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**Summer Picnic  
August 24th  
10 AM—2 PM**



## ~ Business Managers Report ~

Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to congratulate all of our newly elected officers and wish them the best of luck in their respective positions. I look forward to working with each of you as we address the issues of our local union and move toward a stronger brotherhood. I'm sure I speak for all of our newly elected officers when I say we truly appreciate your patience as we adjust to our new responsibilities. We have hit the ground running and I don't anticipate a slow down any time soon.

I know the recession has been a trying time and has forced many of us to adapt in order to maintain stability. At this time, work in our construction branch looks much more promising. Our jurisdiction is on the leading edge of an economic upswing. We have a significant amount of work headed our way. Without getting into great detail, some of the upcoming projects within our jurisdiction include two major data centers, both within 30 minutes of our hall, and two leaders in the banking and insurance industry that are making large additions and significant renovations. In addition, the Red Rock Hydro Facility and a power house in Marshalltown that are scheduled to start in 2014 will aid in prolonging this recovery. There are many other projects within our jurisdiction that I will gather details on as they progress.

We will need help from other local unions to fill these calls so please welcome these Brothers and Sisters into our home. Let them know that we stand with them. Together, with our strong values and our commitment to pride in our work, there is nothing that we can not accomplish. It's always enjoyable to meet people that share the same pride in our great union.

The new Assistant BA, Al DeHeer and the new Membership Development Coordinator, Doug Buchman and I are looking forward to meeting with all of our Brothers and Sisters in every branch of the industry. We are eager to work with you to find new and innovative ways to improve the quality of our lives as IBEW members. Until such time that we meet, you can reach us at the hall or through E-Mail:

Business Manager Pat Wells: [phwells@ibewlu347.org](mailto:phwells@ibewlu347.org)

Referral Agent Al DeHeer: [ajdeheer@ibewlu347.org](mailto:ajdeheer@ibewlu347.org)

Membership Development Coordinator Doug Buchman: [dlbuchman@ibewlu347.org](mailto:dlbuchman@ibewlu347.org)

Together we all represent the best of the best.

Brotherhood strong, Pat Wells

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 Doug Buchman: dlbuchman@ibewlu347.org

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 Dues, Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org  
 Resign: resign@ibewlu347.org

## ~ Presidents Message ~

**Hello Brothers and Sisters,**

I am looking forward to the challenges ahead of us at IBEW Local Union #347 and working with the new Business Manager Pat Wells to move us forward in the most positive way possible. I will be writing to you every month in the newsletter with my primary focus being UNIONISM and letting you know what's going on in our union.

August 8th at 5:00 PM is the General Membership Meeting and I look forward to seeing some new, as well as familiar, faces at all meetings.

August 24th will be the first, and hopefully annual, Local #347 Summer Picnic at the Union Labor Park with lots of fun activities for the kids and a great time for the adults later in the evening. A huge "Thank you!" goes to Chad Lowe for heading up this event.

September 2nd is Labor Day and this will be the 3rd year that we are back in the parade. We will have two floats in it and hopefully several hundred members and their families there to help give out LOTS of candy. I am still looking for volunteers to help with the floats as we have to build one from scratch and decorate and paint the existing one.

Matt Marchese is needing help at the Union Labor Park after work from August 19th-23rd and any help would be greatly appreciated.

In closing, I would like to try something new. Below I have given my contact information. I would like as many people as possible to let me know the following information:

**\*Where you are working      \*How many electricians are on the job      \*How long the job will last**

Thank you in advance. My contact information:

Cell Phone: [515-975-9755](tel:515-975-9755)

E-Mail: [president347@gmail.com](mailto:president347@gmail.com)

Facebook: [Scott Farnsworth](#)

**In Solidarity, Scott Farnsworth, President IBEW Local #347**

# Membership News

## Last Months Job Referrals

55 —referrals sent out      17—Regular Calls      20—Short Call      12—Apprentice  
 12—Unindentureds



# IBEW Local Union #347

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

- ∴ Swearing in of new Officers
- ∴ 4 Final Readings for membership
- ∴ 3 Oath of Obligations
- ∴ 1 Early Retirement approved
- ∴ 1 Honorary Withdrawal approved



# Local Union #347 Summer Picnic!

August 24, 2013  
From 10:00 AM—2:00 PM

Union Labor Park  
4640 NW Morningstar Drive  
Des Moines, IA 50313

Directions:

From 2nd Avenue (North of Euclid), go West on Aurora Avenue. Continue until you get to NW Morningstar Drive and go North. The park will be on the West side of the road.

