



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

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## ~ Business Manager's Report ~

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

To get the most value out of our health plan, it pays to stay in-network with the United Healthcare "PPO" network. For example, if you are having surgery, there are typically several health care professionals and facilities involved. It is important to make sure that each of these providers is in the UHC network. Please watch out for the situations where your in-network UHC doctor might refer you to an out-of-network doctor. This could cost you more money because the fees charged by the out-of-network doctor would not be discounted and you would have to pay out-of-network deductibles and coinsurance.

The same goes for lab work. If your in-network UHC doctor is unable to provide laboratory services at his office, he might refer you to an out-of-network laboratory facility. This could cost you more because the fees charged by the out-of-network facility would not be discounted and you would have to pay the out-of-network deductibles and coinsurance for the laboratory services.

In addition, a hospital or facility might be in the UHC PPO network, but certain providers in the same hospital or facility might be out-of-network. For example, you might have selected an in-network UHC surgeon to perform your surgery at an in-network UHC hospital, but the anesthesiologist might be out-of-network. Again, this could cost you more money because the fees charged by the out-of-network anesthesiologist would not be discounted and you would have to pay out-of-network deductibles and coinsurance for the anesthesiologist.

Just be sure that you request and verify that all of the professionals involved in your treatment are in the UHC PPO network. To determine whether or not a provider is in the UHC PPO network, visit UHC's website at <http://welcometouhc.com/uhss>. Once there, click on Find a Doctor/Hospital and then choose United Healthcare Options PPO Provider. You can also determine whether or not a provider is in the UHC PPO network by going to the Plan's website at [www.ibew347benefits.com](http://www.ibew347benefits.com). Once there, click on Find a Doctor or Provider and then click on the UHC Provider Search Application.

This year's wellness events are tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 10th in Fort Dodge and Friday, September 30th, Saturday, October 1st and Saturday, October 8th in Des Moines. This is an important benefit to all plan participants, spouses and their covered adult children. To register for the event, please call Misty at the Hall. 515-243-1924.

Just a reminder, please be sure that your beneficiary information is current. Don't make a terrible situation even worse for your family.

Brotherhood Strong,

Pat Wells



## ~ President's Report ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters

I truly hope that all is well with you and your loved ones, and that you have a great spring and wonderful summer. It truly is a special time of the year. We had the Union picnic, it was little chilly but everyone that attended had a great time. I know I did. Next year we are thinking about moving it to sometime in June when it should be a lot warmer.

Hopefully you are aware that the elections for Union officer's takes place June 9<sup>th</sup> make sure that you come down to the Hall and vote.

If you haven't heard yet, we failed to reach an agreement with the contractors so it had to go to CIR. I went with Pat and I think he did an excellent job. As of this writing we haven't received notification of their decision. When the hall does, we will send out a letter so we can have an allocation meeting hopefully before the 1<sup>st</sup> of June when our contract runs out.

We had 130 members at last month's Union meeting. There was a vote on the bylaws and nominations of officers. It's always good to see the hall filled up for a meeting no matter what the occasion is. By the way the bylaws change was voted down. Assessments will stay as they are.

This year has got to go down in history for a very different kind of Presidential race. In my opinion it will probably get even more crazy than it is now by the November elections. I truly hope that all the democrats out there get out and VOTE. One sure way to lose an election is for us to stay home and not vote.

In Solidarity,  
Scott L Farnsworth  
President IBEW#347

# Political Corner

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Hello Brothers & Sisters,

Another month closer to election day. We have two very good candidates to represent labor and the middle class. I don't think I have to mention names. We as the IBEW and LU 347 are falling short to endorse any of the presidential candidates, we believe they would do a fine job to represent us in our quest to achieve a stronger middle class. My biggest concern is our local elections. We have all house of representatives seats up and all even districts seats in the senate. We have a golden opportunity to take back the house and gain a few seats in the senate if we get out and vote.

