

# IATSE LOCAL 44 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS DUE APRIL 1, 2019



## VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE



*Dear Fellow Brothers and Sisters of Local 44,*

*With the election just around the corner, we in the Election Committee would like to convey a few thoughts to the membership to address some concerns which have been brought to our attention.*

*Firstly, there have been questions concerning the time frame restrictions placed on the balloting process, that it is too short and too dependent on the postal service to ensure that every vote is received by the third party election processor in time to be counted. Everyone must understand that this election, just as prior elections, is strictly bound to follow Section IX of the Constitution & Bylaws. Therefore the ballots must be mailed on March 15, 2019 and be returned no later than April 1, 2019 at 9am in order to be counted. The box will then be emptied on April 1, 2019 and transported under the supervision of your Election Committee members to the soundstage at Local 80 to be counted. Any ballots received on or after that day cannot be counted as the P.O. box will no longer be checked. This is all done to ensure the integrity of the election process and that all ballots are received and properly counted in accordance with the Constitution & Bylaws, to which ALL members are bound.*

*In addition, all members should take note that April 1, 2019 falls on a Monday, so ballots will really need to be received in the Election PO Box by end of day March 30, 2019. This is CRITICAL!*

*We on the Election Committee are truly honored to be part of this process on behalf of our Brothers and Sisters. The responsibility to have one's vote counted is a duty shared equally by every member, and the strength of our union is increased by each VOTING member. To that point, WATCH YOUR MAIL starting March 16, 2019. It's a Saturday. If your Union Leadership is important to you, and if you're reading this Newsreel we can assume that it is, then PRIORITIZE that envelope when you get it. Stop what you're doing, open it, TAKE THE TIME to fill out your ballot, seal it in the postage paid envelope and put it back in the mail! DO IT THAT DAY, then it will be in the P.O. box with plenty of time to spare. You will have fulfilled your duty, and spoken your peace. Congratulate yourself!*

*In solidarity and with all confidence, we hope that the process of democratic election of leadership is as important to each of you as it is to us, and thus we respectfully remain,*

*Your Election Committee*



# NOTICE OF ELECTION

In conformance with its Constitution & By-Laws, as well as the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, and the Constitution of the IATSE, notice is hereby given that Affiliated Property Craftspersons, Local 44, IATSE, will be conducting its triennial election for officers during the months of March and April, 2019. Pursuant to Article IX of the Local's Constitution & Bylaws, the election process will be overseen by the Local 44 Election Committee.

The offices subject to this election are: President, Vice-President, Business Agent, Secretary-Treasurer, Sergeant-At-Arms, two (2) Representatives each from four (4) Crafts (Coordinators, Prop Masters, Set Decorators, and Special Effects), and three (3) Representatives each from the other Crafts (Property and Propmaker). Additionally, there are three (3) Trustee positions and one (1) Delegate for Conventions of the IATSE from each of the six (6) Crafts that are subject to the election. Those elected to the offices of President, Secretary-Treasurer and Business Agent serve as delegates to Conventions of the IATSE by virtue of their office.

There are also twelve (12) Alternate positions open in this election. There is an Alternate for each of the six (6) Craft Executive Board Representative categories, and six (6) Alternate Delegate positions for each of the six (6) Craft Delegate positions.

The Election Committee is in charge of finding an Election Service Provider, securing a post office box for return ballots, and working with the Balloting Service to prepare, send, retrieve, and count the ballots. The Committee also generally administers the election process and coordinates the mailing of literature from candidates to the membership. Pursuant to Article IX, Sections 3 & 5, of the Local's

Constitution & By-Laws, the Election Committee is the sole body within Local 44 that may receive and rule upon any objections, challenges or protests that arise throughout the election or that are filed after the ballots are tabulated.

**The primary election ballots will be mailed by March 15, 2019, and must be received (not postmarked) in the secured post office box selected by the Election Committee no later than 9:00 a.m. on April 1, 2019.** The ballots will be sent to the membership by the Election Service Provider; a separate instruction sheet, as well as a self-addressed stamped envelope, will be included with the ballots.

The Election Committee shall oversee the counting of the ballots by the Election Service Provider and each candidate may have three (3) members in good standing of the Local designated as his/her observer to be present at the ballot count.

If no candidate wins election outright in the primary for a contested office—they must receive 50% plus one vote of all qualified votes cast—then there will be a run-off round for those contested positions. The top vote-getters in each primary contest are in the run-off (again, only in the event that a candidate does not receive 50% plus one vote of all qualified votes cast). If there is only 1 spot available (such as Business Agent, Secretary-Treasurer, President, etc.) and no candidate receives 50% plus one vote, then the two (2) candidates with the highest vote totals will compete in the run-off election.

In the event that no more candidates than open offices are nominated, then the candidates so nominated are deemed elected. For example: if only one candidate is nominated for the office of Vice-President, that candidate is automatically deemed elected as the

Local's Vice-President for the next term of office per Article IX, Section 4, of the Local's Constitution and By-Laws.

However, if there is more than 1 position at stake (e.g., three Property Person Executive Board positions) then any candidate receiving 50% plus one vote in the primary election shall be declared elected; any remaining office(s) where no candidate received 50% plus one vote shall be subject to the run-off election. In such an event, then the candidates in the run-off are the candidates with next highest vote totals, plus one. For example: in an election for three Property Person Executive Board seats, if only two candidates achieve 50% plus one vote, the next two candidates with the highest vote totals are then in the run-off election for the one remaining Property Person Executive Board seat.

Ballots for a run-off election will be mailed on or before Wednesday, April 10, 2019, or the closest business day thereto, and **must be received at the post office no later than 9:00am on April 30, 2019.** If a run-off for any elected office is required, these ballots will also be sent to the membership by the Election Service Provider; a separate instruction sheet, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope, will be included with the ballots. Any candidate in the run-off election shall also have the right to appoint an observer, who must be a member in good standing, to be present at the ballot count.

