

Project Spotlight... Sacred Heart Hospital Service Upgrade

In 2010, NEI-WI completed an electrical service upgrade at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire. The project consisted of the complete replacement of major components of the facility electrical system while keeping the hospital open and fully functional.



Joe Bembnister, Senior Vice President, NEI Electric-WI gives the following recap of this project:

- NEI successfully completed more than 80 planned major electrical shut-downs over the course of this project without impacting patients or staff.
- Throughout the project, NEI recycled all reusable material including metal, cardboard, paper, old feeder wire, old transformers and switchgear.
- Sacred Heart was able to continue normal operations with little impact to the hospital or their patients during the months-long, complex project.

Joe adds, "Many people at the hospital were unaware that this project was in process and a project of this caliber leaves no room for mistakes. We were able to complete



the upgrade without any major incident, on time and under budget. Thank you to all NEI-WI employees who were a part of this critical project."

Recognized for this complex project, NEI Electric-WI received the 2011 Build Wisconsin Award for Specialty Contractor-Electrical from the AGC of WI at a ceremony in Madison on December 1st.

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News

Keep in mind...

NEI employees will receive an updated NEI Electric Employment Manual and a Safety Policy at the 2012 annual All-Company Meetings:

- NEI-WI - Wednesday, March 28th, 4:30 -6:30 p.m. at Bill's Distributing in Menomonie.
- NEI-MN - to be scheduled in May, more information at a later date.

Quiz...

The quiz winner was: Charlie DeMars, NEI-MN.

NEI Website

Check out recent updates to our website. For a chance to win \$25, call 651-287-3152 or email customerservice@neielectric.com with your opinion on how the website looks and give us your ideas for future updates.

Congratulations

Jim Fettinger retired December 30th after 45 years with NEI-MN. Family and business associates came to an open house in December to wish Jim well and reminisce about the changes to the company that Jim has seen over those years. Thank you Jim for all of your years with NEI and we wish you the very best on your retirement.



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Safety / Tools

Metrotech 850 Pipe and Cable Locator ...

Typical Applications: Pipe Locating, Cable Locating, Sonde Locating

Features:

- Excellent Isolation From Adjacent Utilities
- Efficient High Power 2 Watt Transmitter Facilitates Long Distance Locating
- Transmitter Impedance Matching Maximizes Battery Life
- Save You Time - Simultaneous Peak/Null
- Shows You The Path - left/right Guidance System and Audible Tone
- Pinpoints Your Utility and Indicates Strength of Transmitted Signal - Digital Signal Strength
- No manual Gain Adjustments - Fully Automated
- Determines Depth - Quick and Easy Push Button Depth
- Lightweight, and All Readouts are Line-Of-Sight, Reducing User Fatigue



Base Model:

Transmitter, Receiver, Conductor Attachments, Ground Rod, Carrying Case, Battery Charger and Operation Manual

From the NEI Electric Safety Policy (page 22)... Tools, Hand and Power



All tools, whether furnished by the employer or the employee, shall be maintained in safe condition. All power tools shall be properly guarded when in use. All tools shall be inspected regularly and tools or equipment determined to be unsafe shall be removed from service immediately and tagged "out of service". All tools are to be returned to their storage case before storing.

Reminder: if you have a tool that is not working properly, make sure you 'tag' it before you send it back to the Shop. The Shop will get that tool repaired or replaced before it is sent to the next project.

Think Safety. Work Safely.