This is a fun event for the entire family!

Activities will include:

Bounce Houses

Pony Rides

Balloon Artist

Volleyball

Bags

Ladder Golf

Wolfie's Bar-B-Que will be roasting a whole hog and beverages will be provided! Hot dogs and Hamburgers for the kids and the **ICE CREAK TRUCK** the last hour!

Please call the Hall with the number of people attending by August 16, 2013 at 515-243-1924.

~Hope to see you there!~

# Principal 1 on 1 Sessions

On August 26, 2013 from 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM at the Union Office, there will be Principal Representatives Dale Roshek, Tyler Kamerman, and Alex Schelling here to discuss, with ANY IBEW Local #347 Member, your pension portfolios. We have had great success with these Representatives helping our members in the past. This is a service that is FREE to any member receiving pension contributions and would like to take charge of their investment and retirement future! During your individual 45 minute session, you will look at your current portfolio, discuss the pros and cons of different investments, and then make changes as you choose, however you are under no obligation to make changes. We *encourage* you to take advantage of this opportunity and if able, bring your spouse if applicable! To sign up for a time slot that works for your schedule, call the Union Office at 515-243-1924 and speak with Stacy. These time slots are available on a first come-first serve basis so **don't delay!** Spots will fill up fast!

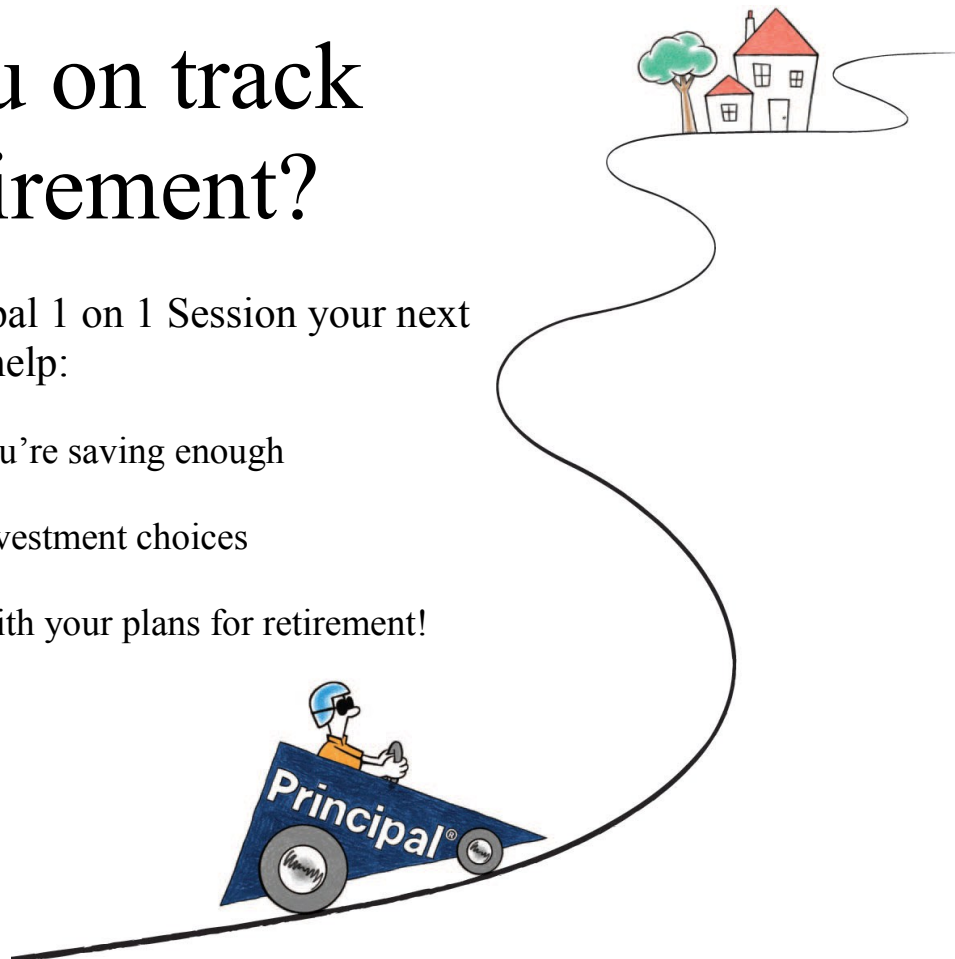
If the August date conflicts with your schedule, we will be having another 1 on 1 session in October, or we can get you in direct contact with one of the Representatives where you can schedule a private session.

