

# THE INFO CHANNEL

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Brothers and Sisters,

The opening page of our web site—[www.ibew1220.org](http://www.ibew1220.org)—has a notice posted as follows:

### **This Local Union has made clear its serious objection to non-Union work.**

We have been out in the field, visiting all of the Union venues and locales where video production work and broadcasting work is being done. We are concerned about the members who continue to work for non-Union employers. Please make sure that you ask the Union office if you have any doubt at all about whether or not your employer has a current collective bargaining agreement. If they don't, you should not be working for them. Working for an employer who has no Union contract is a chargeable offense. It is up to you to make the choice. If you are Union, then you are Union all of the time.

We continue to negotiate with WCIU management for a new agreement. Our thanks to Chris Faulkner for his commitment to our work.

We continue to deal with the myriad of grievances outstanding at several of our shops. Our thanks to the stewards who take extra time out of their busy days to help their Union fight for what's right.

We continue to work toward a fair and equitable agreement with those of our video production contractors who do sports, broadcasting and entertainment work. You may expect further information on this by next month.

We have participated in seminars and other educational opportunities to benefit our Local Union and our industry, and we have attended conferences and meetings designed to increase our knowledge base. We have conducted a CPR/AED class in the office, and feel confident that the training can be put into use.

Previously we reported in this newsletter that former contractor Golan Productions has outstanding amounts due to some of our members. After checking with the membership, we have established that there are no outstanding amounts due from this employer. Golan Productions is not currently a Union employer.

It's summer, and many of you have scheduled vacations. For you, and for all of those who work outside in the sometimes blistering heat, be safe and be sure that you outlive the work or the play:-)

Have a good summer,

In Solidarity,

*Madeleine Monaco*

Business Manager

NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday, August 2, AT 7PM

AT THE UNION OFFICE

Come in and discuss the business of your Local Union  
We need to plan for the long range goals of the Local.  
Your input would be welcome.

Forecasting membership needs—  
setting our sights on the future



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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 THE 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, [stating the reason for the request.](#)



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

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
**STREET** \_\_\_\_\_  
**CITY,ST,ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_  
**EMAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

**COPIES OF ANY IBEW 1220 AGREEMENT MAY BE OBTAINED UPON REQUEST AT THE UNION OFFICE**  
Our contractors are listed on the web site—[www.ibew1220.org](http://www.ibew1220.org)

### UAW CALLS 1220

The United Auto Workers asked 1220 members to support their work by purchasing Union made vehicles. Below is a list of vehicles that are union made, including those made by the Canadian Auto Workers Union. For more see: [www.uaw.org](http://www.uaw.org).

### **Consumer Buying Guide - 2007 Cars and Trucks**

#### **UAW CARS**

Buick Lucerne  
Cadillac CTS  
Cadillac DTS  
Cadillac STS  
Cadillac XLR  
Chevrolet Cobalt  
Chevrolet Corvette  
Chevrolet Malibu  
Chrysler Sebring  
Dodge Avenger  
Dodge Caliber  
Dodge Viper  
Ford Five Hundred  
Ford Focus  
Ford GT  
Ford Mustang  
Lincoln Town Car  
Mazda Mazda 6  
Mercury Montego  
Mitsubishi Eclipse  
Mitsubishi Spyder  
Mitsubishi Galant  
Pontiac G5 & G6  
Pontiac Solstice  
Pontiac Vibe  
Saturn Aura  
Saturn ION  
Saturn Sky

#### **UAW PICKUPS**

Chevrolet Silverado \*  
Chevrolet Colorado  
Dodge Ram \*  
Dodge Dakota  
Ford F-Series \*  
Ford Explorer Sport Trac  
Ford Ranger  
GMC Sierra \*  
GMC Canyon  
Isuzu i-Series  
Lincoln Mark LT  
Mazda B-series  
Mitsubishi Raider  
Toyota Tacoma \*  
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#### **UAW SUVs/CUVs**

Buick Enclave  
Cadillac Escalade & ESV  
Cadillac SRX  
Chevrolet Suburban \*  
Chevrolet Tahoe  
Chrysler Aspen  
Dodge Durango  
Dodge Nitro  
Ford Escape & Hybrid  
Ford Expedition

Ford Explorer  
GMC Acadia  
GMC Yukon XL  
GMC Yukon/Denali  
Hummer H1 & H2  
Hummer H2 SUT  
Hummer H3  
Jeep Commander  
Jeep Compass  
Jeep Grand Cherokee  
Jeep Liberty  
Jeep Patriot  
Jeep Wrangler  
Lincoln Navigator  
Mazda Tribute  
Mercury Mariner & Hybrid  
Mercury Mountaineer  
Mitsubishi Endeavor  
Saturn Outlook & VUE

#### **UAW VANS**

**Buick Terraza**  
**Chevrolet Express**  
**Chevrolet Uplander**  
**Chrysler Town & Country**  
**Dodge Caravan/Grand Caravan**  
**Ford Club Wagon**  
**Ford Econoline**

