



(Left) Inside Apprentices Armando Torres and Julio Sanchez registering to vote at Metro Dispatch. (Right) JW Gregg Andrews registering to vote at Metro Dispatch.

IBEW 11 launches "11 for 11" campaign to register members during pandemic

By Evan Henerson

hen you're trying to rally the troops into political action during a nationwide

pandemic, you may need to rewrite the playbook and maybe even throw in a few enticements as well.

For election 2020, there will be none of the traditional canvassing, precinct walking or phone banking that Local

11 members would traditionally do to help get out the vote. But the local has launched a voter registration drive designed to get more than 1,000 members registered and committed to casting ballots.

Through the 11 for 11 campaign launched in August, each Local 11 volunteer commits to contacting and registering 11 members to vote by the October 19 deadline. For each member that he or she gets to register on the Ibewvotes.com site (verified by a screenshot), that volunteer will earn raffle tickets and a chance to win prizes like a big screen TV and tools.

The drive continues until October 19 and raffles will be held in September and October.

While members are registering on the *Ibewvotes.com* site, Local 11 Political Director Antonio Sanchez hopes they will also investigate other election-related resources like poll data and endorsements.

"The idea is that we're trying to get this website embedded into our culture," said Sanchez. "Campaigns have to adapt to the pandemic. We're not going to Arizona or Nevada to help with campaigns. It's not safe. (Continued on page 8)

Local 11 Starts Work on Downtown High Rise Vacant lot to be transformed into 700-foot tower

By Jacob Bourne

ork has kicked off for a crew of IBEW Local 11 Electricians at a downtown Los Angeles

residential high-rise at 960 W. 7th Street. The site was a former elongated vacant lot located next to the FIGat7th shopping mall and

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the Horizon

a parking lot, between 7th and 8th streets. Groundbreaking occurred in June of 2019 with completion estimated for 2022. The project is being developed by Brookfield Properties working with Webcor as the general contractor and is designed by Marmol Radziner and LARGE Architecture.

Local 11 currently has a crew (Continued on page 9)



IBEW 11 members are onsite at 960 W. 7th Street for work on a 64-story tower. Pictured in forefront: high-rise specialist Alex Gonzalez. Right: IBEW 11 Business Manager Joel Barton.



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Jane Templin

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BUSINESS MANAGER'S MESSAGE By Joel Barton

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Sisters and Brothers,

hope this finds you and yours healthy and well. We are still struggling with this pandemic and the new normal, which has disrupted all our lives. The Local Union, ETI and Pension and Health Trusts are diligently working to accommodate the changes required to keep everyone safe. We will get through this together and come out stronger on the other side.

While the International Union still forbids us to have any meetings to conduct business remotely, a membership informational update is in order. We look to start Unit Membership Meetings via Zoom starting the month of October. While not able to read the minutes from the Executive Board or any other business, we can still get together and have some semblance of a meeting. The Local Union will send out a reminder with the link to the email address we have on file. It is important you update any changes in your address, phone number and email address so you are included in any correspondence. Also, if you have any life changes, contact the Pension and Health Trust. Even if someone purports to knowing the rules and intricacies of the Plan, check with the professional to make sure you are getting the right information.

The Trustees of the Pension and Health Plans will have a webinar, October 5, 2020 at 5 p.m. to report the status of each plan. Your Administrator and Plan Professionals will be on hand to answer any questions and address any problems you may have encountered. Look to the Trust Fund Website at *scibew-neca*. org to see any plan changes or updates. You should also receive by mail Amendment 3 to the Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan. The Trustees have given chair and cochair the authority to extend, as needed, the increased benefit from \$24 per week to \$200 for apprentices and \$300 for journeyman. This is only for those classifications contributing to this fund. The increased benefit extends through the month of September.

Even though work has slowed down, construction is still one piece of the economy still functioning. With the completion of Sofi Stadium (go Chargers) and other large projects, the "out of work" books have increased. The future looks bright as we have signed an extension of the PLA at LAX, which encompasses 10 years of work as well as many other PLA's which allow our signatory contractors to compete. Some projects have slowed down or have been put on hold, but I am confident they will resume once we eliminate this virus. Be sure to follow all safety precautions and always wear a face covering. The Local Union, along with our NECA partners, through LMCC, have been purchasing, designing and distributing face coverings with a theme and the IBEW 11 bug. If you have seen one that you like and would like to obtain one, contact the Pasadena Administrative Offices to arrange having one mailed or delivered to you.

In this edition, you will find IBEW Local 11 endorsements. We are still interviewing the down ticket candidates for City Councils, School Boards and Water Districts. Go to *IBEWVotes.com* for recommendations of those who believe in our cause and will work towards ensuring financial stability, job site safety, pension and health benefits and the belief in Unions for the working class. Above all, register and vote!

