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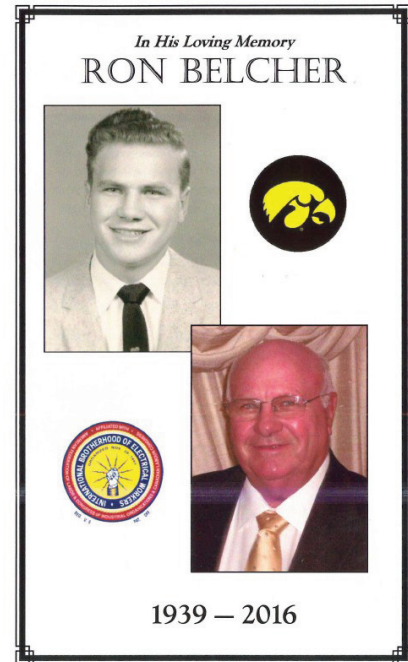
Sisters and Brothers,

We lost a great leader and Brother recently. From 1992 – 2001 Ron Belcher served as business manager and was committed to improving the quality of life for all of our Sisters, Brothers and their families.

One of his many achievements include the work he did with the 347 Health and Welfare Trust. As a proven industry leader he was able to coordinate the benefit into a self-funded Plan instead of the insurance product that it was before, crafting much of the very language that provides the benefits that still takes care of our families today.

At one time he was tasked by the International Office with the creation of a controversial market recovery program. A program that had, at one time, given us a strategic advantage over some competitors. He was able to lay that groundwork and kept many of us working on projects we may not have done otherwise despite any obstacles.

Ron was Business Manager at a time when momentum was building for organizing within the IBEW and he actually began the practice of employing organizers at Local 347. During his term he grew the Local by nearly 40%, a significant contribution to the strength that Local 347 has today. This has assisted in our ability to man the work and to help our signatory contractors gain market share which provides opportunities for all of us.



347 : I.E.C.
 Lucky or Knowledgeable?
 The more you know the more successful you'll be with your 401k investments. That success will result in a larger retirement income.
 Come hear tips to maximize your 401K investments. Everyone will receive a Seven Card Stud hand - top five hands will walk away with a prize.
Date: Thursday, October 6th, 2016
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Where: Union Hall
 850 18th Street
 Des Moines, IA 50314
RSVP to Misty at the Union Hall - 515-243-1924 or mrturmer@ibewlu347.org
 All members and spouses welcomed!
 Space is limited!

He was a leader that helped to negotiate what is known today as the Statewide Voice Data Video Agreement. Originally designed to take back a segment of the work we were losing, it is now a thriving Collective Bargaining Agreement providing wages and benefits to over 100 members and their families.

Ron served us proudly as delegate to Building trades, State electrical conference, Iowa Electrical Council and the Iowa Federation of Labor just to name a few. He wore many hats as a leader of Local 347 but ultimately, none more important than that of a Brother to all of us. He was a member of our family for nearly 57 years and he will be greatly missed.

Brotherhood Strong,
 Pat Wells

Steward Class October 20th 4-8 p.m. at the Union Hall

Jolly Holiday Lights setup is tentatively set for October 15 & 16 8:00 a.m. Adventureland Campgrounds.

~ President's Message ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

I truly hope all is well with you and your families.

We had at least 300 members and their families at the Labor Day parade. A great time was had by everyone that attended. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dave Henry for letting us store the candy in his air conditioned shop.

As of this writing I am at the International Convention. It truly is a great honor to represent Local #347 at the 39th International Convention. All the current officers of the International were re-elected. The per capita that we pay will go up by \$1.00 January 1, 2018 and \$1.00 in January 1, 2020. The pension benefit fund will go up \$2.00 January 1, 2017 and \$1.00 in January 1, 2019. The convention voted unanimously to support a renewed emphasis on the code of excellence. We went through 52 resolutions and 12 changes to the constitution. Almost all passed after some debate. Again, a huge Thank you for allowing me to represent Local #347 at the convention it was a huge honor and privilege to do so.

I'm sure everyone is aware that we have a very important election on Tuesday, November 8th, 2016. This is probably one of the most important elections of our lives. A lot of you are saying "Yeah right" well let me tell you why this is so important. #1 If Trump gets elected we will instantly lose our majority on the Labor Relations' board. #2 He will very quickly reverse several executive orders that gave strength to the Labor Unions. #3 Trump loves right to work. #4 He has vowed to try and get rid of Davis-Bacon and he doesn't see a need for PLA's. The list actually goes on and on. We would be foolish to vote for a person that will work to destroy us. Please vote smart vote with our livelihood.

