

Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Development Tours Mississauga Training Centre

On January 25, 2017 Business Manager Steven Martin, along with me, Education Coordinator Brent Morgan and a group of IBEW LU 353 delegates, hosted Minister Deborah Matthews on a tour of the Mississauga Training Centre. Minister Matthews engaged with the delegates on discussions concerning the importance of apprenticeship training and the value of continuous learning for journeymen.

Several demonstrations were arranged for the Minister which included a demonstration from instructor Sharon Watt on *Fibre Optic Fusion Splicing* and *Fibre Connectorization*. Sharon explained the portability of the equipment and the many types of applications that fibre is used for in the electrical industry.



First term apprentice Carly Nodwell and third term apprentice Devon Millington demonstrated two (2) types of bends in conduit. Minister Matthews was impressed with the precision and accuracy involved with the bending and appreciated Carly and Devon's explanations of the steps involved in order to create the bends. Both Carly and Devon had an opportunity to explain to Minister Matthews about their apprenticeship experiences and the importance of the supplementary training courses.



Minister Matthews appreciated and recognized IBEW 353's dedication to providing the skill sets that ensures the culture of life-long learning for our members. Life-long learning also gives our signatory contractors a highly skilled workforce and, ultimately, provides the general public with safe, competent and well trained electricians.

Klein/Werner Ladder Seminars

We are pleased to announce the next series of Klein/Werner Ladder seminars as follows:

- Barrie – Tuesday March 28, 2017, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
- Mississauga – Wednesday April 5, 2017, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
- Toronto – Tuesday April 18, 2017, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Don't delay! Fill out the attached registration form.

Instructor Meet and Greet

IBEW 353 instructors were invited to an informal meet and greet held on the evening of January 24, 2017. Over 70 per cent of the instructor team was in attendance and were able to network with their peers, the education and training administration staff along with education committee representatives. It was also an excellent opportunity for me to become acquainted with the instructional team.

“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.” W.B. Yeats

Yours in training,

Susan Boorman
Director of Education and Training

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If you are looking to see what is new or if there are any tools updates or just have some questions that you would like to directly ask of the Klein Tool or Werner Ladder representative, come and join us for this seminar.

Please see dates below and register early as there is a limit of 20 participants! Register in person at any of the union halls, or email to learning@ibew353.org or fax to 416.510.5285.

Seminar A: Tuesday March 28
6:30pm – 9:30pm
Barrie Training Centre
2 Saunders Road
Barrie, ON

Seminar B: Wednesday April 5
6:30pm – 9:30pm
Mississauga Training Centre
3185 Orlando Drive
Mississauga, ON

Seminar C: Tuesday April 18
6:30pm – 9:30pm
Toronto Training Centre
1377 Lawrence Ave. East
Toronto, ON



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