



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

## ~ Business Manager's Report ~

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Sisters and Brothers,

The Board of Trustees of the IBEW Local 347 Health and Welfare Fund would like to remind you that the annual dependent verification process is underway. It is very important as a plan participant that you take a few minutes to address this when you receive the letter from the plan administrator. It is a very simple process. If there are no changes in your listed dependents, you need only answer a couple of quick questions, sign and date the form then return it to the fund office. You may also bring it to the Hall, we can get it there for you. If you did experience a change in your listed dependents, you will need to fill out a new dependent enrollment form which was also included.

This year we have added an additional feature so that you may complete the dependent verification online.

1. Go to [www.ibewlu347.org](http://www.ibewlu347.org). Click on the "members" tab. Click on "benefits". This will take you to the benefits home page.

2. On the home page you will see a box that asks you to click "here" to access the dependent verification. Once there click "continue", then click "accept" terms.

3. Input your member ID # from your UHC card and then enter your date of birth and zip code using this format: YYYYMMDDZZZZZ.

4. Review your listed dependents, if it is correct, click "I agree". You will see a confirmation that states your data has been saved successfully. You are done. It only take a few minutes.

Also, if you haven't done so already, familiarize yourself and your spouse with the new telehealth benefit, Doctor on Demand. It is a face to face visit with a physician that will save you the hassle of a trip to a doctor's office or waiting in line. They can diagnose and prescribe medication for a variety of illnesses which you will find listed on the app. It is also provided to you with a zero copay.

I would also like to remind all our participants that our plan does have mental health benefits as well. If you seek assistance with personal and private mental health issues, you need to know that you are not alone. You can seek in network care by contacting UHC or if you are in need of timely assistance and cannot wait for a scheduled in person visit, another option is through the Doctor on Demand feature. They also have licensed professionals available to us through the app.

Congratulations to the 2018 St. Patrick's Day apprentice float design contest winners Kayla White, Brian Moss and Kenneth Templeton. The "team" will receive funds to apply towards their design/construction and each will receive a \$500 prize upon completion of their required assignments. We look forward to pulling the finished design through the parade this year. It's sure to be a great time.

Brotherhood Strong,  
Pat Wells

# ~ President's Report ~

Brothers and Sisters,

I think we are all ready to see Spring so let's hope this winter weather stays behind us. February's meeting was good we had a high turnout. With contract asking's taking place we will start negotiating the contract in upcoming meetings.

Don't forget the IBEW Pin party is Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> and I hope to see a big turnout. This is always a fun event even if you are not receiving a pin you are always welcome to come celebrate with the brothers and sisters who are receiving pins. Another upcoming event we will be participating in again this year is the St. Patrick's Day parade we will have a float in the parade.

I would like to recognize Retiree member Brother Karl Kanzok, he passed on February 12<sup>th</sup>. I remember Karl from a young age he was always very involved in our local and spent alot of his time at our Union Hall he will be missed.

In Solidarity,  
Jason Ballard

## Apprenticeship News

**Code Corner** - Recently, I was asked about what the *NEC* requires for color coding conductors. The *NEC* does not specify color schemes for phase conductors, however, *Code* does indicate how we are to designate the grounded conductors, grounding conductors and high leg situations. Although the *Code* doesn't tell us how to color code our phasing, it does require us to post our identification means at the point of conductor origin. The following areas provide guidance for us when identifying conductors:

Section 110.15 *High Leg Marking*

Article 200 *Use and Identification of Grounded Conductors.*

Section 210.5 *Identification for Branch Circuits*

Section 215.12 *Identification for Feeders*

Section 250.119 *Identification of Equipment Grounding Conductors*

Please send your code questions to me at [bmentzer@dmelejatc.org](mailto:bmentzer@dmelejatc.org)

### JATC Report

Staff and Instructors are all moved into the new Training Center at 10700 Justin Drive in Urbandale. Apprentice classes resumed on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please continue to watch our website, or the Local's, for upcoming JW training classes. On that note, in the new Training Center, food and drink are not allowed in the classrooms as there is ample break area to enjoy your meal or snacks prior to class. Please be mindful of the new accommodations and change your clothes or shoes if they are dirty/muddy from your jobsite. Anyone tracking in mud/debris or violating the food and beverage rules will be expected to clean prior to receiving their certificate for the evening's class.

If anyone has questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Training Center at 515-224-4349.

# Political Corner

Greetings one and all. I hope all of you are in good health! Well as we speak the Iowa Legislature is in session. They just finished their first funnel week. That is where they weed out what bills they don't want to pass and which ones they do. It originates in a sub-committee then it moves to full committee and then it moves to the floor for a full vote. If they do not pass the committee they drop it for this session. This doesn't include bills on taxes and spending. That is a good thing too, because right now they are trying to figure out how we are going to pay our bills. One way they are trying is to cut funding to the schools. This years funding has been determined that a 1% increase is all that is needed. Hmm I wonder if our members would be happy with that pay raise this year? Just a thought. Anyway, at the same time a small group of geniuses in a sub committee decided now would be a perfect time to introduce a bill that would enable private schools to get vouchers. Let's see public dollars going to private schools. That kind of makes it not private right? Maybe, I am just confused.

