



Riverside County

News Update

September	<i>Business Manager's Report</i>		2008
<p>ELECTION 2008</p> <p>THE NOVEMBER 4th, 2008 Election is going to set the tone for America for the next four years. Your Vote Counts! Last year we lost a good City Councilman in Riverside by 6 votes. You have the opportunity to vote in a historic election on Nov 4th.</p> <p>The candidates are as different as night and day, and Barack Obama is the best candidate for working families and organized labor. In order to help the working class he will need to have a Congress that will work with him, so vote responsibly and let's get Bill Hedrick and Julie Bornstein elected into Congress.</p> <p>Barack Obama is the candidate for the IBEW, a leader wanting to help the unions become strong because they help provide the benefits that families need.</p> <p>Barack Obama wants to build up our educational system and improve the quality of education given to our children.</p> <p>Barack Obama will help fund projects for Solar, Wind and green energy.</p> <p>Barack Obama can help to restore respect to America's name around the world.</p>	<p>In this newsletter you will find the COPE endorsed candidates that are recommended by all the Unions in Riverside/San Bernardino Counties.</p> <p>We have had some of these local candidates come to our meeting and talk to members about their ideas and goals for our local area.</p> <p>Riverside County is on the verge of electing its first labor friendly candidates in the 44th and 45th Congressional races and the 65th, 66th & 80th Assembly Districts if you Vote.</p> <p>Your vote is needed, so please get out and Vote. IBEW Local 440 members' statistics on voting are included in this newsletter. We need full participation from our members to bring responsible politicians to the State and Federal offices.</p> <p>If you enjoy the economy we have today and want to continue to see America lose its middle class citizens then vote for McCain.</p> <p>If you want your Health and Welfare contributions to be taxed, lose more benefits, and pay health care for illegal aliens and corporations that don't provide health care, then vote for McCain.</p>	<p>If you want to finally lose protections like the NLRB and OSHA that we have barely been able to keep parts of during the Bush years then vote for McCain.</p> <p>If you want to see public schools lose more funding & qualified teachers then vote for McCain.</p> <p>In the last few years we have found by being active with local politicians we can get more work for our members. By assisting them on campaigns and volunteering for special events in the community they see the IBEW as an asset on which to rely. Discussing what the IBEW provides in training and benefits to constituents in their community creates awareness that we are a good thing for the community.</p> <p>Chuck McDaniel is the local's registrar. He or one of the staff will be contacting you to help assist in this election. We are looking for 2 to 4 hours in the next month. Please help get the word out on Candidates that will look out for our communities and protect working families rights. Please step up and help out, our future is at stake.</p> <p><i>General Membership Meeting</i></p> <p><i>October 1 @ 6 pm</i></p>	

Work in the Area

Contractors RIS, Daniels, Gregg, Baker, Neal, Johnson Peltier, Shimmick, Van Ert, Morrow Meadows, Southern Contracting, Academy, Anderson Howard, Accelerated, Sierra Pacific, Stieny, Dyna-electric, Moore, Moore Signal & Lighting, High light, CTF, McClellan, Meredith Simpson, Calleros Electric, CICO, BECO, Masters, Tom German, Johnson Electric Companies, Thompson Engineering, Briggs Communications, Cosco Fire and Robinson are working in the area.

Future projects are being bid and we are getting a good turnout by our signatory contractors on the bids. Our Hospital work will not start till the first of the year. If you read the paper this week the power plant in Desert Hot Springs is being delayed again by a lawsuit filed on South Coast Air Quality Management Board on Pollution offsets. This will create a long delay on this project.

Anderson Howard indicated that the floors need to be poured before they will be hiring. Solar projects are being bid; Morrow Meadows picked up one project we are waiting for a start Date. Best thing to do to keep food on the table is get a travel letter and hit the road for a few months till work gets moving here. It's been a long time since we have had to recommend this. But it does come around to all locals at one time or the other.

If you need travel letters, call and request them from Connie or Lori and they can be ready the next day. Recommendations on where to go change daily so check with Carl, Roger, Paul or Bob Frost to find out Locals that have calls available for Inside Wireman & Sound Installers.

