

# Official Publication of Local Union #347

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## ~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

Local 347 is experiencing unprecedented growth, in fact, we are leading in membership development within the 11<sup>th</sup> District. We are becoming stronger and more unified than we have ever been. In order to invest in this momentum it is important that we address some key items. Maintaining relationships with our customers should be one of our highest priorities. The customers that hire our signatory contractors or purchase our IBEW made products and services expect the highest quality installations and unmatched professionalism. We will always carry the burden of proof in this regard, therefore, we must continue to give our best effort on a daily basis. I know from experience that working longer hours during busy times can take a toll on a person's physical and mental health that's why it is very important that you take care of yourself first. Schedule some time off if you need it. Don't spread yourself too thin. We need to stay sharp. We have a vested interest in the success of our projects just as much as our employers do if not more. Continue to do what you do best and let's keep Local 347 working for the future of our industry and our families.

I am proud to announce that the winners of the 2015 IBEW LU 347 Scholarship are; Bailey Pohlman, Andrea DeAngelo and Emily Thomas. Each winner will receive \$1000 applied towards their education. On behalf of all the Directors, it is truly an honor to be a part of this exciting new 347 member benefit. I would like to thank the Directors, Matt Carpenter, Brian Kerkove and Eric Hager for their dedication and I truly respect their ability to make the tough choices. We had some great applicants this year and I encourage each of them to apply again next year.

A few reminders:

The Medicare education seminar will be held here at the Hall on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 5pm till 7pm. All members, spouses and adult children are invited to attend. RSVP with Misty at 515-243-1924.

The next round of wellness events has been scheduled for Saturday, September 12th and 19th here at the Hall. The Fort Dodge area wellness event will be on Saturday, September 26th. As a matter of convenience, you do not have to be working under the Fort Dodge agreement to attend the Fort Dodge wellness event or vice versa. This valuable benefit is available to all 347 members, spouses and of course, plan participants, spouses and covered adult children. RSVP with Misty at 515-243-1924.

Beginning with the August premium, single Medicare-primary retirees will receive a 2.5% premium reduction. Medicare-primary surviving spouses of retirees will receive a 2.5% premium reduction. Married Medicare-primary retirees, regardless of the age of the spouse or dependents will receive a 5.0% premium reduction.

Permit to carry course at the Hall on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. It begins promptly at 8:00 am. The 4 hour course will be \$65 per person. Training Specialists course covers two permits with one class: Iowa Permit and Utah non-resident Permit. A Utah Permit will allow for an additional 13 states of coverage. Should a member already have a permit and need to renew, they can attend the last two hours of this session for a renewal certificate. Cost for this session is \$35.00. You must arrive promptly at 10:00 am. You must bring your check with you for presentation prior to taking the course. Everyone must RSVP with Misty at 515-243-1924.

Brotherhood Strong,  
Pat Wells



## ~ President's Message ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters

I truly hope that all is well with you and your families and you are enjoying great health and happiness in your life. To help ensure that you are the Union is having another wellness screening in September. Please get signed up for this. The screening only takes about an hour or so and you never know it could end up saving your life. Make sure you call the hall and get on the list to get your wellness screening done.

We have had good attendance close to averaging about 80 members at the monthly meeting but it's always great when every seat in the hall is filled so plan on attending and help make our union better and stronger. We truly do need everyone to make the local as strong as it can be so come to a meeting or volunteer your time at one of the events that we sponsor and help out the community, it's always a great time.

Last month the E-board, Pat and I went to the 11<sup>th</sup> district progress meeting it was a good and informative conference. The IBEW as a whole has remained stronger than the rest of the building trades. We lost membership in the recession but not as much as the rest of the unions affiliated with the AFL-CIO and we are growing faster than them now. We also had a chance to hear the new International President speak. I think they did a great job in selecting Lonnie Stevenson as the new IP. I wish him the best of luck leading the IBEW in the future.

Next month is the Labor Day parade. We ordered the T-shirts already and will be getting the floats ready in the next few weeks. Please plan on attending this great event as it truly shines a spotlight on organized labor and it's the one true day that is for all of us.

It's never too early to start thinking about the Jolly Holiday lighting display. This year's event will be even bigger and better than last year's which means we will need even more help to be successful. Please plan on coming out to help. We need you.