These local elections are not about religion, gun control, taxing your ammunition or imminent domain. This is about our future and the future of Unions and collective bargaining in Iowa. We need a strong voice in the Senate to help us achieve our goals. A strong economy, better funding of our schools, better pay for our teachers, funding for infrastructure, raised the minimum wage, passing a bill for medical cannabis, putting more money into renewable energy instead of giving corporations huge tax breaks.

Since 2011 Governor Branstad gave away a staggering \$400 million in new tax breaks to Iowa corporations benefiting mostly the largest 100 and those who supported his campaign. There have been more tax breaks to corporations now than any legislator has provided in a 6 year period since Iowa's became a state in 1846. That's enough handouts, it would make Donald Trump blush. Although business tax breaks will drain \$611 million in revenue from the state general fund next fiscal year. This year alone Branstad will add \$35 million dollars in tax breaks in the form of a special sales tax give away to manufacturers that ship out jobs to Mexico and over seas. Our friends on the Senate tried to stop him but he did it by abusing his executive authority. It's actually mind boggling when I read these reports with all these tax breaks we can't find a way to fund our schools and the future of our children and grandchildren.

I do get disappointed and even angry sometimes when my Brothers and Sisters vote for the people that are trying to hurt us. Any person that wakes up and puts a pair of work boots on and works with

their hands for a living and votes Republican and especially for this governor really needs to learn the facts. PLEASE vote with the union and to strengthen the middle class.

Here are a few of our friends who will fight for us:  
**Senate Districts listed below are just our Jurisdiction. (I) indicates hold office now Incumbent.**

District 10—Matt Paladino

District 16— Primary Nate Boulton & Pam Dearden  
June 7th

District 18— Janet Petersen (I)

District 20—Miyoko Hikiji

District 22—Andrew Barnes

District 24—Keith Puntenney

District 36—Steve Soddors (I)

**House Districts listed below are just our Jurisdiction. (I) indicates hold office now Incumbent.**

District 9—Helen Miller (I)

District 12—Ken Myers

District 19—Bryce Smith

District 20—Scott Heldt

District 25—Justin Knight

District 26—Scott Ourth (I)

District 27—Rich Higdon

District 28—Martin Duffy

District 29—Dan Kelly (I)

District 30—Joe Riding

District 31—Rick Olson (I)

District 32—Ruth Ann Gaines (I)

District 33—Brian Meyer (I)

District 34—Bruce Hunter (I)

District 35—AKO—Abdul Sammad (I)

District 36—Marti Anderson (I)

District 37—Andrea Phillips

District 38—Heather Matson

District 39—Maradith Morris

District 40—John Forbes (I)

District 41—Jo Olson (I)

District 42—Clair Celesi

District 43—Jennifer KonFirst

District 45—Beth-Wessel-Krueschell (I)

District 46—Lisa Heddens (I)

District 71—Mark Smith (I)

Thank you,  
Your Brother Matt Marchese  
Political Registrar

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# Membership News

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

Noon on Wednesday, June 8th 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:*  
**Charles Searcy** passed away on May 8, 2016 at the age of 74 years old. He was a member for 26 years.

**Ronald Hager** passed away on May 11, 2016 at the age of 79 years old. He was a member for 58 years.

### Last Months Job Referrals

195—Referrals sent out	125—Regular Calls	10—Short Call
18—Apprentice	27—CW	1-Unindentured
7-VDV & VDV Installer	7— Residential	

## Newborns

Jaxon Bell  
 Born: 4/22/16  
 6lbs. 15 oz.  
 20 1/2 inches long  
 Parents: Joshua & Haylee Bell

Lilliana Lamoreux  
 Born: 5/12/16  
 6lbs. 11 oz.  
 19 3/4 inches long  
 Parents: Dennis & Kari Lamoreux



Bryndle Wesson Akins  
 Born: 4/13/16  
 7lbs. 1 oz.  
 19 3/4 inches long  
 Parents: Jeramy & Marissa Akins

