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Special Effects
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From the Desk of BUSINESS AGENT ED BROWN

When it comes to safety,

Know your Rights!

You have a job and your employers have a job. We expect that both will always perform to the best of each other's ability. Well sometimes it's not a two way street. The employer's job is to deliver a quality product with the least amount of cost and the highest level of profitability. Part of their job is to also ensure a quality and safe working environment for the company's employees. Sometimes that is not always the case when looking to cut corners and shave expenses. When those cost savings put you at risk when it comes to your safety, then they have failed not only their company but you, the employee. Remember you have rights under

state and federal laws to a safe workplace.

So here are few reminders, specifically now in the heat of summer. When working either indoors or outdoors when it's super hot. Take care of yourself. Hydrate, drink water, use sunscreen. Get in the shade and rest. Cal- OSHA requires your employer to provide water, shade and rest. The water must be fresh, pure, and suitably cool and provided to employees free of charge. The employer is to provide at least one quart per hour for each worker. And the employer is to encourage the workers to drink water. If you have questions about working in hot conditions you can refer to the official industry safety bulletin on the CSATF website. But

in any case remember to stay as cool and hydrated as possible. If you're working outdoors see if there is an easy up or tarp to create a shaded area, if not ask for one. If you're working indoors ask Production to turn on the Air Conditioning for all crew members, whether they're working on-production or off-production. Ask your Foreman or Lead to have an IATSE Medic on set or on location to take care of the working crew. There are many other circumstances where you could find yourself working in an unsafe condition or location. Be aware and in all cases if in doubt call a Business Agent. We all want you to be healthy and safe!

Ed Brown

Business Agent

ANNIVERSARY MILESTONES

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

MAY 2017

OVER 50 YEARS

Arthur Lipschultz - Property Master (57)
Raymond Wright - Propmaker (57)
Thomas DelGenio - Special Effects (53)

50 YEARS

B. Hessey - Special Effects
Allan Lotta - Coordinator
Dennis Schroeder - Propmaker

Floyd Van Wey Jr. - Special Effects

35 YEARS

no members

25 YEARS

no members

10 YEARS

Johnathan Buchanan - Property Master
Pete Chacon - Propmaker

Robert Clot - Propmaker

Brian Ferguson - Property

Christopher Marsteller - Set Decorator

Amanda Mendonca - Property

Dan Miner - Propmaker

Darren Patnode - Property

Roger Shaide - Property

Neil Wicks - Property

JUNE 2017

OVER 50 YEARS

Douglas Pettibone - Special Effects (72)
Louis Cooper - Special Effects (51)
Alfred Johnson - Spceial Effects (51)

50 YEARS

Clarence Price - Coordinator

35 YEARS

no members

25 YEARS

Rick Atwell - Propmaker

John Cazin - Special Effects

Gregory Hoyt - Coordinator

Tim Perovich - Property Master

Wendy Weaver - Property

10 YEARS

Sergio Acevedo - Propmaker

Bonnie Betancourt -
Property Master

Ryan Kelley - Propmaker

Jason McDonough - Property

Melissa Merritt - Property

John Micheletos - Property

Jason Miranda - Property

Chilly Nathan - Set Decorator

Jorge Rodriguez Jr. - Property

Michael Sobray - Property

Donald Varley - Property

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Omega Drapery & Upholstery

Department

Paramount Studios

Reel Greens Inc.

Scenic Express

Sony Pictures Studios

Spellman Desk

(formerly Alpha Medical)

Studio Art & Technology

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NBC / Universal Studios

The Walt Disney Studios

Warner Bros. Studios

White Rhino Production Services

DO IT UNION! Remember to use only Union Fabricators, Union Labor, and Union Brothers and Sisters. We have the talent, the resources, and the abilities to create anything the Producers request. They have a contractual agreement that requires Union-covered work to be performed by Union members.

Do what's right; do it Union!
Ed Brown, Business Agent



From the Desk of SECRETARY-TREASURER ANTHONY PAWLUC

It is BUSY!

If you are anywhere near Los Angeles, then you are aware that it is extremely busy in town. On a daily basis, we have been filling six to ten work calls requesting anywhere between four and ten members per production. As previously reported, the weak pilot season coupled with the potential writer's strike, made 2017's first quarter not very strong. Work was consistent but not to the magnitude that has taken place over the past four weeks. Currently, the majority of the work calls are for Propmakers, closely followed by Floor Covers, Upholsters/

Drapers, and Property people. The Callboard is also taking requests for department heads availability lists. The Callboard will only call or list you if you are currently showing as "not working" in our system AND you will only receive the call if the Callboard has your current contact information. PLEASE be certain that all of your contact information plus your work availability is up-to-date with the Callboard. We lobbied hard for the California Film Tax incentives to bring jobs back to California. Now that they are coming back, we need to get those jobs filled with the best in the business; our Local 44 Sisters

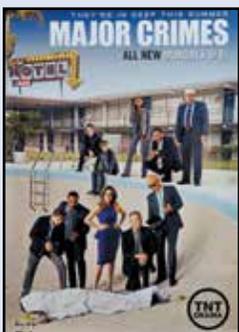
and Brothers. When we do that we can lobby for renewal based on that success and KEEP those jobs in California.