A special Executive Board meeting will be called the first week of June, 2019, to install all elected officials whether they won in the primary or the run-off elections.

Please consult Article IX of Local 44's Constitution and By-Laws for additional information about the election process. Copies of the Constitution and By-Laws are available at the Local's Business Office.

# QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES OF LOCAL 44

The following is a list of all candidates who have qualified to run for elected office. They are grouped by the position for which they are running and ordered alphabetically by last name. If a candidate is an incumbent running for re-election to the same office, the symbol (inc.) is printed next to their name.

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No Candidate	
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No Candidate	

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### CRAFT DELEGATES ALTERNATES

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## ELECTION COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

The statements of every candidate contained in this Voter Information Guide were printed verbatim and were not edited by the Election Committee, except to ensure compliance with the 100-word limit set forth by Article IX, Section 5 of Local 44's Constitution and By-Laws. Statements made by any candidate express only the views of that candidate, and do not represent the views of Local 44, the International, or the Election Committee.

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

The candidates for the following offices are voted on by the entire membership at large.

<b>BUSINESS AGENT</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SERGEANT-AT-ARMS</b>
<b>SECRETARY-TREASURER</b>	<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	<b>TRUSTEES</b>

Members may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Business Agent.
- **one candidate** for Secretary-Treasurer.
- **one candidate** for President.
- **one candidate** for Vice President.
- **one candidate** for Sergeant-At-Arms.
- **up to three candidates** for the Board of Trustees.

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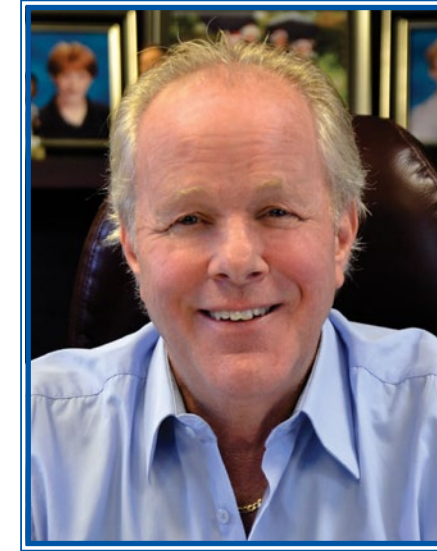
BUSINESS AGENT

TOBEY BAYS



It's time for a new approach. It's time to narrow the gap between the Union leadership and the members they serve. The industry is changing at a rapid pace and we can no longer conduct business from the safety of Local 44's address! I come to the position with a proven track record of aggressive defense of our traditional crafts through effective field representation and a creative problem solving approach to effect real change in the industry. Help me unlock the potential of Local 44, by unlocking the office of Business Agent. Vote Tobey Bays for Local 44 BA.

ED BROWN (INC.)



Local 44, NOW one of the most respected Unions in Labor. When I became your B.A. we were outcast and mocked. Over the years we worked to be at the front of the room, with a seat at the table. We have much to be proud of, none greater than the leading roll we played in the fight for meaningful tax incentives. This program has created thousands of jobs and made Los Angeles a real contender for major productions. It's my honor to represent you and I pledge I will continue to do so proudly.

Vote!  
Ed Brown  
Business Agent

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

PRESIDENT

EDDIE ESPARZA

ANTHONY PAWLUC (INC.)



As your Secretary-Treasurer I will bring my outstanding work ethic and hands on experience to the position. For 24 years, I have worked beside many of you as a Local 44 Propmaker, and Construction Coordinator. As a husband of 23 years and hard working father of four daughters, I have always worked hard looking for that next show, and helping those around me find theirs. I have been in your shoes. I have worked along side you, and now it would be a honor and privilege to work FOR YOU.

I've been WORKING hard for all our crafts brining experience, professionalism and accountability while improving member programs and services throughout Local 44.

As your SECRETARY-TREASURER, Local 44's communications and treasury have POSITIVELY advanced.

I have PROVEN myself as a successful leader at the forefront of the fight in Sacramento bringing back and securing good paying Industry jobs for you.

I will remain DEDICATED while representing with integrity.

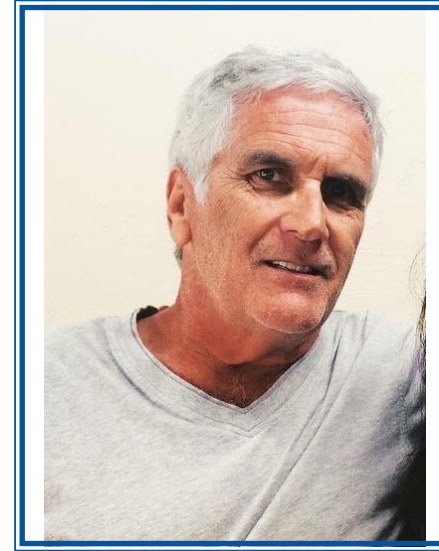
Serving as the Secretary-Treasurer is the ultimate honor and I will continue to steer our Membership's successes well into our futures. I am humbled to serve and appreciate your continued support and VOTE!

Please vote for me, EDUARDO ESPARZA, for Secretary-Treasurer.

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MICHAEL DIERSING (INC.)

DUTCH MERRICK



I'm running to represent the best Local in the IATSE!

Having worked in many states and countries, I feel it's my duty to continue playing a part in our Union's leadership.

The dedication that Edmond Brown and Anthony Pawluc put into ensuring all of our futures in Sacramento, is amazing and I'm happy to be part of it.

Working in TV, Commercials and Film, in LA and around the world, I'm proud to be a Union Member and Leader.

My goal next term is to bring more members to Union meetings and continue my support and advancement of our membership.

Stand strong and vote for Dutch Merrick to be your (non-salaried) President.

You will send an undeniable message that working crew, performing on set night and day for 70-80+ hours a week, want a voice in the administration of the local.

I work *beside* you every day, and will work *for* you as a leader.

Proven leadership on production and on the E-board.

You, me and 6000 of our peers will shape our future this election..

