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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

It's March already, and the weather has been nothing short of amazing. I hope you've had a chance to get out and enjoy it a little bit. Bike weather is coming, so please be safe, and please be aware. With everything going on these days it's easy to get complacent.

As I'm sure you have all heard, House File 291 was approved along mostly party lines. In fact, only the Republicans cast votes in favor of this legislation. If you're not fully aware of this bill, its gutting the public sector of most of their collective bargaining rights. The Governor from Wisconsin was flown in special to give Iowa Republicans a pep talk, and a little pat on the back to ensure they were doing the right thing for their constituents.

There is an easy way to let your representatives know how you feel, give them a call. CALL YOUR STATE SENATOR: 844-332-8460 CALL YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE: 855-790-8815

On the bright side we have a PIN party/recognition night, coming up here on April 1st at Prairie Meadows in Altoona. Pin Party/Recognition Night in honor of years of service in IBEW Local #347! All 347 Members on the out-of-work list and one guest are admitted free! Otherwise \$10 per person

free! Otherwise \$10 per person. Hope to see you there!

St. Patrick's day parade is coming soon Friday March 17th, as will the new selected Local 347 President, so good luck to all of those that put in their resumes for consideration.

In Solidarity Matt Carpenter VP LU #347



Koch Brothers lobbyist Drew Klein during the signing of the legislation that will hurt 184,000 Iowa families by gutting Collective Bargaining.

IF YOU WOULD PREFER TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY PLEASE CALL MISTY AT THE UNION HALL WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS.

Political Corner

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Hopefully everyone has been following local news last week!!! The great state of Iowa just wiped out a bill that was in existence for forty three years. IOWA CODE CHAPTER 20. Forty three years ago the Iowa legislature and then Republican Governor Robert D. Rey created Chapter 20. This law made it illegal for public sector unions to strike. This same bill also gave the unions the ability to negotiate for their wages, hours, vacation, health and safety, seniority, overtime, and discipline and dismissal of employees. It also stated if the involved parties were at an impasse, it described how arbitration would resolve the problem. The current Iowa legislature and the backwards administration would like you to believe the system is broken, although in 2008 many Republicans went on record describing this bill to be fair for both the state and the Unions. They just passed the bills to amend Chapter 20 with bills like HSB 84 and SF 213 which in essence will gut all things that are negotiated by the Unions but of course they left the part that they can not strike and excluded public safety personal as a tactic to divide and conquer collective bargaining Unions in the state. How long do you think its going to take before they will be coming after us. For those who voted straight ticket, didn't do your homework, and chose to go against Local Union 347's recommendations. Shame on you.

For those who voted for your livelihoods, fellow Union Brothers and Sisters and understand who protects us and fights for us up in the Capitol. Thank You.

On the federal level, I don't think I need to explain what a debacle this new administration has been in the first thirty days. If there is one good thing so far in this new term, is that Andrew Pudzer Secretary of Labor withdrew his name. He would of been horrifying for all Unions.

We have elections coming up this year!!! Its considered to be an off, off year. City elections. Mayor and a few city council seats. So let's learn from our mistakes an get active. Do we want the legacy under our watch and our careers to be that we let the Unions die in Iowa and our city of Des Moines. I HOPE NOT. Let' make a conscience effort and help those who help us. Anyone looking to volunteer please let Misty know.

Thank You your Political Registrar's Randy Tucker and Matt Marchese

Apprenticeship News

Journeyman Training

The Trustees continue to work on the design and layout of the new training center. As previously mentioned, we are on track to have construction drawings ready sometime in May. The remodeling should begin in early summer if all goes as planned.

With the new building comes the opportunity to expand and enhance not only our apprentice classes but also the journeyman training classes. To do so, we would like to assist and complement our full-time instructor staff with a few part-time instructors. The training center is planning to expand our hands-on labs so that our journeymen course offerings also include labs. Hands-on labs take more time and need multiple labs so that will require more instructors to meet the demand. There will be a training period for part-time instructors where you will co-teach with a full-time instructor. It is our hope that our part-time instructors can offer four to six courses a year. Part-time instructors are, and will be, paid at a flat hourly rate. If you are interested in a part-time instructor to position, please contact the JATC for more information.

Finally, we hope to begin offering journeyman training classes for the 2020 license renewal by late spring. Along with a new code cycle comes the task of updating all of our courses. The staff is working on updating our current code classes and as courses are updated, more classes will be offered. As always, check the JATC website for any available courses. If there are no courses posted on the website then there are no courses available at the current time.



The IBEW Local 347 Scholarship Fund anticipates offering a total of \$3,000 in non-renewable scholarships to the dependent children of current and retired members of IBEW Local Union 347. Winners are selected on the basis of academic ability, financial need, appreciation of labor, and social awareness. You may pick up the Scholarship Applications at the Hall or download one from Facebook or the Local #347 website. All applications and required supplemental materials for the IBEW Local 347 Scholarship Fund must be postmarked or otherwise positively received by the Union Hall no later than May 1 of the scholarship year (for example, if you are applying for a scholarship for a school year that starts on August 1, 2015 your application and supplemental materials must be postmarked or otherwise positively received by the Union Hall by May 1, 2015). The address for the Union Hall is: IBEW Local 347 Scholarship Fund, 850 18th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314. Any questions regarding the scholarship should be directed to IBEW Local Union 347 at 515.243.1924.

Scholarship recipients will be notified of their selection by mid-July.

IBEW Founders' Scholarship -Awarded only to IBEW members

The IBEW Founders' Scholarship honors the dedicated wiremen and linemen who, on November 28, 1891, organized 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.

The award is for \$200 per semester credit hour at any accredited college or university toward an associate's, bachelor's or postgraduate degree in an approved field. The maximum distribution is \$24,000 per person over a period not to exceed eight years. Deadline for submission is no later than May 1, 2017.

Application and materials should be emailed to Scholarship@ibew.org or mailed to: IBEW Founders' Scholarship Committee 900 Seventh Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

2017 South Central Iowa Federation of Labor—AFL-CIO Jim Caffrey Scholarship deadline is March 30, 2017. More information can be found at www.scifl.org

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Last Months Job Referrals

93 – Referrals sent out 68-Regular Calls 1- VDV 17- CW 0—Residential 2—Short Call 5- Apprentice

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RETIREE LUNCHEON

Noon on Wednesday, March 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: Retiree Brother Raymond Riley passed away on February 11, 2017 he was 75 years old. He was a member for 53 years.

Retiree Brother Richard Dickerson passed away on February 20, 2017 he was 79 years old. He was a member for 58 years.

Saturday, April 1st Pin Party at Prairie Meadows. Pin party cocktail hour from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. Dinner served at 6:00pm.

SIGN ME UP FOR RECOGNITION NIC	GHT!
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Please detach and mail to Local #347, 850 18th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50314 or drop off at our office. Please make checks payable to Local #347.

Name of Member or Retiree

Name of Guest attending:

Total Number Attending:_____ @ \$10.00 per person = TOTAL \$____

Hey! I'm on the out-of-work list, so my guest and I are admitted free!

Office Use Only:	Pin	Year	Paid:	CASH	C.C.	CHEC

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

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!			1 Residential Meeting 4:00 PM	2	3	4
5	6 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM	7 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	8 Retiree Luncheon Noon @Hall	9 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 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 St. Patrick's Day!	18 Union Sportsman's Alliance Dinner 5:00 PM Prairie Meadows
19	20 Stockman⁄ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:00 PM	21 Keystone Mtg. after work	22	23 Fort Dodge Mtg. 5:00 PM	24	25
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