

**Official Publication of Local Union #347****~Business Manager's Report~**

Sisters and Brothers,

The LU 347 Union Officer election results are listed below. My sincerest gratitude goes out to all our Officers, past, present and future. They make significant sacrifices in order to conduct the business of the Union, we could not do this important work without them and their efforts should be recognized. So thank you and congratulations to you all! I would also like to thank the Sister and Brothers that stepped up to maintain the integrity of the election process. Election tellers Naomi Lawson, Lucky (*Patrick Galvin*), Mike Gomez, No Good (*Chris Thurgood*), Dustin Schmidt, Devon Wolf and our Election Judge Scott Gardner.

**2022 UNION OFFICER ELECTION RESULTS**

<b><u>OFFICE:</u></b>	<b><u>CANDIDATE:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTES RECEIVED:</u></b>
PRESIDENT	CHAD LOWE**	106
VICE PRESIDENT	RICK CHUMBLEY**	102
RECORDING SECRETARY	MATT DEANGELO**	106
BUSINESS MANAGER/ FINANCIAL SECRETARY	PAT WELLS**	106
TREASURER	KYLE OVERTON**	104
EXECUTIVE BOARD	CHRIS BARR	71
	STEPHEN COXE**	94
	BEN DUKE**	78
	NATE FRIESEN**	83
	MIKE JONES**	101
	JOHN STAHOWICK**	103
	BRONSON WEESE**	94
** <i>Designates Elected Official</i>	DOUG WOLF	74

**Congratulations and thank you to our Unit Officers!**

*(listed as of 6/19/2022)*

EP2 Chairman Karl Smith  
EP2 Vice Chair Kevin Harmon  
EP2 Recording Secretary Michelle Johns  
  
VDV Chairman Jake Anderson  
VDV Vice Chair Brian Moss  
VDV Recording Secretary Shannan Garza

KCCI Chairman Al Snyder  
KCCI Vice Chair Will Emery  
KCCI Recording Secretary Brandi Vick  
  
Firestone Chairman Bob Hathaway  
Firestone Vice Chair Gary Ross  
Firestone Recording Secretary Dale Erb

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The 40th IBEW Convention was recently held in Chicago. LU 347 had the largest delegation in our Local's history for the Convention with seven delegates. I had the pleasure of serving with Brothers Stephen Coxe, Matt DeAngelo, Ben Duke, Tim Hawthorne, Chad Lowe and Doug Wolf. Together these men represented the Local Union with strength and integrity and I thank each one of them for their service.

With 1,750 delegates from 539 Local Unions registered and present, the business of the Convention started on Monday, May 9 with the election of International officers. President Lonnie Stephenson, IST Kenneth Cooper and IEC Chairman Chris Erickson were all re-elected to their respective offices as were the 11th District VP Mark Hager and our 5th District IEC rep Frank Furco with the results of the election being ratified by the delegates.

Throughout the week several resolutions and amendments were debated in between a wide array of visits and remarks by very some high profile guests including Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot, Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and our own President of the United States, Joe Biden.

Although non binding, resolutions influence IBEW policy and help to shape the future of our Brotherhood. Of those resolutions that passed, some of the most notable include a resolution to open negotiation with NECA to increase the contribution rate into NEBF so as to increase the rate paid to retirees. Others included encouraging Locals outside of construction to employ FT Organizers, encouraging the implementation of Veterans caucuses within each LU, support of the Veterans Electrical Entry Program within the JATCs across the country and reaffirming the IBEW's commitment to continued support of the RENEW/NextGen, Women, Veteran and Retiree committees at every local.

Amendments on the other hand are actual changes to the IBEW Constitution and will affect, in most cases, every member of our Union. Of the numerous amendments that were debated, some of the most critical had the following effects:

One amendment added a provision to the Constitution's section on chargeable offenses making harassment, bullying or discriminatory conduct at work, work activities, at union facilities or activities because of race, color, religion, age, creed, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, veteran status, disability or any other legally protected class a chargeable offense.

Another validated the procedures used by Local Unions to determine how alternate delegates are elected.

There was an amendment that requires LUs to select Election Judges 60 days prior to nominations.

Article XVI, Section 16 will soon require Local Unions to fill vacancies in Union Offices within 15 days whereas there was no time limit before.

Article III, Section 1 will now require anyone who intends to be nominated for any of the constitutional positions to provide a "Notice of Intent to Be Nominated" 90 days prior to the start of the International Convention.

Article XVI now prohibits Local Unions from combining the roles of President, Treasurer and Recording Secretary.