Sound and Communications Agreement

Negotiations with our Sound Division have started as of Friday September 19. There are some important issues we hope to get resolved to improve benefits and wages for our members in this Unit.

We hope to have an agreement on this by November.

**Christmas
&
Year Pin Awards
Party
December 13**

Come out and celebrate the Holidays at our annual Christmas & Year Pin Awards Party.

Retirees Luncheon 11:30 to 1 pm
Santa Clause from 12:30 to 1:30
Year Pin Awards 1:30 pm
till finished

**IBEW Local Union 440
Website Updates**

If you have not been on the internet lately you should check out the new and improved features now available at www.ibew440.org.

Webmaster Adam Webster has included a new forum area for open discussion of our members. We also have a Myspace page active, so find us! Soon there will be an archive area for newsletters along with a link for Political information.

If you have any recommendations for our site please let us know at ibew440forum@gmail.com so we can keep the site up to date and provide current info for our members.

**Inside Wireman Agreement
Wage Allocation****September 10, 2008**

Inside Wiremen present at the meeting made two proposals for the \$ 1.10 increase coming up on December 1, 2008. Here are the results!

Journeyman Wage	\$ 0.86 increase to	\$ 35.00
Pension Defined Benefit	\$ 0.12 increase to	\$ 5.52
Defined Contribution Plan	\$ 0.12 increase to	\$ 3.02

Negotiated increases are:

Health and Welfare	\$ 0.10 increase to	\$ 5.70
Travel Zone B area	\$ 1.00 increase to	\$ 10.00

These are rates per hour, thank you to those members that came out and voted on their Agreement allocations. Next increase is in June 09, \$ 1.30 per hour.

Membership Voter Registration Summary

IBEW Local #440

Number of Members in Database = **640**

Number of Members Registered to Vote = **346** Equals **54.1** Percent of Local's Membership

Number of Members NOT Registered to Vote = **233** Equals **36.4** Percent of Local's Membership

Registered at a Different Address = **61** Equals **9.5** Percent of Local's Membership

Number of members that voted in past six elections:

Voting Habits	Number of Members who Voted	%
Voted 1 of 6	277	80 % of members registered to vote
Voted 2 of 6	205	59 % of members registered to vote
Voted 3 of 6	148	43 % of members registered to vote
Voted 4 of 6	94	27 % of members registered to vote
Voted 5 of 6	49	14 % of members registered to vote
Voted 6 of 6	26	8 % of members registered to vote

(Ex: 95 members voted in one of the last six elections, 122 members voted in two of the last six elections, etc)

Number of Members Register Permanent Absentee = **92 or 14.5%**

Party Affiliations Among Members:

Party	Number of Members	Percentages
Democratic	157	24.6 %
Republican	98	15.3 %
American Independent	14	2.2 %
Peace & Freedom	2	0.3 %
Libertarian	3	0.5 %
Green	1	0.2 %
Decline to State	71	11.1 %
MISC	0	___ %

(ex: 24 members are registered as Green Party)

Unregistered Members: 233 36.4%

Members living in:

- **Riv Co 442 69%**
- **San Bernard 152 24%**
- **LA Co 14**
- **San Diego 3**
- **Orange Co 3**
- **Misc 12**

AS YOU CAN SEE WE NEED ALL MEMBERS TO REGISTRER, Then, VOTE!!!

We hope that you look at the candidates that hold office and what their record is for Labor Support.

