

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Local 234 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), headquartered in Castroville, represents approximately 400 highly skilled workers in Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito counties. Our men and women members perform at the highest levels as Electricians, also known as Inside Wiremen, in the construction industry and other fields related to electrical work. The IBEW was founded in 1891.

IBEW 234 will this year offer **three (3) \$500** college scholarships to high school seniors who are about to graduate and who meet all qualifying criteria -- one each in Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito counties.

To apply, a student must have at least one present or past union member, of any affiliation, in his or her immediate family and type an essay of approximately **500 words** on **one** of the following topics:

- What is the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and what has it done to enhance organized labor.
- Why the organized labor movement is important in the United States today.
- How the union movement played a key role in the life and well being of my family member who **is or was** in a union.

Essays must be computer-printed and mailed to: **Andy Hartmann, Scholarship Essay Contest, IBEW 234, 10300 Merritt St., Castroville, CA 95012.** IBEW Local 234 will judge essays for content, clarity and originality. The decision of the judges will be final.

Entries must be postmarked by **Monday, April 21 and received by Friday, April 25.** Proof that application requirements are fulfilled, including graduation, will be required, as will proof that the winner enrolls in a university, college, junior college or other institution of higher learning in the summer or fall of 2008. No essays will be returned. IBEW 234 is not responsible for any entries that are not received or are damaged before being received. Each entry must include the student's full name, school and a contact phone number.

IBEW 234 will contact the school to make certain that the student is enrolled. The name and union affiliation of the union member in the entrant's family must also be included.

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