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## **Business Manager's Report**

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone has remained safe and dry after the recent storms we've had in the area. We all know how crazy weather can get in this part of the state around this time of year - and I'd like to give a special thanks to the brave IBEW 1002 Linemen from our sister local here in Tulsa for keeping the power on when the weather does its worst.

We are working diligently at the Hall to reach out and help our contractors bid more work, and we are also looking ahead to the future and talking with out-of-state contractors who might want to do some work in our jurisdiction. We've been communicating with some businesses in Arkansas and Kansas about possibly coming in and using an IBEW workforce. This would be a win-win for contractors looking to branch out on projects, and would help get many of our Brothers and Sisters off the books and back on the jobsite, making good, unionscale wages and benefits. We will keep you updated with these developments.

Speaking of contractors: I'd like to say "welcome" to our newest signatory contractor, Angler Electrical Services. Angler is run by Brother Eric Wilkins, a talented hand and a Local 584 member since 1994. Brother Wilkins recently signed with us, and we wish him success on bidding good jobs and appreciate his dedication to hiring an all-union workforce.

For those of you who are interested in going the contractor route, we still have openings for our contractor course which takes place Aug. 24-26. Members who attend will need to submit a \$100 deposit, all of which will be completely refunded after completion of the course. Please call the Hall with any questions.

With our elections happening right now, I want to take a moment and say that I hope everyone takes a good look at each candidate who is running and casts a vote for the future of our Union. Not many organizations are as democraticallyrun as our labor unions, in the sense that you - Brothers and Sisters - have the power to directly elect the leadership and steer the course of the IBEW in this part of the state. No matter who wins, I urge everyone to support the new leadership so that Local 584 can grow and strengthen. Thank you in advance for playing your part in making our Local as great as it can be.

Enjoy the rest of your spring, and please remember to look out for one another on the job site.

In solidarity,

Jeff Sims

Business Manager/Financial Secretary

## **Accidents, Sickness & Deaths**

#### 201 - Jack Hiles

Jack William Hiles of St. Petersburg passed on March 14, 2017 at his residence after an extended illness. He was 86 years of age. Born on January 4, 1931 in Bruin, he was the son of the late Clarence Byron "CB" and Sarah Catherine (Forringer) Hiles. He was married to the former Frances Louise Mohney who survives. Jack was meticulous and always took pride in his work. In addition to his wife, Jack is survived by his children, Sheri Rhoads and husband Von; Jacquie Ellis and husband Harlan; Catherine Chuculate and husband Wayne; Barry Hiles and wife Tammy; Connie Stoddard and husband Randy; and Joni Beichner and husband Bruce; 16 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; one brother-in-law; three sisters-in-law; and a special nephew and niece, Sonny and Sissy. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers; one infant sister; one infant grandson; and recently, his beloved dog, Bailey.

#### 202 - Cecil Rasor

Cecil Elmo Rasor was born October 28, 1923 and passed from this life on March 15, 2017 at the age of 93 in Arlington, Texas. During WWII, he was drafted into the Army Air Corps in December 1942 and served stateside until February 1946, when he was honorably discharged as a Sergeant. He was an airplane mechanic/electrician and gunner on B-25s and flew cover for the nuclear testing in New Mexico. While on training duty, he met his future wife, Wanda Lee London, at the USO in Amarillo, Texas. They were married on September 16, 1944. His son was born in Clovis, New Mexico. Cecil was also a Tulsa deputy sheriff and an auxiliary policeman for many years. As a marksman, he became a member of their shooting team and participated in many competitions. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Wanda; and a daughter, Shirley Ann Bilyeu. Cecil is survived by his son Cecil R. (Ricky) Rasor; five grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandson, Ricky.

#### 203 - James Weldon Long

Brother James Weldon Long was born on October 6, 1948, and passed away on Wednesday, April 19, 2017. He was 68 years old. Brother Long was a resident of Pawnee, Oklahoma at the time of passing. Like many of his generation, he proudly served in the US Air Force during the Vietnam era. We thank Brother Long for his dedicated service to his nation as well as his Local Union. He is survived by his son, Bryan; one brother; and three sisters. Memorial contributions in Brother Long's name may be made to Clarehouse, a Tulsa hospice, or to a favorite family charity.

