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Mark your Calendars

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2026

New Member Orientation Class, RSVP

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026

Fort Dodge Wellness Event, RSVP

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2026

Labor Day Parade, Des Moines Capital →
Fairgrounds & Fest at Labor Union Park

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

Beaverdale Fall Fest Parade

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2026

Des Moines Wellness Events, RSVP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2026

Trunk-or-Treat (RSVP to hand out candy)

Spotlight

Back to Work, Back to School

BACK TO BENEFITS

Health screenings, annual exams & the return of the Dependent Verification Form.

BACK TO THE FACTS

Membership engagement & what that actually means.

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Upcoming volunteer opportunities!

★ Congratulations ★

TO OUR LATEST APPRENTICE TURNOUTS!

Brandon Betz
Brendan Bird
Kayla Bolton
Adam Christian
Mike Gomez
Sebastian Hebert
Tanner Johansen
Timothy Klocke
Tyler LeClair
Jakob McFarlin
Noah Reszel
Blake Wolfe
Jose Garcia
Brendan Short
Josh Swanson
Justin Baxter
Miguel Ibarra Lemus
Zebedee Noel
Frank Sposeto
Greg Nordstrom
Ryan Barker
Jacob Gross
Carter Leeper
Tommy Riley

Robert Ferneding
Chase Elliott
Cobey Johnson
Zachary Bloomer
Sam Comstock
Brendon Stout
Mason Thomas
Marcus Webber
Tyler Woodyard
Keenan Cook
Jacob Hines
Dustin Johnson
Shawn McWilliams
Richard Reidburn
Chris Steeples
Hunter Ballard
Nathaniel Bell
Jeremiah Cornelison
Samuel Dowling
Jerad Mount
Ethan Plock
Tyler Scott
Connor Spencer

YOUR FUTURE IS OUR FUTURE.

Report

Brothers & Sisters,

As summer begins to wind down, we would like to take a moment to recognize several exciting milestones taking place throughout our Local.

First, congratulations to the 2025-2026 apprenticeship class members who recently turned out as Journeymen. Completing the apprenticeship program is a significant accomplishment that reflects years of hard work, dedication, classroom instruction, and on-the-job training. We are proud to welcome these members into the ranks of our Journeymen and look forward to the contributions they will continue to make to our industry and our Brotherhood/Sisterhood.

We would also like to recognize the six individuals who submitted applications for this year's Local Union 347 scholarship. We appreciate the time, effort, and commitment each applicant demonstrated throughout the entire selection process. Supporting educational opportunities for our members and their families remains an important investment in the future.

Congratulations to the three recipients selected to receive this year's scholarship awards. We are honored to assist them as they pursue their academic goals and wish them continued success in their educational endeavors.

As our membership continues to grow, we are pleased to announce that we will once again be hosting a **New Member Orientation Class** on **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th at 5PM**. This program provides our new members with an overview of the benefits, resources, opportunities, and responsibilities that come with membership in Local Union 347. We encourage all newly initiated members (or anyone who has questions) to attend and learn more about the many advantages available through their union membership. Please RSVP as we will be providing food.

Finally, we would like to remind all eligible participants to take advantage of the upcoming annual wellness screenings. Even if you feel healthy and have no current health concerns, preventive screenings can identify potential issues before they become serious and provide valuable information about your overall well-being. Taking a proactive approach to your health helps ensure you can continue providing for your family, enjoying your retirement years, and safely performing the work that keeps our industry moving forward.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in Local Union 347.

★★★★★ - **Hall Staff**

"The strength of our Local isn't measured by how many names are listed in the membership—it's measured by how many members choose to be involved."

Wellness Event

Health Gauge

- Participants of the 347 Electrical Workers Health and Welfare Fund, the annual wellness events have been scheduled!
- **Saturday, August 29th, in Fort Dodge.**
- **Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 25th - 27th in Des Moines at the Union Hall.**
- This important benefit has saved lives. Health Gauge will check you for blockages/flow in your Carotid Artery, Peripheral Arterial disease, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, in addition to doing a Chemistry/Lipid Panel.
- A flu shot will be available as well.



Please contact Nichole to **get scheduled** for this valuable opportunity (or visit the site below).
515-243-1924 or nchumbley@ibewlu347.org

ibewlu347.org/WellnessEvent

★ IBEW LU347 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ★

Investing in Tomorrow's Leaders

**TRINITTI STOUT**

Granddaughter of
Mike R. Wright

**KENZIE BALLARD**

Daughter of
Jason & Lana Ballard

**LAUREN BURK**

Daughter of
Shawn & Amy Burk

Congratulations!

