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A Message from A. C. McAfee Business Manager/Financial Secretary

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Many of our members have had questions regarding the status of their annuity. I have made arrangements to have a representative of the Annuity Fund to be present at the next Local Union General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, December 2, 2008. Mr. Paul Klass, Administrator, will discuss some of the ramifications of the country's financial situation and the impact it has had on the Annuity Fund.

The Local Union has scheduled a STEWARDS CLASS for:

Saturday, December 13, 2008
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Electrical Training Center
680 W. Tarrant Rd.
Grand Prairie, TX

Call the Local Union Business Office to put your name on the list. Class limit is 30.
Lunch will be provided by the Local Union.

DIRECT HIRE OF CW/CEs HAS STOPPED: The Addendum to the Inside Agreement states that due to the “lack of a union Construction Electricians/Wiremen pool of workers for referral, the employer may hire “Construction Electricians/Wiremen” to meet necessary job composite rates.....” This allowed the contractors to “direct hire” workers for these classifications.

The Addendum further states “the only time that this may not take place would be in periods of excessive unemployment or when there is an adequate manpower pool of Construction Electricians/Wiremen available.

We now DO HAVE an adequate manpower pool of these classifications, so I have notified all signatory contractors that “direct hire” is no longer available to them. They must contact the local union for their manpower needs. If the LU cannot supply them, then the 48 hour clause in the Inside Agreement will be implemented. Anyone hired this way will still need to be sent to the LU for processing and a job referral back to the employer. All Stewards and members are requested to help monitor this situation.

Make sure that everyone doing electrical work on a job is a MEMBER. If someone is not a member, then please find out WHY NOT!

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Reminder

I want all Stewards to actively check dues receipts of all workers on all jobs. Anyone without a current dues receipt should be sent *immediately* to the LU for processing. If there has not been a Steward appointed on your job, then the first Journeyman on the job is automatically Steward. Please contact the LU office if there are any questions.

There have been a number of Stewards attending the LU meeting and giving a report on their job. This has been very informative for the members and is greatly appreciated. PLEASE KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. We hope the number of stewards attending the union meeting, and giving a report, will increase.

REMEMBER: THE UNION IS YOU!!!!

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY



The LU#20 Business Office will be closed November 27 and 28, 2008 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

We wish you all a safe and happy Thanksgiving Holiday.

We will resume business on Monday, December 1, 2008.

NORTH TEXAS ELECTRICAL JOINT APPRENTICESHIP and TRAINING COMMITTEE

The North Texas Electrical Training Center is offering the following classes for Journeyman, Construction Wireman, and Construction Electricians, for the Spring Semester:

-Blueprint Reading/Branch Circuits	-OSHA 10 Hour Course
-Conduit Bending	-Selective Supervision 1 (JIW only)
-Journeyman Code (CE's only)	-Transformers and Motors
-Motor Controls	

Call 972-266-8383 Ext. 101 to put your name on the list. Go to www.ntejatc.org for further info.

OSHA 10 HOUR CLASS – DATE: SATURDAY – DECEMBER 6, 2008

TIME: 7:00 AM TO 6:00 PM

COST: \$50.00

(Deadline for registration is Thursday - December 4th.)

ELECTRICIANS 2009 CONTINUING EDUCATION – This class is required by the State of Texas to renew your Master and Journeyman Electrician License. You can get a registration form at the Electrical Training Center, or off the website at www.ntejatc.org. All classes for 2009 are now posted. Do not wait until the month your license expires!! Classes are limited to 80 people and fill up fast.

The registration form, including the fee, is required to register for this class.

2009 TEXAS AFL-CIO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application forms are now available for the 2009 Texas AFL-CIO Scholarship Program. Those who may apply must be members or children of members of local unions or children whose legal guardians are members of local unions that are affiliated with the Texas AFL-CIO and the local Central Labor Council. *Applicants must be high school seniors who are planning to attend a university, college or technical institute in the summer or fall term.* The deadline for applying is January 31, 2009. To request an application, you can contact the LU#20 Bus. Office, or the Central Labor Council or Edward Sills, Texas AFL-CIO Education Dept. at (512)-477-6195 or go to their website at ed@texasaflcio.org.

PENSION APPLICANTS

We would like to acknowledge the member(s) listed below who have recently applied for their IBEW Pension .

Jerry L. Keller

Best wishes to you and thank you for all your years of service to the IBEW.



Cradle Roll

*Congratulations to Marvin and Celest Sorto on the birth of their daughter, Allison .
Allison was born on 10/20/2008 and weighed almost 8 lbs.*



DECEASED MEMBERS

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of those members listed below that we have recently lost.

DB# 342 William J. Lemons—Passed away 10/30/08—Member 41 Years

DB# 343 David L. Jones—Passed away 10/24/08—Member 57 Years

DB# 344 Roy L. Stroope—Passed away 11/13/08—Member 60 Years

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

Richard Burt lost his mother-in-law.

Dermont Allen lost his mother-in-law and his father-in-law due to hurricane Ike

SICK AND INJURED

We would like to wish a speedy recovery to the members mentioned below. If you know or have worked with any of Brothers mentioned below, give them a call or a visit and make sure their needs are being met.

Charles Blankenship, Randy Gentry, Gilbert Stanley

RETIRED MEMBERS LUNCHEON OF DALLAS AND FORT WORTH

DALLAS RETIRED MEMBERS

The Dallas Retired Members **will meet at the Blackeyed Pea Restaurant**, located at 7778 Forest Lane, Dallas, Tx. on the 2nd Tuesday of November, 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 RETIRED MEMBERS

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.

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

Annuity Fund—(972) 943-9559 or toll free 1-800-535-1624

Apprenticeship School—(972) 266-8383

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

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THE LOCAL UNION INFORMED OF ANY CHANGES IN YOUR MAILING ADDRESS. IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR MONTHLY DUES RECEIPTS IN THE MAIL, OR YOUR NEWSLETTERS, OR OTHER MAILINGS FROM OUR OFFICE, YOU NEED TO CALL OUR OFFICE AND MAKE SURE THAT THE ADDRESS WE HAVE ON FILE FOR YOU IS CORRECT.