they will be rewarded in life for their efforts in apprenticeship and in the electrical industry. The Duncan Theatre was full of enthusiastic family, friends and sponsoring contractors. One apprentice brought his 10 day old infant and several proud grandparents were in attendance to applaud their grandchild's accomplishments.

One Mom in attendance was *Jeannie Mueller* and her mother, *Earlene Cottrell*, mother and grandmother to our first year completer, **Chad Welton**, and his big Brother **Tim Lance Ehman** who was graduating from fourth year. Both mother and grandmother were full of justified pride as the two brothers are high achieving students. Chad received an award for most improved in Dan Neff's first year class, and Tim has maintained high grades throughout his training. Unfortunately, Tim had to work late on graduation night and was unable to make the ceremony on time. Both apprentices are employed by **Bergelectric Corp.**

Listed on the back of this newsletter are all of the award winners recognized on graduation night. We don't have room to list all completers; but we salute all who have put in their time and efforts to successfully complete this school year. At FEAA nothing is awarded if it hasn't been earned by compliance with state and federal apprenticeship standards which are dictated for all apprenticeship programs in all trade.

## Grounding and Bonding Seminar with 8 CEU Credits

The Palm Beach County Division of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors is offering a one-day seminar on **Grounding & Bonding**. The instructor will be John Minick, Chairman, Code Panel 1. The course is based on the 2005 NEC with 2008 updates and will be held Saturday, July 12, 2008 at the Jupiter Community Center at 100 Military Trail. Registration begins at 7:00 am and the class is from 8:00 am until 5:00pm.

The seminar is approved for 8 hours. Soares Grounding and Bonding book is available for \$40. Early registration for members—\$70. Non-Members—\$90. Checks should be made payable to: **Palm Beach Country, IAEI**. Registration which includes your name, address, E-mail address, IAEI membership#, License# (Florida EC or BCAI numbers), and indicate whether you want to purchase the book. Mail registration to:

Donald Gibson  
11564 Winchester Drive  
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On behalf of ten grateful apprentices, many thanks to **Ken Kettner** of **Electrical Consulting Services, Inc.** who generously donated ten DeWalt cordless drills to be given at graduation to each of the "Best Overall" award winners. This gift was in addition to the one given by FEAA to the winners. As an added bonus to him, Ken was on hand to see his son, **Blake Kettner**, receive his third year certificate and his employee, **Akadej X Roongrojana**, receive the "Best Overall" award for the fourth straight year. Additionally, "X" almost achieved four years of perfect attendance. He missed the day his child was born this year. We think that's a pretty good reason to miss class. Third year apprentice, **Suzuki Stewart** of **Stratton Electric** said about the gift, "It couldn't have come at a better time, my drill had just died." Thanks, Ken, for all you do to serve apprenticeship and this program by your interest and service on the committee.



During the ceremony, **Dan Neff** and **Jeff Taylor** were recognized for their years of service. Jeff is now officially the building official for the Town of Palm Beach.

Congratulations, Dan and Jeff.

We look forward to graduation with anticipation for many reasons not the least of which to see and greet in person all the fine folks who work for our sponsoring contractors and willingly assist us whenever we need their help. One good looking group was spotted on their way into the theater, the group from **Design Electrical Contractors**. **Bruce Livergood**, their smiling leader has supported FEAA for many years and enjoys the reward of having well-trained journeymen in his organization. And right in the middle of things is **Marianne Polulack** who always cheerfully assists our staff.



Please turn back for list of Award Winners →

# Graduation Awards—2008

1-A		3A	
Most Improved	Chad Welton—Bergelectric	Perfect Attendance	Troy Fike—Bergelectric
Best Grade	Andrew Purvis—Contact Electric		Astrel Jean-Louis—D.E.C. Electric
Best Overall	Andrew Purvis—Contact Electric		Carlos Jordan—Buz Ledbetter Electric
1-B			Walson Joseph—Bergelectric
Perfect Attendance	Levelt Emile		Marc Joseph—Construct Corps
	Bradley Wolf—Superior Elec. of S. Florida	Most Improved	Justin Washburn—ECSI
	Michael Wolf—Superior Elec. of S. Florida	Best Grade	Eugene Mesadieu—ECSI
Most Improved	Raguel Derilus—Fastrac Electric	Best Overall	Justin Washburn—ECSI
Best Grade	Eric Fuchs—Tradestaff		Justin Washburn—ECSI
Best Overall	Bradley Wolf—Superior Elec. of S. Florida		
1-C		3B	
Perfect Attendance	Faniel Exantes—ECSI	Perfect Attendance	Carmy Dorcius—Godfrey Electric
	Dean Nance—Design Electrical		Luben Jean-Philippe—Fastrac Electric
	DJerry Noel—Unlimited Electric		Ken Lustig—PBC Brd of Co. Comm.
Best Grade	Dean Nance—Design Electrical Contractors		Michelete Petit-Frere—Gerelco
Best Overall	Dean Nance—Design Electrical Contractors		David Staats—East Coast Electric
*****			David Terjesen—LaCasse Electric
2-A		Most Improved	Philip Proulx—Loveland Electric
Perfect Attendance	David Charlot—ECSI	Best Grade	Uriah McCalla—PBC Airport
	Erik Glosman—ECSI	Best Overall	Suzuki Stewart—Stratton Electric
	Edward Johnson—Stratton Electric		
	Wilson Ovincy—Godfrey Electric	3C	
	Mack Smith—Cole Electric	Perfect Attendance	Christopher Grant—Stryker Electrical
	John Tsikata—ECSI		Odilus Jean
Most Improved	Joseph Oconner—Jarvis Electric		Revenir Jacques—Fastrac
Best Grade	Chris Gaines—ECSI		Gerald Jean-Baptiste—Davco
Best Overall	Erik Glosman—ECSI		Marcos Luna—Sullivan Electric
2-B			Leones Mareus—Stryker Electrical
Perfect Attendance	Winston Bent—S Atlantic Tri-City		Kyle Merritt—ECSI
	Orphny Edmond—Meisner Electric		Marcelino Raymundo—Sawyer Elec.
	Innocent Herisse—Meisner Electric	Most Improved	Roi Sainte—ECSI
	Jonas Maxime—Pomeroy Electric	Best Grade	Roberto Bretoux—Davco
	Shelson Phadael—Meisner Electric	Best Overall	Marcelino Raymundo—Sawyer Elec.
	Bernard Quashie—Fastrac Electric	*****	Marcelino Raymundo—Sawyer Elec.
Most Improved	Peter Billias—Gray Power & Controls		
Best Grade	Keith Guthart—Guthart Electric	4th	
Best Overall	Richard Higgins—Higgins Electric	Perfect Attendance	Marc Arty Jacquet—Davco
2C			Edvard Murat—OR Elec & Design
Perfect Attendance	Chris Bingle—Sinns & Thomas		Jean-Claude Pierre—ECSI
	Jude Daniel—United Electricians		Eduardo Vega—Skilled Elec Connec.
	Nestor Louis—Ram's/RPG	Most Improved	Scott Spudeck—Fastrac Electric
	Michael Page—Davco	Best Grade	Akadej "X" Roongrojana—ECSI
	Leland West	Best Overall	Akadej "X" Roongrojana—ECSI
	Benjamin Wilkes—ECSI		
Most Improved	Benjamin Wilkes—ECSI		
Best Grade	Michael Page—Davco		
Best Overall	Michael Page—Davco		

**Congratulations!!**