Lastly, PBF and per capita rates. There will be an increase in the monthly PBF contribution rate for "A" members; \$2 on January 1, 2023 and \$2 on January 1, 2025. The recommendation by the Law Committee ultimately changed the Pension Benefit Fund accrual rate from \$4.50/month for every year of service to \$5.50 beginning with years of service earned after January 1, 2023.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

July 4; Independence Day

July 9; LU 347 Golf Outing

September 5; Labor Day

September 10, 17; Des Moines Wellness Events

September 24; Ft Dodge Wellness Event

Per capita rates will be increased as well. Starting in January of 2023, per capita will increase by \$2 per month, an additional \$1.00 per month starting July 1, 2024, and a final increase of \$1.00 one year after that. To summarize, "A" membership will increase \$4/month on January 1, 2023. "BA" membership will increase \$2 on January 1, 2023. If you have any questions regarding the Convention actions, please stop by or give me a call at the Union Hall 515-243-1924.

The Local Union now offers Harassment and Diversity/Inclusion classes. We had a program developed through the University of Iowa Labor Center that will meet the requirements of the 2022 CBA increase.

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If you still have not taken the required course, please give us a call at the Union Hall to get scheduled right away!

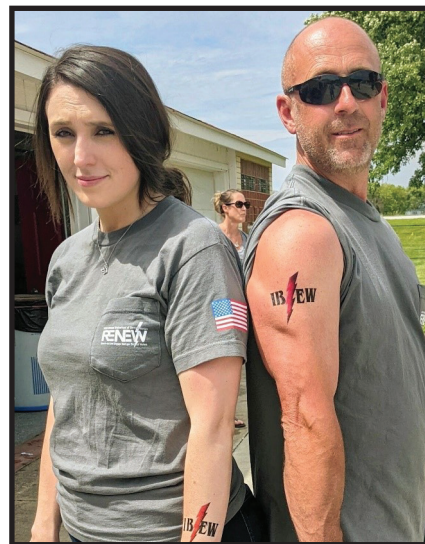
The IBEW Local 347 Electrical Workers Health and Welfare Fund wellness events have been scheduled for Saturdays, September 10 and 17 in Des Moines at the Union Hall. Saturday, September 24 in Fort Dodge. The wellness event is open to all covered plan participants and covered dependents. This is a valuable, potentially life saving benefit that you should all take advantage of. Please call Nichole at the Hall to reserve your time slots.

The next time you stop by the Union Hall, please take a moment to welcome Nichole Chumbley to Local 347. She will be filling the position left vacant by Misty as Misty moves over into the dues and accounting office. Nichole has been a part of our Union family for quite sometime, seen pictured here at our LU picnic with her dad Rick Chumbley. Nichole is now your first point of contact for benefits including health, retirement and 401k.

Welcome to 347 Nichole!

Brotherhood Strong,

Pat Wells



## **RENEW REACH OUT AND ENGAGE THE NEXT GENERATION OF ELECTRICAL WORKER**

Brothers and Sisters,

I am happy to be taking on the responsibilities of RENEW chair. I'd like to thank brothers Stephen Coxe and Nate Friesen for their hard work in building the local 347 RENEW Committee over the past years, and to congratulate them as they move on into the Executive Board. I look forward to continuing to expand and strengthen the RENEW group as we move forward.

We had a great cornhole tournament at the spring picnic this year, with twelve teams competing for a couple of Grizzly coolers. We have some other events and good opportunities to get involved coming up. If you are a new member or apprentice and you are interested in learning more and taking part in your union, I welcome you to come to our meetings on the last Tuesday of every month at 4:30pm.

In Solidarity, Wade Lester

Brothers and Sisters,

Since I last wrote to you, the 2022 legislative session has come to an end. Governor Reynolds had been keeping the session alive to get her private school voucher bill through, and fortunately for workers, she was unsuccessful. The failed bill would have benefited a tiny group of students at the expense of our already underfunded public school system. It would have been a final blow to workers, after tax cuts favoring wealthy Iowans and cuts to our unemployment were passed earlier in the session. Clearly we have a lot of work to do if we want a legislature that backs working Iowa families next year.

Fortunately, we will have a chance to make our voices heard and elect some better representatives this fall. Now that the primaries are over, it will be just a few short months until the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election. This year many seats are up for reelection, including all 100 House Rep seats, half of the Iowa Senate, and the governor's office. We cannot let this opportunity for change slip past us! In recent years, our opponents at the capitol have become increasingly bold in their attacks against union workers and they show no signs of stopping on their own. Let's show them the power of the working class this year, and stop their attacks on workers, by throwing them out.

In Solidarity,  
Wade Lester

**POLITICAL CORNER**



The Local Union would like to express our sincerest condolences to the family of Retired Brother Martin 'Marty' Belcher, age 62, of Des Moines, IA. He passed away on 6/03/2022. A member of IBEW Local 347 for 43 years.



