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#### A Message from the Business Manager

This Fall Season Issue is designed to inform our members and families about some of the things that the Union is trying to improve. As a local, we are working on refining our image by not waiting for others to take charge, instead leading the way both in the Motion Picture and the Labor communities. Aside from our on-the-job environment, we are also working to make a difference in our society as a whole. The Local is accomplishing this by building our infrastructure towards the digital age, developing new technologies that can help create efficiency at various levels, and getting involved in our community. One example of this is our Local's newsletter, which beginning on October of 2019 will be distributed in a digital format (*via email*) as opposed to the costly and

time-consuming snail mail. As we approach a fluctuating future with continuous innovations, we want to allow our members to experience such changes — even within their very own Local Union.

In other matters, the local has successfully negotiated the Inside Construction Agreement until 2022. Through agreements such as this one, the Local can continue to focus on the many construction projects within our Jurisdiction such as the Secret Life of Pets, Nintendo World (Morrow Meadows) – a future project slated to open Summer 2021, as well as the Multi-story Netflix project on Sunset Blvd. - projected to begin Fall 2019. These are just a few of the many other projects that are in the "Prepping and Planning" stages of Project Development which should keep our members working in the future. Projects like these, highlight the importance of our members becoming State Certified (JWs must be state certified for Inside Agreement work) as well as keeping up with the new and updating technologies (which are being implemented in building designs i.e. Energy Efficiencies, Automation, Alternative Energy Infrastructure, etc.) that will make our members valuable assets to the Motion Picture Industry. In addition, under the Motion Picture Agreement, the Local also has many other projects that are being performed by our Facilities Group at Paramount (a majority of work performed in house), HVAC-R and Kitchen Techs at Universal Tours, and our Brothers / Sisters at Warner Brothers (Multi-story Tour Bldg. WB Facilities - Taft Electric) (Continued on Page 5).

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## NCIP Child Safety Kits

The simple thought of a "Missing or Abducted Child" can bear a great amount of fear to any parent. If we are not prepared for this type of situation, things can turn into a very unpleasant experience.

The IBEW has partnered with the National Child Identification Program in hopes to aid members and

their families to be prepared if ever facing an unwanted situation. The International Office is providing around 750,000 child identification kits to local unions, which will then distribute to the membership. These kits will require a child's medical information, height, weight, fingerprints, a picture, and a swab of their DNA. It's purpose is to be stored and utilized by providing the kit to law enforcement agencies if the child is ever reported missing or abducted.

### Earthquake Preparedness

The state of California can be a beautiful place to reside in. However, living in this state can include many risk factors - one of them being earthquakes which we as residents tend to overlook. With over 500 active faults, the San Andreas fault being the most worrisome, California can be facing many earthquakes in the future — reaching a magnitude of 8.2 or higher. Being prepared for such an event

should be within our top priorities when considering our families and their safety. Fortunately, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC.gov) have created a variety of "Emergency Supplies" lists that can be greatly useful, especially during (or after) an earthquake. The lists provided encompass First Aid and Survival Kits for Home, Automobile, and Workplace. We ask that you please review these lists and ensure both you and your families are prepared for such an event in any case.

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### **Quixote Studios Project Overview**

Work performed with our new Signatory Contractor, D.A.B. Electric.

The Quixote — North Valley Studios which will have 20k sq. ft. of offices and hold 5 different stages, are currently being worked on by our Local 40 members (see photos below). The North Valley Studios Project is located on Glenoaks Blvd., in Pacoima.

The photos below of the members on this job reflect the importance of identifying Independent Studios and continuing to capture even more work for the future success of our Local.



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### **Bringing Members Together**

L.A. Kings Night — NASCAR — L.A. Dodgers Night

Local 40 Golf Tournament — Local 40 Fishing Trip — Basic Crafts Car Show





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Upcoming Event 2019



Local 40's Annual "That's A Wrap" Luncheon

When?

#### Saturday December 7th, 2019 from 11am-3pm

Where?

Sheraton Universal Hotel — "Starview Room"

333 Universal Hollywood Dr.

Universal City, CA 91605

#### **Details:**

Join us in the festivities and meet our officers, staff, and fellow brothers / sisters in the trade. This occasion will provide the opportunity to present recognition awards, and honor our recent Apprenticeship graduates, as well as our Member's Years of Service (*Active and Retired*). **Invitations will be mailed to all Active and Retired members at the end of October.** 

R.S.V.P. by November 22nd, 2019

### A Message from the Business Manager: Continued

For the Local, the negotiating process is continuous whether it's preparing to negotiate upcoming contracts such as the Stage Manager/Audio Mixer and Live Video Editor Camera Operators (*this coming Winter*) or the 9<sup>th</sup> District Sound and Communications Agreement (*this coming Fall*). It is through the involvement of our members in these groups that successful contracts can be created for all current and future members. Also, to each and every member who donated their time, I want to thank you all who were part of the team and as always, we encourage all those who want to get involved, the door is always open.

As we prepare for this upcoming Holiday Season, let's strive together to leave Local 40 even better than the way we found it by creating a lasting change and giving better opportunities to the next generations. Let us use examples that the Founding Father of the IBEW, Henry Miller, taught us by being part of something greater than ourselves. Through those lessons we can emulate the vision to stand up for the working class and create that "middle class lifestyle" that we all deserve.

To all members and families, have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

Your Business Manager,

Marc Flynn

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### In Memoriam

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the friends and families of the Brothers/Sisters lost this year.

**889** Robert C. Watts : October 29, 1939 — May 4, 2019 Fred McDowell : December 05, 1950 — June 13, 2019 Robert Brickner : December 19, 1934 — April 27, 2019 Carlos Cenzano : July 25, 1924 — March 13, 2019 **890** Marvin Guy Martin : December 19, 1940 — July 12, 2019

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