If any of you have ever collected unemployment don't worry they haven't forgotten about you. They are making it easier for the employers to deny unemployment benefits by changing the language. They want to change misconduct to disobeying an order or instruction. If the order is unsafe or unethical it doesn't state. If they want you to rat something up, and you don't do it and they get your money well too bad for you. It also allows disqualification of benefits if you say anything defamatory to the contractor. I don't even want to guess how many Wiremen that would disqualify. It's Senate File 2110 you may interpret it for yourself.

While these items are not good for working class Iowans, I am even more concerned about the budget cuts. You could argue that K-12 at least got a pay raise this year. However, our state colleges are facing tuition increases to offset budget cuts. They are cutting Department of Human Services at a time when we are seeing more and more children in the news for abuse. If we aren't trying to protect our children then who are we trying to protect? Maybe we want to protect Governor Reynolds donors? We don't have enough money to pay our bills so guess what Governor Reynolds proposes. Ding Ding we have a winner more tax cuts! Heck yeah let's put more money on the credit card. We could argue that whole point but that would take another newsletter. We are not talking about not funding "welfare" programs here people we are talking about educating our children. So ask yourself this question does it seem fiscally sound to further cut taxes when we cannot afford to pay our current bills? If you answer yes to that then I really want to hear your economic theory.

It is popular right now to blame Apple and the tax credits doled out to companies that have more money than our whole states GDP, but I will gloss that one over for now. I prefer to focus on Governor Reynolds tax cuts on commercial real estate. This ten percent cut was one of the first orders of business for her administration. So important that it even took precedent over attacking unions! When asked what she would tackle if she had time this session, her answer "corporate tax reform". That is about what is what we should would expect if she remains in office.

Thank you,  
Your Political Registrars  
Randy Tucker & Matt Marchese

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# Membership News

## Last Months Job Referrals

131 – Referrals sent out	95-Regular Calls	8- Apprentice
1- VDV	25- CW	
0—Residential	2—Short Call	

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

Noon on Wednesday, March 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:*

Brother Scott McNerney passed away on February 5, 2018 he was 59 years old. He was a member for 2 years.

Brother Allan Lowe passed away on February 10, 2018 he was 56 years old. He was a member for 17 years.

Retiree Karl Kanzok passed away on February 12, 2018 he was 89 Years old. He was a member for 64 Years.

# Newborns

Drew & Gabe Garcia

Born: 1/3/2018

Drew: 4 lbs. 15 oz., 18 1/2"

Gabe: 4 lbs. 11 oz., 18 1/2"

Parents: Jonathan & Brianne Garcia



Josephine Huntoon

Born: 1/23/2018

4 lbs. 15 oz.

17 1/2"

Parents: Bobby & Heather Huntoon



The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **March 31, 2018**. This list was run on February 22, 2018. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

