



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

## ~ President's Message ~

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer. I had a chance to attend the 347 Golf Outing and everything went well and it looked like our attending members were having a good time. Thanks to Joe Collins for talking to everyone at the event and explaining the importance of our reputation at events like this.

The union meeting attendance was around 100 members with again some new faces which is always good to see.

Just a reminder that Labor Day will be here before we know it and we will be needing some volunteers to help out. Please contact our hall staff if you are interested in helping.

In Solidarity,

Jason Ballard



### **2018 Local 347 Wellness Event Schedule:**

All plan participants, spouses, and covered adult children are eligible. Flu shots are included.

**Fort Dodge Health Screening:** Saturday, September 22nd, 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Address: 2031 Quail Ave – Fort Dodge

Location: Iowa Central Community College East Campus – Triton Room

**Des Moines Health screenings:** Saturday, September 8th, 6:00 AM - 1:00 PM and Saturday, September 15th, 6:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Address: 850 18<sup>th</sup> Street – Des Moines

Location: IBEW Local 347 Union Hall

### **How do I participate?**

**Step 1:** Call Misty Turner at (515) 243-1924 to schedule your health screening. An RSVP is required.

**Step 2:** Attend your onsite health screening at the scheduled time.

**IMPORTANT:** The screening requires a 12-hour fast (no eating or drinking 12 hours prior to the screening, with the exception of water and/or one cup of black coffee). Please be sure to drink water during your 12 hour fast to ensure proper hydration. If you normally take medication, continue to take it as recommended by your doctor.

**Step 3:** Complete a personal wellness profile (PWP).

The PWP should be completed and provided to a Stroke Detection Plus staff member before you leave your scheduled health screening. Hard copies will be available at the health screenings.

**Step 4:** Follow up consultations: telephonic one-on-one consultations will be scheduled the day of the screening.

## ~ Political Corner ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

By the time you receive this newsletter there will be about 95 days left until election day. It is our civil duty as Union members to vote and vote for those who protect our way of life. I don't think I need to tell you what a horror show it has been for all labor and the middle class these last two years but for those who just read headlines and watch the alternative news here are just a few bills that passed in the last two years. Over 180,000 public sector employees, teachers, nurses, correctional officers and others lost nearly all of their bargaining rights. Because, according to this administration, they were costing too much. Over 80,000 legal law abiding citizens had their right to vote suppressed. Children are going to see their quality of education diminish and their college tuition go up because of decreased spending. Women across the state were stripped of their health care options. Drinking water and soil quality are a thing of the past because corporate farm profits trump the environment. 300 million in corporate property tax cuts, 500 million in corporate tax credits and 1 billion in income tax benefits to the rich will be given away in this coming fiscal year while basic needs will be left unmet. We saw the most horrific re-write of workers compensation laws to workers in the entire history of the law.

The state has turned over the operation of our Medicaid program to three corporations who have made a healthy profit off the system, while health care providers fail to be paid and our loved ones fail to receive services and are put in harms way. Our children suffer, our parents suffer, our grandparents suffer and Republicans had to remove funds that had been designated for their causes FOUR times this year because they could NOT balance the budget.

For those who do not realize this, the Republicans own all three branches of the government.  
GOVERNOR  
IOWA SENATE  
IOWA HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

So you can not blame anyone but them.

Just last week I read in the NY Times that Iowa is ranked 47th out of 50th in growth. We are losing small businesses, teachers by the droves, nurses that have no representation are refusing to move here, and there is a short fall of civil service jobs. I don't know how far we are going to let them make a mockery of this great state before we stand up and say ENOUGH is ENOUGH. We, and I mean you and I, need to get the right people in office; people that are going to stick up for our way of living. I know you have heard me say this before but this is the most important election of your lives. They went after public sector in the last session, if they hold all three branches of the Iowa government for the next two years you can bet your life savings that they will be coming after us next. They already stripped the Union Apprenticeship programs of their eligibility for DAT funds (unemployment). What do you think they have up their sleeves for us. Wise up, get educated and do your homework.

PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT and VOTE

Our livelihoods are at stake. Thank you for taking your time and reading this editorial.

