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~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

If you are participants in the IBEW Local 347 Retirement and 401K Plan or have self-directed investments through any other plan or employer, you have more than likely been concerned with the recent volatility in the market. It is important to remember that market corrections are a normal occurrence and not a cause for knee jerk reactions. Pulling out during or at the bottom of a downturn is potentially one of the worst things you can do and it defines a loss. How many people do you know that sold all or part of their portfolio late in 2008 or 2009? Those are the investors that truly suffered a loss. If you had a long term investment strategy and held on to your investments you probably noticed that your funds did make a dramatic recovery. You may have lost some time but in the long run, you are going to do much better than those who try to time the market.

The best investment practice is to diversify your portfolio and invest for the long term. Invest as much as you can and begin doing it as early as you can. Get that money working for you sooner than later. Although it is never too late to add to your investments the time allowed for them to return gains is where you will see the real performance. Your returns will be much more significant over the long term.

347 Plan participants have an elective deferral option to which you may choose to add money to your investment portfolio. This is a great opportunity to make tax deferred contributions above and beyond the IBEW/NECA negotiated amount. Also, keep in mind, we have investment advisors ready to meet with you at no cost. This is a valuable resource that we should all take advantage of. If you would like to meet with an advisor call the Hall 515-243-1924 and we will set it up. Also, all 347 members and their spouses are welcomed and encouraged to attend the next 347 Investment Energy Conference which has been tentatively scheduled for January 21, 2016. There will be industry leaders and experts there to discuss their investment strategies and market performance. It is a great opportunity to gain some insight into the financial theatre and have your questions answered by the professionals in the field. There will be more information on this event coming soon.

We are currently gearing up for a monumental challenge in 2016. It is estimated to be another landmark year in LU 347's history. We will have more people working here than we ever have before. On that note, please take a moment to thank our traveling Sisters and Brothers for the hard work they do for us while they are here. We would struggle to provide the manpower needed on all of these big jobs without them. Access to an unlimited skilled labor pool is one of the true benefits of the IBEW. It is what allows IBEW and NECA to grow and reach unlimited success. The success of this Local Union however, is dependent on the performance of each of us, local hands or travelers. We must all continue to do our best work and be in attendance when expected. We also need to remember that this is Local 347's jurisdiction and when the job is done we will be the ones left here with the final product and the customer. If the customer is disappointed, then you certainly will be too. That disappointment will come if they choose to not hire one of our contractors again. Always remember that the customer has the final say in who is wiring his projects. Give them a reason to be proud to stand with us. There's nothing like the satisfaction that comes from a day's work when you take pride in what you do.

Dates to note: Union Sportsmen's Alliance skeet and sporting clays shoot - October 24; 347 Investment Energy Conference - January 21; Union Sportsmen's Alliance Event - February 5; Pin Party - February 27.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells



~ President's Message ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters

I truly hope that everything is going well in your lives. We had a great turn out for the Labor Day parade with about 250 people there. I would like to thank the following people for helping get the floats ready for the parade; Steve Nizzi, Jason Rahm, Shane Hurgon and Jason Ballard. Jason was a tremendous amount of help this year. Without Jason's help I would have had a hard time getting everything done. Thanks a ton everyone it was much appreciated.

We have Jolly Holiday lights coming up and just like last year it will take a huge amount of labor to complete. We will need help from journeyman, apprentices and construction wireman. Apprentices this will be one of your last opportunities of this year to get some or all of the required 15 hours community service. We will need help building the displays in November and then tearing down in January. This is a great cause to give our time to. I look forward to seeing you there. Please plan on being there the first weekend in November.

Work remains very strong in the local with close to 200 travelers working in our jurisdiction. The 3rd building of Facebook is just getting started and the Marshalltown power plant is gearing up. The abundance of work our local contractors have will keep us very busy, if you know any electrician that's not working tell them to call the union hall we could use their help.

The stroke detection plus screening went exceptionally well with over 150 members and their wives getting screened. If you didn't get signed up this year make sure that you do next year it truly gives you peace of mind knowing that your arteries aren't all clogged up.

