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NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER/ FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this letter finds you well. We made it through another season, and it looks like we will continue to be busy throughout the summer as well. Our recent Steward Training at the end of April was a great success, with 140 members attending over two days. It was good to see such strong participation and engagement.

There is still time to register and get tickets for our first annual Valleyfair Day, scheduled for July 18th. Please visit our website to reserve your tickets. As it stands today, we have over 1,000 members and families requesting tickets.

I'd also encourage members and their families to check out the North Star Rodeo featured in this newsletter. Events like this are a great opportunity to celebrate the trade, connect with fellow members and families, and showcase the skill, teamwork, and dedication found throughout our industry. We hope to see many of you there supporting a great event.

I would also like to congratulate this year's scholarship recipients. Supporting the next generation and helping our members' families pursue their educational goals is something our Local takes great pride in. We wish all of the recipients continued success in the future.

Just a reminder, our Annual Pig-Out event will be moved up one week earlier this year due to the International Convention, which is the last week in September. The Pig-Out will be held on Thursday, September 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Be sure to check the website and newsletter for updates.

Finally, I would like to remind all retirees who worked for Xcel Energy/NSP and were covered under and retired through the Main Collective Bargaining Agreement that you are entitled to a \$10,000 life insurance benefit upon your death. Please make sure your beneficiary is aware of this benefit. They can contact the Xcel Energy HR Department at (800) 689-7662 for more information.

Before closing, I would like to take a moment to recognize Brother Kevin Kaeter. Kevin's leadership, dedication, and commitment to this Local left a lasting impact on all of us. I encourage you to take time to read the tribute included in this newsletter as we honor his service and the example he set for our membership.

In closing, I would like to say thank you for a great and successful start to 2026. Please continue to watch out for each other and stay safe.

In Solidarity,

Kurt Zimmerman

Business Manager/Financial Secretary
IBEW Local 160

General Membership Meetings

Held at the Plymouth Union Hall on the first *Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

- June 4
- July 2
- August 6
- September 3
- October 1
- November 5
- December 3

*Note: If a meeting date falls on a holiday, it may be rescheduled for another date.

Mo Valley Unit Meetings

- May 28 @ 7:30 p.m. | Grand Rapids
- June 30 @ 6:30 p.m. | Plymouth
- July 30 @ 7:30 p.m. | Grand Rapids
- August 25 @ 6:30 p.m. | Plymouth
- September 24 @ 7:30 p.m. | Grand Rapids
- October 27 @ 6:30 p.m. | Plymouth
- November 19 @ 7:30 p.m. | Grand Rapids
- December 15 @ 6:30 p.m. | Plymouth

Hall Closures

- Monday, May 25
- Friday, July 3
- Monday, September 7
- Thursday, November 26
- Friday, November 27
- Thursday, December 24
- Friday, December 25

Retiree Club Luncheon

- October 28
- November 25
- December 23

**Please visit ibew160.org to
check for updates or
cancellations each month.**

WELCOME!

NEW 160 MEMBERS

CARLOS ABREGO
JACOB AGUILLON HERNANDEZ
ALEJANDRO ALDAMA MARTINEZ
DENY ALFONSO SAYUS
JAMESON ALLEN
CARLOS ALVARADO
JOSE ALVAREZ
RAYDEL ALVAREZ CUTINO
LUCAIS TAKUTO ANDERSON
AUSTIN ANICK
YOANDRE ANZARDO
JESUS ARIAS ANAGON
ROMAN ARIAS VAZQUEZ
MAYNOR ARITA
BERNARDO ARREOLA BARRERA
JOSEPH ARROYO HUMPHREYS
MARIO ARROYO PANTALION
VICTOR AVALOS SANCHEZ
LEDIN JAVIER BACA CHICHILLA
KATHERINE RACHEL BACA CHINCHILLA
ANTHONY BAILEY
BLADIMIR JOSUE BARBERENA RAMIREZ
JEFFERY BARNES
ENRIQUE BARRERA
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GAVIN BELAIR
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CHASE BOELKE
DIEGO BOGANTES
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ERIK BRANDT
ANTHONY BRISENO
ORION BROGDON
STEVEN CACERES
KEVIN CAIRO GONZALEZ
SAMUEL CALDERON HERNANDEZ
RICARDO CAMEJO FERNANDEZ
YOHANKY CAMPOS
CORY CAPRA
YAHAIRA CARMEN REYES
MATTHEW CASE
ERICK CASTILLO
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CARMELO CASTRO RAMIREZ
JORGE CENTENO VARGAS
JAVIER CERVANTES
RAMON CORDOVA CRUZ
RYAN CORRICK
JOSE LUIS CORTES BUZON
ROBERT CRUZ
BAYRON DELEON
ANTHONY DEMBY
OVIDIO DERAS
DEION DESCHENE
JACOB DETTMAN
TYLER DETTMAN
DANIEL DETWILER
SANDER DIAZ FROMETA

