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**A Message from A. C. McAfee
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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

OFFICIAL NOTICE
NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS
LOCAL UNION NO. 20, IBEW

In accordance with Article III, Section 9, of the Local Union Bylaws, nominations for officers of IBEW Local Union No. 20 will be held on May 1, 2012, beginning at 7:00 PM at the Local Union No. 20 facility, 684 W. Tarrant Rd., Grand Prairie, Tx 75050.

Anyone desiring to be nominated must be present during the nominations or provide a written and signed statement that they will accept the nomination. No member may be a candidate for more than one (1) office. Anyone nominated to more than one office must choose the office for which they will be a candidate.

Nominations will proceed in the order of offices as listed in the IBEW Constitution whose term of office shall be three (3) years:

President
Vice President
Recording Secretary
Financial Secretary/Business Manager
Treasurer
Executive Board (7 members)
Examining Board (5 members) (see Article below)

Article XVI, Sec. 1 of the IBEW Constitution states:

The members of the Examining Board are elected, however they are not considered local union operating officers.

In order to be nominated for an office or as a delegate to the International Convention, a member must have a minimum of two (2) years of continuous good standing in Local Union No. 20. Good standing means that the member is current in the payment of dues and has been for the two (2) years preceding the nominations. (con't pg. 2)

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Official Notice—Nominations and Elections (con't)

In accordance with IBEW Constitution, Article XV, Section 14, no apprentice shall be eligible to hold any office in the Local Union, except that a member who was previously eligible to hold office in the Local Union shall remain eligible if he entered an apprenticeship program for the purpose of upgrading his classification.

All nominations are in accordance with Article II, Article XV and Article XVI of the IBEW Constitution and Article III of the Local Union Bylaws.

The election shall be conducted by mail ballot, and ballots shall be counted beginning at 8:00 AM on June 7, 2012 at the Local Union 20 facility. All members in good standing shall be mailed a ballot not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the above specified date. Ballots received after the close of business on June 6, 2012 will not be counted. Instructions on the use of the mail ballot will be enclosed with the ballot.

In the event a runoff election is necessary, it shall also be conducted by mail ballot twenty one (21) days after the election. Ballots shall be counted beginning at 8:00 AM on June 28, 2012 at the Local Union 20 facility. Ballots received after the close of business on June 27, 2012 will not be counted.

Any member who does not receive a ballot by mail may make a written request to the IBEW Local Union 20 Election Judge and postmarked no later than May 31, 2012.

Each candidate is permitted to have an observer at the pickup of the ballots and their delivery to the counting site, and to watch the entire proceedings. Observers may not interfere with the orderly procedure of the election.

All officers shall be installed and begin their three (3) year terms at the regular meeting of the Local Union on Tuesday, July 3, 2012.

Any member who believes a protest of the election is warranted during the conduct of the election is urged to contact the Election Judge. Further protests of the election may be filed in writing with the International Vice President of the district within thirty (30) days following the election. The decision of the International Vice President shall conclude the processing of a protest within the IBEW. In the event the protesting member is not satisfied with the decision of the International Vice President, the member may submit his/her protest to the U. S. Department of Labor.

SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS

We have recently completed negotiations on a new three year agreement with Six Flags Over Texas. Local 20 represents the Electrical Department employees. The Local Union Business Office would like to thank the following members for serving on the Union Negotiations Committee. Ricky Foreman, Phillip Domo, and Leonard Leos.

VFC - LIGHTNING PROTECTION SYSTEMS

Recently Local 20 negotiated and signed a three year Agreement with VFC a new Lightning Protection Systems Contractor based out of Salt Lake City, Utah. VFC has 12 employees, all new members, working in Local 20's jurisdiction. Local 20 would like to welcome the following new members into the IBEW.