# Newborns!

Ellie Elizabeth Spain  
Born 5/9/2022  
6 lbs. 11 oz ; 19 inches  
Parents: Caleb & Lindsay Spain

Buckminster Frasher Wallace  
Born 6/1/2022  
9 lbs; 21 inches  
Parents: Sam & Lauren Wallace

Ember Monroe Morlan  
Born 5/27/2022  
7 lbs 5oz ; 19 inches  
Parents: Seth & Natalie Morlan





## JULY JOURNEYMAN WIREMAN CLASSES

### State Licensing Continuing Education Courses:

The Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship posts classes on their website [www.dmelejatc.org](http://www.dmelejatc.org) and Facebook page. Please use the on-line registration to sign-up for the classes. Make sure that you complete the registration process by putting the class in your "cart" and then checking out. If you have completed the process and checked out you will receive a confirmation email from the system. If you do not receive an email the sign-up process was NOT completed. **If you do not see any classes posted it is for one of two reasons: no classes are scheduled or the classes are full.** Keep in mind that you will need to have 18 hours of CEUs (6 must be code) by December 31, 2022 in order to renew your license.

JULY classes  
(as of 6/17/2022)

Reminder: There will not be any classes offered after November 22, 2022.

853	Motor Calculations	View
1 Days	07/06 - 07/06	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 3 hours	26 Left
854	Temperature Ratings & Conductor Ampacities	View
1 Days	07/07 - 07/07	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 3 hours	35 Left
864	Calculating Raceway & Box Fill Referencing the NEC	View
1 Days	07/11 - 07/11	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 3 hours	46 Left
866	Temperature Ratings & Conductor Ampacities	View
1 Days	07/12 - 07/12	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 3 hours	46 Left
855	NEC Requirements for Calculating, Connecting & Protection of Transformers	View
2 Days	07/13 - 07/14	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 6 hours	21 Left
856	NEC Requirements for Determining Available Fault Current and Required Field	View
1 Days	07/18 - 07/18	4:30pm - 7:30pm
M-F	CE Credit: Code Credit 3 hours	29 Left

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **July 31, 2022**. This list was run on June 20, 2022. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

### "A" MEMBERS

ALEX	M	ADKINS	CHRISTIAN	A	KIMMEL
RANDY	J	AHRENS	MATTHEW	A	KIRBY
RONNIE	D	ALLBEE	KERRY	W	KNAUSS
JOSHUA	R	ALLSUP	MHIKEALY	M	KNIGHT
ROBERT	R	ANDREWS	DILLON	J	KOVACEVICH
SAMUEL	G	AVERKAMP	JOHN	D	LADURINI
CURTIS	L	BALMER	CHRIS	S	LANDWEHR
CHRISTOPHER	A	BASH	JUSTIN	A	LANTZ
JAMIE	M	BAUGHMAN	KEATON	J	LENNING
DENNIS	E	BEERY	MICHAEL	J	LEWIS
MATTHEW	P	BERG	KEVIN	L	LISK
JORDEN	B	BORTS	ZACHARY	T	LITTLE
THOMAS	T	BRADSHAW	DOMINIC	L	MCCARL
JOSHUA	J	BROUGHTON	ROBERT	J	MCCAULEY
DEVAN	J	BROWN	GRANT	J	MCDERMOTT
ANTHONY	J	BURNS	LOCHLAN	B	MCINTOSH
RYAN	T	CAMPBELL	JONATHAN	D	MILLER
JACK	R	CARPENTER	JASON	A	MILLER
LANE	D	CARSON	WILLIAM	T	NEWTON
NATHANIEL	A	CASKEY	ZEBEDEE	J	NOEL
ADAM	B	CHRISTIAN	GREGORY	M	NORDSTROM
JONATHAN	J	CLARK	DYLAN	J	OTT
AUSTIN	L	COOK	DEVIN	A	PEARSON
LUCHIANO	D	CORUJO	DALTYN		PECK
OWEN	D	CRAWFORD	PHILLIP	E	PETRIE
BRANT	C	CUNNINGHAM	ZACHARY	L	PHILLIPS
JOSEPH	D	DAKE	ANTHONY	W	PORTER
ROBERT	E	DAWSON	ANTUAND		PRUNEDA
KEVIN	S	DAY	RICHARD	J	REIDBURN
JOSH	P	DEVORE	LOGAN	M	RICHARDSON
LANCE	R	DIXON	DEVON	T	RIFFLE
TRAVIS	J	DOWIE	ROBIN	D	RILEY
WESLEY	S	DRAHOZAL	CLINT	R	ROBBINS
BRIAN	N	DRAKE	KIRK	I	RUNDALL
ANTHONY	J	DURIAN	EDDIE	R	RUSH
JULIA	D	EBERLE	JUSTIN	M	RUSH
SHAWN	M	ELLIOTT	GRANT	A	RUTZ
SCOTT	A	ESPE	DYLAN	SJ	SCACE
DUSTIN	A	EWING	JACOB	D	SCHMEHR
MATT	J	FENNER	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEART
KOHL	J	FISH	DAVID	K	SHARON
DARYL	W	FITZGERALD	TREY	E	SHARON
JASON	E	FITZSIMMONS	ERIK	L	SHELDAHL
BRYON	A	FLEMING	ANDREW	A	SMITH
LOGAN	J	FOETISCH	GIDEON	P	SMITH
CHARLIE	L	FOX	ROBERT	L	SMITH
TYLER	C	FRANCE	ZACHARY	E	SPAIN
CHRISTOPHER	J	FRIDLEY	CONNOR	M	SPENCER
LUIZA	J	FRITZ	JORDAN	T	ST. ARNOLD
JOSE	O	GARCIA	DALTON	A	STOLL
THOMAS	B	GOMEZ	JESSE	L	THARP
JASON	B	GRANDSTAFF	BLAKE	E	TICE-TAYLOR
JENS	J	GREFF	STEVEN	R	TRAVELBEE
PATRICK	D	HAMILTON	DAVID	L	TREAGER
ALEXANDER	J	HANSEN	CAMERON	J	TUCKER
CHRISTOPHER	C	HEER	RICHARD	R	VANDEBOE
KEITH	D	HEFLEY	JEREMY	D	VANDERWELL
KLAYTON	M	HEIMAN	EDWARD	A	VASQUEZ
JACOB	K	HEINKEL	CHANCE	G	VEACH
DANIEL	J	HELLSTERN	AUSTIN	D	WADE
ALEXANDER	R	HERRICK	HALSEY	C	WASSON
JACOB	M	HINES	CODY	A	WEATHERMAN
LANCE	R	HOCH	ADAM	L	WHISNEY
WILLIAM	L	HOLLOWAY	ROBERT	J	WHITE
ZACHARY	J	HOLTMAN	BRIAN	A	WHITE
KERRY	A	HORNER	JACOB	A	WILKENING
MICHAEL	R	HOTMAN	TED	F	WOOD
CAMERON	E	HUNWARDSSEN	CHASE	A	WOODS
COREY	A	JACKSON	TYLER	J	WOODYARD
AARON	M	JOHNSON	BENJAMIN	A	WOOLDRIDGE
SCOTT	A	JORDAN	STEVEN	E	WORKMAN
DOUGLAS	L	KETCHAM	BRANDON	L	YEARLING

