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Volunteer Real Journeyman™ Electricians Erect United Way Banners

A dozen Real Journeyman™ electricians and apprentices from the IBEW local 668 have again volunteered time and equipment to erect the blue and gold United Way campaign banners throughout downtown Lafayette. Jim Ogden, business manager of the IBEW local 668, led a group of volunteer electricians and apprentices on an early Saturday morning mission to erect the many banners in preparation for this year's United Way campaign. Ogden, himself a journeyman wireman, led a group comprised of:

Frank Baldauf a journeyman with Huston Electric, Randy Thompson a journeyman with Thompson/Rayman Electric, Dick Martin a journeyman with Twin City Electric, Eric Normington a 5th year apprentice with Long Electric, Randy Hubler a 4th year apprentice with Twin City Electric, Russ Gilman and Matt Bloomer, each 3rd year apprentices with Shambaugh & Son, Trevor Benakovich a 2nd year apprentice with Long Electric, Jeremy Bell and Chris Leuck, each 2nd year apprentices with Twin City Electric, and Jimmy Lane a 1st year apprentice with King Electric. In addition to the included firms providing equipment with their personnel additional lifts were provided by One Source and United Rents.

This is the 7th year that the IBEW local 668 has volunteered to erect the United Way banners. Later in the season, the Real Journeyman™ volunteers take on the much bigger project of erecting all the downtown Christmas decorations.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (I.B.E.W.) Local Union No. 668 was formed in 1910 by a group of electricians in Lafayette, Indiana. Members of I.B.E.W. Local Union No. 668 are part of the more than 780,000 international members working in a variety of fields, including utilities, construction, telecommunications, broadcasting, manufacturing, railroads and government. In 2002 the local IBEW 668 began promoting their community service work under the Real Journeyman™ brand.

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