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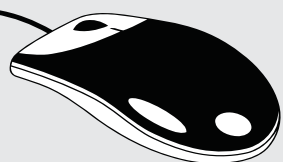
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From the Desk of BUSINESS AGENT ED BROWN

HERE'S TO THE NEW YEAR!

Happy New Year to all and welcome to 2016. Looking back 2015 was a year to remember. With successful negotiations of the 2015-2018 Hollywood Basic Agreement under our belt, we were off to a great start. We eagerly anticipated what we hoped would be a shot in the arm of Hollywood with the new tax incentive program, AB1839 launching in early summer. And boy did it take off! By June, the Callboard was lit up like a Christmas tree and our out of work numbers began dropping like a rock. Propmakers and Coordinators quickly found that demands for their skills outnumbered availability of members to take those calls. In July, we held a meeting that was attended by a standing room only crowd, none of whom were current members but

most of whom were very experienced working non-Union set shops and were very eager to see what it would be like to work Union. Once our books were clear a portion of those did in fact get the opportunity to work Union days and since some have been able to acquire the required days and joined our ranks. The resulting affect has been some of the longtime non-Union shops no longer have the qualified labor force they used to have and now struggle to deliver product. A few of those shops finally understand that if they're going to expect to continue to perform Union work and try to do it non-Union it's going to become more and more challenging. My office has been in contract discussions with a hand full of these shops and I anticipate signing some of these in the very near future.

On another note, Special Effects

persons are in high demand as well. With an increasing number of our Special Effects senior members retiring there is a push to fill those ranks with qualified new Special Effects persons. And as technology has created newly designed machinery and computer programs so has the need for our membership to be trained in the use of these techniques. My office has begun to research how this can be accomplished. However, in the meantime, if you are a Prop Shop member who is four year qualified you need to take the Effects test. If you have taken it before and not fared well, take it again. As with all crafts, training and being relevant to today's industry will help keep everyone employed.

Fraternally

Ed Brown

Business Agent

ANNIVERSARY MILESTONES

We recognize and congratulate the following individuals for their years of membership with Local 44.

JANUARY 2016

OVER 50 YEARS

Joseph Leon - Draper (51)
Anthony Cellucci - Property Master (52)
Eugene Anderson - Property Master (55)
William Balles - Special Effects (56)
John Dwyer - Set Decorator (56)
Richard Greene - Greens (57)
William Bell - Coordinator (58)
Armando Del Campo - Property Master (58)
Michael Ross - Property Master (60)
Mark Barbier - Property (61)

50 YEARS

Linda Barber - Draper
Walter Binkley - Property Master
Audrey Blasdel-Goddard - Set Decorator
William Centonze - Coordinator
Gareth Davies - Coordinator
Edward Fitzgerald - Property
Rick Gentz - Set Decorator
Stephen Lampke - Greens
Leon Levine - Propmaker
Roger Montesano - Property Master
Alfred Rohm - Coordinator
Bruce Rubins - Propmaker
John Rutchland Jr. - Coordinator
John Treman III - Property
James Walker - Propmaker
Michael Wood - Special Effects

35 YEARS

Ara Darakjian - Property
Kevin McCown - Propmaker

25 YEARS

Peter Alvarez - Propmaker
Robert Anderson - Propmaker
Adolphus Beal Jr. - Property
Gabriel Benavidez - Propmaker
Bonnie Bennetts - Set Decorator
Jeffery Berrington - Propmaker
Giovanni Bianchini - Property Master
Tom Bowen - Propmaker
Jerrold Brooks - Propmaker
Michael Brooks - Coordinator
James Bubb III - Coordinator

Paul Byers - Property Master
Kathy Cahill - Set Decorator
Barry Caraco - Propmaker
Alex Carrillo - Propmaker
Joseph Chenier III - Propmaker
Charlie Cobos - Propmaker
Mark Colasanto - Propmaker
Daniel Colegrove - Propmaker
Steve Cordray - Propmaker
Richard Crain - Propmaker
Douglas Crawford - Propmaker
Micaela Cuevas - Sewing Person
Steve DeSantis - Coordinator
Michael Duffin - Propmaker
William Duffin - Propmaker
Gregory Eliot - Propmaker
Jose Felix - Upholsterer
Rosendo Felix - Upholsterer
Frank Fontes - Propmaker
Harry Frierson Jr. - Property
Sean Gallagher - Propmaker
Heriberto Garcia - Propmaker
Robert Garlow - Coordinator
Jeffrey Goff - Propmaker
Scott Goodman - Propmaker
Sean Gordon - Propmaker
Russell Hogle - Propmaker
Julie Iiams - Property Master
Chris Jordan - Propmaker
Mark Knapton - Propmaker
Jim Landis - Property Master
Thomas Lauifi - Propmaker
Alain Lemer - Propmaker
Perry Lotta - Propmaker
Sasha Madzar - Propmaker
John Maxwell - Property
Joseph McGovern - Coordinator
Christopher Meyer - Propmaker
Michael Miller - Property
Timothy O'Brien - Propmaker
Vladimir Pelinovski - Propmaker
Douglas Pierce - Propmaker
Cynthia Rebman - Property
Paul Roberts - Propmaker
Rhonda Robinson - Property Master
Michael Rohr - Propmaker