### "BA" MEMBERS

ROBERT	K	BELL
RONALD	R	BULLOCK
TYLER	J	HARDWICK
JAMES	A	PRICE
BASHKIM		RUFATI
JUSTIN	G	WELLS
ERIC	M	WESTBERG

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by July 31, 2022. This list was run on June 20, 2022.

### "A" Members

BADIC	DAVID	
CANTY	BARON	A
COWART	JACOB	W
FERNS	DONALD	W
GOMEZ	ROBERTO	C
GRASTY	SEAN	T
HANDELAND	NATHAN	L
HARDING	WILLIAM	A
HENRY	NICHOLAS	J
HUNT	LEONARD	R
LANGE	ZACHARY	O
LICHT	TRISTON	J
LYTTON	JORDAN	D
NEWELL	ALAN	P
PHAYDAVONG	KENNY	K
SCHIEFFER	JAMES	C
SIMONSON	JASON	A
STEVENS	BRETT	R
TUCKER	WILLIAM	A
YETMAR	ETHAN	P
YRIGOYEN	YSABEL	A

### June 1ST DROPS

Hunter R. Drake  
Chayton French  
James A. Hunter  
Sean M. Joelson  
Mekallo M. Potter  
Brock E. Swanson

### Last Months Job Referrals

177 -Referrals sent out 101- Regular Calls  
20-Inside Appr 10-VDV TECH  
1-VDV Installer 1-Resi Appr  
2-Short Call 42-CW

# JULY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	 Hall Closed	4 EP 2 4:00 PM	6	7	8	 LU 347 Golf Outing
10	11	12 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	13 Retiree Lunch Noon at Hall Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	14 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	15	16
17	18 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:00 PM	19 Keystone Mtg. after work	20 VDV Mtg. 4:00 PM	21 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	22	23
24	25	26 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM  RENEW 4:30 PM	27	28 Fort Dodge Unit Mtg. 4:30 PM	29	30
31	<div> <div> Pat: phwells@ibewlu347.org  Scott: slfarnsworth@ibewlu347.org  Dave: dlreid@ibewlu347.org  Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org </div> <div> Nichole: nchumbley@ibewlu347.org  Misty: mrturner@ibewlu347.org  Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org  Tim: tshawthorne@ibewlu347.org </div> </div>					



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<b><u>DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP—<a href="http://www.dmelejatc.org">www.dmelejatc.org</a></u></b>		Phone: (515) 224-4349
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