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## Are you on track for Retirement?

Make the Principal 1 on 1 Session your next destination and help:

- ◆ Determine if you're saving enough
- ◆ Review your investment choices
- ◆ Stay on track with your plans for retirement!



# Apprenticeship News

The Instructional staff of the Iowa Electrical Apprenticeship will soon begin delivering a 4-day training session called “Boot Camp” to all jurisdictions of the state that are served by IEA. During this “Boot-Camp” the newly indentured first-year apprentices will receive First Aid/CPR, OSHA 10-Hour and Industry Orientation training.

For the Journeyman, if you still need CEC’s, sign up for available classes now, before it’s too late! Visit our website at [www.iowajatc.org](http://www.iowajatc.org) for the current class schedule.



## Back to School Sweets!

Listed below are Union Made candies! If marked with an \*, just verify that the candy you are buying is Made in the USA, instead of Mexico!

Hershey Products	Necco (New England Confectionery Company)
Hershey Kisses*	Sweethearts
Hershey Syrups	Mary Jane Peanut Butter Chews
Hershey Milk Chocolate Bar*	NECCO Wafers/Necco Wafer Smoothies
Hershey Milk with Almond Bars	Sky Bar
Hershey Special Dark Bars	Clark Bar
Hershey Nuggets	Canada Mints
Rolo	Candy Cupboard
Hershey Kissables	Thin Mints
Kit Kat Bars	NECCO Assorted Junior Wafers
Carmello Bar	Clark Junior Laydown Bag
Cadbury Fruit & Nut Bar	Mary Jane Laydown Bag
Cadbury Roast Almond Bar	Haviland
Cadbury Royal Dark Bar	Mallow Cups
Cadbury Dairy Milk Bar	Necco Peanut Butter Kisses
Jolly Ranchers	
Hershey Symphony Bar with Toffee	Ghiradelli Chocolates
Just Born Products	Nestle Products
Peeps	Nestle Treasures
Mike & Ike	Laffy Taffy
Hot Tamales	Kathryn Beich specialty candy
Peanut Chews	Baby Ruth*
Jelly Beans	Butterfinger*

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **August 31, 2013**. This list was run on July 22, 2013.

**“A” MEMBERS**

Kile E. Andeway  
Landon W. Beard  
John R. Breeden  
James C. Brown  
Ray Camacho  
Kevin N. Cochran  
James J. Coles  
Derek E. Conover  
Chad M. Danley  
Kevin S. Day  
Joseph A. Everts  
Marty J. Farrell  
Dan P. Ferneding  
Eric S. Flinn  
Richard D. Grandquist  
Kevin R. Grant  
Josh D. Grooms  
Jason W. Grosvenor  
Dennis B. Hagen  
Christopher R. Haney  
Kerry A. Horner  
Tyler J. Hougham  
Lewis D. Jacobsen  
Matthew S. Jesse  
Andrew T. Johnson  
Eric A. Jorgensen  
Eric A. Klingensmith  
Steven L. Kopp  
Josh D. Leonard  
Corey A. Little