In Solidarity,
Scott L. Farnsworth
President IBEW #347

Political Corner

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

When you receive this newsletter we will have approximately thirty some odd days left to election day. I know you probably hear this every election cycle but I assure you this is the most crucial one of your career. I hope everyone realizes what's at stake here. I am not telling you who to vote for but I will tell you the facts: DEMOCRATS want to strengthen the UNIONS and the MIDDLE CLASS and the REPUBLICANS want to destroy all UNIONS. This is not an opinion this is FACT. What you do with the top of the ticket you will have to live with. What you do with our local elections we all have to live with. We hold the Senate by one seat and we will work vigorously to maintain our majority. We also have an opportunity to take back the house with a little hard work and educating our members and their families. The most important is getting out the VOTE. I can not stress how important this election is for all Union members. If we were too lose the majority of the Senate, there will be nothing to stop the Governor in wiping out every public sector union in the state. Yea it might not affect us at first but the trickle down affect will be devastating. No more unions in state facilities, no more Union state jobs, privatization of all schools, hospitals, museums, and you can forget about any PLA's for the fore see able future to name a few. So please learn the facts before you VOTE.

So before you vote please read up on the issues that plague our industry and our communities.

We can make a difference.

We can make a change.

God Bless America.

God Bless the IBEW.

God Bless all of you in making the right choice.

Thank you,
Your Political Registrar
Matt Marchese

Here are our endorsed candidates

President/Vice

Clinton/Kaine

US Senator

Patty Judge

US 3rd Congressional Seat

Jim Mowrer

Iowa Senate Districts

10- Matt Pladino Dallas County

16- Nate Boulton Des Moines East

18- Janet Petersen Des Moines North

20- Miyoko Hikiji Polk County Urbandale, Johnston,

22- Andrew Barnes South East Polk County

24- Keith Punttenney Greene and Boone County

36- Steve Soddors Marshalltown

Iowa House Districts

9- Helen Miller Webster County

12-Ken Myers Carrol County

19- Bryce Smith Dallas County

20- Scott Heldt Guthrie County

25- Justin Knight Madison County

26- Scott Ourth Warren County

27- Rich Higdon Clarke County

28- Martain Duffy Marion County

29- Wes Breckenridge Jasper County Newton

30- Joe Riding Polk County Altoona

31- Rick Olson Polk County SE

32- Ruth Ann Gaines Polk County Central

33- Brian Meyer Polk County SE

34- Bruce Hunter Polk County South

35- Ako Abdul Sammad Polk County Central

36- Marti Anderson Polk County Central

37- Andrea Philips Polk County Ankeny

38- Heather Matson Polk County Ankeny

39- Maridith Morris Polk County Grimes

40- John Forbes Polk County Urbandale

41- Jo Olson Polk County

42- Clair Celesi Polk County

43- Jennifer Konfrst Polk County Clive

45-Beth Wessel Krueschell Story County

46- Lisa Heddns Boone/Story County Ames

71- Mark Smith Marshalltown County

Political Corner

DONALD TRUMP ONLY WANTS TO HELP HIMSELF AND HIS RICH FRIENDS, NOT WORKING PEOPLE

DONALD TRUMP: LOOKING OUT FOR HIMSELF



ELIMINATING WORKERS' RIGHTS.

Trump has said he would do without unions completely and that he 100% supports "right to work" laws that weaken unions, drive down wages and take power away from working people. (The Guardian, 11/19/15; South Carolina Radio Network, 2/17/16)



AN ECONOMY RIGGED FOR THOSE AT THE TOP. Trump proposes cutting taxes for the wealthy, giving billions to CEOs and saving his own family more than \$3 billion dollars. (The Wall Street Journal, 9/29/15; Donald J. Trump, accessed 12/17/15; Center for American Progress, 9/28/15)



CALLING FOR LOWER WAGES. Trump thinks wages are "too high" and that companies should force working people to accept lower pay by threatening to move jobs to states where workers make less. (Boston.com, 11/10/15; The Detroit News, 8/12/15)

HILLARY CLINTON: LOOKING OUT FOR YOU



PROTECTING WORKERS' RIGHTS.

Clinton believes in the fundamental right of working people to organize and negotiate for better wages and working conditions, and she opposes "right to work" and other corporate attacks on worker's rights. (Washington Examiner, 9/16/15)



AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE. Clinton is committed to fixing our out-of-balance economy, raising incomes for hard-working people, and making the wealthy and large corporations pay their fair share in taxes. (The New York Times, 7/13/15)



INVESTING IN GOOD JOBS. Clinton will create good union jobs by investing in manufacturing across the country, and in infrastructure to rebuild our roads, bridges and public water systems. (Hillaryclinton.com, 4/1/16)

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Dues, Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org
Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org

Membership News

Last Months Job Referrals

208—referrals sent out 136—Regular Calls
1—Short Call 13 - Apprentice
49—CW
8 -VDV 1— Stockman