I invite all the stewards of IBEW/EAA to register for a class given by the International Union on your obligations as a steward. Please contact your Executive Director, Steve Belhumeur at the EAA office. As always, it is my honor to serve as your Business Manager and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

In Solidarity, Joel Barton IBEW 11 Business Manager

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All About Family

After 44 Years, Jane Templin Retires from Local 11

By Robert Fulton

uring any conversation with Jane Templin about her experiences with IBEW Local 11, the word "family"

will invariably come up.

"Family is family," Templin said during a conversation from her home in Long Beach. "We're all different. We all bring different things to the table. The family part never stops. Just because you retire, you don't lose your family."

After 44 years with Local 11, Templin retired in September.

During a ceremony prior to the Labor of Love Food Distribution event on Labor Day in Wilmington, IBEW 11 Business Manager Joel Barton presented Templin with her 45-year pin as well as a number of proclamations and certificates from local leaders.

Even with these accolades, her impact and influence over the past 44 years is impossible to measure.

Templin's arrival at IBEW 11 membership and her ascension through the ranks is a story of both of motivation and inspiration motivation to overcome the misogyny that was once all too common in the workplace and inspiration from a chance encounter at a children's carnival.

After moving to California from Missouri with her husband in 1967, Templin, now 73, landed a job as a payroll auditor and worked her way up to a supervisory position. After hiring a pair of additional auditors – both men – Templin learned she earned significantly less than the two employees who were her juniors. That's when she was told that she made "good money for a woman."

Later, when the company

term, per company policy. "It was less than encouraging,"

Templin later said, dryly. Determined to "find something where I was represented and I made equal money," Templin bounced around jobs while raising her two children. One day, while setting up a carnival at her children's school, she helped a friend, an electrician, wire the event. The result was a revelation.

"I threw that switch and I saw everything come on," Templin said. "It was such a rush."

That's when Templin's friend suggested she become an electrician and told her about the apprenticeship program. Templin applied at the local IBEW 11 hall in Wilmington in 1975 along with 1,400 other prospective members.

At first there was some confusion when Jane submitted her application as she was asked





Jane Templin, center, receives a certificate of appreciation and a 45-year-pin from IBEW 11 Business Manager Joel Barton prior to the Labor of Love food distribution event on Labor Day 2020.



to join the program, Templin's application was received and she was accepted into the program the following year.

"It was scary, but I really wanted to do it," Templin said.

Once admitted, Templin thrived. Her first job was a residential assignment - a townhome at 223rd and Western, where she learned the basics. She turned out of the apprenticeship program in 1980 as a journeyman.

Templin quickly found the union world to be supportive and fair, a place where everyone was equal, as long as you could do the work.

"I was fortunate. I had some excellent teachers," Templin said. "For the most part, I was embraced. Being in the union, you have people who have your back."

"The members educated me on what it was to be union. We had each other's back. We worked together," she added.

The union expected Templin to be active, and active she was. She held many positions on the jobsite and at the Hall, including shop steward, foreman, general foreman, and the business agent and dispatcher for IBEW Local 11. Most recently she served as vice president and spent the last two decades as an instructor at the Electrical Training Institute.

In retirement, Jane plans on staying in touch with and active with her family at the Local. She also hopes to travel, work in her garden and tackle her husband's to do list. She recognizes her legacy in some of the buildings she has worked on, but believes she has made a more significant impact in another arena.

"My real legacy is the people I've taught, the people I've worked with and encouraged to step up to leadership, the people that are going to carry on the union way, that's my legacy," Templin said. "The people who are going to become our new leaders, that's the best."

"If you don't love it, you don't succeed. If you love what you're doing, then nobody can hold you back."



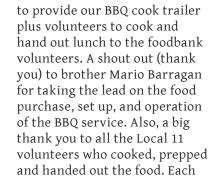
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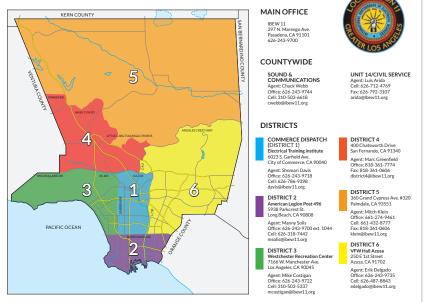


looking out for one another.

During Labor Day, the L.A. County Fed. held a foodbank give away and our local was asked

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Download the Map at ibew11.org

one of the food bank volunteers were fed and happy.

We are now into the 9th month of this year and the job picture is still strong. The big job (SoFi Stadium) has reached substantial completion and many of our contractors have had layoffs and sent members back to the hall. I just want to assure you all that we have seen a great many pre-job meetings and there are a lot more, good, long term jobs coming up.

Our business agents are being careful and continue to visit jobsites. They are appointing job stewards where needed and taking your calls to address your individual needs. Their contact information can be found on our website, www.ibew11.org.

