



**2014 Children's Christmas Party**



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## ~ President's Report ~

Happy New Year Brothers and Sisters

I truly hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a very healthy and prosperous New Year.

The Local #347 children's Christmas party was a huge success this year with at least 400 members and their families attending. We had reindeer, Santa, great food (provided by Doug Wolf ) cotton candy, popcorn, toys for all the kids and a whole lot of fun stuff to play on. Without the help of the following people it would have been impossible to have such a nice celebration: Trever Reed, Marshall Wissler, Joseph Cole, Zachary Lange, Ronald Kurtz, Clinton O'Connor, Brad Johnson, Chad Lowe, John Stahowick, George Wells, Rick Chumbley, Dave & Rachel Lester, Nick Crivaro and the Officers and Staff of Local #347.

The drawing for attending Union meetings and service will be held at the January general membership meeting, to make sure that you qualify for next year's drawing you have to attended at least 8 of the 12 meetings and have in at least 10 hours of UNION service. It's easier than you think to do both so come to the meetings (the 2nd Thursday of every month) and when you hear about our UNION needing volunteers sign up, we could always use the help. We are still in need of volunteers to help tear down Jolly Holiday lights on January 3rd and 4th, 2015. It's bound to be way cold again and I'm really hoping we get all the tear down done on the 3rd with just loading the trucks left to do on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Work in our area remains strong with Marshalltown energy center and Red Rock dam projects yet to fully get started. The two data centers are still under construction, Principal still has a lot of remodeling to do and lots of work still at Wells Fargo's West campus and all the other medium to small jobs that we are currently working on. The Local has a lot of work to make sure that we man, so if you know any electricians that aren't working union or non-union tell them to give the hall a call we can use their help.

We had over 120 members at last month's meeting (we swore in 52 apprentices). I'll tell you it's awesome to see the union hall packed and I hope we can continue to do this for the entire 2015 calendar year. If you haven't attended a meeting in a while come out to the January meeting show your Solidarity to OUR UNION trust me it's worth our time.

In Solidarity

Scott L Farnsworth President of IBEW Local Union #347

### Quick Notes:

- Remember that as of January, 2015 all dues for "A" members have gone up \$1.00 per month. (\$36.00)
- Pin Party/Recognition night is March 14, 2015. More information on registering will be in February's newsletter.



## ~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

Local 347 had a very good year in 2014. We experienced full employment in the construction branch, employing over 200 travelers at our peak. We are very optimistic about the outlook in 2015. The Marshalltown powerhouse will begin pulling people in soon and the Red Rock Hydro will pull guys in next summer. These projects, in addition to the Data centers, will continue to provide employment opportunities as will the numerous other projects within our jurisdiction.

We have recently signed Air-Con as a signatory contractor. They have had a significant presence in the mechanical, plumbing and refrigeration industry here for some time. We look forward to putting members to work with them.

The Trustees of IBEW Local 347 Electrical Workers Health and Welfare Fund have increased the short term disability benefit by an additional 13 weeks. This is a valuable benefit for plan participants that may be experiencing lost time illnesses and are unable to recover within the previous guidelines. The increase will become retroactive to include anyone who is currently qualified to receive these benefits.

Have a great 2015, Brotherhood Strong,  
Patrick H. Wells

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52 apprentices were sworn in at December's meeting.



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 Dues, Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org  
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# Membership News



## IBEW Local Union #347

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

∴ 4 New members sworn in since last meeting

∴ 3 Final Readings approved

∴ 1 Donation request approved

∴ Raffle for prizes held

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The following list of names are those members eligible for the year end drawing. If you do not see your name and feel you should be eligible please call Misty at 515-243-1924.

Daniel Abbott  
 Jason Ballard  
 Tracy Bethards  
 Matt Carpenter  
 Richard Chumbley  
 Stephen Coxe  
 Chad Davis  
 Matt DeAngelo  
 Ben Duke  
 Scott Farnsworth  
 David Gier  
 Eric Hager

Timothy Hawthorne  
 Doyle Horwart  
 Tim LeClaire  
 Chad Lowe  
 Matt Marchese  
 Rod Olson  
 Robert Pirk  
 Terry Pohlman  
 David Reid  
 John Stahowick  
 Randy Tucker  
 Doug Wolf

# Apprenticeship News

## Happy New Year from the Office Staff and Instructors at the JATC!

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# Journeyman Training

### Calculating Conductor Ampacities & Applying Temperature Ratings Using the 2014 NEC


This three-hour class will be held on January 28, 2015 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM at the Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA East Campus Room 205 This class will provide current information, based upon the 2014 NEC, regarding how to determine conductor ampacity after considering installation methods, ambient temperatures and temperature ratings of terminals/ equipment. This class has been approved for 3-code CECs for Iowa license renewal.

### Hazardous Locations

This three-hour class will be held on January 29, 2015 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM at the Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA East Campus Room 205 This class provides an overview of proper field applications regarding Articles 500-505 and Article 514 which include applications of Material Groups and Temperature Ratings. This class will be presented by a leading expert in the industry, Tom Hargreaves from Cooper Crouse-Hinds. This class has been approved for 3-code CECs for Iowa license renewal.

