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~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

The Des Moines Inside allocation for the June 1, 2023 increase went 100% to the wage. This will benefit each of us right away, relieving some of the pressure brought on by the economic challenges of the increased CPI that we've all faced for some time now.

When addressing financial matters, it is important to also consider the industry we are in when it comes to sound financial planning. I know that we have seen a decade of prosperity here in our jurisdiction and the work outlook continues to look positive but the reality of the construction industry is that in "normal" times, we do experience periods of layoff and unemployment. It is something we all need to be prepared for by setting funds aside and trying to avoid getting in too deep with debt or unnecessary loans. We always need to live within our means and be prepared for what the inevitable will bring. Ask some of the more experienced Journeymen out there, I'm sure they will be able to tell you of a time that they were concerned about where their next jobsite may be. Some of those same Journeymen will likely tell you that you should only live on 9 months of your income and save the rest. This is a sound strategy that will help you get through tougher times when, not if, they get here.

I would also like for each of you to consider putting some of the June 1 increase into the elective deferral option of your 401k. This is a great way to defer the funds from income taxes and boost your retirement portfolio significantly. You may be surprised what \$1.80 compounded monthly over a 30 year period could do for you. If you use the average of all investment options under our Plan over ten years (7.67%), the \$1.80 would become \$383,936 or \$6.40/hour; a significant increase over the original \$1.80/hour. Of course there will be volatility along the way and the rate of return will fluctuate but you get the point. Contractually speaking you have the opportunity to make changes to your elective deferral on specific occasions: *"An employee may change the amount of tax deferred savings twice a year with the starting dates for these withholding being the first day of the new payroll week in June and December, in units of \$.05 per hour, but in no case shall the amount be greater than is allowed by state and federal laws."* In addition to June and December you will also have this opportunity anytime you initially commence employment with an employer. The IRS will allow an elective deferral of \$22,500 in 2023, \$30,000 if you are 50 years old or over. At 2000 hours these limits are \$11.25 and \$15.00 per hour respectively.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, June 10, 2023
LU 347 Annual Picnic at Labor Park

Saturday, July 15, 2023
LU 347 Golf Outing at Terrace Hills

Saturday, August 26, 2023
Ft. Dodge Wellness Event

Monday, September 4, 2023
LABOR DAY Parade & Fest

Saturday, September 9 & 16, 2023
Des Moines Wellness Events

Regardless of what you decide to do with your income or retirement options, please be aware that the Des Moines Inside wage increases to go into effect on June 1 of each calendar year.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells

If you would like to receive the Local 347 Newsletter via email as an alternative to an actual mailing, please email your request to Nicki at nchumbley@ibewlu347.org.

NEWBORNS

Nash Johnson
Born: 04.26.2023
Weight: 5lbs 10oz
Length: 19.75 inches

Koehn Johnson
Born: 04.26.2023
Weight: 6lbs 1oz
Length: 20 inches

Parents: Jacob &
Kelsey Johnson

TWINS!

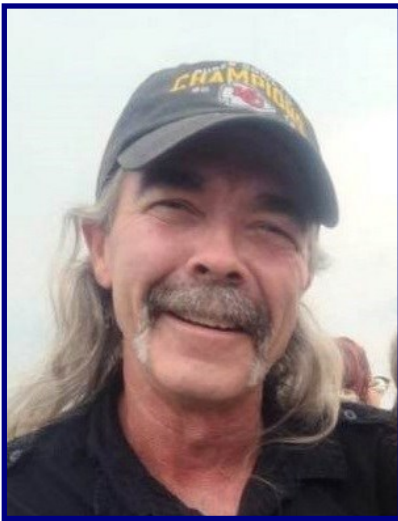


Karter Alexander Maldonado
Born: 04.25.2023
Weight: 5lbs 15oz
Length: 19 inches
Parents: Kyle &
Bayleigh Maldonado

Madison Ray Thompson
Born: 04.25.2023
Weight: 9lbs 1oz
Length: 21.12 inches
Parents: Taylor &
Megan Thompson

Isla Wood
Born: 05.01.2023
Weight: 6lbs 9oz
Length: 18 inches
Parents: Treyor &
Torie Wood

Our sincerest condolences go out to the family and friends of Brother Paul Zeimen. Brother Zeimen passed away April 22, 2023 at the age of 58. He was a member for 26 years.



Last Months Job Referrals

123 -Referrals Sent Out 87 -Regular Calls
4 -VDV Tech 2 -Resi JW 1 -Apprentice
2 -VDV Appr 6 -VDV Installer 21 -CW

The Union Sportsmen Alliance Youth Event at Labor Park will be on June 24. The annual event introduces kids to archery and fishing.