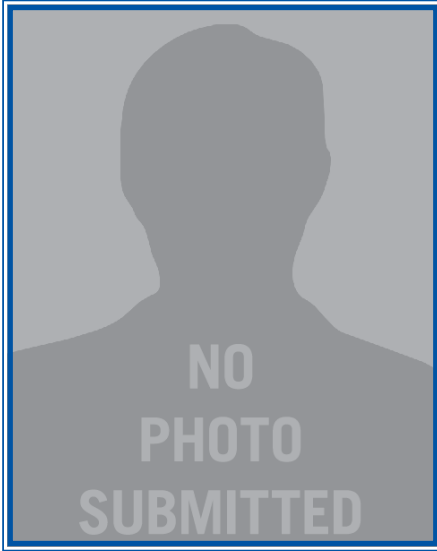
Together, lets build a stronger union, a local we can be proud of and a bright future for organized labor altogether.

-Dutch Merrick

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VICE-PRESIDENT

ERIN HENNESSEY (INC.)

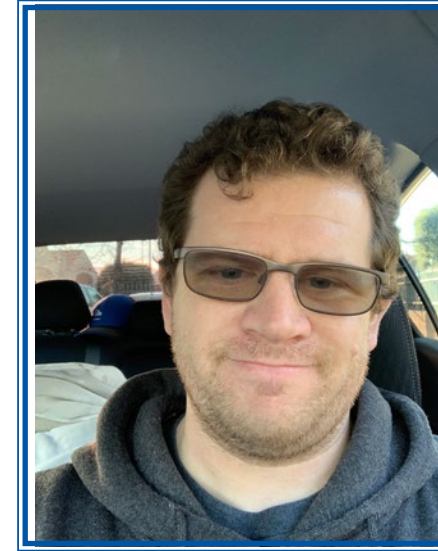


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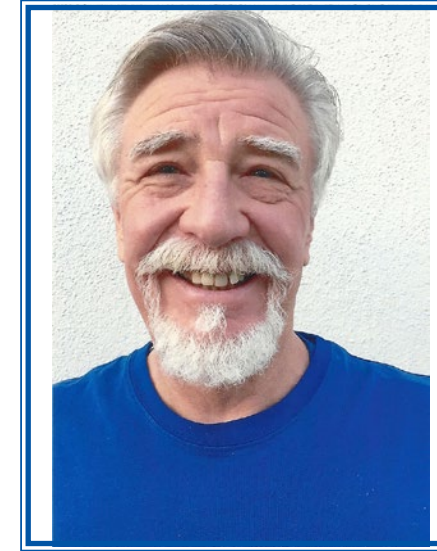
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

JAKE BOWEN



Hi, I am Jake Bowen and I am a 2nd generation propmaker. I am running for sergeant at arms. As a young propmaker I would like to get more involved in our union to continue making it successful and help in any way possible to achieve that goal. I believe SaAs is a good ground level to start at. I will get to sit and oversee all the craft meetings and get a greater general idea on how all our crafts work and learn what is important to everyone.

WILD BILL ELLIOTT (INC.)



I, Bill Elliott, would like your vote in my run for Local 44 Sergeant-At-Arms. I have been in the Union for almost 30 years and have been proud to serve as your Sergeant-At-Arms for the last 9 years, helping run the Union meetings quietly and efficiently. I support our current regime and the Executive Board. I would like to serve another 3 years for you. Please vote for me.

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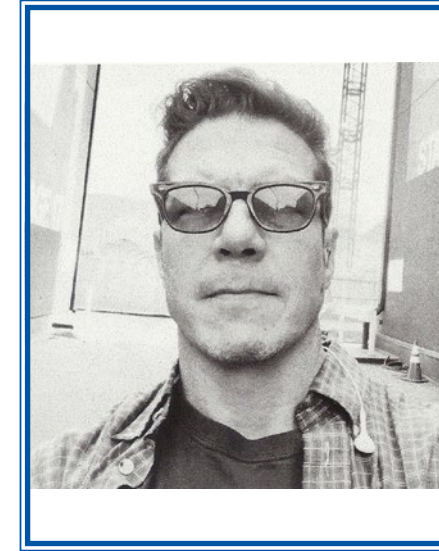
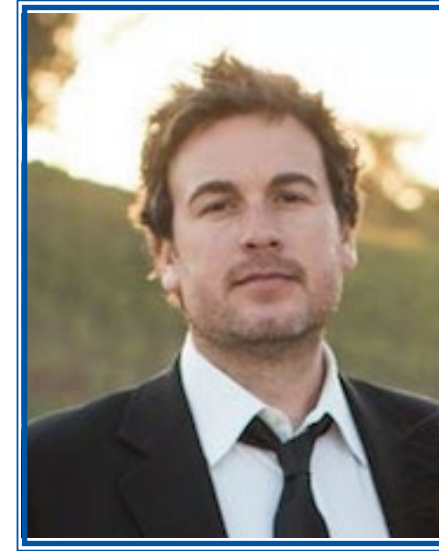
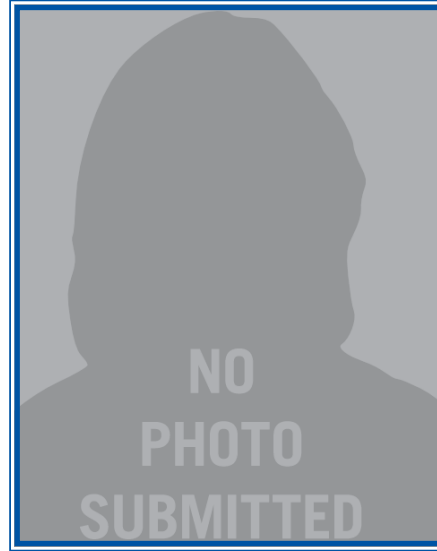
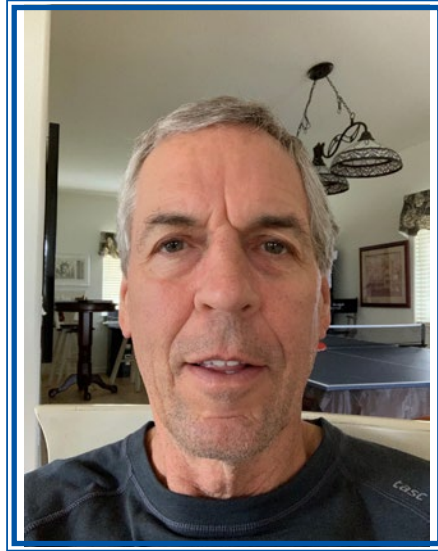
H.B. AARIS (INC.)