Let us know if there is anything we can do to assist staffing departments.

In addition, we should be launching our Local 44 app this summer. Please keep an eye out for further information from my office in the coming months.

As always, if you have any questions, or would like me to visit your sets, please feel free to contact me so I can arrange a time to join you on the job.

Best,
Anthony Pawluc



THANKS FOR THESE AWESOME POSTERS. KEEP 'EM COMING!

We are always proud to showcase our members' hard work and extraordinary talents.

Get a poster from your production, ask your Local 44 Brothers and Sisters to sign it, and we'll frame & hang it in the hallways for all to admire.

You can bring it to the business office any time, or call us at (818) 769-2500 to arrange for pick up.



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: 04-12-17

Michael: "I would like to make a motion to accept the Executive Board minutes of March 8, 2017 as amended/corrected."

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

Michael Cappello: "I motion to accept the Set Decorator's Steering Committee report as presented."

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

Anthony: "I move to accept the Business Agent's report as presented."

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

Anthony: "I so move that Local 44 support the Heartbeat of Hollywood's 39th annual event in the amount of \$5k."

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

Michael Cappello: "I so move for the

donation of \$200 to the American Heart Association in memory of John Walter Cahill (father of previous Vice President, Walter Cahill)."

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

Ed: "I so move that Local 44 reserve a full-page ad in the amount of \$1,650 in support of the 68th Quadrennial Convention Journal."

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

Timothy: "I so move to accept the Warner Brothers Hardware Department mailer to be sent to the Construction Coordinator Craft."

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

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

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

Michael Cappello: "I would like to make a motion to table the discussion on all the topics that Brother Loomer presented. There is just way too many and too big to navigate through at this

meeting. We could bring this to the table at a later time".

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

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

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

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS: 05-10-17

Michael: "I would like to make a motion to accept the Executive Board minutes of April 12, 2017 as amended/corrected."

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

Anthony: "I move to accept the Business Agent's report as presented."

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

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

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

Ray: "I would like to make a motion to offer catastrophic relief funds (\$2k) to Property member, Chris Phippen. He experienced a sudden tragic death and has two young daughters."

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

Michael Cappello: "As a Propmaker, I would like to motion that the Board approve \$2k of catastrophic relief funds for Propmaker, Frank Brookshire."

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

Andrea: "I would like to make a motion that the Board sponsor the upcoming SDSA Annual Luncheon for a table of ten in the total amount of \$600."

Steve seconded the motion. The motion was carried by majority vote with one member in abstention

(Eric Hulett).

Dutch: "The Property Masters are requesting / motioning from the Board catastrophic relief funds (\$2k) on behalf of Property Master Leonora Lee Baird (facing a life-threatening disease).

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

Eric: "I would like to make a motion to adjourn."

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

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Dreyer

Propmaker

Born: October 24, 1937

Joined: May 29, 1979

Died: April 05, 2017

Sammy Loreno Jr.

Property Master

Born: September 05, 1951

Joined: February 06, 1974

Died: March 14, 2017

Richard A. Griffis Jr.

Property

Born: August 06, 1955

Joined: December 23, 2002

Died: March 02, 2017

Alex Felix III

Propmaker

Born: June 20, 1949

Joined: March 13, 1985

Died: April 15, 2017

Garth Majors

Propmaker

Born: January 08, 1962

Joined: September 18, 1996

Died: May 08, 2017

Terry Olson

Propmaker

Born: July 12, 1956

Joined: February 26, 1979

Died: March 03, 2017

NON SIGNATORY COMPANIES

(No contract with L44)

- 41 Sets
 - A & D Scenery
 - Action Sets and Props
- Accurate Staging & Productions
 - Acme
 - Art Model & Props
 - B & R Scenery
- Basso Design Scenery and Props
 - Benchmark Scenery
 - Carthay Set Services
 - Charisma
 - Chris G TV, Inc.
 - Cinnabar
 - Collins Visual Media
 - Company Inc. Sets
 - Crisis
 - Depict, Inc.
 - Dream Delivery Inc. Miniature and Model
 - Dropshop Studios
 - Flix FX / Standout Graphics
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 - Heroic Props and Sets
 - I.D.F. Studio Scenery
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 - Scenic Highlights
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 - Set Masters
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You may also post ads at www.Local44.org by going to Members: Community: Tool Crib.

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FOR SALE: 1 Stevedore - \$250 with replacement wheels. Property Masters Coca Cola Cooler, powered and refrigerated \$1995. Call Richard at 818-821-3251.

FOR SALE: Retired Property Master large, diverse kit. Truck and set boxes. Props galore. Call Lou Torretta, 208-699-7217, for CD with pictures, inventory and information.

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FOR SALE: 1Nongun parts, tooling, Programs, Software and computer. 13-40 Lathe, Max-nc Mill. See Russ 818-480-1131 nongun@aol.com

FOR SALE: Look Unique Hazer with case \$1000. DF 50 Hazer \$ 2000. Larz Anderson, 310-429-0157 lafx@verizon.net.

PERSONS NOT IN GOOD STANDING

As of June 28, 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.

Brandt, Andrea

Frenkel, Jason

Pope, Frank

EMPLOYERS

You are responsible for clearing all union personnel.

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.