JOSE CARLOS DIAZ GARRIGA
JULIO DIAZ PAGAN
CODY DILKS
JOSHUA DIRCKS
TYLER DIRCKS
STEVEN DISRUD
TRENT DOBLE-MEDECK
MARLON DOMINGUEZ
JACOB DONDELINGER
SHAWN DOZIER
CONNOR DUDEK
RAYBO ADONY DURAN PUERTO
SAMUEL EBERT
JARED ECKMAN
KYLE ELLEDGE
ISRAEL ENRIQUEZ ARREGUIN
ANDREW ERKENEFF
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KALEB ESPINO
MIGUEL ERNESTO ESPINOSA CRAIB
ALFREDO ESPINOZA
PATRICIA ESTRADA
ZABDIEL ESTUPINAN
ISAAC EVENSON
ROBERTS FARAH
WALTER FITZWATER
LEODAN FONSECA ALMAGUER
CHRISTOPHER FORBROOK
COLE FRANDSEN
PEDRO FUENTES
BRIAN FUENTES LOPEZ
ANGEL GABARRET
RAMIRO GALEANA ARGUELLO
JUAN GARCIA
YANTSAY LEYVA GARCIA
IROELVIS GARCIA RODRIGUEZ
OMAR GARCIA VALLE
CARLOS GASPAR
JARED GIOVELLI
JONATHAN GOMEZ
JOSE CARLOS GOMEZ ALEMAN
NELSON GONZALEZ
JAILOT GONZALEZ CESPEDES
BIVIANO GONZALEZ GUZMAN
ELIER GONZALEZ LICOURT
PEDRO GONZALEZ LUGONES
GUILLERMO GRANADOS
PABLO GUERRERO
ISMAEL GUERRERO BARRON
HAIDIL GUEVARA TAMAYO
ALEXANDER GUTIERREZ HERNANDEZ
ANEUDY GUZMAN
EDWIN GUZMAN
MASON HABBEN
DANIEL HAMM
THOMAS HANSON
GAVIN HARRIS
WESTON HARRISON
ALEC HARTWIG
DILLON HAYES

BRADEN HELGESON
AZIZ HERNANDEZ
DANIELA HERNANDEZ
DAVID HERNANDEZ
FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ
HEDRICH HERNANDEZ
JESUS HERNANDEZ
SANTIAGO HERNANDEZ
KAREL HERNANDEZ BENITEZ
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JULIAN JAMILLE HERNANDEZ GONZALEZ
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MOISES JAMIES CISNEROS
JAIRO JARQUIN SOBALUARRO
COOPER JOHNSON
IRENIER JULIEN LIMORES
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GAVIN KITTELSON
CODY KLATT
DYLAN KLITZKE
ANDREW KOLBOW
YORDANYS LABANINO GONGORA
CARLOS LARA MOLINA
RAUL LARRUBIA PRIETO
GARRETT LAUNDERVILLE
JOSE LAZO
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LARRY LOPEZ JAIMES
EDUARDO LOPEZ SABINA
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FABIEN LUNA
JAMES LUSK
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CALEB MADSON
FLORIBERTO MALDONADO
DANIEL MALDONADO GONZALEZ
JUAN MALDONADO LUGO
PABLO MALDONADO LUGO
MICHAEL MALKOWSKI
COOPER MARAS
MICHAEL GABRIEL MARCANO SANTOS
JAVIER MARIN RODRIGUEZ
ERIK MARKER
ALONSO MARTINEZ
JORGE MARTINEZ
ONELL MARTINEZ
VICTOR MARTINEZ