BOB CARLYLE (INC.)

LESLI LYTLE

ANTHONY SYRACUSE (INC.)

ADAM ZERKEL



I'm running for re-election as Trustee. I've been a member of Local 44 for over 19 years working with large budgets throughout my career. I have had the good fortune of serving as trustee and would be honored to have your support and continue to help our membership. Our Union's finances continue to head in the right direction and I feel it is important to participate and serve our membership in this capacity. Working with Bob Carlyle and Anthony Syracuse as Trustees has provided excellent oversight of our members money. I appreciate your support and vote.

H.B. Aaris

I'm a long time Local 44 member and a working Construction Coordinator who has overseen large budgets throughout my time in our Industry. I have served our Local in this capacity as your senior trustee. I firmly believe that the Trustees of Local 44 have performed a very important role over many years. I enjoy and want to continue serving the membership as a Trustee, while continuing to work on your behalf's with Anthony Syracuse and H.B. Aaris at the table with me. I'm asking you to please take the time to VOTE in the coming election.

Thank you.  
Robert (Bob) Carlyle

NO STATEMENT SUBMITTED

This is my 23rd year in local 44. I'm a Construction Coordinator, Shop Steward and Trustee. Our local represents a variety of trades with members that are the most creative, passionate and hard working people in entertainment. It's important that we elect the most qualified candidates to best represent these trades. The local leadership and its current board have done amazing things and I'm proud to be part of it. Working with HB Aaris and Bob Carlyle has been fantastic and I want to continue on that path and pursue what's best for our members. VOTES = 44's FUTURE.

Brothers and Sisters, I may not know if my presence is crucial to this election; but I know that yours is.

The incumbent trustees were appointed when our previously elected officials vacated their seats. A long series of handoff successions, minimal contests and low turnouts has created the administration we have today. A true mandate from the membership is long overdue. It is time for us to reform. Your choice in this election will effect our next contract, and point the way for the future of our trades.

Stand up now, vote, and move us forward.

The Union is you.

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## VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

The following candidates shall be chosen solely by the members of their respective craft.

**Example:** Propmakers can vote for a Propmaker Representative and Propmaker Alternate; Propmakers can **NOT** vote for a Property Representative nor Property Alternate.

The following is a list of the Craft Representative positions and the number of votes each member may cast.

Construction Coordinators may vote for:

- **two candidates** for Construction Coordinator Representative **AND**
- **one candidate** for Construction Coordinator Alternate Representative.

Property persons may vote for:

- **three candidates** for Property Representative **AND**
- **one candidate** for Property Alternate Representative.

Property Masters may vote for:

- **two candidates** for Property Master Representative **AND**
- **one candidate** for Property Master Alternate Representative.

Propmakers may vote for:

- **three candidates** for Propmaker Representative **AND**
- **one candidate** for Propmaker Alternate Representative.

Set Decorators may vote for:

- **two candidates** for Set Decorator Representative **AND**
- **one candidate** for Set Decorator Alternate Representative.

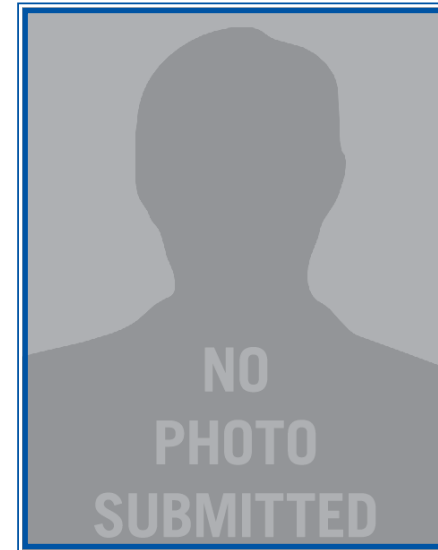
Special Effects persons may vote for:

- **two candidates** for Special Effects Representative. **AND**
- **one candidate** for Special Effects Alternate Representative.

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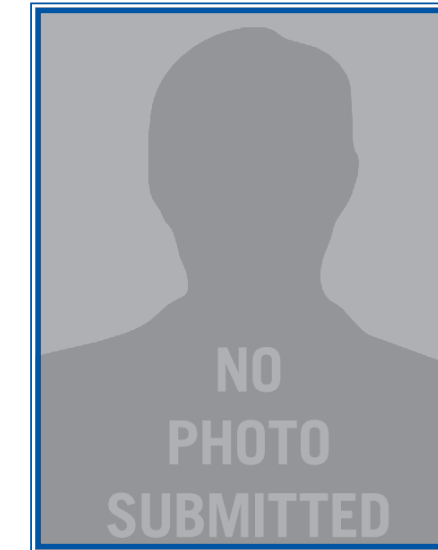
## CONSTRUCTION COORDINATOR

**KAREN HIGGINS (INC.)**



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**ANDREW MOORE (INC.)**



NO STATEMENT SUBMITTED

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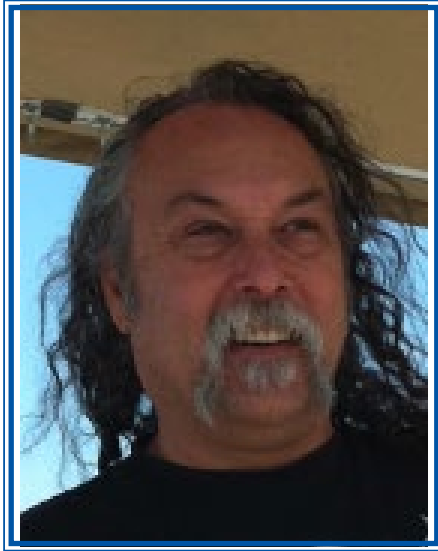


Hello Brothers and Sisters,

I am John Gomez, aka Johnny Hollywood to my friends and family. I am seeking your support as Executive Board Property Craftsperson. I have been in the entertainment business since 1979 when I started as a prop truck driver on *Three's Company* for Western Studio Services. At the time, they were a young company just getting started in the entertainment industry. I knew immediately that I wanted to begin a career in the entertainment business, so I went back to school to study film at LACC in 1982.