#### 204 - Harvey Miller D357661

Harvey Miller, 78, of Bartlesville, passed away on Saturday, April 29, 2017. He was born on December 2, 1938. Harvey initiated into IBEW Local Union 584 October 17, 1969, and retired in February 2012. He graduated college from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah. He went through the JATC and turned out as a Journeyman Wireman. He enjoyed traveling, every summer he would go to Canada and pan for gold. Harvey is preceded in death by his brother Robert Miller who passed away in 1944 during WWII. He is survived by his Bother Jack, his sister Mildred Ruth. They say enjoyed being an electrician and loved being a part of the union.

#### 205 - Donald Sires C18883

Donald Leroy Sires, 87, of Fairland, passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2017 in Joplin. He was born in Ochelata, Oklahoma on November 22, 1929.Brother Sires was a Korean War Veteran who served in the US Army. His parents, Chick and Ada Sires, preceded him in passing, along with a daughter, Cassandra Sires; two brothers, John Wesley Sires and Handy Sires; and two sisters, Wanda Virden and Joyce Parker. Survivors include his wife of the home Gloria (Davis) Sires; daughters Patricia Lynn Sires of California; LaDonna Viles and husband Steve of Bartlesville, Oklahoma; and Shelley Rae Wallain of Fairland. His siblings are Bill Sires of Ochelata, Sherry Lozano of Bartlesville, Colleen Peck of Bartlesville, Phyllis Sanders of Ochelata, and June and Harry Thomas of Ochelata. He is also survived by grandchildren Eric Gifford and his wife Olga of Utah; Nicole McKinney and her husband Dillon of Bartlesville; Isabella Wallain; Emmalynn Wallain; Kiley Christensen and her husband Craig of Germany; and Shelby Teeter of California; as well as six great-grandchildren.

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#### Randy Fisher

Born February 2, 1956 in Claremore, Randy was the son of George P. and Ola Mae Wallace Fisher. He was known to be quite the adventurous daredevil during his early years. Many people called him "Randy the Rebel" as he accumulated quite the collection of speeding tickets early in life. He was also very athletic and loved challenges of most any type. Randy was a star on the Track team holding many records for the high jump. He also played basketball and the saxophone in the school band. Randy could play most any instrument, particularly the steel guitar. He graduated from Catoosa High School where he was elected President of the Class of 1974. Following high school, Randy began his training to become a journeyman electrician. While he was contracting with Oklahoma Electric, Randy worked on several buildings in downtown Tulsa including the Williams Center/BOK Tower and ONEOK. He also spent some time working in Arizona and numerous hours teaching the trade to his sister, Marilyn as an apprentice. Randy was a longtime member of the IBEW Local 584 which is an electrician's union in Tulsa. Randy suffered a tragic accident in 1984 however, his spirit never wavered. He loved to travel with his family and his "sitters" throughout the years. Many memories have been made at Randy's house especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. The family would like to express their most sincere gratitude to the many sitters that have cared for Randy throughout his lifetime.

## Reminders

Please make sure all of your information is up to date at the hall, this includes address, phone numbers, and beneficiary information. If you are unsure of who your beneficiaries are, you can call the hall to get this information. If you would to change your beneficiaries you can request new beneficiary paperwork from the hall. Check our website, www.ibew584.com, for upcoming events and other important news.

## **Retiree's Luncheon**

The Retirees of 584 meet the FIRST Tuesday of every month at the Cherokee Casino Buffet at 12:30 p.m.

Cherokee Casino Buffet, 777 West Cherokee St., Catoosa, OK

## **Odds N Ends**

The 22nd Annual Float Trip will be June 10th at Kozy Kamp in Pineville, MO. See Bother Rik Pits for more information or to RSVP.

There will be a code update class on July 22nd & August 26th at the Hall.

The class is \$40.00. You <u>MUST</u> have the significant changes book to attend the class, they will be available for purchase the day of the class for \$50.2017 Code books will also be available for purchase for \$80.00. There has to be 20 people to hold a class, if we do not have 20 for the July class it will be cancelled and combined with the August 26th class. NO CASH please.

Call the Hall 918-592-2989 or the JATC 918-592-2929 for more information or to reserve your spot.

## **Upcoming Events**

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June 2:	Union Meeting @ Hall	7:00pm
June 6:	Retiree Luncheon @ Casino	12:30pm
June 10:	Float Trip@ Kozy Kamp	
June 21:	E Board @ Hall	2:00pm
July 4:	Independence Day Observance	Hall Closed
July 7:	Union Meeting @ Hall	7:00pm
July 19:	E Board Meeting @ Hall	2:00pm