



INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

In an effort to assist our military families, the Board of Trustees of the LU 347 Health Plan has made changes to our USERRA policy (Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act). If your period of military service is at least two weeks but less than 31 days, you may now be eligible for premium credit. This is in addition to the existing Plan language regarding USERRA. If you are serving under orders that fall within these limits I strongly encourage you to contact me or our Plan administrator, CompuSys for detailed Plan requirements. For more general information about your rights under USERRA, check the US Department of Labor site at <https://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/userra>.

Also, there is now a convenient way to check your HRA balance without having to go online. An Interactive Voice Response System is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week for the HRA account holders. You are able to access your account balance as well as your five most recent transactions. The number to access the system is 844-HRA-BAL1 (472-2251). If you are unable to get your information it is likely because we do not have your current address on file. If this happens, please call Misty at the Hall so she can verify your address and help get you started.

The next meeting of the Investment Energy Conference (IEC) will be held on July 20th. It is a worthwhile opportunity to gain valuable investment information by industry experts. As a plan participant, you will potentially be in control of hundreds of thousands of dollars at some point. How soon you get to that point will be determined by the choices you make today. Make informed decisions, start participating in these conferences. It is open to all IBEW LU 347 Retirement and 401(k) Plan participants and spouses. This year it will be held at the MB2 Raceway in Grimes, Iowa beginning at 5:30pm. The IEC with Dale Roshek will be providing every plan participant and their spouse a chance to race on the fast track after the meeting. Please RSVP to Misty at the Hall. This opportunity will be limited to the first 50 participants or 100 people total. Make sure to mention whether or not your spouse will be attending.

Do you have questions about the Constitution, Bylaws or Agreement you are working under? Many of us do. If you would like to have your question answered or discussed in this newsletter now is your opportunity. Email, mail or drop off your question to us here at the Hall. Each month we will address one of the submitted topics.

Congratulations to the 2017 Local 347 Scholarship recipients; Claire Simmons, Blake Ramsey and Dean Le-Claire. Each of these students will receive \$1,000 towards their education. If you were not selected this year or have not applied, I would urge you to try for the 2018 scholarship when it becomes available. This is available only to the children of LU 347 members.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells

~ President's Report ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters

I hope all the dads had a great father's day. I really enjoyed mine with my family.

The annual 347 picnic was a fun time, thanks to all the members and families who attended. I also want to thank the apprentices who helped with set up, cooking, and the clean up. Your dedication to your local is appreciated.

After attending the 5th year turnout banquet, I want to congratulate all of the turning out class for your achievements. We always need to keep adding new members to keep our local moving. There were really great speeches delivered to the turning out class. Two important points were addressed in the speeches, the importance of being a good journeyman and teaching our new apprentices the knowledge we gain from the members and leaders that educated us.

The June meeting attendance was about 80 people. There is always room for new faces and I strongly encourage everyone to attend and understand your local business, remember this is your union.

In solidarity
Jason Ballard

Apprenticeship News

The Low Down on 70E Classes

Currently, the JATC is providing a 12 hour NFPA 70E class based upon the 2015 version of the document. We will continue to offer the 2015 class until sometime in 2018. Once the 2018 document is available, our curriculum will be updated and a new 2018 12 hour class will be provided, along with a 4 hour 2018 Update class. Issuance of training verification cards and record keeping will now reflect compliance with OSHA and 70E for continuity of continuing education with 70E requirements. All members taking the current 2015 class receive a card showing completion of the 12 hour, 2015 version. Every code cycle, either a 4 hour update or a full 12 hour class must be taken by each member.

Example: 2015 70E = 12 hour full class
 2018 70E = 4 hour update
 2021 70E = 12 hour full class
 2024 70E = 4 hour update...and so on...

If an update cycle is missed, the member will need to take a full 12 hour class during that code cycle. The JATC will now be tracking 70E cards by code cycles and members who are out of date, or have never taken a 70E class will be steered toward the appropriate class for their needs. 70E classes are approved through the State of Iowa as non-code hours for licensing renewals.