There was a passion in me to get

ERIC HULETT (INC.)



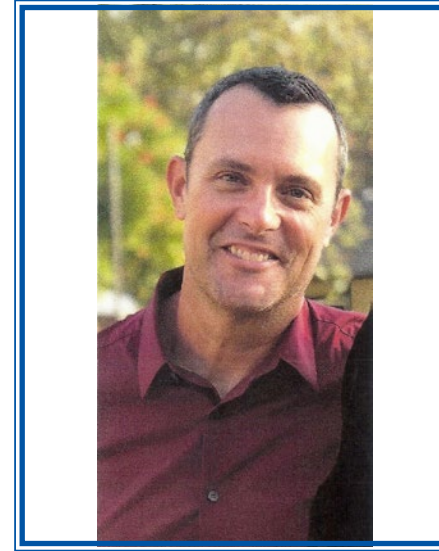
I have been an involved member of your Executive Board for over a decade. We have achieved much progress spearheaded by Local 44 which helped further the California Tax Incentives bringing work back to our state. I will advocate for skills training to insure our ability to remain viable and able to fulfill this work. Dedication to retain jurisdiction over jobs and revenue for our members is my top priority. There is still much work to be done and an experienced and watchful eye will help accomplish these goals. Thank you for your continued support. Fraternally, Eric Hulett\$

MIKE LOOMER



Brothers and sisters, for over nine years I've served as your Alternate Property Representative on the Executive Board. During that time I've worked to get on-set dressers and buyers acknowledged by the producers, proposed a contract change requiring reimbursement for personal cell phone usage, and fought for greater investment in our membership through expanded skills training. I'm requesting your support and your vote as I continue to build our power as the largest Hollywood local. Please vote Loomer for Executive Board Representative.

RAY SCHREFEL JR. (INC.)



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am seeking your support to represent our Property craft on the Executive Board. I have over nineteen years of service in our craft and have been your representative on the Board for the last six years. I look forward to our professions continuing success into the future.

Working at the Universal Property Department for the past twelve years has given me the opportunity to get the correct information out with honesty and integrity. I thank you in advance for your continued support.

In Solidarity,

Ray Schrefel

PROPERTY MASTER

EMILY FERRY (INC.)



While the business is changing, the talent, vision, and enterprise that Local 44 Property Masters bring to the table, never wanes nor falters.

I am so honored to be the Executive Board Representative for the Property Masters at our Local. Please allow me to continue to work for you, with the passion and affection that I always have.

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PROPMAKER

MIKE CAPPELLO (INC.)



**Mike Cappello**  
PropMaker Board Rep

**25+ Year Member of Local 44**

**PropMakers, the Gold Standard of Local 44!**

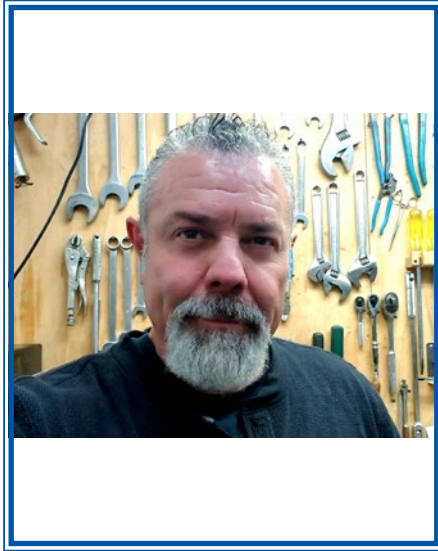
Having decided to retire in 3 years, this will be my final run for PropMaker Board Rep, and I am grateful for your continued support and confidence in me!

- I'm still committed to volunteering my time and continue to invest countless hours this position demands
- I Answer to You, I Always Have! We Are The BEST!

Mike Cappello / PropMaker Board Rep

I am proud to continue my support  
• Ed Brown • Anthony Pawluc • Michael Diersing

TONY CHAVEZ



I am asking for your support and vote for propmaker representative. I have been a Local 44 shop steward since 2000 and served as your executive board representative since 2006. I did not run last term because of my production's location and schedule that made it difficult to get to board meetings. Now my schedule has changed and I am completely available to fully serve this great Local once again. I am in full support of and endorse Ed Brown, Anthony Pawluc, Michael Cappello and Grande Gonzalez

COLIN DENNIS (INC.)

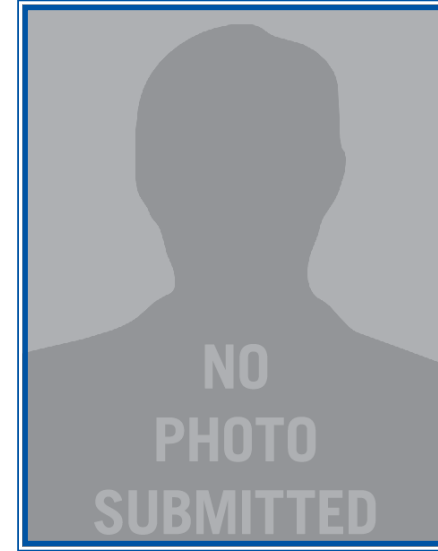


Brothers and sisters of Local 44,  
In the last 3 years we have seen an abundance of growth in our member numbers and in our financial gains. Financial gains that will ensure our continuity and our pensions.

