



Trowel Talk

The Official Newsletter of
Plasterers' Local No. 200

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Spring 2021

Special Called Nomination Meeting Results



With no opposition or additional nominations made, the nominations were voted to be classified as a "White Ballot" which dismisses the need of a secret ballot election.

President: Phil Pastor

Vice President: Esequiel Mendez

**Financial Secretary-Treasurer/
Business Manager:** Tom Castleman

Recording Secretary: Carlos
Betancourt (New)

Sergeant at Arms: Steve Tasco (New)

SCPI Trustee: Phil Pastor

Executive Board: Gilberto Bojorquez-Perez,
Eric Fischer (New), Raul Gutierrez (New), Jim
Lee, Santos Macias

District Council/State Conference Delegates:
Tom Castleman, Phil Pastor, Esequiel Mendez,
David Casey, Carlos Ponce, Christian Betancourt,
Jim Lee, Steve Tasco (New)

On March 18, 2021, a 'Special Called Nomination Meeting' was held at the Plasterers' Local 200 Pomona office to nominate officers of Local 200. Nominations were cast as set forth by Article 6 of Local 200's By-Laws for positions of Financial Secretary/Business Manager, President, Vice President, Executive Board (5), SCPI Trustee (1), Sergeant at Arms (1), Recording Secretary (1), District Council/State Conference Delegates & International Convention Delegates.

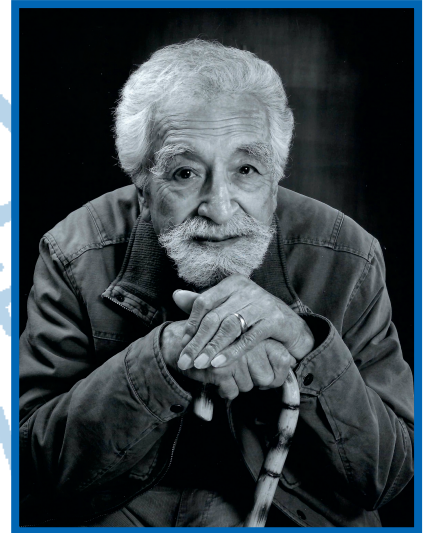


Your New Executive Board (L to R): Santos Macias, Tom Castleman, Steve Tasco, Phil Pastor, Gilberto Bojorquez-Perez, Raul Gutierrez, Eric Fischer & Carlos Betancourt (Not shown V.P. Esequiel Mendez & E-Board member Jim Lee).

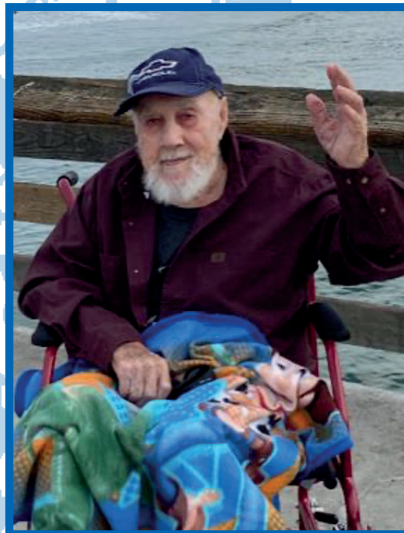
70 Years of Service Plaque Recipients



Gilberto McGuire
70-year recipient May 2020



Elias Guzman
70-year recipient May 2020



Thomas Flaughter passed away last August and was not able to get a photograph with his plaque. Our deepest condolences to the Flaughter Family.



Patrick Nicholson
70-year recipient August 2020



John George
70-year recipient October 2020

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Way to Go Don!

Donald Matthews, retired Plasterer shows Local 200 he can still plaster at 91.
Congratulations on 70+ years of service!



Plasterers' ROCK!



Cell Crete's Mark Gould, Carlos Coronel & Steve Gould
at the new Home Depot in Pasadena.

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Caston's Manuel Alvarado, Heriberto Campos, Hosein Mauricio & Brandon Rodriguez at Riverside Health Lab.



Ronnie Soria at Martin Brothers' Temecula Valley Hospital project.



Plasterer Alejandro Bailon & Owner Anthony Lopez from Lopez & Sons at the Military School in Perris.

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KHS&S' Marco Vasquez, Adrian Díaz, Nelson Montanez & Victor Guzman at San Manuel Casino's project in Highland.



Caston's Guillermo Arroyo up on the Scaffold.



Apprentices Francisco Pelayo (L) & Michael Morales (R) remodeling the Union's meeting hall restroom.



Plasterer working at Martin Brothers' UCR project in Riverside.



Business Agent Carlos Ponce & Casey McLean (Raymond Group).



Plasterers from Superior Wall Systems.



E.I.F.S. Class 3/22/2021 Apprentices (L to R): Raymundo Martinez, Luis Godinez, Alejandro Mendoza, Ulises Baltazar, Brandon Soto, Steven Barrera, Marquis Henderson, Antonio Contreras, Manolo Mejia & Marcus Burrue. Thank you J.A.T.C. for keeping up with the CDC Covid Guidelines.

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