In Solidarity,  
Scott L Farnsworth  
President IBEW#347

# Political Corner

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

We are quickly approaching the school board elections. For the last six months we had a strong union supporter in Nathan Blake. Nathan due to family obligations chose to bow out of the race. We at the South Central Iowa Federation of Labor have been working tirelessly to find labor friendly candidates. We have so far found two real good union supporters. First one is Edwin Ortiz, Edwin is an ACME member. The president of the SCIFL is telling if Edwin had his way all work would be done UNION. I have yet to speak to him but I will in the near future. The next candidate is Natasha Newcomb, I met Natasha back in 2014 when we were supporting and door knocking for Staci Appel. Natasha expressed her commitment to helping and working for the middle class. I believe that we could not have found better people to run for the school board, but the journey does not end here. We have four seats opening up and are still looking for more candidates.

In the near future we also have City Council elections. We have a few seats up for grabs but they are uncontested, except for one Ward 2. Right now we have Bob Mahaffey who will be stepping down and we are very happy with this. Our endorsed candidate is Marty Mauk a big middle class and union supporter. Pat and I have had a few conversations with him and expressed our concerns with our business and our communities. He understands our issues. Marty will be a guest speaker at our October General Membership meeting, so please show your support and attend this meeting.

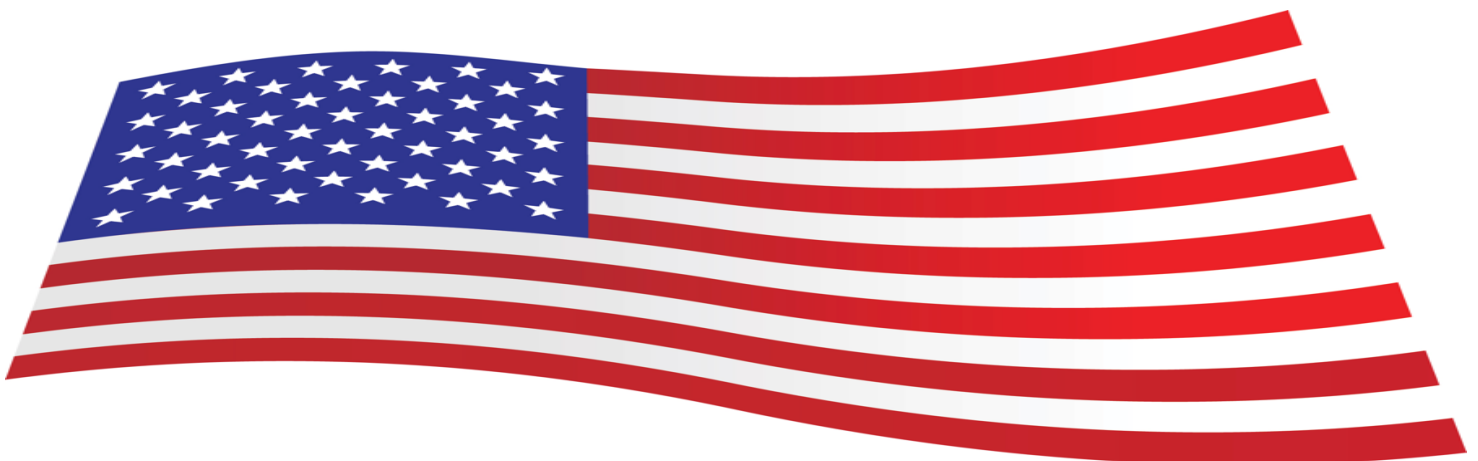
Last month Pat and I had the privilege to attend the Iowa Democratic Hall of Fame Dinner in Cedar Rapids where we heard five of our presidential candidates speak. I have to say it was quite moving and inspiring. In my opinion Hilary and Martin O'Malley had the most moving speeches I've heard in quite some time.

Please do not forget to get out and vote on September 8th. Your vote could make a huge difference in our near future by deciding who will get all the school work coming up.

Thank you your brother ..

Matt Marchese

**VOTE SEPTEMBER 8TH**



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# Membership News

## Last Months Job Referrals

95—referrals sent out	64—Regular Calls	8—Short Call
9—Apprentice	9—Construction Wiremen	3—VDV    2—Residential

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Looking for 2 JW to help organize the ongoing Habitat for Humanity projects. This is a great way to give back to your community and earn volunteer credits. Please email Andrew Dessauer at: [andrewdessauer@gmail.com](mailto:andrewdessauer@gmail.com) to sign up or if you have any questions.