Much of these gains I attribute to the hard work of our Executive Board, to which I've served as a Propmaker Representative for the last 3 years. I am currently running again for that position and encourage all of you to not only vote, but to attend craft meetings and speak to your representatives. Let your voices be heard!

Colin Dennis

ARMANDO "GRANDE" GONZALEZ (INC.)



NO STATEMENT SUBMITTED

SET DECORATOR

ANDREA JOEL (INC.)



Congratulations to all Set Decorators! These past 3 years, we've made great strides elevating our craft We formed the Set Decorator Steering Committee and were successful in passing 3 proposals for the Hollywood Basic Agreement during our negotiations with the AMPTP. We achieved an increase in hours paid into our health and pension plan for 6th and 7th days. We created New Deal Memo and Negotiation workshops, which many have found useful in raising their salary and working conditions. Finally, Set Decorators have consistently had quorums at our craft meetings. Thank you. Let's continue our upward mobility. In solidarity, Please

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# CRAFT REPRESENTATIVES

## SPECIAL EFFECTS

### TIMOTHY B. GRAHAM (INC.)



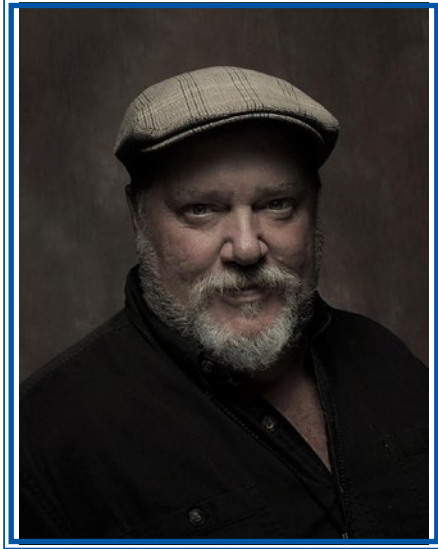
Thank you for your confidence and support over the last decade. It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve the membership of this fine local. Should you so choose, I would be pleased to serve another term.

However you choose to vote, please take the time to return your ballot. Our union only remains strong if each and every member participates. Do your part, then reach out to your brothers & sisters and encourage them to do the same. Let us show the producers our resolve with an overwhelming response to this election.

Thank you.

In solidarity,  
Timothy B. Graham

### J.D. STRETT (INC.)



I have had the honor and privilege of serving on Local 44's Executive Board for The Special Effects Craft for some time. I am seeking re-election to be the senior Special Effects Craft Representative on the Local 44 Executive Board.

In that time, as your representatives, Timothy Graham and I have;

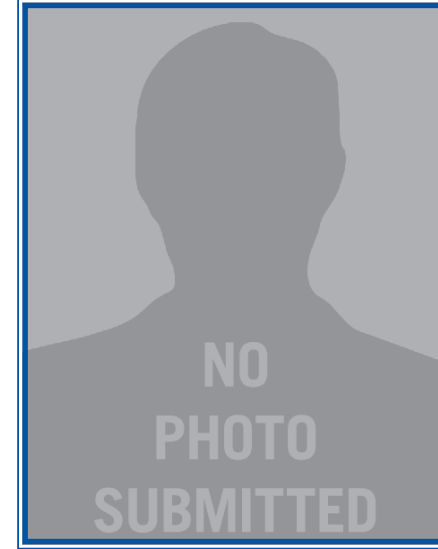
- Worked to get changes in the basic agreement to make it easier to get reimbursed for our federal, and many other, licenses we must obtain to do our job.
- Represented our craft with California State, Federal government and NFPA to see that our specialized work is represented in

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# CRAFT REPRESENTATIVE ALTERNATES

## CONSTRUCTION COORDINATOR

### JOHN RICHARDSON (INC.)



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## PROPERTY

### NATASHA PIROUZIAN



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To our continued success,  
Natasha Pirouzian

## PROPERTY MASTER

### CHARLI JAYSON (INC.)



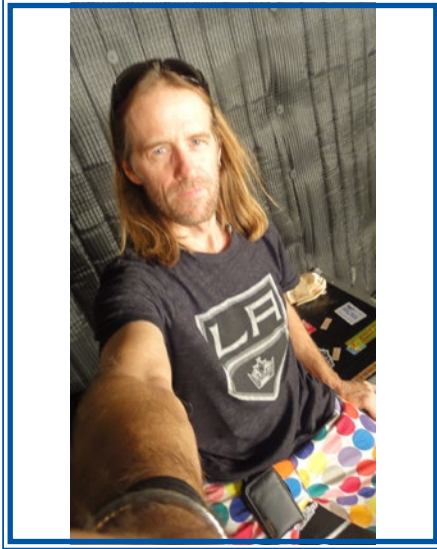
I've always been proud to be a member of Local 44, home of the best Prop people in the film industry. For over 15 years, as a Prop Master and Food Stylist, I've had the opportunity to work with my Prop peers on features, TV, commercials, and more. During the past two terms, it's been my privilege to serve on the Executive Board as the Alternate Property Master Representative, working alongside dedicated and capable Board members to safeguard the interest of the membership. I look forward to continuing in this capacity, and remain committed to representing Local 44 Prop Masters.

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# CRAFT REPRESENTATIVE ALTERNATES

## PROPMAKER

**TOM BOWEN (INC.)**



My decision to continue to run for the propmaker representative alternate was very easy to make as I enjoy our board and its members that make it successful. Ed and Anthony keep us well informed so that we can keep our union brothers and sisters up-to-date on what our union is doing to improve our jobs and keeping work in Hollywood. Thank you for a vote and hope to see you at our next union meeting.  
Tom Bowen

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CRAFT DELEGATES 

## VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

The following candidates shall be chosen solely by the members of their respective craft.