*****RETIREE LUNCHEON*****

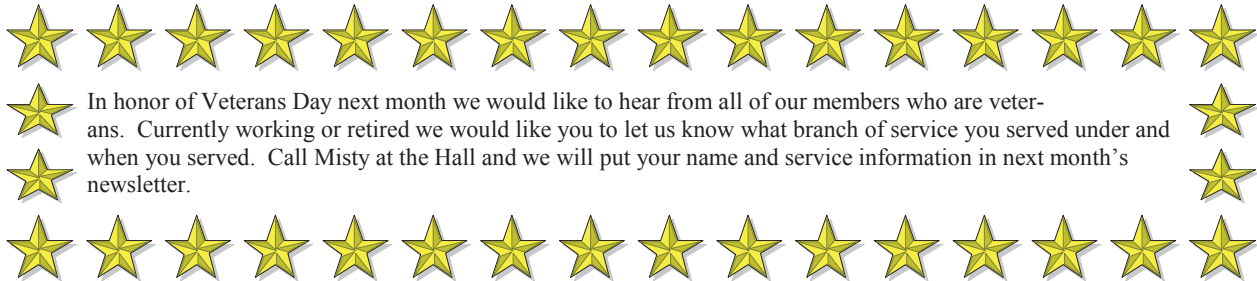
Noon on Wednesday, October 12th at the Union Hall. Come by and have some lunch. Please call the Hall at 515-243-1924 and let Misty know if you are planning to attend. If you have any questions contact Mike Booker at 515-276-5458.

The Local Union would like to express it's sympathy to the families of the following members:

Valdo "Pete" Peterson: passed away on August 18, 2016 at the age of 90 years old. He was a member for 65 years.

Paul Peppmeier: passed away on August 25, 2016 at the age of 85 years old. He was a member for 48 years.

Ronald Belcher: passed away on August 26, 2016 at the age of 76 years old. He was a member for 56 years.



In honor of Veterans Day next month we would like to hear from all of our members who are veterans. Currently working or retired we would like you to let us know what branch of service you served under and when you served. Call Misty at the Hall and we will put your name and service information in next month's newsletter.

Apprenticeship News

Apprenticeship Training Instructor

The Trustees of Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship Training Trust announce an opening at the Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship Training Center in Des Moines for a FULL-TIME ELECTRICAL INSTRUCTOR.

The successful candidate will:

- Have a minimum of seven years of experience as a journeyman in the electrical construction building trade.
- Have a current State of Iowa Electrical Journeyman or Master License
- Have experience in motor control, conduit bending, blueprint reading, AC and DC theory.
- Be proficient with the National Electrical Code

This is a salaried position of 40 – 45 hours a week. This includes some evenings plus some over-night travel. Fringe benefits include paid vacation, paid holidays, health insurance, pension and NEBF pension. The successful candidate will be required to attend basic and advanced education and certification training. This training may require travelling out of town 2-6 weeks per year.

Interested candidates should submit a resume and letter of introduction by October 14th, 2016 to:

Steve Hansen, Training Director
Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship
1948 NW 92nd Ct.
Clive, Iowa 50325

All questions should be directed to the Training Director's office via email: shansen@dmelejatc.org

The Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship is an equal opportunity employer.

