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~ President's Report ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters

The date for the union's summer picnic at the Labor park is May 30th; please plan on attending there will be great food, pony rides, game room, bouncy houses and other activities for the kids. There will be door prizes and ice cold beverages for the adults. I am sure everyone that attends will have a fantastic time so mark May 30th on your calendar and I will see you there. With every union function there are volunteer hours available we need help setting up the event and with a park cleaning the next day on the 31st of May so if you are in need of hours this is a great way to get some in.

I am pleased to announce that Mr. Steve Hansen has been selected as the new training director of the Des Moines JATC congratulations Steve I know that you will do an awesome job.

There will be a pin party March 14th at the downtown Marriott. The bar will open at 5pm then dinner will be served at 6pm and it's sure to be a great time. There are rooms available at a discounted rate. So make sure that you get your 10 dollars per person into the hall so that you can attend the 2015 pin party and help everyone that's getting a pin celebrate their years of service. This is a good opportunity to talk to a brother or sister that you haven't seen for a while so make sure that you attend.

There were 63 members at last month's union meeting not too bad for a cold February evening but still plenty of room for more members. Weather permitting we will get the grill out for this month's meeting. So what do you say? Let's fill the hall up and have a great meeting it's always a good time. If you haven't attended a meeting in a while why don't you come to this month's meeting.

The work outlook for our jurisdiction remains very strong and this summer will be even busier so if you know anyone that's not working or is working non-union tell them to give the hall a call we could use their help.

In Solidarity,
Scott L. Farnsworth
President IBEW Local #347



~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

I am proud to announce that we are implementing a new scholarship program. The scholarships will be available to dependent children (up to age 26) of members of IBEW LU 347 in good standing.

There will be up to \$3000 in scholarships given away each year. This is a one-time cash award sent to individual winners for study beginning in the fall of 2015.

Applicants for scholarships are evaluated according to academic ability, financial need, appreciation of labor, and social awareness. You are required to submit a 300-700 word essay (typed), the topic must be: "How has Collective Bargaining impacted my life and what role will I play in the Labor Movement going forward?"

Please provide a complete résumé. The résumé should outline the applicant's education (including transcripts from high school and college) and where applicable; work history, military service, special honors or awards and involvement in union, civic, community, or religious affairs. Applicants may be asked to provide a birth certificate and photo ID.

Materials must be addressed to IBEW LU 347, C/O Executive Board 850 18th St Des Moines Iowa, 50314 postmarked prior to May 1st of the scholarship year (2015) or delivered in person during business hours Monday - Friday 8am-4:30pm. There will be more information available soon. It was necessary to get this to you now in order to give you time to prepare.

Apprentices and Construction Wiremen, it is very important for you to remember that you must renew your electrical license each year. The deadline to avoid penalties is March 31st. If you have any questions please call.

Don't procrastinate! The deadline for the 2015 Pin Party RSVP is March 3rd.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells

Political Corner

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to 2015 the off-off year when it comes to elections. This year we have City Council and School Board elections here in Des Monies. This is the year we can make a real difference in our industry and in our communities.

As far as the School Board, a lot of people think - big deal - who cares, but let me say this, who do you think makes recommendations for work in these schools and on these sites? The School Board.

The responsibilities of the school board in a nutshell is they have a considerable amount of influence over educational decisions and provide a key social and political connection to the schooling process.

We have a gentleman by the name of Nathan Blake, Nathan which some of you might recall ran against Tony Bisignano in the primary for the Iowa Senate seat 17, Tony won by 18 votes. I think that says a lot about Nathan. If Tony didn't have such a strong track record and a very strong tie to our community I believe we would have endorsed Nathan. Nathan's bio will be next months editorial.

So if we get the right person who is labor friendly we stand a better chance on getting these jobs. If you or someone you know might be interested in running for a seat on a school board please let me know and I can help with the process. Election for the school board is September 10, 2015 and the filing date is early June.

We have three seats up for election on the Des Monies City Council. Ward 2 held by Bob Mahaffey and At Large Chris Coleman which are NOT friends of ours. Every chance they get they vote against unions and organized labor to do projects located within city limits. We do have a good friend of labor in Ward 4 with Joe Gatto. Joe was elected last March in a special election against Joe Henry, even though we backed Henry cause he had stronger ties with unions Joe Gatto has been a friend of ours. I have had conversations with him about some of the issues in our neighborhoods and he agrees with where we stand. He was also a guest speaker at Labor Jam 2014 and also marched in the Labor Day Parade. So I am sure Joe will stand with us on issues in the near future. I will have more information on our endorsed candidates next month.