**Example:** Propmakers can vote for a Propmaker Delegate and Propmaker Alternate; Propmakers can **NOT** vote for a Property Delegate nor Property Alternate.

The following is a list of the Craft Delegate positions and the number of votes each member may cast.

Construction Coordinators may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Construction Coordinator Delegate **AND**
- **one candidate** for Construction Coordinator Alternate Delegate.

Property persons may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Property Delegate **AND**
- **one candidate** for Property Alternate Delegate.

Property Masters may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Property Master Delegate **AND**
- **one candidate** for Property Master Alternate Delegate.

Propmakers may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Propmaker Delegate **AND**
- **one candidate** for Propmaker Alternate Delegate.

Set Decorators may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Set Decorator Delegate **AND**
- **one candidate** for Set Decorator Alternate Delegate.

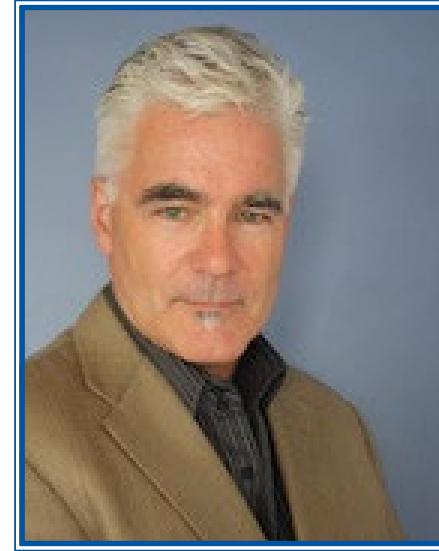
Special Effects persons may vote for:

- **one candidate** for Special Effects Delegate. **AND**
- **one candidate** for Special Effects Alternate Delegate.

Candidate statements begin on the following page.

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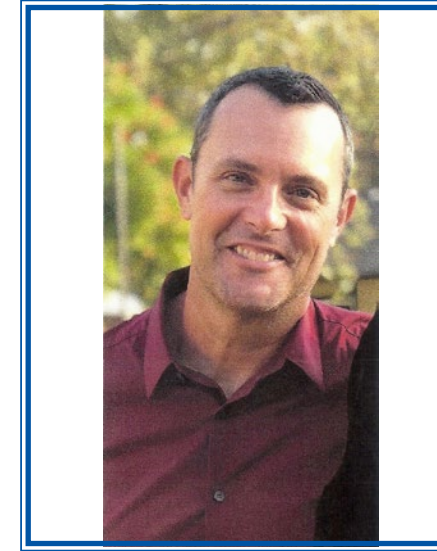
**DAVID ELLIOTT (INC.)**



I originally ran for office because our Union wasn't living up to what its members deserve and I believe that if you're not part of the solution, you are part of the problem. Now that we have a Union government that is honest, reliable, and responsible, I will continue working with my colleagues building Local 44 into the best example of representation in the Industry. If you deserve Growth, Strength, and a Powerful Union Voice - vote to keep this great administration in office. Your vote is part of our solution!

## PROPERTY

**RAY SCHREFEL JR. (INC.)**



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

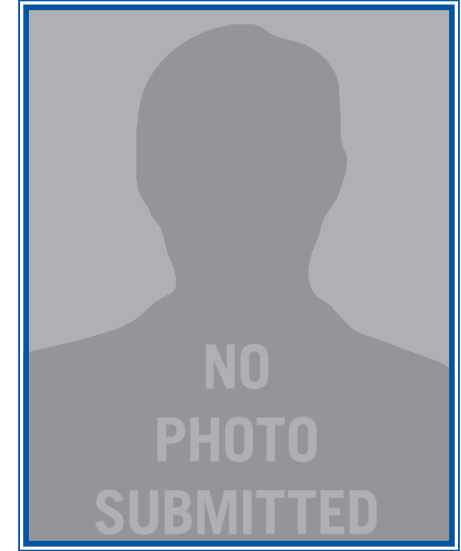
I would appreciate your continued support to represent our craft as your Property Delegate. I have experience serving as our crafts' delegate bringing over 2100 Property members' voices to District and International Conventions while also serving on several committees. During my time, we have become very respected within the Alliance and I will continue to serve with honesty and integrity standing with our delegation and the leadership of our Union as we collectively represent over 6000 Local 44 members.

Thank you for your support and be sure to vote.

In solidarity,  
Ray Schrefel

## PROPERTY MASTER

**EMILY FERRY**



## CRAFT DELEGATES

### PROPMAKER

**MIKE CAPPELLO (INC.)**



**Mike Cappello**  
**PropMaker Delegate**

**Representing PropMakers!**

- Still Actively Involved in California's Film and TV Tax Incentive Program, Bringing Work Back to Hollywood!
- A Delegate is There to give PropMakers a Solid Voice and to Act a Role Model for Our Craft
- I'm Committed in Doing What I do BEST, Representing PropMakers at the Highest Level in **I\*A\*T\*S\*E**
- As a Returning Delegate, I Value Your Confidence!

**Elect Mike Cappello / PropMaker Delegate**

### SET DECORATOR

**DEA JENSEN**



As a member of the 44 Set Decorators steering committee, I've learned much about the history of our craft at Local 44 and how we arrived at our current state. It's been a powerful experience to come together with other Set Decorators and build consensus as we work within the framework of our union contract, seeking ways to elevate the craft while improving terms and conditions.

As Set Decorator Delegate, I hope to represent the concerns of our craft at the IATSE District 2 convention, learning more about the issues of other locals and seeking ways to dovetail our efforts.

### SPECIAL EFFECTS

**J.D. STRETT (INC.)**



I seek re-election as Special Effect Craft Delegate. As your delegate I hope to continue representing our craft within the I.A.T.S.E, both in our district and nationally.