SUPPORT THE CANDIDATES THAT SUPPORT LABOR

PRESIDENT

BARACK OBAMA

VICE PRESIDENT

JOE BIDEN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

42ND ED CHAU

43RD JOE BACA

44TH BILL HEDRICK **

45TH JULIE BORNSTEIN **

STATE SENATE

37TH ART GUERRERO

ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS

36TH LINDA JONES

59TH DON WILLIAMSON

61ST NORMA TORREZ

62ND WILMER CARTER

65TH CARL WOOD **

66TH GRAY FRANSDEN **

80TH MANUEL PEREZ

RIVERSIDE CITY COUNCIL #6

NANCY HART

BANNING CITY COUNCIL

PATRICK "CORK" IRWIN

BARBARA HANNA

COLTON CITY COUNCIL #5

JOHN MITCHELL

COLTON CITY COUNCIL #3

VINCE YZAGUIRRE

FONTANA CITY COUNCIL

ANGEL SANTIAGO

FONTANA SCHOOL BOARD

JESSE SANDOVAL

COLTON SCHOOL BOARD

KENT TAYLOR

SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JOHN LONGVILLE

BARSTOW COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOB CONAWAY

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

BOARD OF EDUCATION

RANDALL CENICEROS

EDWARD VELASQUEZ

RIALTO CITY CLERK

BARBARA MCGEE

RIALTO SCHOOL BOARD

CORY JACKSON

DAN MAYS

WALTER HAWKINS

CORONA CITY COUNCIL

LOUIS DAVIS

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

KENN YOUNG

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MARK TAKANO

MARY FIGUEROA

MURRIETTA CITY COUNCIL

PAUL CLAY

CATHEDRAL CITY MAYOR

PAUL MARCHAND

CATHEDRAL CITY COUNCIL

GREG PETTIS **

BOB MORFORD

COACHELLA MAYOR

EDUARDO GARCIA

INDIO CITY COUNCIL

MICHAEL WILSON

PAT RUNYON

PALM SPRINGS SCHOOL BOARD

GREG RODRIGUEZ

PALM DESERT CITY COUNCIL

CAROLE SCHAUDT

All of these candidates were reviewed by a COPE Committee comprised of Affiliated Local Unions to the Riverside San Bernardino Central Labor Council. IBEW Local Union 440 has also endorsed all of these candidates ** ones that spoke at our Union Meetings.



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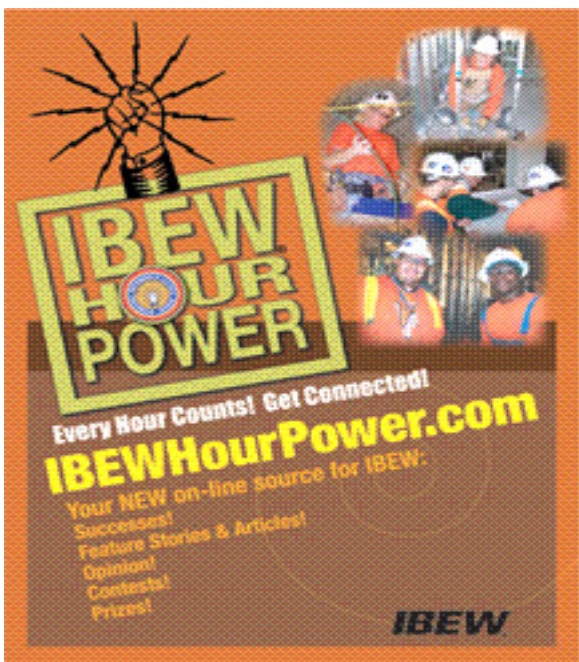
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Dispatch Rules & Re-sign Date for Out of Work List

Due to number of members signing the books and the work picture the Business Manager is Authorizing the following adjustments to the Dispatch Rules.

- **DISPATCH Starts at 7:30 am to match Office Hours.**
- **If applicants obtain 3 strikes applicant will roll to the bottom of the out-of-work list you are currently on at the time of receiving the third strike.**
- **Next Re-Sign is October 10 at Union Hall 10am to 4 PM in Person or Fax to: 951-369-9032 *Fax requires: Your Name, Card Number, Out of Work Book you are signed to & Date Signed, Current address, Phone Number & Email Address if you have one.**

If you are working in another jurisdiction and a call is offered to you by Local 440, your home local, you should notify the foreman that you are dragging up to man work in your home local before you accept the call. Once you have completed notification to employer then call back and accept the call. Failure to do so will result in removal from the books and you will have to resign in person next time in town.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 1, 2008

6 pm @ 1405 Spruce St.

**NECA WORKING
 IBEW TOGETHER**

“Working Together to **Energize** the Inland Empire”

Southern Sierras Chapter of National Electrical Contractors Association
 &
 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Locals 440 & 477