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YOEL MATOS LAMBERT
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AUSTIN MIRA
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TRINIDAD MONDRAGON ANDRADE
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IBEW LOCAL 160 HONORED TO SPONSOR THE NORTH STAR RODEO

IBEW Local 160 is honored to serve as a sponsor of the 2026 North Star Rodeo hosted by Xcel Energy on June 12, 2026.

The North Star Rodeo will bring together utility workers from across the industry for a day of competition, camaraderie, and family fun while showcasing real-world electric and gas skills.

This free event is open to IBEW Local 160 members, friends, and families and will take place at:

Xcel Energy Hugo Training Facility
13620 Fenway Blvd N. | Hugo, MN 55038

The rodeo will feature approximately 30 three-man electric teams and 10 gas teams competing in events such as:

- Hurt Man Rescue
- Speed Climb
- Arrestor Change Out
- Meter Set
- Service Run

Family activities throughout the day will include:

- Bounce houses
- Kids rodeo
- Face painting
- Kona Ice & cotton candy
- Mascot appearances

Event Highlights

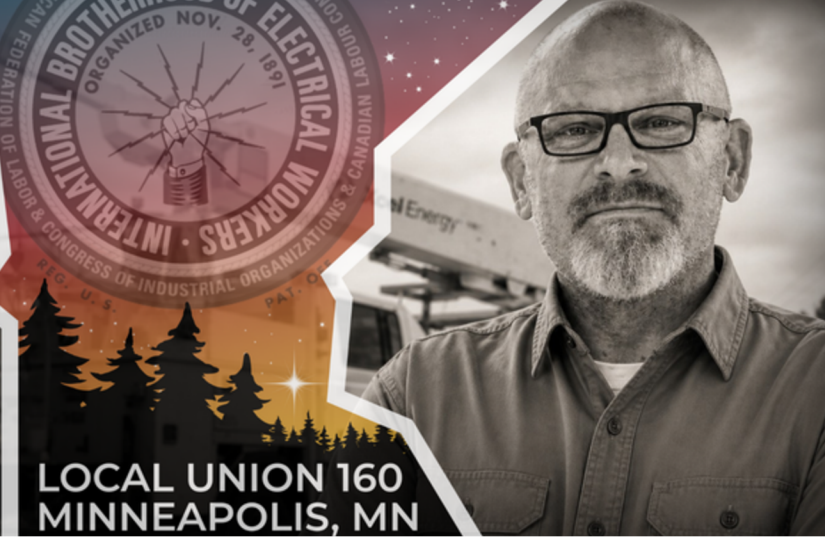
- Vendor Fair: 7:00–9:00 am
- Opening Ceremonies: 9:30 am
- Competition Begins: 10:00 am
- Kids Activities Throughout the Day

Events like this are a great opportunity to celebrate the trade, connect with fellow members and families, and showcase the skill, teamwork, and dedication found throughout our industry.