Local 347 is proud to invest in the educational goals of our members' families.
Congratulations to this year's scholarship recipients!



GET INVOLVED

BUILDING A STRONGER LOCAL TOGETHER

Your participation makes a difference.
There are many ways to get involved:



Attend Monthly Union Meetings

Stay informed and have your voice heard.



Volunteer at Local Events

Support your union and your community.



Join a Committee

Help guide decisions and initiatives.



Mentor an Apprentice

Share your knowledge and experience.



Stay Informed

Read the newsletter and check updates.

A stronger Local starts with engaged members.
Every meeting attended, every event supported,
and every volunteer hour strengthens Local 347.

Benefits & Reminders

Take advantage of the benefits available to you
and your eligible dependents.



Dental & Vision Exams

Keep your smile
and vision strong.



Wellness Screenings

Stay proactive
about your health.



Verify Dependents

Keep your records
up to date.



Review Beneficiary Designations

Help protect those
who matter most.

CONTINUING ED

Invest in your skills.
Invest in your future.

- ✓ Code Updates
- ✓ OSHA Training
- ✓ CPR & First Aid
- ✓ Career Development
- ✓ And more!



EAP SPOTLIGHT

Confidential support
when you need it most.

- ✓ Counseling Services
- ✓ Family Support
- ✓ Financial Assistance
- ✓ Legal Resources



Industry & Legislative Updates



Working for Our Members.
Building a Stronger Future.

- **Stephen Cox**
Government Affairs

IOWA LABOR ISSUES



YOUR UNION. YOUR VOICE.

IBEW Local 347 continues to monitor and advocate for issues that directly impact our members and our industry across Iowa.



ENGAGING AT EVERY LEVEL.

We meet with local, state, and federal candidates to ensure the concerns of IBEW members are heard and considered.



SUPPORTING UNION JOBS.

We stand with candidates who are committed to organized labor, good-paying jobs, and strong apprenticeship programs.



ADVOCATING FOR OPPORTUNITY.

We support policies that expand workforce opportunities, strengthen prevailing wage, and protect the rights of working members.

FEDERAL UPDATES



FASTER LABOR CONTRACTS ACT

Passed the U.S. House and awaits consideration in the Senate. It would establish timelines for first agreements when workers vote to unionize.



NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD (NLRB)

Three seats are filled, with a fourth nominee in Senate confirmation. A shift to a 3-1 Republican majority may impact future labor decisions.



LABOR LAW IMPACT

Board composition could influence how cases are decided and whether previous labor-friendly rulings are upheld.

STRONGER TOGETHER. BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

Your union works every day to protect our rights, grow opportunities, and build a better future for all IBEW members.

Member Milestones

Newborns

Hudson Michael Miller

Born: 05.21.2026

Weight: 6lbs 11oz

Length: 20 inches

Parents: Hunter &
Helen Miller

Natalia Isabella Seidel

Born: 05.18.2026

Weight: 6lbs 14oz

Length: 18.25 inches

Parents: Emil Seidel
& Jenna Pollock

Condolences



Our sincerest
condolences go out to
the family of Brother
Clifford Samuels.

Brother Samuels passed
away June 22, 2026, at
the age of 99. He was a
member for 70 years.

YOUR UNION IS *Stronger* WITH YOU!



GET INVOLVED.

Attend meetings, events and
trainings when available.



MAKE AN IMPACT.

Serve on committees and mentor
the next generation.



STAY INFORMED.

Keep up with important updates
and take action.

TOGETHER, WE PROTECT OUR RIGHTS,
SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES, AND
BUILD A BETTER FUTURE.

We are 347. We are IBEW.

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **August 31, 2026**. This list was run on July 20, 2026. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" MEMBERS

