



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

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Sisters and Brothers,

Please consider this your official notification of a SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS to be held during the May General Membership meeting. The meeting will be held at 850 18<sup>th</sup> St. Des Moines, Iowa 50314 at 5:00pm on May 14, 2015. Special order of business will be to discuss and allocate the June 1st raise for the Des Moines Inside Agreement. Please plan to attend.

Working with our Principal Financial Group Representatives, we have established a bi-annual meeting/event for Participants and spouses of the Local 347 Retirement and 401K Plan. The objectives are to educate you on your investment direction, options and other opportunities that may be available to you. The events will be interactive and sometimes entertaining. There will often be experienced industry leaders and professionals there to educate, answer questions and provide insight into your available options and current market conditions. The date for this first meeting will be June 4<sup>th</sup>. It will start at 5:00pm at the Union Hall. Our goal here is to guide you into a successful retirement and have fun along the way.

It is very important for all of us to be aware of who we have designated as beneficiaries on all of our plans. PBF, NEBF, Local Pensions and Health Plans tied directly to Local 347 or provided to you by an employer through a separate agreement all have beneficiary designation requirements. It is vital that these be kept up to date in order to protect your current dependents from unexpected financial hardships due to your loss. If you have experienced changes in your life such as marriage, divorce, or have another child, you should update your beneficiary designation right away.

The IBEW 347 Health and Welfare Plan will be starting preparations soon for the next round of wellness exams. You are welcome and encouraged to attend these each year. Last year the test detected a cancerous tumor in a young woman that would not have known about it otherwise. Immediate action was taken and it was successfully removed. You will hear more about her story at some point but this is a defining example of the value of this benefit.

Congratulations to the Sisters and Brothers of IBEW Local 411 for their recent victory. Trinity Structural Towers filed for a decertification trying to force the Union out. This would have resulted in lower wages, longer hours and decreased benefits for the bargaining unit employees. They learned quickly that we are all proud IBEW members and we don't lie down. Once again, Congratulations IBEW 411, excellent work.

Please plan to attend the Local 347 Spring Picnic. It is always a great time.

Brotherhood Strong,

Pat Wells

### GOLF OUTING JUNE 13, 2015!

Registration  
inside this  
issue!



## ~ POLITICAL CORNER ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

This past month has been pretty busy. I've been up at the capitol lobbying our Senators and Representatives on a couple of bills looking to weaken the Unions and the middle class. One of the most important ones is called (TPP) Trans Pacific Partnership. For those who remember NAFTA this is far worse, this bill is NAFTA on steroids. TPP or another name for it is Fast Track.

What is Fast Track?

- A process used to negotiate a 2000 plus page trade deal written by corporations to side-step our democracy.
- It will mean our elected Representatives in Congress give up their authority to review and amend trade deals, which remove any chance of improving deals that hurt American workers.

How will it hurt American families?

- It will ship American jobs overseas
- It will drive down working wages
- Will stack the deck AGAINST the middle class and be in favor of corporations.
- Will destroy our system of checks and balances and give a blank check to the executive branch.

So for those who care about the union and American jobs please call Congress now and tell them NO to Fast Track. (1-855-712-8441)

There is another bill out there right now that Republicans and non-union contractors are trying to pass. The HF#47 bill states apprentices are allowed to be left on any job site alone for 75% of the time. We as the IBEW are against this because not only is it a major safety issue it is another way to undermine and underbid our contractors. Granted this bill is on the state level and we need to reach out to our Senators and our House Reps and let them know where we stand and voice our opinion.

A couple of notable events were held last month. The first was Union Hockey Night we had 50 seats reserved and last count I've had we had over 60 people show up. I think it says a lot about the direction we are heading. The Unions are getting stronger in Des Moines. On April 10 we had the Annual Polk County Democrat Spring Dinner. I was unable to attend this year but from everything I've heard and read it was the best one yet. April 14 and 15 we had Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton here in our great state. April 16 we had the Mayor of NYC Bill DeBlasio attend a fundraiser for Progress Iowa. I had a lengthy conversation with Mayor DeBlasio about the IBEW and unions in general. He is a man that is totally committed to work for the middle class.

In closing I would like to send out a special Thank You to all the apprentices that showed up for Lu#347's Labor Park clean up. You guys did a hell of a job and made me proud Thank You!