<b><u>"A" Members</u></b>											
KEEGAN	A	ABBOTT	PAUL	B	BUSHONG	JOSEPH	M	GHORMLEY	CHRIS	L	KESTERSON
JUSTIN	S	ACKELSON	RAY		CAMACHO	THADEUS	J	GIBBONS	TIM	L	KLINGENSMITH
RANDY	J	AHRENS	RYAN	T	CAMPBELL	DALLAS	J	GOSLAR	ERIC	A	KLINGENSMITH
BRYAN	J	ALLER	ROBERT	J	CARICO	TYLER	L	GRAHAM	RICK		KNOWLTON
ROBERT	R	ANDREWS	CHARLES	T	CATER	EDWARD	J	GRIFFITH	CHASE		KOHLER
TONY	W	ANGRAN	JAMISON	A	CHRISCO	JASON	W	GROSVENOR	DAVID	C	KUNKLE
LAWRENCE	D	ANTHONY	JASON	S	CLAYTON	MICHAEL	E	GUNN	TROY	R	KUNZE
BRIAN	L	BAILEY	STEVEN	C	COCKERHAM	DALTON	R	GURNETT	DENNIS	P	LAMOREUX
BLAYDE	C	BAKER	DAN	E	COMEGYS	TITUS	D	HAMMOND	JUSTIN	A	LANTZ
WAYLON	S	BALK	DEREK	E	CONOVER	TYLER	J	HANKE	CHAD	D	LAWSON
RANDAL	R	BALLARD	DANA	A	CONRAD	STEVEN	A	HANNAM	TIMOTHY	S	LEROY
DEREK	A	BALLARD	JOHN	R	CONROY	PATRICK	J	HANNAM	LINDSAY	D	LESLIE
CURTIS	L	BALMER	DON	E	DARRAH	CHARLES	D	HARNED	NICHOLAS	J	LINDERMAN
LONDON	D	BEARD	DON	E	DAWSON	KEVIN	D	HARRIS	COREY	A	LITTLE
KORY	M	BEATTIE	ROBERT	E	DAWSON	MARTIN	J	HASS	PATRICK	D	LITTLE
LEE	J	BECK	BOB		DELZELL	BRANDON	L	HAUS	KURT	D	LOVING
MICHAEL	R	BEITZ	DANIEL	A	DILLAVOU	BENJAMIN	M	HEATH	ROBERT	L	LOX
DAVID	J	BELL	DAN	G	DOWELL	MATTHEW	S	HECKMAN	BRIAN	A	LUNDBERG
KYLE	R	BERST	TRAVIS	J	DOWIE	PETER	W	HEINTZ	KEVIN		LYONS
CHAD	E	BEYER	TYWON	J	DUDLEY	ERIC	J	HEISTAND	HEATH	E	MAGUIRE
RANDALL	S	BIANCHI	KENT	O	DUDNEY	DAVID	L	HENRY	HUSSEIN	H	MANDIL
ANDREW	J	BIRCH	MARK	A	DUFFY	STEVE	J	HERMANN	DAVID	M	MARLENEE
RANDY	D	BIRKENHOLTZ	ANTHONY	J	DURIAN	JASON	E	HICK	SCOTT	R	MARTENS
JESSE	J	BIRMINGHAM	RYAN	L	EDGINGTON	JACOB		HILTON	MATTHEW	M	MAY
JOSHUA	R	BOEHLER	DALE	L	ERB	NICHOLAS	G	HINKLE	TRACEY	N	MCAVOY
BRADLEY	R	BOGCESS	JEFFREY	A	ERBES	KENNETH	L	HORNER	DANIEL	C	MCCOUN
LEE	W	BOLLING	CHAD	S	FANE	KERRY	A	HORNER	JEFF	L	MCCUTCHEON
ROBERT	T	BOWMAN	JACOB	A	FARRELL	CHRIS	D	HOWE	CURTIS	L	MCNELEY
JEREMY	R	BRANNEN	MICHAEL	J	FARRELL	MARK	E	HUSTON	JEFF	M	MEASE
COREY	M	BRANT	ARMANDO	A	FERNANDEZ	COREY	A	JACKSON	JAMES	W	MECH
RUSSELL	J	BRETON	DAN	P	FERNEDING	GERALD	J	JACOBS	ANTHONY	J	MENSE
EDWARD	L	BROCK	DARYL	W	FITZGERALD	THOMAS	V	JACOBS	CURTIS	W	MILBURN
TRAVIS	D	BROCK	TYLER	C	FRANCE	LEWIS	D	JACOBSEN	ANDREW	L	MILLER
CHRISTIE	L	BROOKES	JAMES	C	FREY	JONATHAN	E	JELLIFF	TANNER	P	MILLER
EDWIN	C	BROSE	NICHOLAS	J	FRIESEN	MATTHEW	S	JESSE	MICAH	J	MOELLER
JOSHUA	J	BROUGHTON	ROBERT	K	FULTON	HAMON	O	JOHNSON	JAMIE	R	MOORMAN
HAROLD	F	BROWN	THOMAS	A	GALLAGHER	CHRISTOPHER	W	JOHNSON	DON		MORGHEIM
SHAWN	L	BURK	WILLIAM	M	GARIBAY	SARAH	A	JOHNSON	DANIEL	B	MORRIS
TRAVIS	W	BURLESON	SHANE	M	GARR	DAVID	P	JOHNSON	MICHAEL	J	MOUW
JEFF	W	BURNS	EVAN	E	GARR	SCOTT	A	JORDAN	JUSTIN	F	MURPHY
ANTHONY	L	BURROWS	LARRY	V	GAY	JEFFERY	R	KERR	KELLY	J	MURPHY
			NICHOLAS	A	GHORMLEY	JAMES	D	KERR	MICHAEL	W	MURPHY

