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## 400 Attended Spring Picnic

Local Union 20's Spring Picnic at Sandy Lake Park was a great success. Members and their families enjoyed great food, fellowship, entertainment and prizes. Members from Inside Construction, Teledata, Federal Heath Sign, Telephone groups and retired members were in attendance. In all, 18 attendees won door prizes totaling \$5,000. We hope this event will become a permanent fixture in L.U. 20's activities.



(Carlos Perez, center picture, won the Grand Prize – a 60" next generation plasma TV)

## 7<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENT JONATHAN GARDNER RETIRING

Bro. Gardner announced he will be retiring effective June 1, 2013. No other International staff member or officer has a longer tenure with I.O. The I.E.C. has selected Steve Speer to serve out the remainder of his term. We wish Bro. Gardner a long and happy retirement.

#### **UNIT CONTRACTS**

Congratulations to the Teledata unit on securing a new contract.

We expect Farmers Electric Cooperative's contract to finalize this week. Special thanks to Brothers Hathcoat, Key, Roberts and Santana for their work during negotiations.

## **CONSTRUCTION STEWARD TRAINING**

There will be a Steward Training Class one night during the week of June 17th. The class will take approximately 4 hours and will likely run from 6-10 PM. The class will be limited to 10 members currently acting as stewards. The exact class night and time will be determined by the availability of the I.O. Training Dept. after 10 stewards register for the class. Stewards who have not taken the class are strongly encouraged to attend. To register, call Reggie Salazar at 972-263-1122, ext. 104.

## **ESTIMATING CLASS**

There will be an Estimating Class on September 9-12, 2013, for those interested learning that part of the electrical construction trade. To register for that class call Sue at the NECA Office at 817-633-3332. These classes are 8 hours long each day and will be held during normal working hours, and will be held at the North Texas Electrical JATC, 680 W. Tarrant Rd., Grand Prairie, TX.

The exact times for this class will be determined at a later date, (likely 8:00 AM-4:30 PM).

## **STEWARD REPORTS**

The following Stewards were present at the last General Membership Meeting and gave an update of their job:

Jim Lowry Morley/Moss Verizon

Scott Witzel Fisk Electric U.T. Southwest

Chris Shimer Miller Electric State Farm

Freddie Lopez Superior General Motors

#### **DOOR PRIZE**

The card number drawn for the May Meeting Door Prize was **7460806**. **Bro. Matthew Montejo** holds that number, and would have won the **\$360.00** prize if he had been present for the meeting and drawing. The June 4<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting door prize will be **\$396.00**.

### APPROVED PENSION APPLICANTS

Listed below are members whose Pension applications were approved at the March, April and May, 2013 General Membership Meetings.

## Darrell Bruner, James Dugan, Doug Boyde, Jr., Jerry Rountree and Michael Ramirez

Congratulations and thank you all, for your many years of service and dedication to the I.B.E.W. We wish you all many years of great health and prosperity during your retirement years.

#### **BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congratulations to all those below who submitted a birth announcement.

Kudakwashe Ushewokunze and wife, Sky, welcomed their daughter, Aliyah Renee, who was born on January 24, 2013. Aliyah Renee weighed 8 lbs. 7.9 oz. and was 21 in. long.

Randy Slagle, announced the arrival of his grand daughter, Rebecca Jane Slagle, who was born on February 28, 2013. Miss Rebecca weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. and was 20½ in. long. Also, Martin R. Slagle, retired member, is Rebecca's great-grandfather.

Quenton Palma and wife, Alexis, announce the arrival of their son, Lukan, who was born on March 6, 2013. Baby Lukan weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19 in. long.

Manny Basurto announced the arrival of his grandson, Michael Cole Wilson, who was born on April 30, 2013 and weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz..