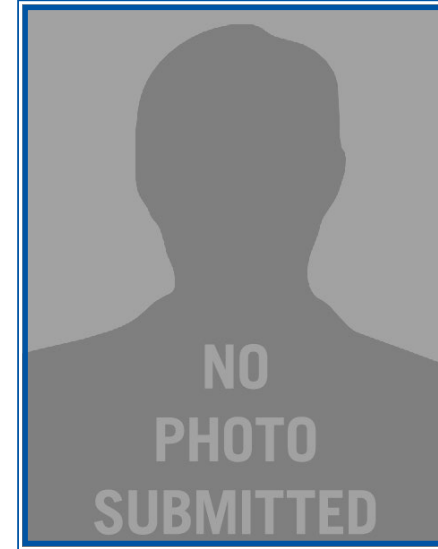
I believe it is important that our unique skill set is recognized for the safety and quality it brings to the entire entertainment industry.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
J.D. Strett

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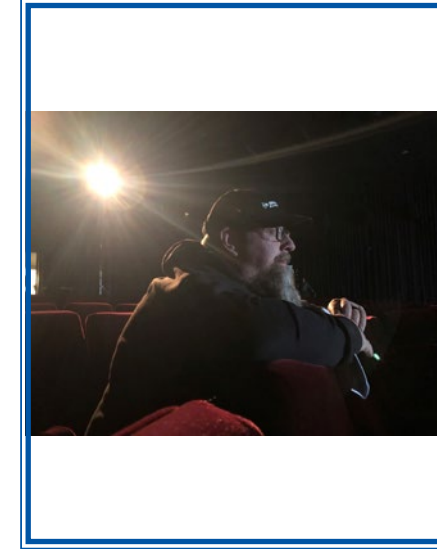
**ANDREW MOORE**



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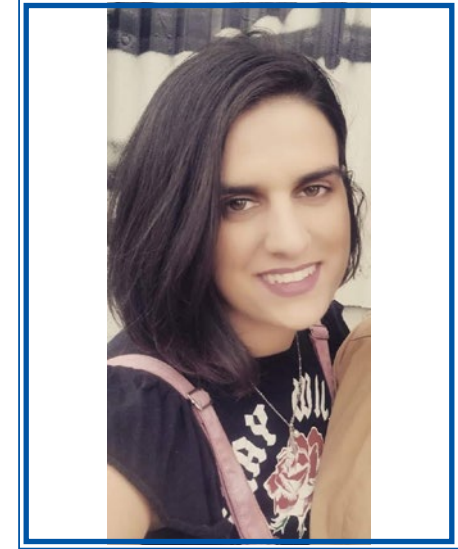
### PROPERTY

**MIKE LOOMER**



Brothers and sisters: As the alternate delegation representative, I will work with the Local 44 leadership to guide the International in negotiating contracts that promote safety, and financial security. I'll also work to modify the tiered contracts to better benefit us, the labor force behind the block busters. I will continue to be the enthusiastic mouthpiece of rank and file members. Please vote for me, Mike Loomer. Thank you for your support and participating in these important union elections.

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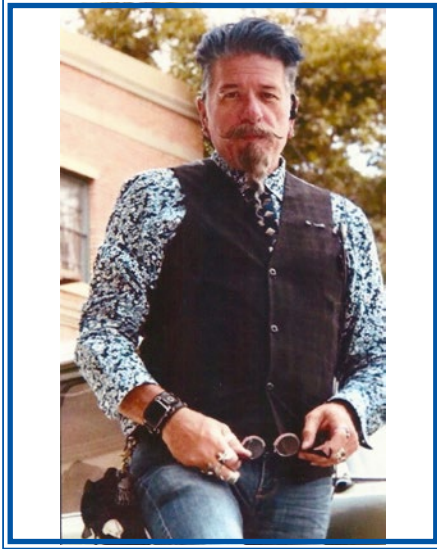
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## CRAFT DELEGATE ALTERNATES

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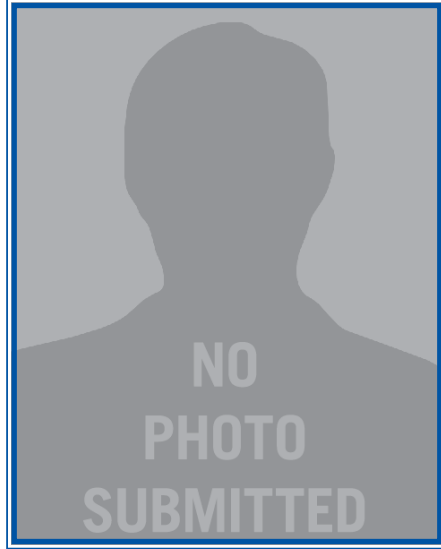
**CHARLI JAYSON**



I've always tried to be involved in the work of the Local, and now it's time to become more involved in the Union as a whole, and the greater labor movement beyond. We know how vitally important it is to have a seat at the table when decisions are being made that affect our future. Our strength is in our unity. Being pro-Union' has to mean more than individual gains. Solidarity is about all of us, not just the few. Representation matters. Diversity matters. Local 44 needs a strong Delegation to work for all the members.

### PROPMAKER

**VINCENT HAMMOND (INC.)**



My name is Vincent Hammond and I am a candidate for Propmaker Delegate Alternate. If you come to union meetings you have probably seen me there. I am a strong supporter of our union and our Local. Please vote for me as your representative. Thank you, Vincent Six foot eleven.

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# IATSE LOCAL 44 GENERAL ELECTION

BALLOTS DUE APRIL 1, 2019  
VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

[www.local44.org](http://www.local44.org)

**IN ORDER FOR YOUR BALLOT TO BE  
COUNTED, YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN  
GOOD STANDING BY MARCH 29, 2019.**

Contact the business office to resolve  
outstanding balances.

**LOCAL 44 BUSINESS OFFICE  
(818) 769-2500**

**DO NOT VOTE IN THIS BOOKLET**

Official ballots will be sent to you  
separately in the mail. Return the  
ballots using only the included self-  
addressed stamped envelope.

**Remember to Vote!**

Ballots must be returned to the Local 44  
Election Committee Post Office Box no  
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