Jonathan Rose - Propmaker
Jason Rosene - Propmaker
Michael Roundy - Special Effects
Michael Semon - Property Master
R. Lucas Stewart - Propmaker
Brandy Stonecipher - Propmaker
James Stubblefield - Property
Brian Thoman - Propmaker
Dominic Varady - Propmaker
John Vega - Propmaker
Sheri Watson - Property
Robbie Watts - Propmaker
David Weinman - Coordinator
David Wepler - Floorcover
Francis White - Propmaker
Jerry White - Upholsterer
Rodney Wright - Propmaker
Maureen Yzaguirre - Sewing Person

10 YEARS

Oscar Abel - Property
Gordon Capps - Property
Chris Champagne - Property
Todd Daniels - Property Master
Nicole Dome - Property Master
Tony Fils - Propmaker
Justin Fisher - Property
Anthony Garcia - Propmaker
Anthony Garcia - Property
Nicholas Higgins - Property
Elan Jerzy - Greens
Robert Kilby - Greens
Brandon LeDoux - Propmaker
Susan Lynch - Set Decorator
Fainche MacCarthy - Set Decorator
Anthony Medina - Propmaker
Carl Nunez - Greens
Chris ODell - Property
Daniel Pennington - Propmaker
Rafael Ramirez - Property
Garett Salzer - Propmaker
Jeremy Stecker - Propmaker
Ryan Steffen - Property
Lynny Warner - Property
Sean West - Property

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From the Desk of SECRETARY-TREASURER ANTHONY PAWLUC

I hope you have caught your breath from the work explosion in Hollywood last year, because the New Year is well underway with productions continuing and the pilot season quickly approaching. In addition, the final disbursements from the first year of our film incentive monies will be released this January and February providing more California Entertainment Industry Jobs for our membership.

Callboard

As mentioned above, we are anticipating another busy year in town. PLEASE be sure the Callboard Department has all of your current contact information and regularly update your availability for work calls. You can do this on-line, over the phone and in person. Our Callboard filled over 700 work calls in five months last year. Be sure you are prepared to take advantage of the job opportunities

created by AB 1839. Let's get to work!!

Retiree / Social Services

On the flip side, for those of you who are retiring or considering retirement, Business Agent Brown and I created the Social Services Department to help members file and receive their MPI, Social Security and disability benefits. There are many retirement options that members have with Local 44. Once my office is notified that sisters or brothers will be receiving MPI retirement benefits, I assign the case -work to the department and a Local 44 Union retirement packet is mailed which walks members through the process. For faster response, we added an electronic version that is receiving great feedback from our recent retirees. We still follow up with a phone call answering questions our members may have. This helps new retirees enjoy their well-earned retirement plus allows them to remain close to their Union.

Business Office

In December (2015) and January, most members paid their dues for the quarter or entire year setting a feverish tempo in our office. We continued to help members at the window, on line, over the phone and through traditional mail delivery. I credit our staff in the Business Office Department who were able to stamp and deliver over 5400 membership cards before the third week of January. Great work to the staff and of course all our members who pay their dues on time. Thank you.

Local 44.org

This edition's cover of Newsreel features our new apparel at Local 44! To get a better look, check out our webstore at local44.org. As always, our site still includes current and future show lists, resume posting, membership meeting notifications, union related events, and standard Callboard and Business Office forms. So, login and take a look!

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We recognize and congratulate the following individuals for their years of membership with Local 44.