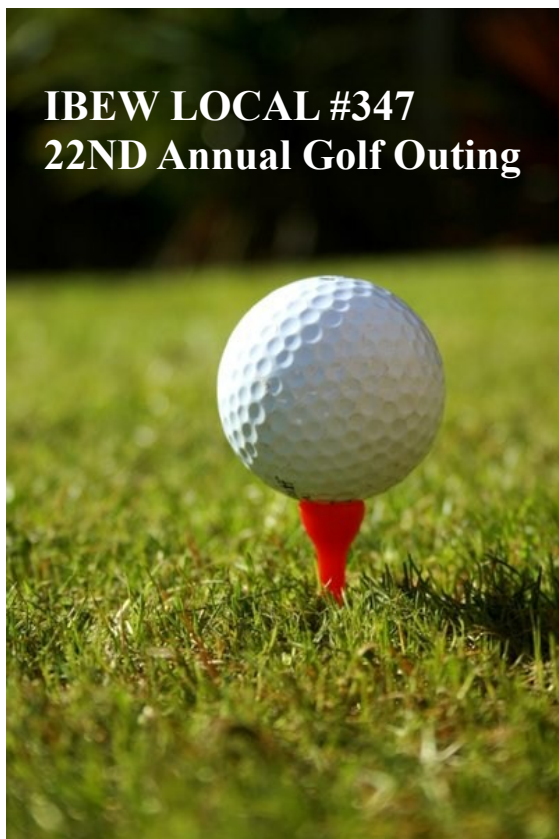
Rozlyn Pearl Fritz  
 Born: 5/13/16  
 7 lbs., 10 oz.  
 20 1/2 inches long  
 Parents: Luiza & Stevie Fritz





## 2016 ANNUAL PICNIC

### IBEW LOCAL #347 22ND Annual Golf Outing



**LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS JULY 11TH.**

DATE: JULY 16, 2016

TEE TIME: 8 AM

TICKET: \$30/person

WHERE: TERRACE HILLS GOLF COURSE

DOOR PRIZES & LUNCH SERVED

SHOW UP BY 7:30 AM

SHOTGUN START 8:00 AM

GET A PARTNER AND SIGN UP TODAY!

TERRACE HILLS GOLF COURSE


8700 NE 46TH AVENUE

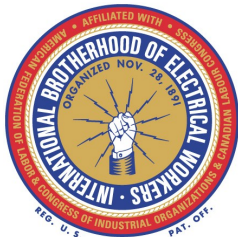
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The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **June 30, 2016**. This list was run on May 20, 2016. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