As I write this message, our local will have hosted our first "Informational Membership Meeting" via Zoom. The intent and desire are to connect with you (the membership) and inform you of the latest ongoing business and address various topics of union involvement. Our Business Manager has also instructed the district agents to plan on hosting



"Zoom" unit meetings. Planning and coordination are taking place as we speak.

Our local is dedicated to keeping our membership informed. Please take the time to log on to the website and see what's new at Local 11.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or even compliments, just call your business agent or the local offices and we'll do our best to answer your concerns.

Be Safe and work productively. Sincerely, Gaylord R. "Rusty" Roten President / Senior Assistant **Business Manager**



IBEW Local 11 members working for Conti Electric at the Long Beach VA Hospital project.



Local 11 members Lisa Barber and Jezennia Henning wearing the Wonder Woman masks. Lisa says, "I'm riding with Biden", Jezennia says "Voting brings change, and we need change NOW.'



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he 2020 Election is the most important of our lifetimes. Our main goal this November, along with many other propositions, is to take back the White House. Unions cannot afford another four years of the current administration if we are to survive and prosper. But there's more than just the top of the ticket. If you live in the City of Los Angeles, an important school bond will be on the ballot which will ensure more work in LAUSD. It includes \$7 billion worth of funds to be used for the modernization of schools.

Please get involved as politics has everything to do with our way of life. IBEW 11 is on a drive to get all our members registered to vote. Our "11 for 11" campaign incorporates membership participation along with rewards for registering members. In the following pages, you

will find IBEW Local 11's endorsements. These can also be found at www. ibewvotes.com.

> In Solidarity, Joel Barton IBEW 11 Business Manager

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U.S. CONGRESS

Congressional District 25	Christy Smith
Congressional District 26	Julia Brownley
Congressional District 27	Judy Chu
Congressional District 28	Adam Schiff
Congressional District 29	Tony Cardenas
Congressional District 30	Brad Sherman
Congressional District 32	Grace Napolitano
Congressional District 33	Ted Lieu
Congressional District 34	Jimmy Gomez
Congressional District 35	Norma Torres
Congressional District 37	Karen Bass
Congressional District 38	Linda Sanchez
Congressional District 39	Gil Cisneros
Congressional District 40	Lucille Roybal-Allard
Congressional District 43	Maxine Waters
Congressional District 44	Nanette Barragan
Congressional District 47	Alan Lowenthal

CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE

State Senate District 21	No Endorsement
State Senate District 25	Anthony Portantino
State Senate District 27	Henry Stern
State Senate District 29	Josh Newman
State Senate District 33	Lena Gonzalez
State Senate District 35	Steven Bradford



Herb Wesson for LA County Supervisor District 2



Speaker Anthony Rendon Assembly District 63



Miguel Santiago Assembly District 53

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY

California Assembly District 36	No Endorsement
California Assembly District 39	Luz Rivas
California Assembly District 41	Chris Holden
California Assembly District 43	Laura Friedman
California Assembly District 44	Jacqui Irwin
California Assembly District 45	Jesse Gabriel
California Assembly District 46	Adrin Nazarian
California Assembly District 48	Blanca Rubio
California Assembly District 49	Ed Chau
California Assembly District 51	Wendy Carrillo
California Assembly District 52	Freddie Rodriguez
California Assembly District 53	Miguel Santiago
California Assembly District 54	Sydney Kamlager
California Assembly District 55	Andrew Rodriguez
California Assembly District 57	Lisa Calderon
California Assembly District 58	No Endorsement
California Assembly District 59	Reggie Jones-Sawyer
California Assembly District 62	Autumn Burke
California Assembly District 63	Anthony Rendon
California Assembly District 64	Mike Gipson
California Assembly District 66	Al Muratsuchi
California Assembly District 70	Patrick O'Donnell



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Andrew Rodriguez Assembly District 55

Christy Smith for US Congress, CA 25



Gil Cisneros for US Congress, CA 39

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Board of Supervisors – 2nd DistrictHerb Wesson Jr.	
District Attorney	Jackie Lacey
Superior Court #72	Steve Morgan
Superior Court #80	David Berger
Superior Court #162	Scott Yang

LA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Seat 7	.Mike Fong
Seat 5	Nichelle Henderson.
Seat 3	.David Vela
Seat 1	.Andrea Hoffman

LONG BEACH

Long Beach City Council 2	.Cindy Allen
Long Beach City Council 6	.Dee Andrews
Long Beach City Council 8	.Al Austin
Long Beach Unified School District	.Tonia Reyes-Uranga
Long Beach Community College District 4 Herlinda Chico	

ADDITIONAL ENDORSEMENTS

Pasadena Mayor	Victor Gordo
Downey Unified School District	Carlos Avalos Jose Rodriguez
Alhambra City Council	Sasha Perez
Water Replenishment District Division 5 Vera Robles DeWitt	

CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE PROPOSITIONS

- Proposition 14:VOTE YES \$5.5 billion in bonds for stem cell and medical research
- Proposition 15:VOTE YES Increases Funding for Public Schools, Community Colleges, and Local Government by Changing Tax Assessment of Commercial and Industrial Property
- Proposition 16:VOTE YES Authorizes California Repeal Proposition 209 Affirmative Action
- Proposition 17:VOTE YES Authorizes California Voting Rights Restoration for Persons on Parole Amendment
- Proposition 18:VOTE YES California Voting for 17-Year-Olds Amendment
- Proposition 19:VOTE YES Property Tax Transfers, Exemptions, and Revenue for Wildfire Agencies and Counties Amendment
- Proposition 20:VOTE NO Restricts Parole for Non-Violent Offenders. Authorizes Felony Sentences for Certain Offenses Currently Treated Only as Misdemeanors.
- Proposition 21:VOTE NO Expands Local Government's Authority to Enact Rent Control on **Residential Property**
- Proposition 22:VOTE NO Changes Employment Classification Rules for App-based Transportation and Delivery Drivers. (https://sickofgiggreed.com/)
- Proposition 23:VOTE YES Regulation of Kidney Dialysis Clinics. Establishes Minimum Staffing and Other Requirements.
- Proposition 24:VOTE NO Recommendation I Amends Consumer Privacy Laws.
- Proposition 25:VOTE YES Referendum to Overturn 2018 Law that Replaced Money Bail System with a System Based on Public Safety Risk.



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If Not Now, When? If Now, Then How?

he American Labor Movement is the last line of defense for working families when it comes to fighting for living

wages, safe working conditions, retirement plans and laws that benefit the American worker - the backbone of our country. We ARE the checks and balances of the American Economy. Our strength is in our organized numbers and in our financial power. Our Unions are funded by us, the members, and our finances are put to work for us.

On the other end of the table are the multi-billion-dollar corporations and the elite who profit off the backs of the American Worker. Their goal is to maximize profits for their shareholders at all costs, and usually it is their employees who pay that price in low wages, bad or no healthcare, no retirement, and unsafe working conditions.

We have a President in the White House today who is, without a shadow of a doubt, working to dismantle the power of the American Labor Movement. Donald Trump is anti-union to his core and is pro "Right to Work" which has proven to be the worst option for the American Worker. He has appointed a Labor Secretary that is anti-union, a Supreme Court Justice who is antiunion, and has appointed people to the National Labor Relations Board that are anti-union, amongst many things. Number 45 is our greatest adversary ever.

We have a duty as a Union to stand, fight, and defeat Donald Trump in November. Our International Union and Local are standing in Solidarity with the AFL-CIO and almost every Union in the US against Trump.

It is time NOW, for us as IBEW members, who have benefitted from our Union, to stand up and protect it.

We are registering voters, members, and non-members. Registering to vote is easier than making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, it's easier than mowing the lawn, or a sudoku game. And it is crucial in this battle for the future of Labor Unions and the quality of life for Working families.

I have registered a couple dozen members at our Metro Dispatch Hall, and it's in the air, people are ready to stand up and participate in change and taking back the White House.

IBEW Local 11 is asking you to register 11 voters, in our 11 for 11

campaign. Meaning every member of Local 11 registers 11 new voters. This will be a powerful move in electoral politics for the Middle Class. Also, this will raise our percentage of registered voters in our local, which adds to our political power in our dealings with elected officials, and our strategy to win more PLAs across LA County. Also, you will get a raffle ticket for every voter that you register. The prizes are great.

FYI, we will be participating with the LA County Federation of Labor in weekly phone banking efforts, for local politics and national politics.

Today we can win these battles with pen and paper and phone calls, in this war to protect and expand the American Middle Class. I'll see you on the front-line sisters and brothers.

For more voting information check our website, *www.IBEW11. org*, or contact Antonio Sanchez, IBEW Local 11 Political Director to volunteer at 626-660-9550.

Francisco "Paco" Arago Local 11 District 1 Organizer

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We're going to focus on our own house, and the safest thing to do right now is register online to vote. You don't have to be handed a voter registration card. You can do it on your own time."

"I have not heard one person ask me, 'Why are we focused on registering voters?"" he continued. "This is a good thing."

Although Local 11 officials say that the presidential race is important, the White House is by no means the only box that voters should be checking as they fill out their ballots. By researching their local's endorsements, members can cast votes for local candidates who support project labor agreements (PLAs) and other union-friendly policies. Business Manager Joel Barton estimates than approximately 80% of the Local's membership is registered to vote with about 1,000 still needing to be signed up.

