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

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The Local Union 20 Building Corporation had a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2009 to consider whether to continue with the purchase of the land from the JATC and the construction of a new office and meeting hall for the Local Union, or to delay construction for a year due to the economy.

There was much discussion after a presentation by the Business Manager, and then the members ***OVERWHELMINGLY*** passed a motion to continue, without any further delay, with the original plan to purchase the land and construct the building.

We purchased the land and completed the closing papers on Friday, March 6, 2009. We now own the land. By the time that you receive this newsletter, we will probably have already broken ground to begin construction. Naturally, weather can delay everything, especially this time of year.

The General Contractor is DFW Construction and Maintenance of Fort Worth and Morley/Moss will be the Electrical Contractor. All of the other sub-contractors have not been identified at this time. We are attempting to use all union subs.

STEWARD REPORTS

The following Stewards attended the last union meeting and gave a short report on the status of their job:

Goober Morris – Angiel Elect. – VA Hospital job

Ron Flatt – Fisk – Ritz Carlton job

Mitch Birchfield – Alman (reporting on behalf of the Steward) - Alman/Mass job

Stan Tabor – Angiel – XTO Bldg. in FW

All Stewards are requested to attend the union meetings and give a short report on the status of your job (manpower, etc.).

DOOR PRIZE: Harold Beaman won the monthly door prize which is a months dues. He donated the money toward the dues of a member who is off work..

CODE OF EXCELLENCE CLASS: We will schedule another Code of Excellence Class as soon as we have enough members for a class. We need at least 10 people signed up. Call the Referral Office to put your name on the list.

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ADVANCED ESTIMATING CLASS: We have already had a Basic Estimating Class that most of the cost was paid by QUEST. Now we are trying to schedule an Advanced Estimating Class and QUEST will pay most of the cost of it. If you are interested, call the NECA office at 817-640-6403 to put your name on the list.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT I CLASS: This class is scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2009 from 5:30—7:30 PM. This class will include topics “8 For 8”, “Your Career”, and “Getting The Most Out Of Your On The Job Training”. All members are encouraged to attend, but especially CW and CE members.

NEW CONTRACTOR: On Friday, March 6, 2009 we signed up Maxx Electric as a new union contractor. It is owned by member John Dudley and he has 5 employees. They do a lot of control/industrial type work.

MEMBERS PERSONAL INFORMATION

A concerned member inquired about the L.U.'s position on giving out personal information (i.e. phone number, address, e-mail address, etc.) to other entities. It has been, and will continue to be this Local Union's policy to maintain strict confidentiality of member's personal information, unless (1) permission is granted by that member, (2) we have a signed copy of a Release Authorization form, (typically used for employment verification), or (3) if the Local Union has been served a subpoena.

2009 SPRING FLING and GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by the Fort Worth Retired Members Club

Well, it's that time once again, to start making your plans to attend the 2009 Spring Fling and Golf Tournament, which is sponsored by the Fort Worth Retired Members Club. This event will take place on May 2, 2009 at the Longhorn Park on beautiful Benbrook Lake .

This event is open to all members of Local Union No. 20 . Tickets for this event are \$10.00 per family . So mark your calendar and make your plans to attend this event for great food, fellowship and golf. We will be cooking up hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the trimmings.

For more information on the Spring Fling tickets, call Tooter Mills at 817-292-9727.

For information regarding the golf tournament, call Steve Currin at 817-781-9361.

RETIRED MEMBERS LUNCHEON OF DALLAS AND FORT WORTH

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 each month 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.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We encourage all members to attend the next General Membership Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009 at 7:00 PM, at the North Texas JATC facility, located at 680 W. Tarrant Rd., Grand Prairie.

PENSION APPLICANTS

Listed below are members who have recently applied for their pensions. We would like to send a heartfelt “Thank You” to each of you for your years of service and dedication to the IBEW.

May you all have many years of good health and happiness during your retirement years.

Lynn K. Bailey, Lionel “Bill” W. Beaudoin, Jr., Thomas O. Cook, Gary C. Cox, James F. Houston,
Daniel D. Heiliger, John P. Kresena, Lee M. Naranjo, James B. Sparlin, William B. Self

Also, Lou Andrle recently retired from Embarq (formally Sprint Telephone.)

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kendall Emmett would like to announce the arrival of his new grandson, Ardun Crash Emmett. Ardun was born on February 5, 2009, weighing 9 lbs. 8 oz. and was 21½ in. long. Ardun’s proud parents are Jason and Samantha Emmett.

DECEASED MEMBERS

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

DB #348 Leo B. Danforth—Passed away 1/24/09—Member 55 years

DB #349 Louis R. Perez - Passed away 2/3/2009—Member 41 years

DB #350 James R. Crenshaw - Passed away 2/3/09 - Member 57 years

DB #351 James Marion Self - Passed away 3/3/09 - Member 47 years

Non-Participating Member - Jack Shepherd - Passed away 3/5/09 - Member 56 years

We also need to remember those members listed below, who have recently lost loved ones.

Tony Ragsdale lost his father, Sterling “Curly” Ragsdale on 1/17/09.

Robert Branum lost his step-son on 2/27/09.

Christopher Rutkowski lost his brother, Tom Pruner.

Also, Linda Rutherford, of the LU#20 Business Office, lost her mother, Beatriz Gonzalez on 3/11/09.

SICK AND INJURED

We wish a speedy and full recovery to those members listed below who are either sick or injured.

They are: Marty Burlison, Sid Currin, Brad Denson

If you know a member that should be added to this list, please call the Business Office.

TRAVEL LETTERS

If you request a travel letter, you are required to notify the Local Union Business Office 24 hours in advance.

ELECTRONIC RECIPROCAL TRANSFER SYSTEMS

(ERTS)

Before you travel to other Local Unions, you need to make sure you are signed up on ERTS. If you have not already done this you need to contact Angie Whorton, at the LU 20 Business Office to set up an appointment.

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

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

IBEW LU #20 (Dallas) FCU—(214) 363-9223

IBEW LU#116 (Ft. Worth) 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