The Electrical Relay
January 2026

Business Manager's Comments

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2026 together, I want to thank each one of you for your dedication, professionalism, and solidarity throughout 2025. Our Union's achievements—stronger contracts, safer workplaces, and a growing apprenticeship program—are the direct result of your commitment to our shared mission.

In the coming year, we will continue to fight for good-paying jobs, enhanced benefits, jobsite safety, and opportunities for every IBEW member to succeed.

We have a couple of social activities coming up in the next few months…Family Ice Fishing Derby on February 14th (see flyer attached) and Family Bowling in March or April – date to be determined. These are great events to spend time with our Brothers and Sisters and their families. Please come out, take part and join us for these great events in 2026.

Fraternally,
Brother Braydon Potter/Business Manager/Financial Secretary

Chers confrères et consœurs,

Bonne année ! Alors que nous entrons ensemble dans l'année 2026, je tiens à remercier chacun d'entre vous pour votre dévouement, votre professionnalisme et votre solidarité tout au long de l'année 2025. Les réalisations de notre syndicat - des contrats plus solides, des lieux de travail plus sûrs et un programme d'apprentissage en pleine expansion - sont le résultat direct de votre engagement envers notre mission commune.

Au cours de l'année à venir, nous continuerons à lutter pour des emplois bien rémunérés, de meilleurs avantages sociaux, la sécurité sur les lieux de travail et des opportunités de réussite pour chaque membre de l'IBEW.

Nous avons quelques activités sociales prévues au cours des prochains mois... Le tournoi familial de pêche sur glace le 14 février (veuillez consulter l'annonce ci-jointe) et le bowling familial en mars ou avril – date à déterminer. Ce sont d'excellentes occasions de passer du temps avec nos confrères et consœurs et leurs familles. Venez nombreux participer à ces grands événements en 2026.

Fraternellement,
Confrère Braydon Potter/Gestionnaire d'affaires/Secrétaire financier

Out of Work List/ ROE'S/Membership is located at 2460 Lancaster Rd, Suite 103
Education/Training is located at 1172 Rainbow St

**GENERAL MEETINGS RETURN TO NEW TRAINING CENTRE- 1178 RAINBOW **

Our next general meeting is scheduled for **Monday January 19th, 2026**, at 7:00pm at the New Training Centre, **1178 Rainbow St.** You must present an official dues receipt paid through October 2025 to be admitted. *La prochaine Assemblée prévue **lundi** le 19 janvier 2026 à 19h00 au* **nouveau centre de formation, 1178 Rue Rainbow**. *Vous devez présenter votre reçu officiel couvrant au moins le mois octobre 2025.*

RETIREE'S SECTION

MEETING LOCATION: New Training Centre – 1178 Rainbow St – Second Floor

The next Retiree's meeting will be held on **Monday, January 19th, 2026, at 10:00am**. *La prochaine rencontre sera **lundi le 19 janvier, 2026 à 10h00.***

An Invitation to Join the Local 586 Retirees' Club!

Newly retired members, 55 or older, are welcome to join our club. Membership is only $20 per person per year. Costs are kept low because members are subsidized for event expenses. Come and be part of the camaraderie by contacting our President, John Meunier at (613) 839-2157, or our Director, Aline Guindon at (613) 487-2342. We'd love to welcome you!

NextGen: Next meeting will be held via ZOOM on March 2nd, 2026 at 6:30pm. Please contact Bryan Hawkins at 613-809-2252 for further details. La prochaine réunion aura lieu via ZOOM le 2 mars, 2026 à 18h30. Veuillez contacter Bryan Hawkins au 613-809-2252 pour plus de détails.

AWARDS

15Yrs: Chris Hobbs

20Yrs: Wayne B. MacCuaig

25Yrs: Jean Guy Gagne

40Yrs: Peter Beauchamp

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

Brother Stephen Lacroix
Who passed away December 2025

EDUCATION – JANUARY 2026

WHMIS UPDATE can be completed online. Please contact the hall for further information.

UPCOMING COURSES:

Apprentice Training:

CONSTRUCTION 1	CONSTRUCTION 2	CONSTRUCTION 3
Please contact the Training Centre for more info	**Please contact the Training Centre for more info**	**Please contact the Training Centre for more info**

Journeyperson Training:

FIRE ALARM 1	FIRE ALARM 2	FIRE ALARM 3	FIRE ALARM 4
Sept 8th – Oct 15th 2026	Nov 3rd – Dec 10th 2026	Jan 6th – Feb 12th 2026	Mar 3rd – Apr 9th 2026
Tuesday and Thursday 5:30pm-8:30pm	**Tuesday and Thursday 5:30pm-8:30pm**	**Tuesday and Thursday 5:30pm-8:30pm**	**Tuesday and Thursday 5:30pm-8:30pm**

Other Training:

FIRST AID
Jan 16th 2026
Friday 12:00pm – 3:30pm **Must register at least two weeks before start date**

*** ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ***

PRE-SCHOOL Classes are "MANDATORY" for ALL apprentices

WORKING AT HEIGHTS REFRESHER

**** We are now booking 3 months from now ****

CALL US – 3 to 4 Months "BEFORE" it Expires to Register

*** IBEW MY TRAINING ***

The local 586 training program is now live! https://www.ibew586mytraining.com/login

If you have not received your invitation, that means, we do not have an up-to-date email for you. Please call the hall to update your information to get your training, expiry reminders and have access to your training records 24/7.

***** WHMIS NOTICE*****

All members who need to update their WHMIS can access the instructions and link for the FREE VUBIZ training through the IBEW 586 members portal.

Step 1: Log in to your member portal on the IBEW 586 website. If you have not set up an account yet follow the steps and set one up.

Step 2: Once logged into the members' area, on the right-hand column select the link to access *Online WHMIS Training* and follow the instructions as follows.

IBEW ANNUAL ICE FISHING DERBY

MISSISSIPPI LAKE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH 2026

8AM - 2PM

License Free Fishing Weekend!

BBQ, CHILI, HOT BEVERAGES, PRIZES + MORE!

LOCATION: 140 HARDWOOD RD, R.R. #6, PERTH ON

CALL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER AT 613-741-5664 BY FEBRUARY 10TH 2026