If anyone has any questions, please contact us at the JATC. (515) 224-4349

Political Corner

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

The temperature is starting to be very Summer like. I know many of you are spending time with the families, taking a vacation or just relaxing around the BBQ. At times I have gotten to take an unplanned vacation, but that is for another time. I am not going to delve too much into National Politics, since I can almost feel America being great again. What I do want to discuss are the City Council races, specifically Des Moines. This is not to trivialize each individual cities race, but to accent the race in Des Moines. I also want to point out that these

are non-partisan seats 🤔. That being said there are 3 seats being voted on this cycle. One is **Bill Grey** who represents Ward 1 the Northeast corner of Des Moines. I don't believe he has an opponent, however that is good as he is a Pro-Labor candidate. The next seat is located in the 3rd Ward. This is part of the South Side and West Side. This seat is open after Christine Hensley decided not to run. Yippee! That leaves Labor/Environmental **Josh Mendelbaum** as the strongest candidate in that race to benefit all Building Trades. Some think after their battle over DMWW and his strong campaign is why she decided not to run. Last but not least is **Skip Moore**. He worked 35 years as a union member working for the city. His is a city wide (At Large) race. He is very Pro-Union and is not afraid to speak his mind and call out his opponents.

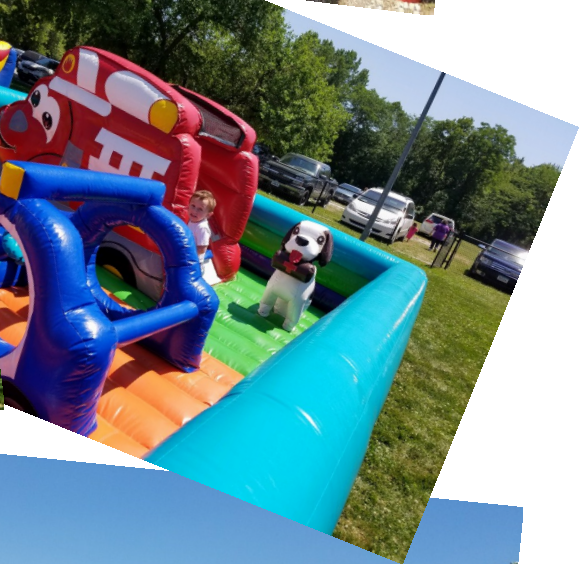
As usual I encourage all of you to research the races. Google it. Call the candidates. Talk to them. I think you will be pleasantly surprised that they actually care about you as a Tradesman/woman. Our fight is their fight. The best part is so far (and I am not going to hold my breath) we actually have an election without a thousand TV ads.

This is as real as it gets folks. These are our neighbors, fellow Iowans who determine who we are as a City. It is one area that we still have a majority of Pro-Labor representation. Last election there were only about 5 thousand votes cast so now more than ever every single vote does count. Well unless Russia oh never mind. Please register to vote. If you know people who don't vote, or aren't registered get them registered as well.

In Solidarity
Your Political Registrars
Randy Tucker & Matt Marchese



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Membership News

Last Months Job Referrals

53—Referrals sent out	16—Regular Calls	3—Short Call
12—Apprentice	19—Construction Wireman	1-VDV 2— Installer Tech

The Local Union would like to express it's sympathy to the family of the following member: Retiree Brother John E. Daughtrey passed away on 4/30/17 at the age of 79. He was a member for 54 years.

RETIREE LUNCHEON

Noon on Wednesday, July 12th 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.



Newborns



Garrett Lealand
 Petro
 Born: 5/12/17
 6 lbs., 5 oz.
 18.5 inches
 Parents: Adam
 Petro & Diana
 Ponce

Sully Jennett
 Born: 5/17/17
 6 lbs., 8 oz.
 20 3/4 inches
 Parents: Cole &
 Robyn Jennett

Charlee
 Christensen
 Born: 5/19/17
 6 lbs.
 18 1/2 inches
 Parents: Clint &
 Courtney
 Christiansen

Hutton Areher
 Reynolds
 Born: 5/23/17
 6 lbs., 12 oz.
 19 1/4 inches
 Parents: Garrett &
 Traci Reynolds

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **July 31, 2017**. This list was run on June 20, 2017. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" Members