In Solidarity,
Scott Farnsworth, President
IBEW Local Union #347



Political Corner

Hello Brothers & Sisters,

On September 8th we had the Des Moines School Board election and we had 3 strong candidates. Edgar Ortiz—District 2, Natasha Holcomb-District 3 and Heather Anderson—District 1. Heather was in a very tight race against Shane Shultz the incumbent through her effort and the work that Local Union #347 did she was able to overcome a 57 vote margin to win by 34 votes. Natasha Holcomb won by a landslide. I believe she won by 137 votes which in a school board election is huge. We do have a little let down with Edgar Ortiz, he was ahead in the polls early on so I did not think he needed as much help but you should never count your eggs before they hatch.

Once again we have City council elections coming up November 3rd, our endorsed candidate is Marty Mauk in Ward 2. He is up against Linda Westergaard which is a Real Estate developer and uses primarily non-union contractors. Marty has been endorsed by several Local Unions besides us and Pat and I have had plenty of conversations with him to make sure he understands our issues.

In closing I would like to send out a very special Thank you to the following people.

Worked on the Martin O'Mally campaign office:

Dan Rawlings
Dan Abbott
Bronson Weese

Hanging fans at the Union Labor Park for Laborfest:

Dan Rawlings
Jacob Robertson
Billy Stockbauer

John Stahowick for helping man the phones on election day. (I know we made a difference.)

Thank you to all that helped out.

Your Brother
Matt Marchese

Apprenticeship News

**Grounding & Bonding: This three-hour class will be held on September 28th , 2015
from 5:00PM-8:00PM**

**Power Quality: This three-hour class will be held on September 29th, 2015 from
5:00PM-8:00PM**

Both classes will be at the IBEW Local 347 Union Hall 850 18th St Des Moines, IA. These classes have been approved for 3-code CECs for Iowa license renewal. There are multiple JW class dates that have the same course description. Note the DATE, COURSE NUMBER and TIME for the class you are registered. You will only be allowed to attend that course on the date that you are signed up for! Note the new registration policy as described below: To Register: Cutoff for registration is 2 - business days before attending classes · A minimum of 10 personnel must signup for this class to be conducted. To register for this class you may register by using the www.dmelejtc.org . website or the www.ibewlu347.org website to sign up for classes under Journeyman Training. Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship 1948 NW 92nd Ct, Clive, IA 50325 · A \$50 fee will be Assessed to any individual that is a “no-show” without cancelling prior to class. no additional classes may be taken until the \$50 fee is paid · A NON-REFUNDABLE \$25.00 REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ALL PERSONNEL WHO HAVE NOT PRE-REGISTERED.

2015 LABOR DAY



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 Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org

Membership News

Last Months Job Referrals

86—referrals sent out	59—Regular Calls
7—Short Call	3 —Apprentice
14—CW	3 -VDV

RETIREE LUNCHEON

Noon on Wednesday, October 14th 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.

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

Larry Harvey: passed away on August 29, 2015 at the age of 76 years old. He was a member for 54 years.

Gary Hoshaw: passed away on September 1, 2015 at the age of 77 years old. He was a member for 43 years.



In honor of Veterans Day next month we would like to hear from all of our members who are veterans. Currently working or retired we would like you to let us know what branch of service you served under and when you served. Call Misty at the Hall and we will put your name and service information in next month's newsletter.



Newborns

Perri Swalin
 Born: 8/4/15
 8 lbs. 2oz.
 21 inches long
 Parents: Brent & Danielle Swalin

Cayman May
 Born: 8/31/15
 7 lbs. 10 oz.
 19 3/4 inches long
 Parents: Matthew & Meagan May

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ∴ 2 First Readings | ∴ 1 Normal Retirement |
| ∴ 7 Final Readings | ∴ 2 Donation Requests Approved |
| ∴ 3 Honorary Withdrawals | ∴ Raffle for prizes held |



The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **October 31, 2015**. This list was run on September 21, 2015. This list is broken down into “A” and “BA” members.

“A” Members

NATHANIEL	P	ALLER
BRYAN	J	ALLER
JASON	T	ANANIA
JOSHUA	M	BABCOCK
DANIEL	L	BAKER
LUKE	L	BALDWIN
ADAM	W	BARBER
LEE	J	BECK
JACOB	M	BELCHER
MATHEW	D	BENNETT
MATTHEW	P	BERG
ZAKKARY	J	BRANNEN
BENNIE	R	BROCK
JASON	M	BROWN
ROBERT	J	CARICO
NATHANIEL	A	CASKEY
GEORGE	A	CATALDO
TIMOTHY	A	CLARK
CHESTER	P	CRAWFORD
TYLER	L	CURTIS
JAMES	D	DAVIS
JAMES	D	DAVIS
ANDREW	C	DESSAUER
DAVID	A	DUFFY
RONALD	D	EATON
SCOTT	A	ESPE
DENVER	J	FORTUNE
JAMES	C	FREY
WILLIAM	M	GARIBAY
TERENCE		GLASS
JAMISON	L	GOODYK
ANDREW	V	GRAHAM
PATRICK	J	HANNAM
SHAWN	M	HAUF
STEPHEN	L	HENSON
TANNER	L	HILPIPRE
AARON	R	HODGES