In closing I would like to talk about Labor Park. The Park belongs to the Unions in the greater Des Monies area that means us. The park will be available to rent through the first weekend in April to the last weekend in October. The weekends are filling up quick so if you are thinking about it, I would make the phone call soon. Some of the notable dates are April 4th Easter Egg Hunt, May 16th Poker Run Motorcycle ride, May 30th Local Union #347 Picnic, September 5th Building Trades Picnic, September 7th Labor Day Celebration and September 26th Labor Jam. We have park clean-up day on March 28th weather permitting and this also counts towards Union volunteer service time.

Thank You
your Brother Matt Marchese
Political Registrar

Apprenticeship News

Journeyman Training

Telecommunications Certification Training

BICSI TE350 - Technician Class:

A BICSI Technician certification class has been scheduled to be conducted 4/20 thru 4/24/ 2015, 8:00am – 4:00pm (each day) at the Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship State Training Center, 1948 NW 92nd Ct, Clive, IA. A hands-on and written certification examination will be conducted for each participant.

Prerequisites: A minimum of three years of telecommunications related field experience is required to register for this class.

To Register:

A registration fee of \$750 per participant and a completed BICSI registration form is required to register for this class. A completed BICSI registration form and the class fee must be received at the apprenticeship office no later than March 20th, 2015. A minimum of 3 participants is required to conduct the class, with a maximum class size of 8 participants. The registration fee includes the BICSI reference text (ITSIM), BICSI student guide, BICSI exam fee and course fee. A BICSI registration form must be obtained from the apprenticeship office. For additional information regarding this course contact:

Ed Allen at extension #13 or Eallen@dmelejatc.org

Dale Wion at extension #11 or dwion@dmelejatc.org



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Membership News

Last Months Job Referrals

75— referrals sent out
 75-Regular Calls
 0—Short Call

*** RETIREE LUNCHEON ***

Noon on Wednesday, March 11th at the Union Hall.
 Come by and have some lunch. Please call the Hall
 at 515-243-1924 and let Misty know if you are plan-
 ning to attend. If you have any questions contact
 Mike Booker at 515-276-5458.

The Local Union would like to express it's sympathy to the families of the following member:

John C. Messerly passed away on January 18, 2015 at the age of 68 years old. He was a member for 23 years.

Patrick T. O'Brien passed away on January 27, 2015 at the age of 89 years old. He was a member for 62 years.

IBEW FOUNDER'S SCHOLARSHIP **Newborns**

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The IBEW Founders' Scholarship honors the dedicated wiremen and linemen who founded the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Each year the officers of the IBEW are pleased to offer its working members scholarships on a competitive basis. It is hoped that the awards will not only contribute to the personal development of our members but also steward the electrical industry that our founders envisioned. An application for the IBEW Founders' Scholarship (Form 172) is enclosed. This is also available on the IBEW website www.ibew.org/FoundersScholarship.

All IBEW members who have been in continuous good standing for four years preceding May 1 of the scholarship year in which they plan to apply are eligible for the IBEW Founders' Scholarship. Please note, if a member has been on honorary withdrawal at any time during the aforementioned period, he or she will not be eligible to participate.

Spouses or children of IBEW members are not eligible for the IBEW Founders' Scholarship. Union Plus has a scholarship that is available for IBEW members, as well as their spouses and dependent children. Please visit the Union Plus website (www.unionplus.org) for more information about other scholarship opportunities.

I encourage all interested eligible members to participate in the IBEW Founders' Scholarship Program. Please make the Founders' Scholarship opportunity known to your members and urge them to apply.

Della Michele Ragan
 Born: January 29, 2015
 6 lbs., 19 1/2" long
 Parents: Mathew & Stephanie Ragan



Dante Robert Coco
 Born: January 25, 2015
 7 lbs., 2.9 oz., 19 3/4 " long
 Parents: Matt & Jessica Coco



Carson Paul O'Connor
 Born: January 7, 2015
 8 lbs., 9 oz., 23 3/4" long
 Parents: Mark O'Connor & Jenni Packer