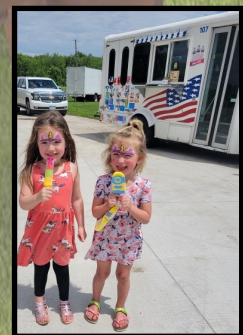
If you would like to participate, please call the Union Hall for details.
(515) 243-1924



Annual Picnic

Saturday, June 10th, 2023
12pm to 4pm
Union Labor Park
4640 NW Morningstar Dr

*Fun for
all ages!*



Amusement Rides, Bags Tournament, Ice Cream Truck, Inflatables,
Face Painting, Airbrush Tattoos, Live Music, Food (grilling hot dogs
and hamburgers, along with sides) & Drinks!



State Licensing Courses Available @ DSM Electrical Apprenticeship

2023 Grounding and Bonding Requirements.

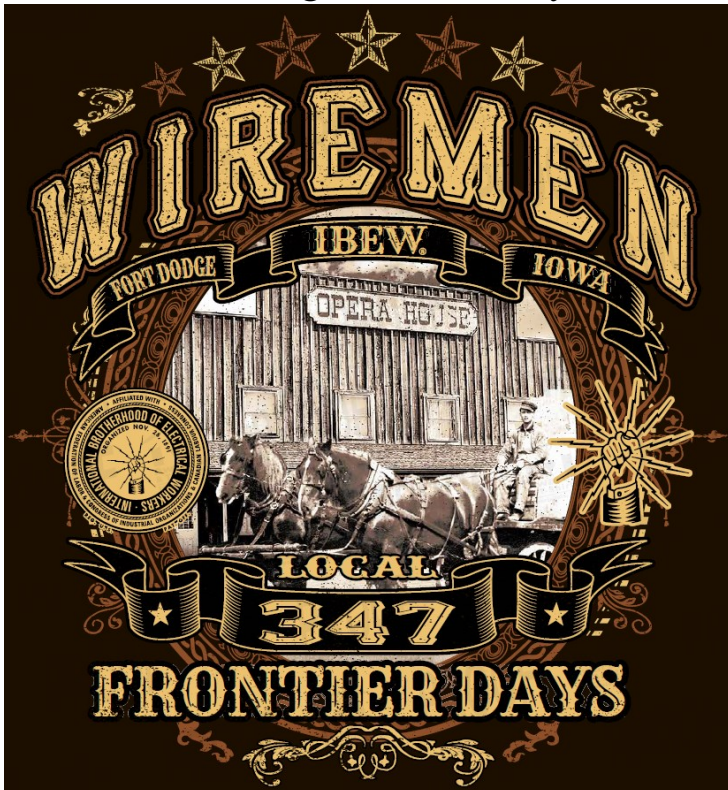
This six (6) hour class (code) will be held on June 26th and 27th, 2023 from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM each evening at the Des Moines Apprenticeship Training Center, 10700 Justin Drive, Urbandale, IA 50322. You may register for this class by using the www.dmelejatc.org website or the www.ibewlu347.org website. Sign up for classes under Journeyman Training. Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship 10700 Justin Drive Urbandale, IA

EVITP certification will be available soon in the form of JW training classes. The classes will be broken down into 3- 6 hour classes and will count towards your state licensing. This certification will enable you to work on the electric vehicle charging stations that will be going up due to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021. This is a great way to get the certification along with your state license CEUs in addition to securing the work for IBEW/NECA. More to come.



Participants of the 347 Electrical Workers Health and Welfare Fund, the annual wellness events have been scheduled for Saturdays, September 9 and 16 in Des Moines at the Union Hall. In Fort Dodge they will be held on Saturday, August 26. 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. (515-243-1924 or nchumbley@ibewlu347.org)

Fort Dodge Frontier Days



WANTED

Families to have fun attending Fort Dodge Frontier Days June 2, 3 and 4. Contact Brother Kyle Dornath for more info. kyledornath2011@gmail.com

GET TEED UP AT THE IBEW LOCAL #347 29th Annual Golf Outing

Date: July 15th, 2023

Tee Time: 8 am

Ticket: \$30/person

Where: Terrace Hills Golf Course

Door prizes & Lunch served

Show up by 7:30 a.m.

Shotgun start 8:00 a.m.

Get a partner and sign up early. You can register in person at the Union Hall or by calling 515-243-1924 today.

IBEW LOCAL UNION 347 WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The Local 347 Women's Committee meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month at 5:00pm. Meetings take place at the Union Hall in the Executive Board room. Meetings are open to All women under every branch of the industry represented by the Local; Construction, Voice Data Video, Manufacturing, Broadcasting and Maintenance. We discuss the issues that matter to you. Please plan to attend. If you have any questions please contact Naomi Lawson at naomi.a.lawson@gmail.com.

New Women's Committee t-shirt design!

These are going fast. Be sure to call Nichole at the Hall to check for size availability.