## Newborns

Payton Allsup  
 Born: June 1, 2015  
 4 lbs. 8 oz., 18 "

Parents: Josh & Danielle Allsup

Asher Loftus  
 Born: July 10, 2015  
 8 lbs. 12 oz, 21 "

Parents: Dustin & Richele Loftus



## Apprenticeship News

There will be openings in the 1st year Boot Camp OSHA 10 classes this August. Be sure to check the website to sign up for the available times and dates.

<http://www.dmelejatc.org/>

## IBEW Local Union #347

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES



- ∴ 1 Final Reading/Oaths for membership
- ∴ 3 Honorary Withdrawals
- ∴ 1 Travel Card Approved

- ∴ 1 Normal Retirement Approved
- ∴ 6 Donations Approved



# 2015 Union Made OUTDOOR LIVING

## OUTDOOR PROTECTION

- Coppertone (USW)
- Bain De Soleil (USW)
- Chapstick (USW)
- Claritin (USW)
- Chlor-Trimeton (USW)

## LAWN MOWERS/ CONSTRUCTION/FARM EQUIPMENT

- John Deere 7000, 8000, 9000 series tractors (IAM and UAW)
- Amerequip Corporation (IAM)
- American Road Machinery Inc. (IAM)
- Ashland Industries (IAM)
- Beall Manufacturing (IAM)
- BLOK LOK (IAM)
- Bobcat of New York (IAM)
- CA Lawton Co. (IAM)
- Carmanah Design and Manufacturing (IAM)
- Caterpillar (IAM)
- Eagle Iron Works (IAM)
- Edwards Equipment Co. (IAM)
- Gledhill Road Machinery (IAM)
- Gradall Industries (IAM)
- Greenlee Textron Co. (IAM)
- H and H Manufacturing (IAM)
- MB Companies (IAM)

- Manitowoc Cranes (IAM)
- Markey Machinery Co. (IAM)
- Meyer Products (IAM)
- Pierce Pacific Manufacturing (IAM)
- Superior Lidgerwood Mundy Corp (IAM)
- Toro (IAM)
- Briggs and Stratton Corp (USW)
- Bonanza Fertilizer (UFCW)
- Lawn Boy (UAW)
- Asplundh Tree Experts (IBEW)
- Architectural Plywood Inc. (CWA)
- VIM Fertilizer (UFCW)
- SK Hand Tool Corporation (IAM)
- Channellock Tools (IAM)

## SPORTING EQUIPMENT

- American Athletic (Russell) portable and stationary basketball backboards (UAW)
- Bell Sports (UFCW)
- BARE brand (USW)
- Standard Golf (IAM)
- Winchester Ammunition (IAM)
- Savage Arms (IAM)
- Doughboy Pools (PACE)
- Aqua Chem pool care products (UFCW)
- Swimline Water Sports (IBEW)
- Lifetimer Boats (IAM)
- Vic Francks Boat Co. (IAM)



- Mercury Marine Power (IAM)
- Harley Davidson (IAM)
- Champions Choice (UFCW)
- MacGregor (IBB)
- Louisville Slugger (UAW)
- Top Flite Golf Balls (IBB)

## OUTDOOR FURNITURE AND FIXTURES

- Klear-Vu chair pads /cushions (UNITE HERE)
- Stonco Outdoor Lighting (IBEW)
- Kim Lighting (IBEW)
- Architectural Area Lighting (IBEW)
- Richardson Seating Corp. (Chemical Workers and Novelty Workers)
- Algoma Net Company Hammocks (UFCW)
- Thermador (IBB)
- Weber Q Series Grill (Novelty Workers)

## AIR CONDITIONERS

- Trane Air Conditioning (IAM)

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **August 31, 2015**. This list was run on July 20, 2015.

### **“A” MEMBERS**

JUSTIN S ACKELSON  
ZACHARY J BAETSLE  
JUSTIN M BEAM  
TRAVIS L BOUGHER  
JOHN R BREEDEN  
JAMES C BROWN  
PAUL B BUSHONG  
JAMES F BUTLER  
AARON M CHAPMAN  
MICHAEL CLAMAN  
BRANDON C CLUTE  
LYNN A COWDEN  
LARRY L CURTIS  
CHAD M DANLEY  
ROBERT K DENNIS  
WADE C DINSDALE  
LARRY G DUNBAR  
RYAN L EDGINGTON  
DUSTIN A EWING  
DEREK L FLYNN  
DENVER J FORTUNE  
TERENCE GLASS  
STEVE C GREENE  
MARTIN J HASS  
ZEBULON Z HATFIELD  
ALEXANDER M HENSLEY  
TANNER L HILPIPRE  
MICHAEL R HOTMAN  
TYLER J HOUGHAM  
DAVID J HUMMEL  
KAYLA R HUTSON  
ADAM M IRVING  
COREY A JACKSON  
KENDRICK G JEFFERSON  
JOSEPH E JELLIFF  
HAMON O JOHNSON  
SARAH A JOHNSON