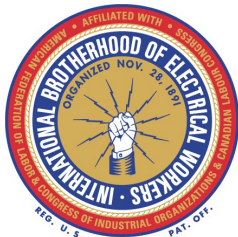
Note the new registration policy as described below: To Register: · A minimum of 10 personnel must sign-up for this class to be conducted. To register for this class you must use the online registration process by establishing a new personal account at [www.dmelejtc.org](http://www.dmelejtc.org). Using this process will allow you to view all scheduled classes, determine if the class has availability and finally to register for the class. After registering online, an email confirmation will be sent to the DMEATT staff confirming your registration. Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship 1948 NW 92nd Ct, Clive, IA 50325

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **January 31, 2015**. This list was run on December 22, 2014. This list is broken down into “A” and “BA” members.

<b><u>“A” Members</u></b>								
ALLSUP	JOSHUA	R	KOSTER	NEIL		STENSLIE	LARRY	A
ANDREWS	ROBERT	R	LAWSON	NAOMI	A	STEVENS	TREVOR	
BAUDLER	DUSTIN	A	LEACH	MICHAEL	D	STUCKER	NATASHA	C
BERG	MATTHEW	P	LOVING	KURT	D	SWALIN	BRENT	T
BLUE	JORDAN	L	LUETH	CORY	R	SWENSON	STEVE	B
BRANT	COREY	M	MCTAVISH	SCOTT	M	TALLMAN	KEVIN	W
BRAUN	JUDITH		MEASE	JEFF	M	TALLMAN	MATTHEW	R
BURK	SHAWN	L	MENTZER	BARBARA	J	TERRILL	DAVID	C
BUSHONG	PAUL	B	MILLER	CHRIS	M	VANDERPOOL	CHRISTOPHER	M
CHRISTIE	RANDALL	J	MOORE	MATT	M	VEACH	CHANCE	G
CLARK	TIMOTHY	A	MOORMAN	JAMIE	R	WADE	TERRELL	G
DAVIS	JAMES	D	MORGHEIM	DON		WESTBERG	ERIC	M
DENNIS	ROBERT	K	MURPHY	JASON	P	WICKER	JIMMY	
DEVORE	JOSH	P	MYERS	CHARLES	J	WILLIAMS	DANNY	H
ENGA	JEFFREY	A	NOWELL	TYLER	C	WORTHINGTON	TED	
ESPE	SCOTT	A	O'BRIEN	THAD	J	YETMAR	ETHAN	P
FULTON	ROBERT	K	OLSON	MICHAEL	D	YOUNG	ROBIN	
GANNON	ERIC	J	ORFIELD	MARK	A	The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by January 31, 2015. This list was run on December 22, 2014.		
GARDNER	SCOTT	S	PATRICK	RANDALL	R			
GHORMLEY	NICHOLAS	A	PATTERSON	LEE	A			
GILBERT	JASON	R	PETRIE	PHILLIP	E			
GOODYK	COREY	L	PONTIOUS	MATTHEW	N	<b><u>“A” Members</u></b>		
GRANT	KEVIN	R	PRICE	JAMES	A	BALLARD	RANDAL	R
GRAY	DANIEL		RAMSELL	DAVID	T	DINSDALE	WADE	C
GROSVENOR	JASON	W	RANKIN	COLIN	P	FLEMING	BRYON	
HAMMOND	TITUS	D	RAYMOND	NOLAN	H	FOSTER	JEFFREY	R
HARNED	CHARLES	D	REYNOLDS	GARRETT	M	HANSEN	MICHAEL	A
HENSLEY	ALEXANDER	M	RICHARDSON	LOGAN	M	SCHIEFFER	JAMES	C
HENSON	STEPHEN	L	RIDDLE	JOHN	D	SHARON	DAVID	K
HERMANN	STEVE	J	RUSSELL	CLINT	E	TASSI	JASON	M
HEWITT	MARTIN	T	SANDERS	JOSEPH	J			
HICKMAN	STACY	M	SCHAFFER	PHILLIP	J			
JACOBSEN	LEWIS	D	SCHERFF	JASON				
JESSE	MATTHEW	S	SCHULTZ	MAXX	W			
JOHNSON	MICHAEL	P	SHARP	BRANT	M			
JONES	MICHAEL	D	SMITH	JASON	M			
KERKOVE	BRIAN	D	SMITH	STEVEN	J			
KLINGENSMITH	ERIC	A	SOUTH	JOHNNY	F			
			STANDLEY	DEVAN	R			

# January 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b> Union Office closed	2	3
4	5 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM	6 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	7	8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	9	10
11	12	13 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	14 Retiree Luncheon Noon @ Hall Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	15 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM T.S.T. Mtg. 3:30 & 4:30 PM	16	17
18	19 M.L.K. Day Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:30 PM	20 Keystone Mtg. after work	21 V.D.V. Mtg. 4:00 PM	22 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM	23	24
25	26	27 E-Board 4:00 PM	28	29	30	31



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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](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