NJOSHUA	R	ALLSUP	CHRISTIAN	E	PETERS
GEIR	T	ANDERSON	KYLE	M	PLUMB
NICHOLAS	R	BABCOCK	ANTHONY	W	PORTER
CARSON	F	BAKER	ANTUAND		PRUNEDA
RANDY	D	BIRKENHOLTZ	NOAH	C	RESZEL
BRADLEY	R	BOGGESS	TRISTAN	J	RETHMEIER
WESLEY	C	BOWLBY	LOGAN	M	RICHARDSON
JAY'QWON	J	BRIDGES	NICHOLAUS	J	ROSONKE
BRADLEY	D	CERVENE	KORBIN	A	ROULSTON
SCOTT	E	CLARK	JOHN	A	RUS
RICHARD	A	COHENOUR	EDDIE	R	RUSH
DEREK	E	CONOVER	CLINT	E	RUSSELL
IAN	P	EBELSHEISER	JOSEPH	J	SANDERS
LUKE	A	FIFE	DERRICK	L	SANDY
KOHL	J	FISH	NICHOLAS	R	SCHNEIDER
DENVER	J	FORTUNE	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBA
RYAN	C	GALLAGHER	JASON	R	SENECAUT
JOSE	O	GARCIA	JIMMY	J	SIGNS
CALLIE	A	GILLESPIE	AUSTIN	B	SMITH
AIDEN	M	GOLDSBERRY	JORDAN	T	ST. ARNOLD
ORLANDO		GONZALEZ	TANNER	J	SUSIN
ANDREW	V	GRAHAM	ZACHARY	D	THOMPSON
SAMUEL	W	GRANNAN	CHASE	D	TINNERMEIER
SHANE		HALL	JOSE	I	TREJO
PATRICK	J	HANNAM	NATHAN	A	UTSLER
ZEBULON	Z	HATFIELD	JOSHUA	D	VAN MAANEN
LANCE	R	HOCH	JOSHUA	D	WADE
ADAM	R	HOCKING	TEDDY	B	WORTHINGTON
KERRY	A	HORNER	COLLIN	J	ZIMMER
DEVON	L	INGLE			
NIC	D	KAHOE			
JOHN	D	LADURINI			
MICHAEL	J	LEWIS			
MITCHELL	S	LITTLE			
ASHLEY	C	LONG			
COLTON	J	LOWE			
KYLE	A	MALDONADO			
LANCER	T	MARTIN			
MARK	S	MATTSON			
NATHAN	R	NEUENKIRK			
ZACHARY	P	OWENS			

"BA" MEMBERS

HABIBULLAH -
HAJI JUMA KHAN
KNOWLTON W MENS
JOSEPH A OWENS

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by August 31, 2026. This list was run on July 20, 2026.

"A" MEMBERS

JAYDEN B GROOMS
BRENDEN R HANSEN
DAVID J HAYES
JOSHUA R HEMSTED
JASON A SIMONSON
RYDER L YILEK

"BA" MEMBERS

DANIELLE DOMINGUEZ
MICHAEL K MCCREARY
SHIRZAD YOUSUFI

July 1st DROPS

Benetti, Mary E	BA
Foetisch, Logan J	A
Kovach, Joshua M	A
Marlenee, David M	A
Sleeth, Paul E	A
Veach, Chance	A

Last Months Job Referrals

55-Referrals Sent Out
12-Regular Calls
2-VDV Tech
13-Apprentice
11-VDV Apprentice
2-CE 14-CW 1-Installer



FREE HEALTH SCREENING EVENT

Members, Spouses, Adult Dependents (18+), and Retirees covered under the Plan

GET SCHEDULED TODAY



IBEW Local 347 Electrical Workers Health & Welfare Fund Hosts Annual Screening To Detect Your Risk For Stroke!!

✓ Saturday, August 29th FORT DODGE

✓ Friday, September 25th Ankeny

✓ Saturday, September 26th Ankeny

✓ Sunday, September 27th Ankeny



Call:
515-244-3080



Electronically Sign Up:
ibewlu347.org/WellnessEvent



Email:
nchumbley@ibewlu347.org

PRE-EVENT



Sign up for your appointment using the online scheduling system or call us. (All info above)

EVENT



You will be greeted by our staff and asked to sign a consent form. We are happy to answer any questions you have.

You will be guided to each station and will receive an explanation of screenings and results as you go.

All ultrasound screening results will be provided to you at the event.

POST-EVENT



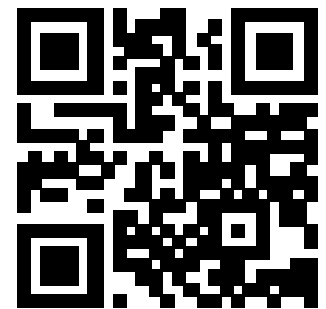
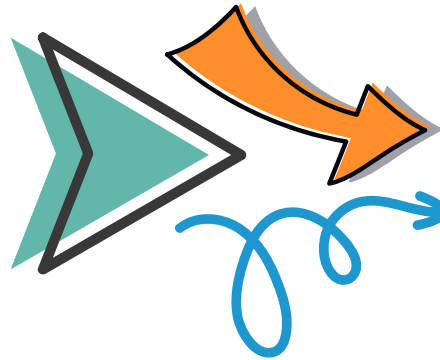
Results will be available in the secure online portal in 10-14 business days.