Jeff M. Manning  
Jordan M. Martzahl  
Robert J. McCauley  
Matt L. Reber  
Scott B. Schoonover  
Jason A. Schutty  
Luke W. See  
Cory T. Self  
Daniel T. Smith  
David L. Smith  
Lee R. Stahl  
David C. Terrill  
Chance G. Veach  
Robert J. White  
Johnnie J. Wright

**“BA” MEMBERS**

Douglas L. Edwards  
Donald D. Gruver  
Stacy M. Hickman  
Jaison A. Jackson  
Jeffrey W. Lampe  
Gary W. Murray  
Robert E. Ware  
Richard J. Weifenbach



The following members will be dropped from membership if their dues are not paid by August 31, 2013. This list was run on July 22, 2013.

**“A” MEMBERS**

Bryon Fleming  
Matt Z. Gruis  
Robert M. Hathaway  
Steven D. Jordison  
Brian J. Leeper  
Jason D. Moorman  
Edhem Muminovic  
Kirk I. Rundall  
Brian L. Wallace  
Fred H. Weers


**“BA” MEMBERS**

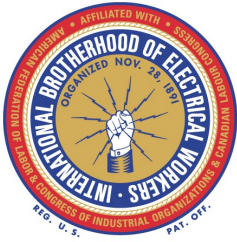
Albert Ichelson

**JULY 1ST DROPS**

Noah L. Amerson  
Cody J. Gumm  
Sarah R. Kabala  
Aaron L. Keffer  
Jevon D. Oakley  
Jerod W. Parrott  
Robin D. Riley

# August 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM  ADT Mtg. 5:00 PM	6 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	7 Residential Mtg. 4:00 PM	8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM  Retiree Luncheon	9	10
11	12	13 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	14 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM  V.D.V. Mtg. 4:00 PM	15 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM  T.S.T. Mtg. 3:30 & 4:30 PM	16	17
18	19 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:30 PM	20 Keystone Mtg. after work	21	22 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM	23	24 Summer Picnic 10AM-2PM
25	26 Pension 1-on-1 Sessions  Call the Hall to Sign Up!	27 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM	28	29	30	31



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**LOCAL UNION 347—[www.ibewlu347.org](http://www.ibewlu347.org)** Business Office open 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday-Friday: Phone: (515) 243-1924  
For Job Calls, call after 4:30 PM daily and all weekend long: (515) 243-5412 Fax #: (515) 243-8772  
Local #347 Benefits Website: [www.ibew347benefits.com](http://www.ibew347benefits.com)

**LOCAL 347 HEALTH INSURANCE GROUP #78-380001**

Dollar Bank Billing & Claims Information: Call Wilson-McShane (515) 224-4308 or 1-877-224-4308  
To search for a United Health Care in-network provider call: 1-866-596-8447 or go to [www.uhc.com](http://www.uhc.com) and click on Options PPO.

**L.D.I. INFORMATION (Prescription)—[www.LDIRx.com](http://www.LDIRx.com)**

Retail & Mail-Order Prescription and Drug Programs  
To contact L.D.I. directly if you do not have internet access: 1-866-516-3121

**DELTA DENTAL INFORMATION—[www.deltadental.com](http://www.deltadental.com)**

When presenting your ID Card, please notify the provider to only use the last 9 digits or your Member ID #.  
To contact Delta Dental directly if you do not have internet access: 1-800-544-0718

**V.S.P. INFORMATION (Eye Care)—[www.vsp.com](http://www.vsp.com)**

To search for a provider or to look at available benefits go to [www.vsp.com](http://www.vsp.com) and click on member benefits.  
To contact V.S.P. directly if you do not have internet access: 1-800-877-7195

**LOCAL 347 PENSION PLAN & 401K #4-31329 Admin. by Principal:**

[www.principal.com](http://www.principal.com). When calling have your P.I.N. ready 1-800-547-7754  
Address changes: 1-800-547-7754

**TRADESMEN CREDIT UNION:**

(515) 243-8735

**RETIREE RESOURCES:**

IBEW Retiree helpline: 1-800-733-4239  
NEBF: 1-301-556-4300  
Have your Card# or SS# ready