<u>"A" Members</u>						<u>"BA" Members</u>	
MACEO	ANDERSON	TIMOTHY	A GRUBB	TYLER	C NOWELL	SCOTT	D EASLER
ROBERT	R ANDREWS	MICHAEL	E GUNN	JEVON	D OAKLEY	ERIC	J GANNON
CLINT	J BAILEY	CHRIS	T HARDEN	JASON	M PAPIANI	IVAN	H HATHCOCK
DANIEL	L BAKER	TANNER	L HILPIPRE	RANDALL	R PATRICK	STACY	M HICKMAN
ROBERT	L BANNER	NICHOLAS	G HINKLE	MARTIN	D PETERSEN	TERRY	E MUHLSTEIN
JAMIE	MBAUGHMAN	JENNIFER	S HITT	ADAM	T PETRO	JAMES	A PRICE
LEE	J BECK	SHANE	J HOWARD	BRIAN	L PIERCY	LARRY	A STENSLIE
JOSEPH	A BERNARDINO	CHRIS	D HOWE	CHAD	R PLATH	MATT	E VANCE
RANDY	D BIRKENHOLTZ		JACKSON-	NICHOLAS	S QUINTANA	ROBIN	YOUNG
JASON	MBROWN	GAVIN	L WEAVER	DAVID	T RAMSELL	<b>The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by June 30, 2016. This list was run on May 20, 2016.</b>	
JARAD	J BROWN	GERALD	J JACOBS	NEIL	A RHINEHART		
JON	T BUNTING	BRYAN	S JACOBS	BRANDON	E RICHARDS		
TIMOTHY	A CLARK	COLE	WJENNETT	DAVID	J RILEY		
SCOTT	E CLARK	HAMON	O JOHNSON	CRAIG	A ROSELAND		
PENNY	L CLARK	ERIC	A JORGENSEN	MATTHEW	J RUSSELL	<u>"A" Members</u>  KEVIN D CHENOWETH CHAD M DANLEY TODD J DICKERSON MICHAEL E DIRKSEN JACOB HILTON TYLER J HUMPHREYS JACOB T MCKNIGHT JAMES A NEUWERTH JAMISON M SANDERS DAVID K SHARON STEVEN J SMITH CHANCE G VEACH DEVIN J WADDILL CHARLES N WALKER CORY W WALKER DYLANGER C WILLIAMS CALEB J WILSON	
MICHAEL	R CLOSE	NIC	D KAHOE	NATHAN	W RUSSELL		
DEREK	E CONOVER	MICHAEL	V KELLEHER	MICHAEL	D SCHACHTNER		
ANDREW	R COY	MATTHEW	A KIRBY	BENJAMIN	L SCHNEIDER		
BERGAN	A DALLEY	ERIC	A KLINGENSMITH	JASON	A SCHUTTY		
HUNTER	N DAVIS	THOMAS	L KLUNKER	MATTHEW	L SCOTT	<b>May 1st Drops</b> <u>"A" Members</u> Lucas E. Duit Gabriel D. McClaskey Matthew Neese	
CHAD	A DAVIS	BARRY	P KNOWLES	ERIK	L SHELDAHL		
TYLER	G DEMOSS	STEVEN	L KOPP	MATTHEW	J SHOENHAIR		
MICHAEL	D DEMOSS	BRENT	R KRUSE	GARY	D SHORT		
TYWON	J DUDLEY	TROY	R KUNZE	JACOB	P SLEETH		
KOLBY	R DUDNEY	JUSTIN	A LANTZ	ANTHONY	TORRES	<b>May 1st Drops</b> <u>"A" Members</u> Lucas E. Duit Gabriel D. McClaskey Matthew Neese	
ANTHONY J	DURIAN	LINDSAY	D LESLIE	CALEB	D SPAIN		
ERIC	WERICKSON	COREY	A LITTLE	MATTHEW	R SPAINHOWER		
JACOB	A FARRELL	JEFF	MMANNING	LEE	R STAHL		
RAY	L FAST	CHRIS	A MARK	TODD	A STEWART		
DAN	P FERNEDING	KEVIN	J MCCARTY	STEPHEN	A THOMAS	<b>May 1st Drops</b> <u>"A" Members</u> Lucas E. Duit Gabriel D. McClaskey Matthew Neese	
JASON	A FOUCHE	ROBERT	J MCCAULEY	PHILLIP	M THOMPSON		
JAMES	C FREY	SEAN	E MCKEE	TAYLOR	R THOMPSON		
ROBERT	K FULTON	JAMES	WMECH	DOUGLAS	K ULREY		
SCOTT	S GARDNER	BRANDON	MMILLER	DEREK	J VANDER WAAL		
TERENCE	GLASS	CHRISTIAN F	MLYNARCZYK	DANIELLA	R VAUGHN	<b>May 1st Drops</b> <u>"A" Members</u> Lucas E. Duit Gabriel D. McClaskey Matthew Neese	
THOMAS	B GOMEZ	DON	MORGHEIM	JACOB	D WALL		
RICHARD	D GRANDQUIST	GREG	MMORRIS	CODY	A WEATHERMAN		
JASON	WGROSVENOR	JASON	P MURPHY	EDWARD	H WEERS		
		ROBERT	J MURPHY	ADAM	L WHISNEY		
		ANTONIO	R NIZZI	JOE	W WHITE	<b>May 1st Drops</b> <u>"A" Members</u> Lucas E. Duit Gabriel D. McClaskey Matthew Neese	
				KAYLA	R WHITE		
				JESSE	L WHITSON		
				ETHAN	P YETMAR		

# June 2016

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



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**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:**

[www.principal.com](http://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