FEBRUARY 2016

OVER 50 YEARS

Thomas Gark - Property Master (51)
John Barton - Property Master (52)
Charles Stewart - Coordinator (52)
George Tuers II - Property Master (52)
Ira Anderson Jr. - Special Effects (53)
Frank Capiello - Greens (54)
Armand Chasse - Floorcover (55)
Raymond Petersen - Property (56)
Charles Pierce - Set Decorator (56)

50 YEARS

Michael Babich - Propmaker
Daniel Bentley - Property Master
Gregg Bilson - Property Master
Nick Caprarelli - Property Master
Lowell Chambers - Set Decorator
Leonard Cross - Property
Chester Di Lallo - Propmaker
Evans Ghiselli - Floorcover
Richard Goddard - Set Decorator
Marvin March - Set Decorator
Larry McGuire - Property Master
John Verna - Draper
Bruce Walters - Property
Milton Wilson Jr. - Property

35 YEARS

no members

25 YEARS

Steve Aguilar - Propmaker
Karen Anderson - Propmaker
Todd Anderson - Propmaker
Freddie Apolito - Propmaker
James Betts - Propmaker
Brian Bilson - Property Master
Roger Blackburn - Propmaker
Jeffrey Brooks - Propmaker
Dana Canfield - Propmaker
John Catapano - Propmaker

Ronald Churchman - Propmaker
Sean Clouser - Coordinator
Philip Coffman - Propmaker
Gary Costin - Propmaker
Joseph Cummins - Propmaker
Dominik Dugandzic - Propmaker
Thomas Early - Coordinator
David Eland - Propmaker
Scott Ellsworth - Propmaker
Mike Fowler - Coordinator
Kevin Gannon - Draper
Robert Garcia - Propmaker
Chet Garlow - Propmaker
Gerald Gates - Propmaker
Joseph Gilmore - Propmaker
John Giuliano - Propmaker
John Gomez - Property
Murvel Hanson Jr. - Propmaker
Theodore Hardwick - Property
Ken Hayes - Coordinator
Richard "Rick" Heil - Propmaker
Lanny Henson - Coordinator
Brett Hernandez - Propmaker
Anthony Herrera - Propmaker
Frederick Herzberger - Property
Patrick Hickman - Propmaker
Gordon Hill - Propmaker
Michael Holland - Propmaker
Stephen Howard - Coordinator
Travis Huffman - Propmaker
Gary Hunter - Propmaker
Howard Jensen - Propmaker
Ronald Johnston - Propmaker
Kenneth Knight - Propmaker
Mark Kurtik - Coordinator
Mark LaPresle - Coordinator
Devlin Lerew - Propmaker
Frederick Lewis - Propmaker
Edward Lindsey - Propmaker
Leslie Linville - Property
Bruce Luizzi - Property
Otto Lungren - Coordinator
Leonard Martin - Propmaker

William McCarley - Propmaker
Kevin McDonald - Propmaker
Timothy Mirabello - Propmaker
Edward Nua - Propmaker
Michael O'Neal - Propmaker
Mike Ramirez - Propmaker
Kenneth Rice - Propmaker
Kimberly Robertson - Propmaker
Francis Roix - Propmaker
Terry Russell - Propmaker
Fred Salinas - Propmaker
Ernest Sanchez - Property
Reynaldo Sanchez - Propmaker
Bruce Sartorius - Propmaker
Robert Schellenberg - Propmaker
Timothy Schuetz - Propmaker
Manuel Silvia - Coordinator
David Smith - Propmaker
Ronald Smoker - Propmaker
Keith Stalker - Propmaker
Nicholas Stewart - Propmaker
John Sullivan - Propmaker
Jim Tholen - Coordinator
Richard Tritt - Propmaker
Michael Varosky - Propmaker
Tim Vierra - Propmaker
Joe Villalobos - Propmaker
Mark Weber - Propmaker
Michael Weller - Propmaker
William Whyte - Propmaker
Greg Wyszynski - Property

10 YEARS

Michael Aleshire - Property
Philip Kramer - Property
Genevieve Liebowitz - Property
Randy Molique - Property
Cheryl Murphy - Property
Kristina Parsons - Property
Charles Randolph - Property
Matthew Salata - Property
Hillel Smith - Property