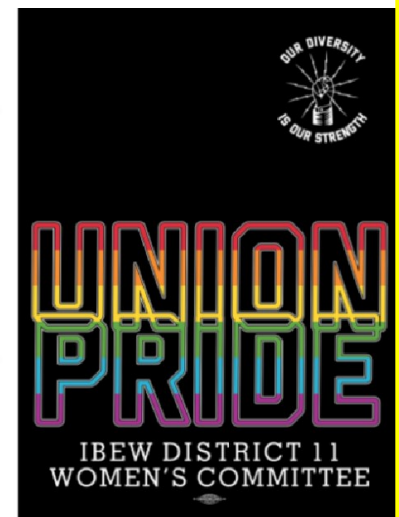
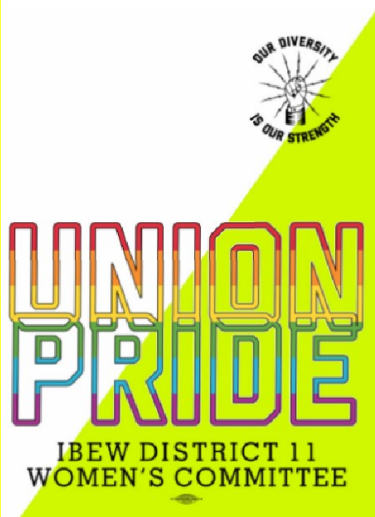
Sister Naomi Lawson, Chair of the Local 347 Women's Committee, will serve as a panelist for the Iowa Unity Coalition's Des Moines Mayoral Candidate Forum on June 13th.

DISTRICT 11

IBEW 11th District Women's Committee is raising money to support "The Trevor Project" (www.thetrevorproject.org)

Purchases can be made at
[HTTPS://SHIRTS101.STORE/IBEW_11_DISTRICT](https://shirts101.store/ibew_11_district)

Short sleeve t \$20
Pocket T \$23
Long sleeve \$24
Long sleeve pocket t \$27
Crew sweatshirt \$43
Hoody \$49
Zip hoodie \$53



The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **June 30, 2023**.

This list was run on May 19, 2023. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" MEMBERS

RONNIE	D	ALLBEE	JONATHAN	W	MILLER
JOSHUA	R	ALLSUP	GREG	M	MORRIS
JESUS	L	ALVARADO	BRANDON	S	MORRIS
JOSHUA		ANDERSON	ALAN	P	NEWELL
OCTAVIA		ATKINS	WILLIAM	T	NEWTON
DOHNOVAN	D	BAILEY	TIM	J	O'CONNOR
CURTIS	L	BALMER	DEVAN	J	OLSON
HAWKINS		BELL	PHILLIP	E	PETRIE
TRAVIS	D	BROCK	KYLE	M	PLUMB
TRAVIS	W	BURLESON	ANTUAND		PRUNEDA
JACK	R	CARPENTER	MICHAEL	J	QUINN
CHARLES	T	CATER	BRENT	S	RAMTHUN
BRADLEY	D	CERVENE	JASON	S	RICHARD
JAMISON	A	CHRISCO	DAVID	J	RILEY
MACKENZIE	A	CLEMONS	TOMMY	L	RILEY
COOPER	L	COFFMAN	BRANDAN	A	ROSS
MICHAEL	D	CRIGGER	KORBIN	A	ROULSTON
JOSEPH	D	DAKE	JUSTIN	M	RUSH
JAMES	D	DAVIS	WANO	N	RUSSELL
DON	E	DAWSON	BENJAMIN	L	SCHNEIDER
WESLEY	S	DRAHOZAL	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBART
BRIAN	N	DRAKE	LUKE	W	SEE
KYLE	M	EASTERBERG	DAVID	K	SHARON
MATTHEW	J	ENDRES	JACOB	P	SLEETH
DON	L	ERICKSON	ANDREW	A	SMITH
TREY	L	EVANS	FRANK	T	SPOSETO
ARMANDO	A	FERNANDEZ	CHRIS	W	SPRY
CHARLIE	L	FOX	SHANE	L	STONEBURNER
THOMAS	B	GOMEZ	JAMES	D	SULLIVAN
TYLER	L	GRAHAM	SEAN	R	SULLIVAN
CHRISTOPHER	J	HALTOM	SEAN	P	TOTTEN
BENJAMIN	B	HAMILTON	JASON	W	VANBAALEN
TYLER	J	HANKE	HUNTER	C	VOCKINGS
SEAN		HEAD	SAMUEL	F	WALLACE
BENJAMIN	M	HEATH	ORIN	D	WATERS
KLAYTON	M	HEIMAN	JOSEPH	W	WHITE
CODY	L	HEISTAND	JONAH	T	WILLIAMS
NICHOLAS	J	HENRY	DENNIS	J	WILLIAMS
ALEXANDER	R	HERRICK	ADAM	M	WILSON
KERRY	A	HORNER	BRANDON	L	YEARLING

"BA" MEMBERS

KOSSI	N	ABATHAN
ROBERT	K	BELL
ALONZO	P	GARCIA
GARY	L	KENT
SOUPHALAK		KHAMVILAYTHONG
SORAIDA		LEOS
GARY	W	ROSS
ALVIN	K	SNYDER



The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by June 30, 2023. This list was run on May 16, 2023.