"We're trying to stress how important politics is even on

the micro level," said Business Manager Barton. "Many of our members are not registered to vote. So that's the first step regardless of how they vote. We want to educate them about labor's issues and the politicians who back us. That's the main thing: get everyone to vote and of course to reach out to the members so we have a more involved membership."

Organizer Francisco "Paco" Arago has already lined up more than 25 volunteers. As he interfaces with politically active counterparts at other IBEW Locals in southern California, Arago is noticing momentum start to build. After meeting with Local 11, members of IBEW Local 440 in Riverside started their own voter registration campaign — 4 for 440.

The goal is registering more than 1,000 members, which would boost the total number of Local 11 members registered to vote to over 95%. That's a potentially powerful number and one that will likely get politicians to take notice. "We're trying to make this a winnable campaign and I think it's very winnable," said Arago. "We've made it so simple. I could register you right now while we're on the phone. I could say, 'Hey brother, get on your PC, get on *IBEWvotes.com*. It will take you two minutes. Are you done? Cool. Send me a screenshot of that and I'm going to go get myself a raffle ticket for a big screen TV."

When people ask him his occupation, Arago makes a point of saying not just that he is an electrician, but that he is a "union electrician." The designation marks him as a political person and that's important.

"It's our union's responsibility to build a social consciousness," Arago said. "You've got CNN, you've got Fox News and the internet is full of a bunch of stuff. But our union has no interest in lying to you. Our union is going to give you the news that is relevant to your base, to your family and to your consciousness as a working class human being."



Labor of Love

n Labor Day, Monday Sept. 7, IBEW 11 came out in a spirit of brotherhood and sisterhood to support the

Labor of Love Food Distribution in Wilmington. Traditionally, the Los Angeles/Long Beach Harbor Labor Coalition holds a parade and picnic to celebrate Labor Day, but the annual event was cancelled because of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Instead, the coalition held a food distribution to feed 3,500 union families in need. IBEW 11 members volunteered at the food distribution and cooked lunch for all the volunteers. IBEW 11 Jane Templin, who is retiring, was recognized in a brief ceremony for her 45 of years of service. Solidarity!











A group of IBEW 11 members gathered on the grounds outside the Martin Luther King, Jr. Behavioral Center project in Willowbrook to hear Shomari Davis, District 1 Business Agent, introduce new shop steward, Joe LaMarche. The project is a design-build renovation delivering 500,000 square feet of inpatient and outpatient supportive services.

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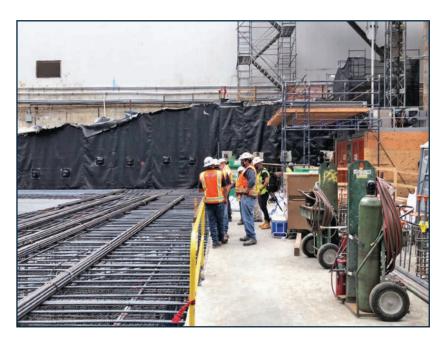
of five members on the job, but it's projected that there will be about 70 members working to build the tower within a year. They're working for CSI Electric under the supervision of Superintendent Alex Gonzalez, whose family has been part of the union for three generations with two brothers, two children, four cousins and a daughter-in-law who are all members.

"CSI is one of our premier NECA electrical contractors," said Shomari Davis, Business Agent for IBEW 11's District 1. "And Alex Gonzalez is a high-rise specialist." This project marks the fifth highrise that Gonzalez has worked on in the past eight years, including two nearby.

"Every project has its challenges," Gonzalez said. "COVID-19 is a big challenge right now for us, as it is for everyone. The challenge is working in the heat outdoors wearing a mask, maintaining the distance, and keeping everything sanitized. Those are challenges because you still have to produce and finish on time."

The plans call for the building of a 56-story tower that will total 64 stories including parking levels, defined by a slender glass and steel facade. Rising to 695 feet in height, the high-rise will offer 784 apartments including studios, one-, two- and three-bedroom units, 831 parking spots and 3,900 square feet of commercial space. There will be amenity decks on the podium and roof floors that will offer a pool and observation deck among other features. The main entrance to the development will be on FIGat7th's upper level, and a newly built staircase between 7th and 8th streets will ease a steep grade change that exists across the site and also grant another access point to the shopping mall.

Currently workers are finishing up the tower mat foundation, which involves a very large multi-day



concrete pour to achieve deep slabs. Once that's complete, the Local 11 crew will move on to working on the parking decks. "For us it's all about design and build," said Gonzalez. "We're the designers and the engineers as well."

"This is a big job with a lot of

hours for us that involves a lot of our members," said Davis. "It's right next door to Metropolis, which employed a ton of our members who were there for a couple of years. This one is going to be a great project for us and we're a happy to have it."

DISTRICT 1 Shomari Davis

8th & Figueroa 43 story High Rise Tower is just being graded to start.