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **March 31, 2015**. This list was run on February 20, 2015. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

| <u>"A" Members</u> | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| ALBERTSON J. DUSTY | GERDES KEVIN | MULLANEY T. RENE | WICKHAM A. ROBERT |
| AMES S. ADAM | GISVOLD J. DANIEL | MURPHY M. CHRISTOPHER | WILCOX S. ERIC |
| ANDERSON KARL | GLASS TERENCE | MURPHY C. JOEL | WILLEY W. JAMIE |
| ANDERSON C. MASON | GRAY A. DAVID | NESSELROAD C. TONY | WILLIAMSON J. TYLER |
| BAILEY L. BRIAN | GRETT A. DAVID | NEUWERTH A. JAMES | WILSON M. ADAM |
| BAJREKTAREVIC EDIN | GRIFFITH THOMAS | NIELSEN A. STANLEY | WILSON L. ERIC |
| BALDWIN L. LUKE | GRUBB A. TIMOTHY | NISH L. DEREK | WILSON R. WILLIAM |
| BARTELS J. DARAN | HALBROOK R. JASON | O'HARA J. PATRICK | WOOD W. JAMES |
| BAUDLER A. DUSTIN | HALVERSON G. DAVID | O'HARRA R. THOMAS | WRIGHT J. JOHNNIE |
| BEERY E. DENNIS | HANEY R. CHRISTOPHER | OLSON H. JAMES | |
| BERRY J. JUSTIN | HANNAM J. DEREK | PARTELOW D. RONALD | |
| BEYER E. CHAD | HANNAM J. PATRICK | PENNINGTON L. RYAN | |
| BIERMANN A. MICHAEL | HARDING A. WILLIAM | PERKINS W. ROBERT | |
| BIRKENHOLTZ D. RANDY | HATHAWAY M. ROBERT | PETERSEN D. MARTIN | |
| BOGGESS R. BRADLEY | HEALEY TRAVIS | PIPPERT T. BRIAN | |
| BRANNEN R. JEREMY | HECHT A. HOWARD | PLAUTZ L. HAL | |
| BRANNEN J. ZAKKARY | HENRY L. DAVID | RAHM M. JASON | |
| BREEDEN R. JOHN | HENSLEY M. KENTON | RAMSELL T. DAVID | |
| BRINKMAN A. MARK | HILTON JACOB | REEDY L. DENNIS | |
| BROCK R. BENNIE | HITT S. JENNIFER | RHINEHART A. NEIL | |
| BROCK L. EDWARD | HORNER L. KENNETH | RHONE L. JERRY | |
| BROOKES L. CHRISTIE | HORNER A. KERRY | RICHARDSON V. CHRIS | |
| BROUGHTON J. JOSHUA | HOWARD J. SHANE | RICHARDSON M. LOGAN | |
| BROWN G. ERIC | HOWE D. CHRIS | RIGHT L. ROBERT | |
| BROWN F. FRANCESCA | HUNEMULLER W. ALEX | RIDDLE D. JOHN | |
| BROWN M. JASON | HUSS L. TERRY | RILEY J. DAVID | |
| BURNETT P. JARROD | HUSTON E. MARK | ROLLAND D. MATTHEW | |
| BURROWS L. ANTHONY | INTHABOUNH C. LY | RUNDALL I. KIRK | |
| BYERS I. MICHAEL | JACOBSEN L. MICHAEL | RYSAVY P. RYAN | |
| CAMACHO RAY | JENKINS COLTEN | SANDERS J. JOSEPH | |
| CARLTON W. GREG | JENNETT W. COLE | SCHACHTNER D. MICHAEL | |
| CARSON KEITH | JOHNSON A. JEFFREY | SCHMIDT L. ADAM | |
| CHAPMAN M. AARON | JONES D. JASON | SCHMIDT K. BRIAN | |
| CLARK L. PENNY | KEIGHNER S. JUSTIN | SCHMIDT W. CORY | |
| CLARK E. SCOTT | KELLEHER V. MICHAEL | SCHMIDT N. DREW | |
| CLOSE R. MICHAEL | KENT W. ANDREW | SCHMIDT D. TREVOR | |
| COLES J. JAMES | KIDMAN D. MICHAEL | SCHOONOVER B. SCOTT | |
| COLLINS W. AARON | KLINGENSMITH L. TIM | SCHWIENEBAUT L. CHRIS | |
| COMEGYS E. DAN | KLINGSTON S. DALTON | SEE W. LUKE | |
| CONOVER E. DEREK | KNOWLTON RICK | SENECAUT R. JASON | |
| CONRAD A. DANA | KONRAD MELVIN | SHANNON P. TROY | |
| CORBIN B. RICHARD | KOSTER J. RAY | SHARP M. BRANT | |
| CUNNINGHAM W. JEFFERY | LANDWEHR S. CHRIS | SHAW M. WILLIAM | |
| DANLEY M. CHAD | LANGLEY K. DUANE | SHELDHAHL L. ERIK | |
| DARRAH E. DON | LUNDBERG A. BRIAN | SILVERTHORN W. DARRELL | |
| DAVIS A. CHAD | MAGUIRE E. HEATH | SLIGER M. STEPHANIE | |
| DAY S. KEVIN | MANNING M. JEFF | SMITH D. BART | |
| DESSAUER C. ANDREW | MARLENEE M. DAVID | SMITH P. NATHAN | |
| DILLAVOU A. DANIEL | MARME T. MICHAEL | SMITH J. STEVEN | |
| DIRKSEN E. MICHAEL | MARSCHEL L. KEITH | SPAINHOWER G. BRENDAN | |
| DOLAND D. DAVID | MARSHALL L. RONNIE | SPRINGER R. MARY | |
| DONOHUE D. TROY | MARTZAHM M. JORDAN | STREET J. THOMAS | |
| DOWELL G. DAN | MCCARTY J. KEVIN | SUSANIN C. MIKE | |
| DOWIE J. TRAVIS | MCCUMBER L. DAVID | SWANSON B. MICHAEL | |
| DRAKE F. CHARLES | MCCUTCHEON L. JEFF | TAHA M. JOSH | |
| DUDLEY J. TYWON | MCDONALD L. PATRICK | TALCOTT H. MATTHEW | |
| DUDNEY O. KENT | MCLERAN R. NILE | TAYLOR J. CHARLES | |
| DURIAN J. ANTHONY | MCQUISTON J. DAVID | TAYLOR L. TYRELL | |
| DURYEE R. GAYLIN | MENTZER SCOTT | THODE W. RYAN | |
| EASLEY L. AMANDA | MEREDITH P. MATTHIAS | THOMA M. JACOB | |
| EDDIE M. TRAE | MEYER D. JEFFREY | THORPE C. APRIL | |
| EDGINGTON L. RYAN | MILLER M. BRANDON | TIGGES J. RONALD | |
| ENGLE A. DONNAVON | MILLER J. JEROME | TINNERMEIER D. CHARLES | |
| FARHAT P. JOSEPH | MILLER W. TIMOTHY | VAN RIPER D. JESSE | |
| FARRELL A. CHASE | MLYNARCZYK F. CHRISTIAN | VANBAALEN W. JASON | |
| FAST L. RAYMOND | MOORMAN D. JASON | VANDEHAAR E. BARRY | |
| FLEMING BRYON | MORALES MACIAS ALFREDO | VANDERPOOL C. WILLIAM | |
| FLINN S. ERIC | MORALES MACIAS JUAN | VICKROY S. JOE | |
| FLYNN L. DEREK | MOREN J. BRAD | VOLL L. JEFFREY | |
| FOSTER R. JEFFREY | MORGHEIM DON | VOS R. DENNIS | |
| FREDERICK C. TYLOR | MORRIS S. BRANDON | WAAGE J. DUSTIN | |
| FRIESEN J. NICHOLAS | MORRIS J. MITCHELL | WASHINGTON E. THOMAS | |
| GAY V. LARRY | MORTALE T. JOHNATHAN | WEIFENBACH J. RICHARD | |
| | MOUW J. MICHAEL | WHITE W. JOE | |