NEW MEMBERS CONTINUED

YASNIER RODRIGUEZ	MANIO TORRES
LETICIA RODRIGUEZ BATISTA	GUSTAVO TORRES GONZALEZ
FRANK RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ	ALEXANDER TORRES ROMERO
ADIS RODRIGUEZ OSORIO	JEREMY TORREY
MARINO RODRIGUEZ TRINIDAD	ROBERT TREAT
YUNIESKY RODRIGUEZ GUTIERREZ	DANIEL TROYER
RICHARD ROMERO PINA	MIGUEL MANUEL TRUJILLO ARMAGOS
CARLOS ROSA ZELAYA	DUSTIN TURNER
ERLY RUIZ FLORES	AVIAN URBANEK
OWEN RYAN LAKE	ELIO RAMON URQUIZA HERNANDEZ
ISAAC SAFFERT	PEDRO VALENCIA DIAZ
MYRIAM SALINAS	AVERY VANOVERBEKE
ABRAHAM SANCHEZ	WILBER VARDALES
ANSELMO SANCHEZ	JUAN PABLO VARGAS
JADDIEL SANCHEZ	JULIO VARGAS
MICHAEL SANDOVAL	MARCOS VELASQUEZ RAMOS
JASPER SCARBORO	YUSNIEZ VELAZQUEZ
CORY SCHAFFER	JOSE VILLAFUERTE ORTIZ
KARSTEN SCHMITT	JOSE VILLAFURTE ALBOR
NICHOLAS SCHULTE	MIGUEL VILLANUEVA
JOHN SCOTT	JORGE VILLAR
COREY SEGARRA	ALBERTO VILLAVICENCIO
YINSLEY SENABRE GUEVARA	FELICITY WALDEN
EFREN SERRANO MARKER	DAVID WALTERS
TREVOR SIGMON	AMBER WATERBURY
MIGUEL SILVA ORTIZ	CODY WELLS
MARCUS SKOOG	ETHAN WILKIN
ELI SMITH	LEVI WILLERT
MARISSA SMITH	DAWSON WILLITS
YACER SOUTUYO ROQUE	TRAVIS WINDHAM
JESSICAMAE STIFTER	AIDAN WININGS
JOEL STOKES	CONNOR YURECKO
THOMAS STOKES	CELESTINO ZAMORA
BRAYDEN SWEE	MARIANA ZARCO MONTEJANO
HECTOR TAMEZ SANDOVAL	SERVANDO ZARCO MONTERO
MARTIN TAVAREZ	KEVIN ZELAYA DIAZ
ANDREW TELFER	ANDREW ZELLERMAN
AVRY THOMPSON	
RILEY THUL	
JOSE TOLEDO	
EUGENIO TORRES	

**TOTAL MEMBER
COUNT 4,445**



**IN MEMORIAM:
BROTHER KEVIN JOHN KAETER**

October 23, 1970 – April 27, 2026

It is with heavy hearts that IBEW Local Union 160 shares the passing of Brother Kevin John Kaeter—a dedicated leader, a respected tradesman, and a man who gave his working life to the brotherhood and the trade.

Kevin was initiated into Local 160 on October 7, 1993, as a Groundman under the Missouri Valley Contract. He was indentured as an Apprentice Lineman in 1995 and earned his Journeyman Lineman status in September of 2000. From the beginning, he approached the work with discipline, resolve, and a deep respect for the responsibility it carried.

He served this Local with consistency and conviction. Kevin was a Union Steward for both the Missouri Valley and Metro West Overhead sections, standing firm for the members he represented. He was elected to the Executive Board in 2014 and again in 2017, and in 2020, he was elected President of Local 160—a role he carried with focus, steadiness, and a strong sense of duty.

Kevin built a 23-year career with Xcel Energy, becoming a Metro West Troublemaker in 2011. He was known for his reliability, his knowledge, and his willingness to step in when it mattered most. He took the work seriously—and he took care of the people alongside him.

As President, Kevin believed the strength of the Local came from its members. He encouraged participation, expected accountability, and never lost sight of the responsibility to represent the voice of the membership. He understood that safety, unity, and communication were not just ideals—they were essential to the health of the brotherhood and the future of the trade.

He was deeply devoted to his family—they were the joy of his life. Beyond the job, Kevin was a man who showed up for people—his family, his friends, and anyone who needed a steady hand. That same sense of loyalty and care defined who he was in every part of his life.

Outside of work, Kevin found his time in the outdoors—on the water, on the ice, or in the woods—where he was most at ease. He was also a devoted Minnesota Wild fan, known for bringing his voice, his humor, and his presence wherever he went.

Kevin believed in the brotherhood. He believed in the work. And he showed that through the way he lived—day in and day out.