8th & Francisco is a CSI Electric Project that is over 60 Stories tall that is featured in this IBEW LOCAL 11 NEWSPAPER.

ILB Electric is at the old Pacific Exchange at 2nd and Beaudry that's going to ask for manpower in a few weeks

Pico and Figueroa project is in the first phase of a high rise hotel that's just out of the ground.

DISTRICT 2 Mike Costigan

Aloha from the South Bay Districts.

As some of you may know, Mr. Gary Tomlin is no longer the Business Representative in District 2. He has chosen to go back into the field, and we all wish him well. The responsibility for representation in District 2 will now be a team effort by a few of our current agents as well as input from our current Business Manager, who as most of you know served that district as the agent for numerous years. So never fear, you are well represented.

As for the work picture in the South Bay, although the quantities of calls are not what we are used to during the summer months, there is still a plenty of work out there as reflected by the availability of under 200 inside wireman. And even as the stadium continues to wind down, there are multiple projects that keep Local 11 humming along. Most notably, refineries which will be calling out for several shutdowns over the period of the next few months. And FYI: Marathon Refinery will be requiring a TWIC card starting September 11th. Schools such as LAUSD and our local L.A. Community Colleges which approved a new \$10 Billion budget are a good source of work. I do not have an exact number, but I know LAX has well over 500 members working out there. And of course, all the MTA projects we have out there in most of our districts.

So, please keep your eyes out for any of those projects, and make sure to keep up on your continued education. Remember, the more certifications you carry, the more opportunities you'll have to catch a call.

DISTRICT 3 Mike Costigan

As summer comes to a close, the work picture is still fairly active with a selection of jobs in all districts. Out here in District 3, we have a lot of members working even though the calls have slowed some. As I've reported before, LAX is a beehive of activity with multiple projects as reflected by all the visible cranes. We've also had a couple of calls for the Purple Line 3 for Frontier Kemper with hopefully more to come soon. Be prepared to take those calls by keeping all your certifications up to date. As November closes in, make sure your registration information is up to date. Although California is historically a blue state, there are a lot of lower tier elections and propositions that require our support. And finally, I'd like to thank all the members who support our welfare committees by purchasing our shirts and other

merchandise. In addition to showing support for our local by wearing the gear, it helps welfare committees help members who are in need of financial assistance due to injury or illness.

DISTRICT 4 Marc Greenfield

Greetings Brothers and Sisters from District 4. I hope everyone and their families are healthy and safe!

Much of the year has been consumed by the pandemic, which is approaching six months. We have all faced many challenges, and adaptations. We are lucky that many of us were able to continue working.

The work picture continues to look good. Olive View Hospital in Sylmar and St. Joseph's Hospital in Burbank both have new buildings under construction. There are 2 new water purification projects scheduled to start this month for LADWP. The LA Community College District is still going strong with both existing projects and new projects getting ready to break. LAUSD has always been a good source of employment for our members and will continue for several more years.

There will be a District 4 Unit meeting online in October, more information to come!

ETI now has classes online. Call for additional information.

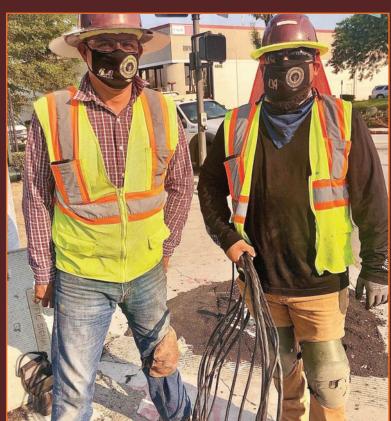
I hope everyone is registered to vote and plans to vote early! Voter registration forms are available at the Halls or online at *www.vote.ca.gov*.

Remember the 3 W's can make a big difference in controlling #COVID19: Wear a mask, wash your hands, and watch your distance.

Stay Safe!



Local 11 member Robert Rodriguez is an officer in LAEWA and a member of EWMC. He registered 5 people to vote last month and one of those entries was the lucky winner. He's taking a mini sawzall and charger home today.



Stay hydrated out there! IBEW Local 11 Transportation members Jose De La Rosa and Oscar Villanueva are hitting it hard on Eastern and Bandini.



DISTRICT 5 Mitch Klein

Good Day Brothers & Sisters,

As Fall approaches, I hope everyone and your families are safe and well. We are all aware of how difficult it is dealing with this pandemic. Always feel free to call me with any concerns.

The work picture in District 5 is holding steadfast. We are continuing work at the Defense Plants with several of our contractors working various areas. We are also keeping busy at the Palmdale School District, Antelope Valley College, Antelope Valley Transit Authority, Senior Housing and the County Health facility to name a few. We have the solar project Rosendin Electric is starting and at the end of the year we hope to be working the Battery Storage facility and the new Green Hydrogen Plant.