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| ALBARRAN | EVELYN |
| ANDEWAY | E KILE |
| BAUGHMAN | M JAMIE |
| BECK | J KEVIN |
| DAVIS | D JAMES |
| GARCIA | A MICHAEL |
| GROOMS | D JOSH |
| HOUGHAM | J TYLER |
| JACKSON | A COREY |
| JACKSON | T MICHAEL |
| KINGERY | F CHRISTOPHER |
| LEEPER | J BRIAN |
| MCAVOY | N TRACEY |
| MCKNIGHT | T JACOB |
| METCALF | P SCOTT |
| MOELLER | J MICAH |
| MOONEY | J NATHAN |
| OAKLEY | D JEVON |
| RICHARDS | E BRANDON |
| SULLIVAN | R SEAN |
| THOMPSON | M PHILLIP |

FEB. 1ST DROPS

Joseph B. Culver
 Ryan E. Dillon
 Ryan E. Keuning
 Andrew L. Miller
 Matthew M. Swanson

March 2015

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



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Local #347 Benefits Website: 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 and click on Options PPO.

L.D.I. INFORMATION (Prescription)—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

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

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: 1-800-877-7195

LOCAL 347 PENSION PLAN & 401K #4-31329 Admin. by Principal:

www.principal.com. When calling have your P.I.N. ready 1-800-547-7754
Address changes: 1-800-547-7754

TRADESMEN CREDIT UNION:

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