We are honored to have called him Brother.
We are grateful for the time we had.
We will carry his example forward.

Rest easy, Brother.



THINKING OF YOU

Well wishes were sent to the following members:

- DALE WALCHESKI - WRIGHT HENNEPIN
- BILLIE WEBSTER - XCEL ENERGY



OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

*We are deeply saddened by the loss of our Brothers.
Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to their families and friends.*

- DOUGLAS F. MCCRILLIS - RETIRED XCEL ENERGY - 8/02/2025
- TERRY C. STADE - RETIRED XCEL ENERGY - 2/1/2026
- KEVIN J. KAETER - XCEL ENERGY - 4/27/2026





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THURS. SEPT. 17 11AM-5PM

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD



Spring's here. Work's picking up, and storm season's coming. Slow it down and work safe. Use your PPE—every job, every time. When it gets busy is when guys get hurt. Take a minute, look over the job, and make sure everyone's on the same page. If you need help—ask. No shame in that. We've got stop work—if it don't look right or feel right, shut it down. Tailgate it, talk it through, and find a better way.

You've been trained—pass it on. Help the new guys and watch out for each other. This ain't a race. The union's about brotherhood—we all go home the same way we showed up. Keep your head in it and communicate—that's what keeps guys alive. Do the job right with the right crew and tools.

Appreciate the work you all put in. Long hours, tough conditions—it shows. Stick together. These are good union jobs—good pay, good benefits, and a pension at the end of it. Let's do it right and go home.

Take a minute to remember Brother Kevin Kaeter. He believed in this work and this brotherhood. Carry that with you out there.

In Solidarity,

Scott E. Knight

Executive Board Member

IBEW Local 160

IBEW LOCAL 160 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED



IBEW Local 160 is pleased to recognize the recipients of this year's scholarship awards. These scholarships support the educational and career goals of our members' families pursuing college, university, vocational, technical, and trade school opportunities. Congratulations to all recipients, and best wishes in your future endeavors!

David C. Ring Scholarship

\$1,500 College/University Scholarships

- COLETTE BACKES
- AMELIA THISSEN
- BREANNA ALLEN
- KEIRA GULICKSON

\$1,500 Vocational, Technical & Trade School Scholarships

- CLARE SPIELMANN
- AIDEN SCAMP
- SAWYER LAVEN
- DANE HELGET

Amy O'Sullivan Scholarship

\$1,000 College/University Scholarships

- GRAYSIN MILLER
- AIDEN BACKES
- SHAWN KLEHR
- HUDSON LAVEN

\$1,000 Vocational, Technical & Trade School Scholarships

- ELLYANA SAND
- JADEN WALTER

Nathan S. Bloomquist Memorial Scholarship

\$500 Vocational, Technical & Trade School Scholarships

- SAWYER LAVEN
- CLARE SPIELMANN
- DANE HELGET

IBEW Local 160 is honored to support the next generation as they continue their education and training opportunities.

CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR NEWEST LOCAL 160 RETIREES!

DAVID P. ASPINWALL - XCEL ENERGY

JOEL D. BAKER - XCEL ENERGY

JOHN P. BOSSHART - TRUMAN PUBLIC UTILITIES

RANDALL W. CHARLSON - MO VALLEY

PAUL M. DYSON - XCEL ENERGY

RANDAL T. HIIPAKKA - GREAT RIVER ENERGY

KALVIN L. MACKERETH - MO VALLEY

CHARLES T. MOORE - MO VALLEY

JAMES A. O'CONNOR - GREAT RIVER ENERGY

TERRY C. PAINE - MO VALLEY

CHARLES B. PECK - NORTH ITASCA

DARRICK A. PERTEET - XCEL ENERGY

SCOTT C. SUNDERLIN - VEOLIA

PAUL M. TELEHEY - MO VALLEY

CHAD A. WOODFORD - MO VALLEY

MO VALLEY JATC UPDATES

LET'S TALK SAFETY

Every digging project requires contacting 811 before starting. The process is simple: answer a few questions about your project's location and details, then receive a ticket number and timelines for when utilities will mark their underground lines. Always confirm that all utilities have responded and marked the site before digging.