ANTHONY	AVINA	STEPHEN	L HENSON	JIMMY	J SIGNS
ZACHARY	J BAETSLE	STEVE	J HERMANN	JACOB	P SLEETH
CLINT	J BAILEY	JASON	E HICK	ZACHARY	E SPAIN
RYAN	E BARNETT	JENNIFER	S HITT	LEE	R STAHL
JAMIE	M BAUGHMAN	WILLIAM	L HOLLOWAY	ANTHONY	T STELPFLUG
KORY	M BEATTIE	CHRISTOPHER	D HYLER	AARON	J STILLER
JESSE	J BIRMINGHAM	MATTHEW	S JESSE	SEAN	R SULLIVAN
LEE	W BOLLING	BRADLEY	W JOHNSON	TAYLOR	R THOMPSON
EDWIN	C BROSE	BRYAN	W JOHNSON	SEAN	P TOTTEN
JAMES	C BROWN	JASON	D JONES	DEREK	J VANDER
JARAD	J BROWN	NIC	D KAHOE	DAVID	C VANNOY
HAROLD	F BROWN	JUSTIN	S KEIGHER	CHANCE	G VEACH
CARL	W BUSCH	CHASE	KOHLER	KENNETH	R WALLACE
PAUL	B BUSHONG	JOHN	D LADURINI	RODRIC	J WELSHER
ROBERT	J CARICO	ZACHARY	P LEE	ROBERT	B WOLFE
GREG	W CARLTON	LEON	L LEYDENS	NICOLAS	C WOODS
CLAYTON	E COGLEY	BLAKE	A LOSSNER	MICHAEL	G WRIGHT
LYNN	A COWDEN	ELLIOTT	J MANN	JORDAN	W WRIGHT
BRIDGET	C DAVIS	THOMAS	P MANN		
ROBERT	E DAWSON	JAMES	O MARCUSEN		
WADE	C DINSDALE	RICHARD	J MARTIN		
TRAVIS	J DOWIE	JORDAN	M MARTZAHN		
TRAE	M EDDIE	KEVIN	J MCCARTY		
JEFFREY	A ERBES	SCOTT	M MCTAVISH		
DON	L ERICKSON	STEVEN	L MINGUS		
SCOTT	A ESPE	ANTHONY	P MITCHELL		
CHAD	S FANE	JAMIE	R MOORMAN		
DENVER	J FORTUNE	JOEL	C MURPHY		
MEGHAN	N FREISE	BRIAN	M NEUENKIRK		
ROBERT	K FULTON	DEREK	L NISH		
CHAD	M GEYER	MIKE	L OH	ELIZETH	ALBARRAN
JASON	R GILBERT	MATTHEW	W OOSTERHUIS	CORY	A BLACK
ORLANDO	GONZALEZ	RYAN	L PENNINGTON	STACY	M HICKMAN
JASON	B GRANDSTAFF	BRIAN	T PIPPERT	MICHAEL	J MOHLER
KEVIN	R GRANT	CALVIN	L POWELL	NICHOLE	M RAMSEY
DALTON	R GURNETT	BRENT	S RAMTHUN	JOHN	D RIDDLE
TYLER	J HANKE	JAMES	R RHOADES	MATTHEW	E VANCE
STEVEN	A HANNAM	ROBIN	D RILEY	MICHAEL	D WATERS
CHRISTOPHER	T HARDEN	WANO	N RUSSELL	RICHARD	J WEIFENBACH
SCOTT	J HEATER	JOSE	F SALGADO	ERIC	M WESTBERG
		JOSEPH	J SANDERS	ROBIN	YOUNG



The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by July 31, 2017. This list was run on June 20, 2017.

"A" Members

JASON	T ANANIA
MATTHEW	L ANDERSON
JACOB	A ANDREWS
CHAD	M DANLEY
TODD	P EMERY
SAYNHANH	L LOVAN
JAMES	T MCLAUGHLIN
JEROME	J MILLER
JONATHAN	D MILLER
RYAN	R OSTRING
CALEB	D SPAIN
JODI	M STRAIT
JARED	G WILSON

"BA" Members

MANUEL	A TERRAZAS
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JUNE 1ST DROPS

"A" Members

Andrew Dessauer
Richard McCabe
Chad Plath

"BA" Members

Chad E. Brown
Larry A. Stenslie

July 2017

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



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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

IOWA ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP—www.iowajatc.org Phone: (515) 224-4349

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