

YOU-NION NEWS

FIRST READINGS

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HONORARY WITHDRAWAL REQUESTED IN APRIL:

KENT LEWIN – NOT IN BARGAINING UNIT
MITCHELL COHEN – MOVED TO CALIFORNIA
CHRIS BAYARD – NOT IN BARGAINING UNIT
DIANNE DIVALL – WRITING AT WFLD NOW
JOE FARRIS – NO LONGER IN BARGAINING UNIT
JERILYN CASCINO – NOW WRITING AT WBBM
SKIP BREZINSKI – RETIRED FROM WGN

COURT REPORTERS UPDATE:

Our meeting on the north side with Court Reporters from this area was a success. A lively discussion of current conditions downtown and in Skokie and Rolling Meadows was held. We value the input of those who can take the time to meet with us. YOU are the Union.

Another north side meeting was discussed and more meetings will be scheduled soon.

NEW MEMBERS APPROVED:

CHARLES PULLEN	DAVID SEATON
WILLIAM FREY	DAVID NEWBERRY
JAVIER VARGAS	SETH NELSON
MARK KEITEL	BRIAN COMER
GREG VLAHOS	JUDY NATALE

IBEW BABIES:

JOE VINCI (Freelance) and his wife Alison welcome with love their second daughter—Kristi Lee—born March 3rd. Kristi weighed 6 lbs 13 oz and was 20 in tall

MARK POWER (Freelance) and his wife Lisa, on the birth of Conor Patrick, born March 27th, 10 lbs, 2 ozs, 21 inches tall.

Say Conor—can we fix you up with Kristi Lee?

EMAIL ADDRESSES NEEDED:

Email MJMonaco@IBEW1220.org with your email address. We will add it to your record.

TRAVEL PAY CLARIFICATION:

Some of the Freelance members who receive travel pay from FOX and CBS have been asking questions about their dues calculations. Be advised that Travel Pay is payroll received according to Union contract, not premium pay, and therefore is used in the calculation of earnings for dues purposes.

POSTING OF PAYMENTS

We apply all payments to the oldest amounts due on members accounts.

UNEMPLOYED DUES

Only those member who earn their living in another industry, or pay full dues to another union, or are truly unemployed may have the option of paying the unemployed dues rate. If you are a freelance or per diem worker, this category does not apply to you.

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Retiree JIM MULQUEENY (WBBM) who is scheduled for a triple bypass the 20th of April. We hope you get right back where you most want to be, Jim!

MARYVILLE CHUCKWAGON DAY:

Members wishing to support the June 27, 2004 Annual ChuckWagon Fund Raising Event for Maryville, The City of Youth, are encouraged to purchase tickets or make a donation. Adult tickets are \$50.00, children under 12 \$10.00, and all entertainment, rides, food and drinks are included. Make checks payable to Maryville and mail to :
Bill Husko @Adlite
1355 E Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016 phone 847-824-2153

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EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE ACT

The Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA), federal legislation was introduced by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) and Rep. George Miller (D-CA) to clear unfair obstacles which workers face when they try to form unions. The proposed legislation, S. 1925 and H.R. 3619, will allow employees to freely become union members by signing a card in a majority verification process, provide mediation and arbitration for first-contract disputes and establish stronger penalties for violation of employee rights when workers seek to form a union and during first-contract negotiations.

Union activists have sent more than 80,000 faxes to their elected representatives asking that they co-sponsor the landmark legislation, leading more than 139 members of the House and the Senate to support EFCA. Visit www.afl.cio/voiceatwork to join the e-campaign.

If you haven't already and would like to, please contact your legislators and encourage them to sign on in support of the Employee Free Choice Act!

The website to find out who your legislators are: <http://www.legis.state.il.us/>

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BE ON THE LOOK OUT!

HD Ready had a camera package stolen last month. This type of equipment is only owned by four companies in the Chicago area. If you see a similar package in use and it is not in the hands of, or being rented from Fletcher, Post Effects or Show Department, it may be stolen. Be on the look out for the following equipment—HDW F900 Cine-Alta camera and support equipment:

Sony HDW-900 F Betacam Serial #1112 1
Canon 21 x 7.8 Lens Serial # 0027T579

If you see this camera in use—contact the Union office.

ANNUAL AUDIT COMPLETED

Our accountants have verified our financial statements and prepared our annual audit. They have also prepared the required tax documents—LM2 and 990—for the government. Any member wishing to view these documents may do so at the Union office upon request.