"A" Members

JUSTIN	M	BEAM
DEVAN	J	BROWN
JONATHAN	J	CLARK
BRENT	P	DEWITT
GEORGE	W	DUTREY
PATRISHA	L	FARLOW
NATHAN	P	FINDLAY
JORDAN	D	HARDING
TIFFANY	R	HUFFAKER
COLTON	J	LOWE
BRANDON	R	MILLAGE
CHRISTOPHER	M	MURPHY
ERIC	B	PEPPERS
DANIEL	W	ROWLING
DALE	A	SCHMIDT
DREW	M	VESPESTAD
DUSTIN	H	VOLQUARDSSEN
NICK	J	WILLENBORG

"BA" Members

BURNEY	D	BRANDEL
EHSANULLAH		EHSAN
REMA	AH	HENNING

May 1st DROPS

Bingle, Jacob K	A
Cochrane, Andrew D	A
Haji zalawar, Shankurullah	BA
Hernandez Diaz, Jose P	BA
HollowaySR., William L	A
Hougham, Tyler J	A
Jensen, Dylan M	A
Jimmerson, Kenneth A	BA
Johnson, Robert L	A
Kiefer, Raymond R	A
Schaff, Travis T	BA
Stark, Jonathan A	A
Stewart, Selma D	BA
Thompson, Jacob S	A
Wagner, Isaiah J	A
Wood, Travis W	BA

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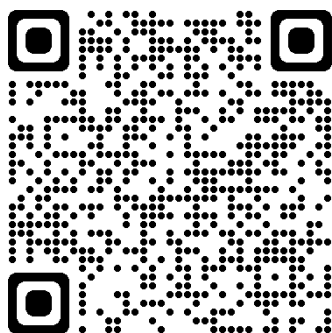
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pat: phwells@ibewlu347.org Scott: slfarnsworth@ibewlu347.org Dave: dlreid@ibewlu347.org Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org				1	2	3
Nichole: nchumbley@ibewlu347.org Misty: mrtturner@ibewlu347.org Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org Tim: tshawthorne@ibewlu347.org						
4	5	6 EP 2 4:00 PM	7 Residential Mtg. 4:00 PM	8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG 5PM	9	10 Annual Summer Picnic 12-4PM @ Union Labor Park
11	12	13 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	14 Retiree Lunch Noon @ Hall Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	15 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	16	17
18 	19 Stockman/ Delivery- man Mtg. 4:00 PM	20 Keystone Mtg. after work	21 VDV Mtg. 4:00 PM Summer!	22 Fort Dodge Unit Mtg. 4:30 PM 	23	24
25	26	27 E-Board Mtg. 4:00PM RENEW 4:30PM	28 Women's Committee Mtg 5pm	29	30	

Please RSVP for the Retiree Lunch by calling Nichole at the Union Hall at 515-243-1924.

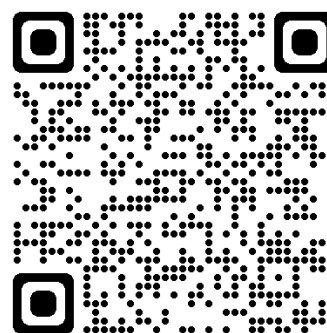


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Local #347 Benefits Website: www.ibew347benefits.com	Phone: (515) 243-1924
For Job Calls, call after 4:30 PM daily and all weekend long: (515) 243-5412.	Fax #: (515) 243-8772
DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP www.dmelejatc.org	Phone: (515) 224-4349
LOCAL 347 HEALTH PLAN GROUP #78-380001	
Dollar Bank Billing & Claims Information: Call CompuSys	
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.	
HRA BALANCE BY PHONE:	Phone: 1-888-257-0225
SAV-RX GROUP# IBEW347 www.savrx.com	
DELTA DENTAL INFORMATION: www.deltadental.com	
When presenting your ID Card, please notify the provider your Member ID # is 8 followed by the last 9 digits.	
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	
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 #4-31329 Principal Financial:	
When calling have your P.I.N. ready	Phone: 1-800-547-7754
Address changes:	Phone: 1-800-547-7754
JOURNEY CREDIT UNION:	Phone: (515) 243-8735
RETIREE RESOURCES: IBEW Retiree helpline:	
Have your Card# or SS# ready	Phone: 1-800-733-4239 NEBF: Phone: 1-301-556-4300