**A couple notable dates for the month of May:**

- May 16 Working Family Summit (to be held in Ames) volunteers needed
- May 17 Solidarity Motorcycle Ride open to the public Labor Park 9am
- May 30 IBEW Local Union #347's Annual Picnic

Thank you,

Matt Marchese



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# Membership News



**Last Months Job Referrals**

130—referrals sent out

97 —Regular Calls    1—Short Call

11—Apprentice    19—CW    2—VDV

## Newborns!



Brecken Aaron Adams  
 Born: 4/9/15  
 7 lbs. 3 oz., 21 3/4 “  
 Parents: Brandon & Ashley Adams

## \*\*\* RETIREE LUNCHEON \*\*\*

Noon on Wednesday, May 13th 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 planning to attend. If you have any questions contact Mike Booker at 515-276-5458.



## IBEW Local Union #347

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

- ∴ 1 First Reading for Membership
- ∴ 3 Final Meeting for Membership Approved
- ∴ 2 Early Retirements Approved
- ∴ 1 Normal Retirement Approved
- ∴ 1 Traveling Card Approved
- ∴ JATC hired two new Instructors

**\*\*\* VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES \*\*\***

John L. Lewis Labor Museum on Saturday, May 2nd. Meet at the Hall at 7:00 am or the museum by 8:00. Led by Brother Dan Rawlings.

Habitat for Humanity, led by Brother Drew Dessauer.

Lake Aquahbi renovations on behalf of Union Sportsmen’s Alliance, led by Brothers Pat Wells and Dan Rawlings.

Local 347 Picnic, led by Brother Chad Lowe.

Working Family Summit , May 16th (to be held in Ames) led by Brother Matt Marchese.

# GET TEED UP AT THE **IBEW LOCAL**

## **#347**

# **21st Annual Golf Outing**

**Date: June 13, 2015**

**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.**

**TERRACE HILLS GOLF COURSE**

**8700 N.E. 46TH AVENUE**

**ALTOONA, IA**



Player #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Player #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player #3 \_\_\_\_\_

Player #4 \_\_\_\_\_

**\$30.00 per person. Please make checks payable to IBEW Local 347.**

**Detach this form and mail to Local 347, 850 18th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314, along with your check or money order. There is also a drop slot available on our front door. You can also pay by credit card over the phone or in person. The Union Hall accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover.**

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# Local Union #347



**Saturday May 30th, 2015**

**From 12: 00 PM—4:00 PM**

**Union Labor Park**

**640 NW Morningstar Drive**

**Des Moines, IA 50313**

## Directions

From 2nd Avenue (North of Euclid), go West on Aurora Avenue. Continue until you get to NW Morningstar Drive and go North. The park will be on the West side of the road.



**This is a fun event for the entire family!**

## **Activities will include:**

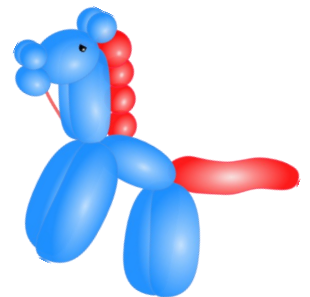
**Bounce Houses**

**Balloon Artist**

**Pony Rides**

**Gaming Trailer**

**Temporary Tattoo Artist**



Wolfie's Bar-B-Que will have smoked brisket along with sides and beverages will be provided. Hot dogs and hamburgers for the kids and the ICE CREAM TRUCK the last hour!

Please call the Hall with the number of people attending by May 22nd, 2015

at 515-243-1924

~Hope to see you there!~

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **May 29, 2015**. This list was run on April 20, 2015. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

### "A" Members

JOSHUA	R	ALLSUP
DEREK	A	BALLARD
JUSTIN	R	BARNETT
DUSTIN	A	BAUDLER
JASON	A	BAXTER
LONDON	D	BEARD
KEVIN	J	BECK
ANDREW	J	BIRCH
COREY	M	BRANT
JOHN	R	BREEDEN
JARAD	J	BROWN
HAROLD	F	BROWN
AMANDA	K	CLARKSON
BRANDON	C	CLUTE
CRIS	D	COFFMAN
ALLEN	L	COOK
ANDREW	R	COY
JOSEPH	E	DAVIS
BRIDGET	C	DAVIS
TRAVIS	J	DOWIE
DON	L	ERICKSON
JACOB	A	FARRELL
RAYMOND	L	FAST
DENVER	J	FORTUNE
SCOTT	S	GARDNER
CODY	J	GILBERT
TERENCE		GLASS
DALTON	R	GURNETT
BENJAMIN	B	HAMILTON
STEVEN	A	HANNAM
CHARLES	D	HARNED HARRINGTON
TIMOTHY	P	HARRINGTON
SCOTT	J	HEATER
TODD	W	HEER
STEVE	J	HERMANN
MICHAEL	R	HOTMAN