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IN MEMORIAM

John E. Crider

Greens

Born: November 24, 1939

Joined: August 5, 1959

Died: October 14, 2015

Louis A. Donelan

Property Master

Born: April 19, 1926

Joined: January 13, 1958

Died: December 16, 2015

Pasquale J. LaTona

Property

Born: September 28, 1929

Joined: January 25, 1974

Died: January 18, 2016

Robert G. Raub

Propmaker

Born: April 5, 1930

Joined: November 10, 1976

Died: December 24, 2015

Paul E. Seitz

Property Master

Born: May 17, 1933

Joined: February 17, 1964

Died: December 16, 2015

Orville D. Webster

Propmaker

Born: February 14, 1924

Joined: September 2, 1965

Died: December 20, 2015

Mike B. Westcott

Property Master

Born: January 1, 1948

Joined: October 18, 1966

Died: December 16, 2015

Steven B. Wolke

Special Effects

Born: January 15, 1950

Joined: January 18, 1974

Died: June 12, 2015

MOTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

IATSE Local 44 invites and encourages all members in good standing to take interest in their Union's business. One of the best ways to do so is by reviewing your Local's Executive Board Meeting minutes. All you need to do is follow Article VIII, Powers and Duties Section 4 Secretary/Treasurer paragraph K (I) Minutes and Log of Motions of Local 44's Constitution and By-Laws. The article states: "Any member in good standing who submits a written request to schedule an appointment to review a copy of the minutes or the log of motions may do so." This allows members to draw their own conclusion on the entire meeting, not just highlights that someone else considered important to print. Contact the Secretary Treasurer to schedule an appointment so we can accommodate your request. The following are motions/actions of past Executive Board Meetings.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS: 11-11-15

Michael Cappello: "I would like to motion that the Board approve the minutes of October 14, 2015 as amended/corrected."

Eric seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I would like to make a motion to support Labor United for Universal Healthcare and donate \$500.00 for 2016."

Michael Cappello seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I would like to make a motion to approve the purchase of one (1) seat at \$145.00 in support of the Jewish Labor Committee Annual Awards Brunch."

Anthony seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I would like to make a motion that the Board approves a \$500.00 donation to the Los Angeles County of Labor Turkey & Toys Drive."

Andrea seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Michael Cappello: "I would like to make a motion to accept the Business Agent report as presented."

Tim seconded the motion. The motion was

carried without opposition.

Anthony: "I motion that we send \$2k of catastrophic relief funds to the family of Joann Hicks."

Ed seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I would like to make a motion to accept the Secretary-Treasurer report as presented."

Michael Cappello seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Tim: "I would like to motion that we nominate Dave Mesloh as a representative of the Special Effects Election Committee."

Anthony seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

David Elliott: "I would like to motion that the Construction Coordinator craft nominate Jeff Goyer as the Construction Coordinator Election Committee Representative."

Tim seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Eric: "I would like to motion that we nominate Ryan Gullixson to serve on the Election Committee representing the Property craft."

Ray seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Tom: "I motion that we nominate Roger Dudley as the Propmaker Election Committee Representative."

Michael Cappello seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Emily: "I motion that we nominate Neal Zoromsky to serve on the Election Committee representing the Property Master Craft."

Tom seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Charlie Jayson: "As in the past, we would like to motion to donate \$2k to the American Entertainment Armorers Association."

David Elliott seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "In honor and memory of Joann Hicks, I would like to make a motion to adjourn."

Anthony seconded the motion. The motion was

carried without opposition.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS: 12-09-15

Andrea: "I would like to motion that the Board approve the minutes of November 11, 2015 as amended/corrected."

Ed seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I move to table further discussion regarding the Finance Committee to next month's agenda."

Tom seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Michael: "I would like to accept the 3rd Quarter Trustees report as presented."

Ed seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Ed: "I would like to motion that Local 44 purchase 2 seats for the Dr. Martin Luther King Labor Breakfast for a total of \$200.00."

Emily seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Anthony: "I so move to support the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$400.00 coming out of line item # 52 (Hollywood Chamber of Commerce)."

Tom seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Anthony: "I would like to move that we approve \$9,500.00 in Holiday bonuses and no more than that."

Michael Cappello seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

JD Streett: "I would like to make a motion to accept the Secretary-Treasurer report as presented."

Tom seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

Anthony: "I move that we add an additional \$350k into the Strike Fund."

JD Streett seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.

JD Streett: "I would like to make a motion to adjourn."

Ray seconded the motion. The motion was carried without opposition.



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As of February 1, these persons are not eligible for work.

If you believe there is a mistake, please call (818) 769-2500.

Be advised that some members may have become reinstated by the time this issue went to print.

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 Filonczuk, Michael
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 Vuoso, Ciro
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 Watts, Robert
 Young, Richard

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Call our Business Office at (818) 769-2500 to verify that they are a Member In Good Standing and working in the proper Craft.

MEMBERS

Please reach out to these individuals and urge them to contact Local 44 as soon as possible; they may be unaware that their Union membership is in jeopardy.