**GMC Savana & Cargo**  
**GMC Savana Passenger**  
**Saturn Relay**  
**Ford Freestyle**

#### **CAW CARS/SUVS/VANS/ PICKUPS**

**Buick Lacrosse**  
**Chevrolet Impala**  
**Chevrolet Monte Carlo**  
**Chrysler 300**  
**Dodge Charger**  
**Ford Crown Victoria**  
**Mercury Grand Marquis**  
**Pontiac Grand Prix**  
**Chevrolet Equinox**  
**Chrysler Pacifica**  
**Dodge Magnum**  
**Ford Edge**  
**Lincoln MKX**  
**Pontiac Torrent**  
**Suzuki XL7**

#### **IUE SUVs/CUVs**

**Buick Rainier**  
**Chevrolet Trailblazer**  
**GMC Envoy**  
**SAAB 9-7x**

# YOU UNION NEWS

## FIRST READINGS

Thomas M Wolf - WGN TV pd  
Daniel Wolande—Visions Unlimited  
Kevin Brown—WYCC/WKCC  
Jamiel Chapple—WCIU  
Patrick Parmenter—WGN TV  
Cindy Klapp—WTTW Graphic Artist pd  
Jordan Guzzardo—WGN TV pd  
Paul Carey—WGN TV pd

## HONORARY WITHDRAWAL

Richard Morckel—no longer broadcasting left Goodyear

## SENIORITY AWARDS:

Honored for 70 years of IBEW membership:

CARL ANDERSON—WGN TV  
AUGUST KLINKE—WBBM TV

Honored for 55 years of IBEW membership:

MICHAEL DYK—WIND Radio  
DON HOLBROOK—WGN TV



We have forwarded certificates and seniority pins to these long time members with our congratulations!

## AFL-CIO PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE FORUM:

Tuesday August 7th At McCormick Place West some of our Presidential candidates will be addressing Chicago's Labor community.



Make sure that you examine the issues and consider voting records of all of the candidates, and then vote to support the working man's needs.

## PER CAPITA CHANGES FOR 2008:

Effective January 1, 2008, there will be an increase of one dollar (\$1.00) per month for the IBEW Pension Benefit Fund (PBF) contribution. This change was voted in at the last International Convention of the IBEW. Only a small number of our members are participating in the PBF, but if any of you has any questions, please feel free to email us at [info@ibew1220.org](mailto:info@ibew1220.org), or call and ask.

## OUR SYMPATHY

Chuck Hollis—father of Charlie Hollis (WBBM) and former WBBM employee himself - passed away July 5th

Karen Dove Cabral—daughter of Bob Dove (WTTW) - passed away June 2nd.

Dolores Koltis—mother of Dave Koltis (WBBM TV) passed away in May

Pat Thompson—wife of Bill Thompson (WBBM Ret) passed away May 20th.

Florence Blue—mother of Barry Blue (WTTW) passed away June 27.

Lorraine Finlon—stepmother of Donna Finlon (WGN TV) passed away in June.

So much loss to report—each and every one of them will be sorely missed. Each and every one of us offers our sincere sympathy to those left behind. May your memories of your loved ones sustain you in your loss.

## ILLINOIS STATE FAIR LABOR PAVILLION:

August 10-19 in Springfield, Labor will be on display for the public at the State Fair. Cars and trucks made in Illinois by Union members will be alongside the NASCAR display.

## IBEW BABY BOYS:

Julie and Rob Kalbfus (WTVO) became the proud parents of baby boy Aidan Edward on May 5th. Aidan was 7 pounds 10 ounces and 20 1/2 inches tall.



Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Hathcoat (WTTW pd) became the proud parents of baby boy Nicholas on June 4th. Baby Nicholas has been helping his grandfather recover after a serious car accident. Baby therapy—a wonderful thing!

Congratulations and best wishes to both families!

## WORK AVAILABLE AT WBBM:

WBBM-TV continues its work on their new building in downtown Chicago at 22 West Washington. The on-air date is in the spring of 2008 but technical construction of the all HD facility begins very soon. Local 1220 will have a critical role in the construction of the technical plant and extra help will be needed soon. If you are looking for per-diem work in the construction of the new WBBM-TV facility send your resume to David Hewitt, Manager of Technical Operations at WBBM. His e-mail is [dmhewitt@cbs.com](mailto:dmhewitt@cbs.com) or fax it to 312-202-3710. Please no calls. This will be per-diem work covered under the CBS/IBEW contract".

If you fear someone has suffered a stroke—have them smile, talk and raise their arms.  
If they can't do all of those, **GET HELP NOW!!!**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO REACH US BY EMAIL???

INFO@IBEW1220.ORG

THE NEXT REGULAR UNION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 2 AT 7:00 PM**

**THIRD QUARTER DUES WERE DUE 7-1-07**

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