TYLER	J	HOUGHAM
SHANE	J	HOWARD
TRAVIS	L	HURLEY
MITCHELL	D	HUTCHINS
GERALD	J	JACOBS
MATTHEW	S	JESSE
HAMON	O	JOHNSON
ANDREW	T	JOHNSON
EDWARD	P	KEILLER
ERIC	A	KLINGENSMITH
JUSTIN	A	LANTZ
CHAD	D	LAWSON
NAOMI	A	LAWSON
MICHAEL	D	LEACH
CARL	V	LENGER
ROBERT	L	LINDBERG
JOHN	A	LOOSE
ELLIOTT	J	MANN
EVAN	G	MCCUTCHEON
PATRICK	L	MCDONALD
ZANE	A	MCGEE
JACOB	T	MCKNIGHT
SCOTT	M	MCTAVISH
CHRIS	M	MILLER
JONATHAN	D	MILLER
JASON	D	MOORMAN
DON		MORGHEIM
CURTIS	J	NELSON
BRANDON	L	NORTH
JOHN	C	OLSON
ERIC	W	PADGETT
TODD	E	PAULSEN
RYAN	L	PENNINGTON
PATRICK	J	PETERSON
BRANDON	E	RICHARDS
CLINT	E	RUSSELL
ROBERT	J	RUTLEDGE

NICHOLAS	R	SCHULTZ
MATTHEW	L	SCOTT
JAN	L	SHAFER
TONY	L	SHORT
DANIEL	T	SMITH SOLIVERAS-TORRES
ANTHONY		
MATTHEW	D	SPECK
DEVAN	R	STANDLEY
BILLY	D	STOCKBAUER
ANTHONY	R	SUNDALL
JASON	M	TASSI
MATTHEW	T	TORRENCE
RICHARD	R	VANDEBOE
CHANCE	G	VEACH
DEVIN	J	WADDILL
HALSEY	C	WASSON
GRADY	J	WEDIG
ZECHARIAH	E	WICKER
DANNY	H	WILLIAMS
TYLER	J	WILLIAMSON
MARSHAL	D	WISSLER
TED	F	WOOD
TED		WORTHINGTON

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by May 29, 2015.

This list was run on April 20, 2015.

### "A" Members

DOUGLAS	M	AKERS
JEREMY	R	ISAAC
BRYAN	W	JOHNSON
JAMES	C	SCHIEFFER
DAVID	K	SHARON
SEAN	R	SULLIVAN

### "BA" Members

STEFAN	S	BROWN
MICHAEL	A	HANSEN
MARC	D	JENKINS
JOSE	D	RIVERA
PATRICIA		SOLORZANO

### "BA" Members

PAUL	D	FINK
FRANKLIN	T	GERLACH
STACY	M	HICKMAN
RON	E	JONES
JOHN	D	RIDDLE
LARRY	A	STENSLIE
NATASHA	C	STUCKER
ROBIN		YOUNG

### APRIL 1ST DROPS


#### "A" Members

CHRISTOPHER F KINGERY

#### "BA" Members

EVELYN ALBARRAN  
MICHAEL T JACKSON

# May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM	5 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	6	7	8	9
10 <b>Mothers Day!</b>	11	12 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	13 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM Retiree Luncheon Noon @ Hall	14 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	15	16
17	18 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:30 PM	19 Keystone Mtg. after work	20 V.D.V. Mtg. 4:00 PM	21 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	22	23
24	25 <b>Memorial Day!</b> Hall closed	26 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM	27	28 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM	29	30  Summer Picnic
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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 #78-800047**  
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 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.

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 Retail & Mail-Order Prescription and Drug Programs  
 To contact L.D.I. directly if you do not have internet access: 1-866-516-3121

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 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

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 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

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[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