I would like to congratulate our two new stewards. Summer Trout at Northrop and Adalberto Gonzales at Lockheed. Thank you and a shout out to our Sister Sherry Greenfield who was blessed with a beautiful baby girl.

Do not forget to sign up for our Journeyman classes that are being offered on-line. You will need 32 hours of ongoing education classes to renew your State certification and any classes taken through the ETI are approved by the State for licensing. Politics are heating up here in the high desert. We are heavily involved with our upcoming Presidential, 25th Congressional, 21st Senate, 36th Assembly plus local City Council and School Boards. Any help is always welcome and appreciated.

Thank you to our Organizer Alton Wilkerson and Manufacturing Business Representative Kristian Mendoza along with our officers Alfredo Torres, King Moore, Mike Kaminski, Luis Martinez, Edgar Ico, Dion Jensen, Shane Fairbrother, Adalberto Gonzales, George Martinez and Ron Dreiling. Please keep our fallen Brothers and Sisters in your prayers and always work safe.

DISTRICT 6 Erik Delgado

Hello to all my essential brothers and sisters, I hope you are all doing well.

Here my report for the ongoing projects in D6:

- Gold Line Metro Project, this just broke ground Aug. 20th and will be a five-year project.
- Big Dalton Dam
- MVUSD Infrastructure Replacement
- HLPUSD Fire Alarm Projects
- La Puente HS Kitchen and Locker Room remodel
- Mt. SAC
-) Pasadena USD solar project
- **)** ELAC Dewatering Pumps
- Rancho Los Amigos Rehab

I want to thank all of you again for continuing to report to work in these unprecedent times. With the summer upon us, the recent heat wave, mask wearing being mandatory please remember to stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water and take your breaks in shaded areas. Refer to your shop's safety officer for a Heat Illness Prevention class, this will give you the knowledge to identify symptoms that cause heat stroke. Remember, "you want to leave the jobsite the same way you came in". Thank you for your time, and I look forward to visiting you at your job sites.

UNIT 14/CIVIL SERVICE AUGUST REPORT Luis Arida

This period of uncertainty due to the Coronavirus is unprecedented for probably all of us. What I have learned over the past few weeks is that this virus picks and chooses who it is going to kill, no matter the age or health of the victim. It is extremely important that we are aware of our surroundings and who is near us. As you continue to go to work every day as an essential worker, always keep your loved ones in mind. One instance of bad timing or poor protection can be devastating.

Below are updates to our contracts.

LAUSD: As virtual schooling begins; our members are physically on the job every day. While the risk of Covid is diminished by the presence of fewer people, it is still important to exercise good judgement "while working. Always remember to wear your masks and maintain distance from your co-workers and other employees. We are still negotiating your new contract despite these uncertain times. We fully intend to bring you an agreement worthy of your vote. Stay tuned.

LA County: As of this writing, the County is still unwilling to negotiate over the impact of potential layoffs. Their tactic is to try to dictate terms without proper negotiation. We have not agreed to any action proposed by the County. They continue to threaten us with layoffs if we do not agree to their terms. I will keep you posted as things develop. IBEW Local 11 will fight tooth and nail to keep our members working.

Our group grievance at DPW was very successful. The department agreed to train their supervision on Covid protocol, and they assured us that they will be vigilant with reporting and contact tracing should there be an infection issue. I want to thank the 20 plus members that joined the grievance and especially our PW traffic signal steward, Yezdan Marquez for the hard work involved in getting this done.

LA City: The Coalition of City Unions has very nearly reached the goal of 1300 applicants for the Separation Incentive Program. The last count was 1277. You may have heard rumors that because we have not hit the magic number, we will now be subject to furloughs. This is just a rumor. The Coalition is currently still negotiating with the City to extend the SIP so that we can hit the goal. If in fact, we do have to face a furlough situation, I will definitely keep you as informed as possible.

MOU 35: As hiring hall employees, you might from time to time, feel that you are treated poorly. I have no doubt that this in fact, does happen. Despite this, you continue to bring value and craftsmanship to the City. We continue to fight and negotiate better terms for your new contract. Unfortunately, everything seems to be on hold due to Covid. I assure you that I am diligently ensuring that your contract is on the Building Trades agenda on a regular basis. I very much appreciate your continued patience and understanding my brothers and sisters.

For further information, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone at (626) 712-4769. Alternatively, you can email me directly at *arida@ibew11.org.*

SOUND & COMMUNICATIONS Chuck Webb

What a summer. A pandemic right in the middle of the biggest work boom we've seen in decades. The fires have the sky looking like something out of Blade Runner. Many of our brothers and sisters have done well, made lots of money with no place to go and spend it. Let me take this time to remind you, the Administration of local 11, past and present, put in a lot of time, effort and money to have as much of this new construction under Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) and **CWA Community Workforce Agreements** (CWAs), as possible. These agreements mean that all or most of the work is to be done by well-trained union labor. We are constantly pushing you to take classes at the ETI because we need to maintain the status of the best trained workforce money can buy. As our Unit grows, we need you to participate in this growth, come to the meetings, understand the contract that was negotiated for you and give us a call when things are not right. That goes from no water on the project to people working with you that have no business there.

