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# **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

There will be a Special Called Meeting of the Local Union No. 20 Building Corporation as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, July 8, 2008

TIME: 5:30 PM

**LOCATION: Electrical Training Center** 

680 W. Tarrant Rd., Grand Prairie, Tx.

Each member of Local Union No. 20 in good standing is a member of the Building Corporation.

The meeting is to approve a resolution for the purchase of land and the construction of a new building for Local Union No.20.

This is a very important meeting regarding the future of Local Union No. 20, so please attend.

We are currently experiencing a manpower shortage in Local Union No. 20. We have had a number of calls for Journeyman, CW/CE and Apprentices go unfilled. As of the writing of this newsletter, this morning we have a total of 21 Journeyman calls unfilled. We know of several jobs coming up that will need more manpower. If you know of any non-union workers who will make good potential members, please either contact the Local Union office or have the worker contact the office.

Any of our members who are working out of town are requested to come home and help us man our local work. Most jobs are 40 hours, but some have occasional overtime.

When contacting the Local Union office, please do not hesitate to leave a voice mail for any particular individual. Just because your call is not answered immediately does not mean there is no one in the office. There are many times we are all busy, away from our desk or on another line, and cannot answer the phone. I return my voice mails as soon as I can and expect other staff members to do the same.

The Apprenticeship program needs more good applicants. Also, any CW/CE who would like to be in the Apprenticeship program please let it be known by contacting the Training Center Office at 972-266-8383, ext. 101.

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There will be an Industry Night on **Wednesday**, **June 25**, **2008**, **from 4:00 to 8:00 PM** at the Electrical Training Center. Please bring/send/inform any good non-union workers of this opportunity. Members, we need your help in contacting prospective new members and getting them to us. We would like to have some members present throughout the evening to assist us with the applicants.

The Health and Benefit Board will meet on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at 9:00 AM at the Sheraton Grand Hotel, located at 4440 W. John Carpenter Frwy., Irving, Tx. 75063. Interested parties may sit in on the Wednesday meeting until 2:00 PM when they will go into Executive Session. Appeals may be presented at this time.

The sale of the Dallas Northaven Rd. property is still progressing and may be closed on June 26, 2008. We will have another month to get completely out of the building, but we are nearly there now. There will be an "open house" sale to members for any of the unused "stuff" that is left in the building such as folding chairs, small desks, 17" analog computer monitors, etc. The sale will be on **Saturday**, **June 28**, **2008 from 9:00 to 11:00 AM**. Come look around and make an offer. Don't be late!!

# RETIRED MEMBERS LUNCHEON OF DALLAS AND FORT WORTH

### **ATTENTION**

Dallas Retired Members: Please notice below the change in location for your July, 2008 luncheon.

DALLAS RETIRED MEMBERS—The Dallas Retired Members will meet at Dickey's BBQ Restaurant, located at 7770 Forest Lane, Dallas, Tx. on the 2nd Tuesday of July, 2008 at approximately 11:00 AM for great food and fellowship. If you are a retired member and have never attended the monthly luncheon, we encourage you and your spouse or friend to attend.

**FORT WORTH**—The Retired Members will meet at the new location of the 116 Federal Credit Union, located at 603 S. Adams, Fort Worth, Tx. (corner of S. Adams and Pennsylvania), the 1st Tuesday of each month at 12:00 noon. Come at 11:00 AM if you want to play dominos. Lunch is at Massey's at 1:30 PM. If you need more information, call Tooter Mills at 817-292-9727. If you are ill or need assistance, call Odis Green at 817-448-8697, Richard Fox at 817-378-0212, Tommy Hammer at 817-460-7718 or Jimmy Furr at 817-558-2009.

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The next General Membership Meeting will be Tuesday, July 1, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Apprenticeship School, 680 W. Tarrant Rd., Grand Prairie, Texas.

We urge all union members to make every effort to attend your union meetings and get involved.

# **A Friendly Reminder**

Please remember to notify the Local Union Business Office if you have or will have a new mailing address. If you have not been receiving your dues receipts, newsletters or other mailings from our office, you need to contact us and find out what mailing address we have on file for you. We continue to have numerous amounts of return mail due to incorrect or incomplete addresses.

### SICK AND INJURED

We would like to wish those members listed below a speedy recovery. If you know of a member who should be listed on our Sick and Injured List, please call and give us the information. We don't want to leave anyone off, but if we don't have the information, we can't print it.

They are: Richard Burt

Also, Gary Evans wanted to express his sincere "Thanks" to everyone for their help during his illness.

#### **DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of those members listed below who have recently passed away.

**DB# 329** Charles C. Tinsley—Passed away 6/1/08—Member 7 yrs.

**DB# 330** Harry A. Hill—Passed away 6/4/08—Member 57 yrs.

Also, we need to remember those members who have lost a loved one, and they are:

Charles Freeman lost his wife, Beverly Ann Freeman on June 3, 2008.

Tooter Mills lost his mother-in-law, Eileen Link, on June 4, 2008.

## I.B.E.W. BENEFICIARIES

I want to encourage everyone to make sure you know who you have on file as your beneficiary/beneficiaries with the Annuity Fund, Health and Benefit Fund, the International Office of the IBEW, the Dallas and/or Fort Worth Credit Unions. Life situations change and members will forget to update their beneficiaries.

So if your are not sure who your beneficiary/beneficiaries are, it's best to just fill out new cards and send them to the fund offices.

#### FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

The Local Union Business Office will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2008 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday.

We would like to wish you all a safe a happy Fourth of July holiday.

# **HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS**

IBEW LU #20 - (817) 695-1111 or Toll Free Number—1-877-423-9937

IBEW LU #20 FCU—(214) 363-9223

IBEW LU#116 FCU-(817) 335-3658

IBEW-NECA Southwestern Health & Benefit Fund—(972) 980-1123 or Toll Free 1-800-527-0320

LINECO Insurance—1-800-323-7268

Delta Dental-1-800-336-8264