Following proper safety steps keeps excavation work smooth and safe. Here are six essential excavation safety tips:

Have a Valid Ticket: Contact 811 a few business days before you dig and confirm your ticket's location, dates, and project details are correct.

Confirm Utility Responses: Review your ticket to ensure all utilities have marked or cleared the area. Inspect the site for any unmarked utility signs before starting.

Protect Utility Markings: Keep utility flags and paint markings visible. If they fade or wash away, request a remark before continuing.

Pothole or Test Dig Carefully: Use hand tools or soft-dig methods to verify the exact location of underground utilities within the tolerance zone.

Use Caution with Heavy Equipment: Even after confirming utility positions, operate machinery cautiously. Designate a spotter to help avoid accidental strikes.

Follow OSHA's 3 S's: Slope it. Shore it. Shield it. Trench walls must be sloped, shored, or shielded to prevent deadly collapses.

Contacting 811 before every dig protects workers, property, and the community—preventing costly damages, service disruptions, and serious injuries.

BY THE NUMBERS

- **836 Line Apprentices**
 - Of those 836, 138 are Local 160 hands
 - 0 Line Apprentices out of work
- **145 Substation Apprentices**
 - Of those 145, 27 are Local 160 hands
 - 0 Substation Apprentices out of work
- **4 Cable Splicing Technicians**
- **11 Traffic Signal Apprentices**

TOTAL = 996 APPRENTICES & TRAINEES



ARE YOU FEELING THE PRESSURE

As linemen, we feel the pressure every day to get the job done fast. We're often called out in tough weather conditions or after storms, working in hazardous conditions with one clear expectation: get the lights back on as quickly as possible. That pressure comes from outside sources like the utility, homeowners and businesses waiting to get back to normal, but it also comes from within. We push ourselves because we take pride in the work and the people relying on us. The problem is, when we rush, the risk goes up. Mistakes happen. Shortcuts get taken. Injuries and unsafe conditions become more likely. Working under pressure is part of the job, but how we manage it in the field makes all the difference.

Here are a few things we can do to keep pressure from turning into hazards:

Plan the work before starting. Take tailboards seriously. Make sure the plan is clear and that all required tools and equipment are on hand.

Be realistic about deadlines. If the timeline doesn't match the conditions or the scope of work, speak up. Communicate openly with supervisors about challenges and expectations.

Communicate clearly and respectfully within the crew. High-pressure situations aren't helped by yelling or disrespect. That kind of stress only increases the chances of mistakes.

Pause and check yourself. Take a moment to recognize when you're rushing and refocus on doing the job safely and correctly.

Pressure to work faster can come from many directions, including emergency restoration, tight schedules, or our own expectations. No matter where it comes from, too much pressure increases our exposure to hazards and the likelihood of injury. So remember—take a breath, communicate clearly, and follow tried-and-true work methods.

As we talk about pressure, safety, and responsibility in the field, it's important to recognize the example set by Brother Kevin Kaeter. Kevin believed strongly in looking out for one another and doing the job the right way—every time. His commitment to the brotherhood and the safety of our members is something we can all carry forward in the work we do each day.

In Solidarity,

Dave Audette

160 Journeyman Lineman

Executive Director at Mo Valley JATC/Midwest Line College

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OVERLAND PARK CONVENTION CENTER

REPRESENT LOCAL 160!

Local 160 is excited to announce that we will be sending a limited number of Missouri Valley JATC Apprentices to represent Local 160 at this year's rodeo. If you are interested in learning more about the rodeo and/or are interested in competing on behalf of the local, please contact Dave Audette (651) 238-3823.



SAFETY WALLET

Safety Wallet is a digital training and certification database for Mo Valley Members. It allows you to upload your certifications—such as First Aid, OSHA 10, and more—so you don't have to carry physical cards. Your profile can be viewed by you and your current employer, and you can easily send your full training record to new employers when needed.

Login to your Safety Wallet account using your Last Name and Phone Number to view your digital ticket.

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