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **October 31, 2016**. This list was run on September 21, 2016. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" Members			ZEBULON Z HATFIELD			SCOTT D MORROW			"BA" Members		
JESUS	L	ALVARADO	ERIC	J	HEISTAND	RENE	T	MULLANEY	ELIZETH		ALBARRAN
ROBERT	R	ANDREWS	STEPHEN	L	HENSON	EDHEM		MUMINOVIC	ERIC	J	GANNON
CLINT	J	BAILEY	NICHOLAS	G	HINKLE	ERIC	J	NUNO	IVAN	H	HATHCOCK
KAREN	L	BARNETT	MICHAEL	R	HOTMAN	JUSTIN	M	MOLIVER	STACY	M	HICKMAN
ARTHUR	L	BEEK	SHANE	J	HOWARD	JASON	M	PAPIANI	STEPHEN	E	MILLER
ANTHONY	J	BEMRICH	CHRIS	D	HOWE	RANDALL	R	PATRICK	MICHAEL	J	MOHLER
JOSEPH	A	BERNARDINO	DAVID	J	HUMMEL	TODD	E	PAULSEN	JOHN	D	RIDDLE
JESSE	J	BIRMINGHAM	ADAM	M	IRVING	MARTIN	D	PETERSEN	DAVID		SMITH
TRAVIS	D	BROCK	JONATHAN	E	JELLIFF	BRIAN	L	PIERCY	LARRY	A	STENSLIE
JARAD	J	BROWN	MATTHEW	S	JESSE	BRIAN	T	PIPPERT	MATTHEW	E	VANCE
HAROLD	F	BROWN	BRYAN	W	JOHNSON	CHRIS	V	RICHARDSON	ROBERT	E	WARE
PAUL	B	BUSHONG	MICHAEL	V	KELLEHER	DAVID	J	RILEY	ERIC	M	WESTBERG
BRADLEY	D	CERVENE	MATTHEW	W	KINNEY	NATHAN	W	RUSSELL	ROBIN		YOUNG
SCOTT	E	CLARK	BARRY	P	KNOWLES	JOSEPH	J	SANDERS	The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by October 31, 2016. This list was run on September 21, 2016.		
MICHAEL	A	CONNER	CHASE		KOHLER	PATRICK	R	SANFORD	"A" Members		
LYNN	A	COWDEN	ABE	J	LAWSON	JAMES	C	SCHIEFFER	JOHN	R	ALEXANDER
BRADLEY	M	DAGGETT	MICHAEL	D	LEACH	JASON	A	SCHUTTY	JASON	T	ANANIA
CHAD	M	DANLEY	BRIAN	J	LEEPER	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBAERT	BRIDGET	C	DAVIS
ANDREW	C	DESSAUER	C. 'J.R.'	A	LEGG	JIMMY	J	SIGNS	CHASE	A	FARRELL
JOSEPH	B	DONALDSON	LES	O	LEONARD	DEREK	R	SMITH	BRANDON	L	NORTH
JORDAN	M	DORRIAN	JOSH	D	LEONARD	DAVID	A	SMITH	RANDY		WHITFIELD
TRAVIS	J	DOWIE	ZACHARY	T	LITTLE	JAMES	J	SMITH	"BA" Members		
TYWON	J	DUDLEY	COREY	A	LITTLE	SEAN	R	SULLIVAN	MICHAEL	A	HANSEN
DAVID	A	DUFFY	SAYNHANH	L	LOVAN	MICHAEL	B	SWANSON	RYNE	A	PRUISMANN
DON	L	ERICKSON	KURT	D	LOVING	TAYLOR	R	THOMPSON	JUAN	A	RODRIGUEZ
SCOTT	A	ESPE	CORY	R	LUETH	JASON	R	TINGLEY	LARRY	R	STEPHENSON
CHAD	S	FANE	ADAM	S	LYONS	TERRELL	G	WADE	September 1st Drops		
JARED	R	FEE	TRACEY	N	MCAVOY	JEFFREY	D	WALKER	"A" Members		
DAN	P	FERNEDING	RICHARD	K	MCCABE	SHANE	M	WARE	Jason A Baxter		
JUSTIN	L	FLYNN	ROBERT	J	MCCAULEY	EDWARD	H	WEERS	Nathan J Hibbs		
JAMISON	L	GOODYK	EVAN	G	MCCUTCHEON	KAYLA	R	WHITE	Mitchell D. Hutchins		
RICHARD	D	GRANDQUIST	SCOTT	M	MCTAVISH	ERIC	S	WILCOX	Austin L Pruitt		
DANIEL	J	HAGEN	JEFF	M	MEASE	ADAM	M	WILSON	Richard Vandeboe		
DAVID	R	HAGER	CURTIS	W	MILBURN	TED	F	WOOD	"BA" Members		
MICHAEL	A	HAMRICK	JONATHAN	D	MILLER	JOHNNIE	J	WRIGHT	Franklin D Birdine		
TYLER	J	HANKE	BRANDON	S	MORRIS	ETHAN	P	YETMAR	Steven R Rumsey		
CHRIS	T	HARDEN	MICHAEL	M	MORRIS						

October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<p>1 Stroke Detection</p>
2	<p>3 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM</p> <p>ADT Mtg. 5:00 PM</p> <p>TYCO Mtg. 5:00 PM</p>	<p>4 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM</p>	<p>5 Residential Mtg. 4:00 PM</p>	<p>6 I.E.C. conference 5:30 pm @ Hall</p>	7	<p>8 Stroke Detection</p>
9	10	<p>11 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM</p>	<p>12 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM</p> <p>Retiree Luncheon Noon @ Hall</p>	<p>13 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM</p>	14	<p>15 Union Sportsmen's Alliance Clay & Skeet Shoot</p>
16	<p>17 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:00 PM</p>	<p>18 Keystone Mtg. after work</p>	<p>19 V.D.V. Mtg. 4:00 PM</p>	<p>20 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM</p>	21	22
23	24	<p>25 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM</p>	26	<p>27 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM</p>	28	29
30	<p>31 </p>					



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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

LOCAL 347 HEALTH INSURANCE GROUP #78-380001

Dollar Bank Billing & Claims Information: Call CompuSys 1-844-347-IBEW (4239)
To search for a United Health Care in-network provider call: 1-866-596-8447 or go to www.uhc.com and click on Options PPO.

L.D.I. INFORMATION (Prescription)—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

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

To search for a provider or to look at available benefits go to 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. 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