## **DECEASED MEMBERS**

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of those members recently lost. They are:

DB# 464	Donald Blackburn	Dallas	Passed away 2/8/13	50 Year Member
DB# 465	James E. Crouch	Dallas	Passed away 2/19/13	38 Year Member
DB# 466	Carroll L. Hobbs	Dallas	Passed away 3/10/13	43 Year Member
DB# 467	Donald W. Price	Dallas	Passed away 3/16/13	35 Year Member
<b>DB# 468</b>	Edward Q. Wimberly	Ft. Worth	Passed away 3/28/13	57 Year Member
DB# 469	Odell D. Owen	Dallas	Passed away 4/2/13	67 Year Member
<b>DB# 470</b>	Stephen W. Forbes	Dallas	Passed away 4/23/13	32 Year Member
DB# 471	Ivan W. Mitchell	Dallas	Passed away 5/6/13	55 Year Member
Non-Partic	cipant - John R. Cummi	Passed away 5/10/13	35 Year Member	

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## **DECEASED MEMBERS** (Con't from pg. 3)

We also extend our sympathy to those members, listed below, who have recently lost a loved one.

Leonard Lynch lost his wife, Donna, on 2/18/13.

Gerald Fitzgerald lost his wife, Sandy, on 3/12/13.

Edmond and Alan Basye for their loss of wife and mother, Geneva, on 4/24/13.

## **SICK AND INJURED**

We wish a complete and speedy recovery to all those members listed below.

Robert McPherson, Lank Cole, Michael Curvey, John Lee, Sam Robertson, William E. Smith, Cruz Salazar, Lee Loza, Rusty Mahaffey and Charles Freeman.

## MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

The Local Union 20 Business Office will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2013 in observance of Memorial Day. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, May 28, 2013.

Memorial Day is a day to commemorate all the men and women who have died in military service for the United States.

We wish you all a safe Memorial Day Holiday.

## **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. 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.

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#### "HAS BEEN CLUB"

By: James Creech, Retired Member

<u>Feb, 2013 Meeting</u> - Feb meeting of the "Has Been Club' met in regular session. Motion to change the name of "Has Been" to "Creech Brothers Club" failed 12-4. Members present and voting were: Bill Klassen, George W. Taylor, Jr., Alton Fry, Walter Dolehite, Jerald McCord, Dennis Rook, Rodger Warren, Jerry Southerland, Lee Loza, Goober Morris, Bob Ayers, Thomas Murry, Charles Creech, Mike Fred Creech, Mark Fred Creech and James Creech. James Creech won the door prize. We all had our Bill Dawson stories to tell

*Mar. 2013 Meeting* - March madness saw a lot of old new faces. Don Illingworth was in from Rising Star. Don says that stars are brighter there than anywhere else in the world. Bobby Creech wasup from Lake Whitney and had run into Adrian Williams at the golf course in Meridian. Both survived. Robert Dobbs, Sr., wanted to know if Vance Capehart was the oldest inside wireman still working in the IBEW? A little blond Anne Attaway won the Hopkins County Spelling Bee. Question, is Anne the granddaughter of Rufus Attaway? Tommy Abbott, Charles McClure, Dennis Rook, James Falkins, Goober Morris, Phillip Johnson, Leonard Lynch, Alan Head, Jack Beal, Jerald McCord, Jerry Southerland, Lee Loza, Mark Creech, Felix Howard Lovelace, Bob Ayers, Tony Loria, Jerry Truett, Walker Kennedy, Tommy Wilcoxen, Rodger Warren, Tom Randolph and James Creech.

<u>April, 2013 Meeting -</u> April meeting of the "Has Been Club", saw a passel of old has been's eating and having fun. Among those attending were: special guest, Lana Rathmell, Dwight Rathmell, Don Illingworth, Mike Creech, Mark Creech, Ray Walker, Goober Morris, Larry Driver, Charles McClure, Thomas Murry, Bob Ayers, Jerald McCord, Charles Creech, Jack Beal, Howard Lovelace, Thomas Wilcoxen, Walter Dolehite, Tom Randolph, Dennis Rook, Alan Head and James Creech.

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