ERIC	L	HOLCOMB
KERRY	A	HORNER
MATTHEW	S	JESSE
ANDREW	T	JOHNSON
BRYAN	W	JOHNSON
MICHAEL	D	JONES
ERIC	A	JORGENSEN
NIC	D	KAHOE
JUSTIN	S	KEIGHNER
ZACKARY	S	KEUBLER
JON	C	KIRKHART
THOMAS	L	KLUNKER
CHASE		KOHLER
NEIL		KOSTER
BRENT	A	KRAPFL
JUSTIN	A	LANTZ
C. 'J.R.'	A	LEGG
KURT	D	LOVING
ELLIOTT	J	MANN
RONNIE	L	MARSHALL
KEENAN	R	MCBROOM
KEVIN	J	MCCARTY
MIKE	P	MCCAWLEY
SETH	W	MCKINNESS
TRENTON	A	MCNAIR
SCOTT	M	MCTAVISH
JEFF	M	MEASE
JAMES	W	MECH
MANUEL		MEDINA
CHRIS	M	MILLER
JEROME	J	MILLER
JAMIE	R	MOORMAN
TYLER	J	MURPHY
CHARLES	J	MYERS
ERIC	J	NUNO
JORDAN	S	PALMER
LEE	A	PATTERSON

JAN	L	SHAFFER
TONY	L	SHORT
DARRELL	W	SILVERTHORN
DEREK	R	SMITH
JASON	M	SMITH
MATTHEW	R	SPAINHOWER
MATTHEW	D	SPECK
KEVIN	W	TALLMAN
JOSHUA	D	VAN MAANEN
DANIELLA	R	VAUGHN
JOSEPH	A	VYMETAL
CORY	W	WALKER
JIMMY		WICKER
CHASE	E	WILKINSON
DYLANGER	C	WILLIAMS
CALEB	J	WILSON
MICHAEL	G	WRIGHT
MICHAEL	R	WRIGHT

“BA” Members

MICHAEL	R	BEEM
JUDITH		BRAUN
KIMBERLY	S	BROWN
IVAN	H	HATHCOCK
STACY	M	HICKMAN
RONALD	L	MARTIN
TERRY	E	MUHLSTEIN
SETH	S	NICHOLSON
JERRY	E	PLACE
ALVIN	K	SNYDER
LARRY	A	STENSLIE
NATASHA	C	STUCKER
ERIC	M	WESTBERG
ROBIN		YOUNG

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by October 31, 2015. This list was run on September 21, 2015.

“A” Members

JASON	A	BAXTER
CHAD	E	BEYER
JORDAN	L	BLUE
DYLAN	L	DEGNER
JOSH	P	DEVORE
KOLBY	R	DUDNEY
JASON	D	FETT
NICHOLAS	A	GHORMLEY
JOSHUA	D	HUMMEL
CALEB	M	KRISTUFEK
JOHN	A	LOOSE
JAMES	T	MCLAUGHLIN
BRANDON	M	MILLER
JUSTIN	M	OLIVER
SABAS	J	RAMIREZ
NICHOLAS	A	REINHART
CHRIS	V	RICHARDSON
MATTHEW	D	ROLLAND
JASON		SCHERFF
JACOB	D	WALL

“BA” Members

KARSTON	K	BROTHERSON
JERAMEY	J	CARTEE
RICHARD	J	WEIFENBACH

September 1st Drops

Kevin	J	Beck
Todd	W	Heer
Daniel	K	Kemboi
Daniel	T	Smith
Anthony	R	Simda;
Christopher	M	Vanderpool
Danny	H	Williams

October 2015

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

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:

(515) 243-8735

RETIREE RESOURCES:

IBEW Retiree helpline: 1-800-733-4239
NEBF: 1-301-556-4300
Have your Card# or SS# ready