Participants who were identified with health risks are supported with follow-up options.

FASTING IS OPTIONAL, NOT REQUIRED.

*Your health. Your future.
It starts with you.*

SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT NOW! (REQUIRED)



LABOR DAY PARADE & FEST

Monday, September 7th, 2026

— ★ *Let's Celebrate Our Union!* ★ —



PARADE

Line up on Grand Ave
(north of Grand Ave)
9:00 AM



PARADE

Buses available
from the fairgrounds
11:00 AM



POST-PARADE FEST

Union Park
(4640 Morningstar Dr, Des Moines)
Food • Drinks • Games
Music • Inflatables & More!



FAMILY FUN FOR ALL

Bring your family, invite a fellow member, and enjoy a day of community!



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**WE HOPE TO SEE
YOU THERE!**



**IBEW
LOCAL 347**

*Proud of Our Past.
Building Our Future.*



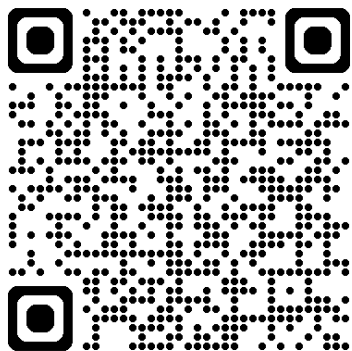
August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Union Trivia: Did you know? Iowa is consistently among the nation's leading producers of wind energy, creating significant opportunities for skilled electrical workers involved in power generation, transmission, and infrastructure projects.						1
2	3	4 EP2 4PM	5 Resi 4PM	6	7	8
9	10	11 Firestone Mtg 12:30PM & 2:30PM	12 Retiree Lunch Noon @ Hall	13 General Membership Mtg. 5PM	14	15
16	17 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4PM	18 Keystone Mtg. after work KCCI Mtg. 1PM	19 VDV Mtg. 4PM Women's Committee Mtg. 5:30PM	20	21	22
23	24	25 E-Board Mtg 4PM RENEW Mtg 5PM	26 New Member Class 5PM	27 Fort Dodge Unit Mtg. 4:30PM	28	29 Fort Dodge Wellness Event (RSVP only)
30	31					



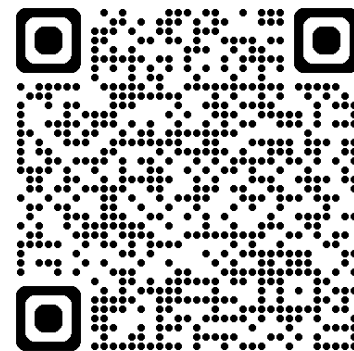
IBEW Local Union 347
6809 SE Bellagio Court
Ankeny, Iowa 50021

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 TIM: TSHAWTHORNE@IBEWLU347.ORG
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 STEPHEN: SWCOXE@IBEWLU347.ORG
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Scan Above to See Job Calls

LOCAL UNION 347 www.ibewlu347.org Business Office hours: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Mon-Fri Local #347 Benefits Website: https://www.solxsys365.com/ Phone: (515) 243-1924 For Job Calls, call after 4:30 PM daily and all weekend long: (515) 243-5412. Fax #: (515) 243-8772	
DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP www.dmelejatc.org Phone: (515) 224-4349	
LOCAL 347 HEALTH PLAN: NEW GROUP # 78-800672 NEW MEMBER ID# UL10025***** Dollar Bank Billing & Claims Information: Call Solxsys Phone: (515) 644-3200 To search for a United Health Care in-network provider call: 1-866-596-8447 OR go to www.uhc.com and click on Choice Plus. Local #347 Benefits Website: https://www.solxsys365.com/	
SAV-RX: BIN# 006558 GROUP# IBEW347 www.savrx.com Phone: (402) 753-2800	
DELTA DENTAL INFORMATION: www.deltadental.com Member ID is your SSN. To contact Delta Dental directly if you do not have internet access: Phone: 1-800-544-0718	
V.S.P. INFORMATION (Eye Care): www.vsp.com Member ID is your SSN. 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: Phone: 1-800-877-7195	
LOCAL 347 RETIREMENT & 401K #43-1329 www.principal.com Principal Financial: Phone: 1-800-547-7754 Address changes: Contact the Union Hall & Morgan Flournoy w/ Solxsys Phone: (515) 644-3200	
JOURNEY CREDIT UNION:	Phone: (515) 243-8735
RETIREE RESOURCES: IBEW Retiree helpline: Phone: 1-202-728-6206 NEBF: Phone: 1-301-556-4300	