ROB D JOINER  
ERIC A JORGENSEN  
NIC D KAHOE  
CORY L KELLER  
THOMAS L KLUNKER  
BRADLEY G KREINBRING  
BRENT R KRUSE  
DAVID C KUNKLE  
BRIAN J LEEPER  
MANUEL MEDINA  
BARBARA J MENTZER  
SCOTT MENTZER  
JAMIE R MOORMAN  
BRANDON S MORRIS  
WILLIAM T NEWTON  
BRANDON L NORTH  
THAD J O'BRIEN  
ERIC W PADGETT  
PATRICK J PETERSON  
JASON M RAHM  
GARRETT M REYNOLDS  
ROBERT J RUTLEDGE  
MAXX W SCHULTZ  
JASON A SCHUTTY  
MATTHEW L SCOTT  
STEPHANIE M SLIGER  
CASEY M SLOSS  
MATTHEW D SPECK  
MATTHEW H TALCOTT  
MATTHEW R TALLMAN  
TYRELL L TAYLOR  
DAVID C TERRILL  
SEAN P TOTTEN  
TAMMY L VAN WART  
WILLIAM C VANDERPOOL  
BRIAN L WALLACE  
KENNETH R WALLACE  
GRADY J WEDIG

AARON E WEPPLER  
ZECHARIAH E WICKER  
JAMIE W WILLEY

### **“BA” MEMBERS**

RICHARD JR. C BARTH  
ALEXANDER G CHAMBERS  
TAMMY L COOPER  
MICHAEL A HANSEN  
IVAN H HATHCOCK  
STACY M HICKMAN  
ERIC T HUGHES  
TYRONE P JONES  
TERRY E MUHLSTEIN  
JAMES A PRICE  
DAVID L SAMUELSON  
LARRY A STENSLIE  
NATASHA C STUCKER  
COLIN D WATTS  
ROBIN YOUNG

The following members will be dropped from membership if their dues are not paid by August 31, 2015. This list was run on July 20, 2015.

### **“A” MEMBERS**

KEVIN J BECK  
HAROLD F BROWN  
AMANDA K CLARKSON  
CRIS D COFFMAN  
TRAVIS J DOWIE  
JACOB A FARRELL  
TODD W HEER  
TRAVIS L HURLEY

MITCHELL D HUTCHINS  
GERALD J JACOBS  
MICHAEL D LEACH  
ZANE A MCGEE  
JASON D MOORMAN  
JOHN C OLSON  
TODD E PAULSEN  
BRANDON E RICHARDS  
NICHOLAS R SCHULTZ  
DAVID K SHARON  
DANIEL T SMITH  
ANTHONY R SUNDALL  
JASON M TASSI  
MATTHEW J TEMPLE  
MATTHEW T TORRENCE  
CHANCE G VEACH  
DANNY H WILLIAMS  
MARSHAL D WISSLER

### **BA” MEMBERS**

FRANKLIN T GERLACH

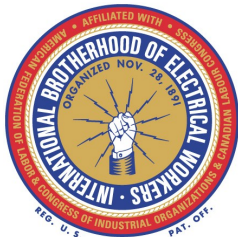


### **JULY 1ST DROPS**

Mason C. Anderson  
Joseph P. Farhat  
Terry L. Huss  
Colten L. Jenkins  
Michael V. Kelleher  
Andrew W. Kent  
Dalton S. Klingston  
Christian F. Mlynarczyk  
Nathan P. Smith

# August 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM ADT Mtg. 5:00 PM Tyco Mtg. 5:00 PM Medicare Class 5-7 @ Hall	4 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	5 Residential Mtg. 4:00 PM	6	7	8
9	10	11 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	12 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM  Retiree Luncheon Noon @ Hall	13 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	14	15
16	17 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:30 PM	18 Keystone Mtg. after work	19 V.D.V. Mtg. 4:00 PM	20 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	21	22 Permit Class 8:00 AM
23 30	24 31	25 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM	26	27 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM	28	29



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# IOWA STATE FAIR DATES

## AUGUST 13-23

**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 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](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:**

1-800-547-7754

[www.principal.com](http://www.principal.com). When calling have your P.I.N. ready

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