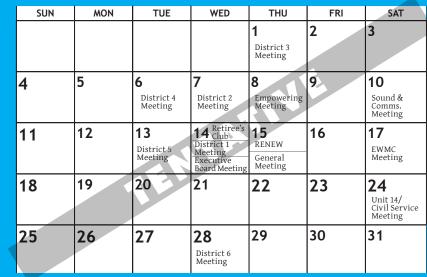
We have had a few companies that want to bend the rules. Their bending of the rules will put you in our line of fire. If you have a concern about anyone being on the jobsite doing your work, feel free to call me. I'm sure you wouldn't like it if you were sitting at home with no income while someone pirates your work because company management wanted to have their son, daughter, nephew, niece, or neighbor doing your work. They are not a member, they should not be there, as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, but they are working, and you are not. You have to stand for something, or you'll fall for anything.

In October, Local 11 will begin having unit meetings, S&C Unit included. You will be sent an invitation via e-mail allowing you to participate in the meeting. It won't be quite as time consuming as the "Live and in Person" Unit meetings we have experienced, but the goal is to inform you and have better participation. Stay tuned!

Work safe, Play safe.

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Update from the Compliance Department

By Veronica Martinez

his past month the Compliance Department participated in annual bond project meeting updates from Los Angeles Unified School District and the Los Angeles Community College District. As you know, the majority of the work at these Districts is covered by Project Labor Agreements and are a key generator of work opportunities

for IBEW Local 11 members. LAUSD- On August 4, 2020, the LAUSD Board of Education voted to place a \$7 billion school construction bond issue on the November ballot, which would allow LAUSD to continue its multi-year effort to upgrade school facilities. LAUSD Procurement Manager Mark Hovatter shared that LAUSD's facility upgrades needs surpass the funds available from the past bond measures. LAUSD current project list includes over 2,100 electrical and lighting projects in over 740 schools to be paid for by bond dollars from prior bond measures. Mr. Hovatter thanked the Unions and attributed LAUSD's success in the area of safety largely in part of the PLA and the union partnerships. He noted that while Covid-19 posed many challenges, LAUSD found it

essential that they continue their construction program. As a result, they have made the most amount of progress and many of their projects have made up time or are now ahead of schedule.

LACCD- LACCD introduced their new Chief Facilities Executive, Dr. Rueben Smith. Dr. Smith most recently served as the Senior Vice Chancellor, Facilities, Public Safety, and Risk Management for the San Francisco Community College District where he previously served as Vice Chancellor, Facilities, Planning and Construction. The Build-LACCD staff, who is responsible for the bond program projects, shared that of the CC Bond monies LACCD is currently expending at their nine campuses, 13% has been allocated towards security upgrades and 6% towards energy efficiency projects. Additionally, close to \$400 million will be spent towards IT and security infrastructure upgrades in the near future. The Build-LACCD staff also thanked the unions for their cognizance in elevating safety measure amongst its members. This attention has been noticed in recent months and has also enabled LACCD to safely get ahead of schedule on many of its projects.

Organizing Report

By Robert Corona

hope this Organizing update finds you and your family safe and healthy. Since our last update, we have signed a couple of new contractors to both the Inside and Sound Agreements. Newly signed Reliable Cabling Solutions and Cruz Prado have both put in calls into the hall for members to work on a couple of their projects.

Should you take a call to one of these, or any other newly organized contractors, keep in mind that they may have some missteps when it comes to the way a Union contractor should do things. By all means, contact your Business Representative if it warrants but try to allow them to remedy the issue so they learn the right way to do things and not make the same misstep in the future.

Although we have the COVID-19 pandemic to contend with, the Organizers are still actively affecting bringing in their key personnel and pushing to convince local politicians and various board members that the best way to complete their projects is by utilizing IBEW Local #11 union members and our signatory contractors. Due to the hard work of our Organizers and Staff, Local #11 has once again met our goal of a four percent growth in "A" membership for the year. Even though we work hard to organize electricians into our Local, it is with the help of you members, that we are able to retain these individuals.

our non-union competitors by

If you know someone who has recently been brought into the Local, please welcome them and try to mentor them in the correct way to be a Brother or Sister in this Union. No one inherently knows the Union way; it has to be nurtured and taught by those of us who have been lucky enough to be apart of this wonderful IBEW Local.



& Sisters in need. Visit ibew11.org/welfare-committees for more information for assistance or how to support the committee or get involved.