Kyle Cooper, Jose Lopez, Tyler Beminio, Alex Canas, Alejandro Orozco, Ramon Orozco, Leonel Hernandez, David Ramos Cortes, Derrick Mackie, Edgar Najera, Justin Kyle and Lius DeJesus

PENSION APPLICANTS

Listed below are members who have recently applied for their pensions and were approved at the March and April, 2012 General Membership Meetings. They are:

Phillip Johnson, Thomas O. McKenzie, Troy Thompson, James Collins, Archie Kincheloe, David Moller and Jerry Truett.

We would like to say “Thank you” to each of you, for all your years of service and dedication to the IBEW, and we wish you all many years of good health and enjoyment during your retirement years.

RETIRED MEMBERS’ LUNCHEON

FORT WORTH RETIRED MEMBERS

The Fort Worth Retired Members will meet at the IBEW 116 Federal Credit Union, located at 603 S. Adams in Fort Worth, TX. (corner of S. Adams and Pennsylvania), on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon. Come at 11:00 AM if you want to play dominos. Lunch is at The Rose Bud at 1:30 PM. If you need more information, call Tooter Mills at 817-292-9727.

DALLAS RETIRED MEMBERS

The “Has Been Club” of IBEW Retired Members are meeting at 11:30 AM on the third Wednesday of each month at Los Ranchos Restaurant, at 2224 Gus Thomasson Rd., Dallas, Tx.

Big Ed Basye was lost in the neighborhood for two months, but he finally found the Los Rancheros Restaurant and Club in time for our 11:30 AM monthly meeting. The recent sun spots had messed up his GPS system.

Besides Big Ed and Jerry Southerland, we had a very boisterous group of “Has Been” members. Those who attended the March 21, 2012 meeting were: Tommy Abbott, Rodger Warren, Bobby Ayers, Lee Loza, Dennis Rook, Jerald McCord, Bill Dawson, Charles and James Creech, Tommy Wilcoxon, Thomas Murry, Keith Ernst, Richard Ray, Sleepy Dillard, Charles McClure, Tony Loria, Goober Morris, Jesse Harrison and last but not least, Alan Head.

From the noise being made I think everyone was enjoying themselves. At the end of the table, stories were being told about Kenneth Chennault and L. O. Spearman. They had to be true because you could not make this stuff up.

Come out next month and tell us your stories. We promise to believe every word.

For more information, please contact any of the above mentioned Brothers or call or e-mail James Creech at 972-279-7606, e-mail address is: jimdandy602@yahoo.com.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Mitch Burchfield on the birth of his granddaughter, Ashlyn Burchfield. Miss Ashlyn was born on 2/13/2012 and weighed in at 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19 in. long.

Also, congratulations to Jeremy and Jennifer Voss on the birth of their son, Jeremiah Townes Voss. Baby Jeremiah was born on 3/26/2012 and weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 20½ in. long.

SICK AND INJURED

We would like to wish a speedy recovery to those members listed below. If you or if you know of a member who needs to be added to this list, please call the LU 20 Bus. Office.

Bill Riggs , Charles Freeman and Lee Loza

DECEASED MEMBERS

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of our members we have recently lost.

DB# 443	Tommy R. Stroope	Dallas	Passed away 2/27/12	Member 48 years
Non-Participant	Martin R. Slagle	Dallas	Passed away 3/13/12	Member 53 years
DB# 444	Hugh Travis Bolton	Dallas	Passed away 3/30/12	Member 56 years

Also, we would like to extend our sympathy to those members listed below, who have recently lost loved ones.

Randy Slagle lost his father, Martin R. Slagle on 3/13/12.

Chris Perry lost his mother, Regina Perry, on 3/22/12

Kerry Kennedy lost his wife, Phyllis, on 3/24/12

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next General Membership Meeting will be Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at 7:00 PM. We encourage each member to attend the meetings and get involved.

DOOR PRIZE

The March, 2012 door prize was won by Jose Mata. The door prize consists of a month's basic dues. There was no door prize drawing at the April, 2012 meeting.

REMINDERS

With the Local Union 20 elections just around the corner, please make sure that your mailing address is current with the Local Union 20 Business Office as well as with the other Fund Offices and Credit Unions.

It is each members' responsibility to keep his/her information updated.

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