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TONY	C	NESSELROAD	DAVID	K	SHARON
GUY	W	NEWBERRY	CHARLES	D	SHULL
TROY	J	NIKKEL	JIMMY	J	SIGNS
ANTONIO	R	NIZZI	DARRELL	W	SILVERTHORN
TYLER	C	NOWELL	CASEY	M	SLOSS
THAD	J	O'BRIEN	BRIAN	D	SLYKHUIS
MARK	W	O'CONNOR	JOSHUA	P	SMITH
MIKE	L	OH	DAVID	A	SMITH
BRIAN	H	OLDENBURGER	AUSTIN	B	SMITH
DEVAN	J	OLSON	JOSHUA	R	SODERGREN
JOSHUA	C	OWENS	ANTHONY		SOLIVERAS
RANDALL	R	PATRICK	JORDAN	T	ST. ARNOLD
LEE	A	PATTERSON	JOHN		STAGG
ROBERT	W	PERKINS	LEE	R	STAHL
ADAM	T	PETRO	AARON	J	STILLER
ROBERT	J	PIRKL	BILLY	D	STOCKBAUER
HAL	L	PLAUTZ	TROY	T	STOCKDALE
D. KURT		POTTHOFF	CHRIS	P	STRUBLE
THOMAS	E	QUICK	FRED	M	STURDEVANT
NICHOLAS	S	QUINTANA	JEREMY	C	SWANSON
ANTHONY	C	RADEBAUGH	CHARLES	J	TAYLOR
COLIN	P	RANKIN	JACOB	M	THOMA
MATT	L	REBER	CHASE	D	THOMAS
TREVER	J	REED	PHILLIP	M	THOMPSON
JERRY	L	RHONE	CHARLES	J	THOMPSON
DAVID	J	RILEY	APRIL	C	THORPE
CHAD		RILEY	RONALD	J	TIGGES
MATTHEW	H	RITCHIE	CHARLES	D	TINNERMEIER
CLINT	R	ROBBINS	COLLIN	J	TUTTLE
JARED	L	ROBERTS	CLINT	G	UNDERWOOD
MATTHEW	J	RUSSELL	NATHAN	A	UTSLER
PATRICK	R	SANFORD	JASON	W	VANBAALEN
PHILLIP	J	SCHAFFER	JEREMY	D	VANDERWELL
JAMES	C	SCHIEFFER	JACOB	D	WALL
CORY	W	SCHMIDT	JOHN	E	WALLACE
BRIAN	K	SCHMIDT	FRED	H	WEERS
TREVOR	D	SCHMIDT	DANIEL	R	WHITAKER
BENJAMIN	L	SCHNEIDER	ERIC	S	WILCOX
JOHN	P	SCHOOLEN	RALPH	E	WILLIAMS
RICHARD	L	SCHRIER	ADAM	M	WILSON
TERRY	A	SCROGGIE	ERIC	L	WILSON
LUKE	W	SEE	WILLIAM	R	WILSON
BRYCE	B	SELLERS	DALE	C	WION
BRENDAN	P	SHANAHAN	STEVEN	E	WORKMAN
SCOTT	N	SHANNON	JOHNNIE	J	WRIGHT

## "BA" Members

MICHAEL	A	BLAKE
WHITNEY	J	BOBLETT
JAMES	A	BOLDEN
GARY	A	BROWN
FRANCES-	F	BROWN
COREY	D	COMEGYS
DAVID	A	DE BRUYN
JAMELLE	B	FELDER
GREGORY	A	FOX
ERIC	J	GANNON
GARY	L	KENT
MELVIN		KONRAD
KEVIN	J	NEGUS
NEIL	H	NELSON
JAMES	A	PRICE
STEVEN	R	RUMSEY
CHANTHA-	C	SPHONGSAI
BRANDON	P	TIDBALL
JAMES	D	ZAHN



The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by March 31, 2018. This list was run on February 22, 2018.

## "A" Members

CHAD	M	DANLEY
ALEX	W	HUNEMUL-
MICHAEL	D	LEACH
BLAKE	A	LOSSNER
JAMES	T	MCLAUGH-
CALEB	D	SPAIN
MATTHEW	J	TEMPLE

## "BA" Members

RON	E	JONES
DAVID	R	PORTER-
		FIELD

## FEBRUARY 1ST DROPS

### "A" Members

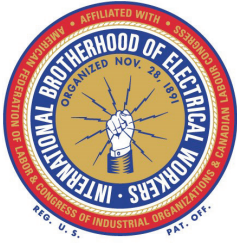
Christian J. Crouse  
Raymond J. Lawler  
Thomas J. Schaefer  
Tyler A. Weston  
Miles A. Young

### "BA" Members

Lindsay Carey  
Felix Cisneros  
Csey R. Gray  
Christine M. Lensch  
Earl R. Smith III

# March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM	6 EP-2 Mtg. 4:00 PM	7 Residential Meeting 4:00 PM	8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	9	10 Pin Party Prairie Meadows
11	12	13 Firestone Mtg. 4:00 PM	14 Firestone Mtg. 4:00 PM  Retiree Luncheon Noon @Hall	15 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	16	17  St. Patrick's Day!
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
25	26	27 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM	28	29	30	31



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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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Address changes: 1-800-547-7754

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(515) 243-8735

**RETIREE RESOURCES:**

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