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There's danger in email!

The favored method of communication for busy business people these days is email. Many of you have the use of company computers and email systems. Many of you also make use of your personal email addresses and your IBEW 1220 web mail both from home and from work to communicate.

BE CAREFUL!

This is not a Miranda Warning—but it is a serious warning to all of you. The company can and will look at your email. Anything you write can be used against you.

Recently, a member was having what he thought was a casual discussion—via email—with a supervisor regarding a scheduling change. The member wrote freely of his displeasure. He might have spoken the same message in person to his supervisor, without repercussions, but this time, he emailed and his message was copied and viewed by another supervisor and deemed to be “borderline insubordinate”.

Make sure that you take the utmost care in what you write in an email. Remember that it can be shared—and that it travels through the Ethernet without tone or context.

Be safe and protect yourself!

MEETING NOTICE

The February meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7th, at 7:00 pm, at the Union Hall. Our business will include, but not be limited to, the following items:

- *An update on the proposed bylaw changes
- *A review of the proposed budget for this year
- *Reports from the Business Manager on outstanding business and pending cases
- *An update on negotiations in progress
- *A listing of members recently oriented by the Examining Board

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

Please join us ! We can't spell Union without "U"!

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This Newsletter is published monthly by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union 1220, Radio and Television Broadcast Engineers, of Chicago, Illinois.

Anything you might expect to read in a business letter or see in a telegram that pertains to this Local and your part in it will be communicated to you through this channel of information. Consider this your dues invoice, your by-laws update, your meeting notice, and your call to participate.

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR EXECUTIVE BOARD

Any member wishing to bring an issue of concern to the attention of the Executive Board of this Local Union may submit a request in writing to the Board at any time. The Board will review all requests and contact you to schedule the issue at a future meeting. They meet on the 3rd Monday of each month.



**REMEMBER TO NOTIFY
YOUR UNION OF ANY
CHANGE OF ADDRESS,
PHONE OR EMAIL**

NAME _____
STREET _____
CITY, ST, ZIP _____
PHONE _____
EMAIL _____

I.B.E.W 1220 CONTRACTS

WLS RADIO
190 N STATE ST
CHICAGO, IL 60601

WCEV RADIO
5356 W BELMONT
CHICAGO, IL 60641

WCIU TV
26 N HALSTED ST
CHICAGO, IL 60661

WBBM TV /RADIO
630 N MCCLURG CT
CHICAGO, IL 60611

WTVO-TV *
NORTH MERIDIAN RD
ROCKFORD, IL 61105

WGN RADIO
435 N MICHIGAN
CHICAGO, IL 60611

WGN TV
2501 W BRADLEY PL
CHICAGO, IL 60618

WYCC TV
7500 S PULASKI RD
CHICAGO, IL 60652

WMVP RADIO
190 N STATE ST
CHICAGO, IL 60601

WTTW TV
5400 N ST LOUIS AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60625

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SCHILLER PARK, IL 60176

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OAKBROOK, IL 60523

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EVENT ENGINEERING
2334 W NORTH AVE
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MEDIA PROCESS GROUP
770 N HALSTED #507
CHICAGO, IL 60622

MIRROR IMAGE VIDEO
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PORTAGE, IN 46368

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WOODDALE, IL 60191

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1806 W GRAND AVE
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CRETE, IL 60417

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YOU UNION NEWS

FIRST READINGS:

REGIDOR VENAL – GOODYEAR/CBS
GARRY ELGHAMMER – WBBM TV
ALVARO ROMERO- WGN TV
LOUIS KLEINBERG – WBBM/WGN
GABRIEL IRIMIA – WTTW
TOM KENNEDY – WBBM TV
DANIEL COCHRAN – CBS
DOUGLAS MAGUIRE – FOX SPORTS

NEW MEMBERS: none this month

CONGRATS TO OUR EMMY WINNERS:

Nathan DeLack, Dave Fox, Tom Kennedy, Mike Klingele, Jerry Molnar, John Petrosky and Damon Ranger for “Farewell to the Pope” story on WBBM

Mike D’Angelo for individual excellence—WGN

SPECIAL THANKS:

From all of us at the Union office for the cards and notes sent this holiday season. We are all grateful for the friendships we share with our Union Brothers and Sisters. One told us that “...our daily work allows me and my family to afford a happier holiday.” We couldn’t be happier to hear that. Thank you.

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Grace Mason—daughter of Barb and CHUCK MASON (Freelance/former E Board member) who went through a terrible holiday season in the hospital with bacterial meningitis and is recovering well after a frightening few weeks. Our best wishes for a FULL recovery to Grace and her family.

HONORARY WITHDRAWAL GRANTED:

The following members have met the requirements for the granting of this status:

DALE (BUTCH) CAMPBELL – MISSOURI no broadcast
TIM WELNA – SELLING INSURANCE
ED NUPNAU – RETIRING – NO BROADCASTING

OUR SYMPATHY:

To the family, friends and former co-workers of retiree JIM DOXSEE (CBS) who passed away in Oregon on Dec 18th. He will be missed!

To MATT LUKE (WBBM TV) and his family on the loss of his father. Our thoughts are with you.

AND MORE THANKS :

To our Stewards who have agreed to continue to serve their Brothers and Sisters in IBEW Local 1220.

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

Around the Jurisdiction—

- * Attended a Legislative Forum with Jim on Dec 15 – met with Esther Lopez of Governors office and Margaret Blackshere of IL AFL-CIO – excellent educational and political opportunity
- * Attended negotiations at WTVO with Marie and two stewards from station – fair progress – next meeting scheduled for 1-31
- * Attended Exec Board meeting – discussed editing problem at WBBM TV
- * Attended grievance meeting at WGN TV – members accused of refusing to cover a story – 3 day suspension imposed
- * Met with officer from Xerox Credit Union to set some plans for 2006.
- * Met with Tom Schneck and Fran Preston to discuss company policy on enforcing sick day policy at WBBM sent memo
- * repeated discussions and some meetings with terminated member from WBBM Radio
- * more discussions and a meeting with a terminated member from WBBM TV—Arbitration hearing 1-23-06
- * discussion with members called to testify for lawsuit filed by terminated member at WBBM
- * worked on proposals with Rizzo, Roos & Palmer for new Video Production Contracts – plans to split out Sports Broadcasting into separate contracts—met with Sports Broadcasting contractors to discuss new agreements
- * distributed direct deposit forms to all officers – hope for more to take advantage of this
- * discussed settlement of lawsuit by former employee with attorneys and Pres & VP of Local
- * discussed with International Rep the investigation on removal of Ct Reporters from our Local
- * discussed with International Rep the upcoming negotiations with ABC Disney for WLS new unit—next mtg 2-7-06
- * discussed with International Rep the upcoming Arbitration for terminated member at WBBM
- * discussed with attorney, steward and Jenn Arbitration for terminated member at WBBM Radio
- * did trial with a folding and stuffing machine – its great – but too expensive (\$105/month)
- * reviewed notes on Arbitration classes held beginning of Dec at U of IL
- * prepared for Arbitration with Jenn on all pending cases
- * attended CBS Semi-annual meeting with Trautschold and Kent

We are here to serve you. Please keep us advised of problems, questions and changes in your shop or at your worksite

In Solidarity, *Madeleine Monaco*

WOULD YOU LIKE TO REACH US BY EMAIL???

INFO@IBEW1220.ORG

THE NEXT REGULAR UNION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH AT 7:00 PM
BE SURE TO BRING YOUR UNION CARD

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