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Tucknott Electric celebrates 50 years in business

Upon returning from active duty in the Army, Robert A. Tucknott needed to find a job quickly. He applied to the Electrical Contractors Apprenticeship program sponsored by local Union 595 in Alameda County and began his apprenticeship in February 1964.

After a four-year apprenticeship, he was offered a job as a foreman with a small electrical company in Hayward. He worked a year as a foreman, a year as a project manager and a third year as a general manager of the company. It was during that last year when he obtained a contractor's license from the State of California.

On June 1, 1972, Tucknott rented a small building in San Leandro, hired one electrician, and bought three used trucks to launch Tucknott Electric Company. "It was a little scary that first week because I had to meet a payroll and I dumped almost all of my money into getting the business

off the ground," said Tucknott.

"That was a real learning experience that first year," recalled Tucknott. From that point on, the learning experiences were coming fast and furious, and seemed to be bigger and with more risk involved. Through a lot of perseverance, hard

work and never failing to put his key in the door, open up every day, he got the company off and rolling.

Tucknott Electric Company proudly celebrated 50 years in business on June 1, 2022.

At its peak, the company employed more than 100 electricians, as well as having two offices with six project managers and two branch managers. The recession of the early 1980s slowed that pace down to a point where survival was cutting all of the overhead costs and working with smaller jobs.

Over this period of time, Tucknott was involved in a lot of insurance repair work, which got him into forensics through offers from insurance company's attorneys. Today,

Tucknott is a Master Certified Forensic Litigation Consultant, and he spends most of his time helping others sort out electrical problems, both in court and as a consultant. He has had some of the bigger cases in California come his way and has been successful in all of them.

Tucknott Electric moved from San Leandro to Pleasanton in 2006 and has also spent time in Dublin before locating to its current location in Livermore, near the airport. Learn more at www.tucknott.com.



Robert A. Tucknott



Tucknott Electric Company has built a solid reputation among major industrial and commercial accounts and many residential clients for being able to look at a project with a critical and objective attitude that often results in substantial savings of time, money and energy to the client.