Your Brother  
Matt Marchese  
Registrar

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# Membership News

## Last Months Job Referrals

61—referrals sent out      28—Regular Calls      1—Short Call  
5—Apprentice      24—Construction Wiremen      1-Resi      2—VDV

***The Local Union would like to express it's sympathy to the family of the following member: Retiree Brother Carroll Thompson passed away June, 18, 2018 at the age of 74. He was a member for 24 years.***

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

Noon on Wednesday, August 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.

# Newborns

Rozsco J. Fritz

Born: 6/26/18

7 lbs. 11 oz.

20 inches

Parents: Luiza & Stevie Fritz

Walter T. Geyer

Born: 6/29/18

8 lbs. 3 oz.

20 1/2 inches

Parents: Chad & Rosalind Geyer

Christian W. O'Connor

Born: 7/5/18

8 lbs. 11 oz.

21 inches

Parents: Mark & Jenni O'Connor

# Apprenticeship News

## Upcoming Journeyman Training Courses

- Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Class 490 NEC requirements for Calculating, Connecting and Protection of Transformers
- Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Class 492 Basic Codeology
- Aug 21<sup>st</sup> – Class 493 NEC Requirements for Determining Available Fault Current and Required Field Labeling of Service Equipment
- Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Class 494 Conductor Ampacities
- Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> – Class 495 Control Drawings and Verbal Logic
- Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> – Class 496 Control Drawings and Verbal Logic

For more information and to register for classes please go to [www.dmelejtc.org](http://www.dmelejtc.org)



# Local #347 Golf Outing





# JOIN US MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, FOR WHAT'S SURE TO BE, THE LARGEST LABOR DAY PARADE AND PICNIC IN MANY YEARS!!!



Central Iowa Building and Construction Trades is back in full force!



PIE EATING CONTEST!

TUG OF WAR



LIVE MUSIC



Park inside the main gate on Grand Avenue at the fairgrounds. Buses will be available starting at 9:00 a.m. to bring you to the State Capitol. Parade will start at 11:00 a.m. and will end back at the fairgrounds. LU 347 typically sets up in the lot on the north side of Grand Ave and we will be there by 9am getting ready.

Following the parade, there will be a picnic for members, their families and special guests at Union Labor Park, 4640 Morning Star Drive in Des Moines. At the park, there will be food, drinks, bounce houses, giant slides, balloon artists, face painting, etc. Going to be a great time, looking forward to seeing you there!



NATE	P	ALLER
JOSHUA	R	ALLSUP
JERRAUN	L	AMERISON-SMITH
JEFFREY	D	ARNOLD
ZACHARY	J	BAETSLE
ROBERT	L	BANNER
DREW	M	BARNARD
OSCAR	M	BAZA-BARBUDO
JACOB	M	BELCHER
ANTHONY	J	BEMRICH
RANDY	D	BIRKENHOLTZ
NICHOLAS	D	BRADSHAW
NICHOLAS	J	BRANDT
JAMES	C	BROWN
TRAVIS	W	BURLESON
PAUL	B	BUSHONG
JUSTIN	P	CARR
AARON	M	CHAPMAN
MICHAEL		CLAMAN
RYAN	R	CLANCY
RICHARD	A	COHENOUR
CRAIG	W	COLLINS
LUIS	A	CRUZ
BRANT	C	CUNNINGHAM
DEVIN	T	CUPP
CHAD	M	DANLEY
DON	E	DAWSON
JOSEPH	B	DONALDSON
BRIAN	N	DRAKE
TYWON	J	DUDLEY
TREY	L	EVANS
DUSTIN	A	EWING
SAMUEL	R	FARRELL
RAYMOND	L	FAST
JARED	R	FEE
KYSER	C	FISHER
NICHOLAS	J	FRIESEN
CLINT	J	GARDNER
JASON	R	GILBERT
ORLANDO		GONZALEZ
RILEY	C	GORDON
RYAN	M	GORDON
ANDREW	V	GRAHAM
STEVEN	D	GRUBB
MICHAEL	E	GUNN
DALTON	R	GURNETT

JASON	R	HALBROOK
HUNTER	B	HALTOM
BENJAMIN	B	HAMILTON
EMILY	S	HAMILTON
STEVEN	A	HANNAM
NICOLAS	L	HANSEN
WILLIAM	A	HARDING
QUINTIN	L	HARRISON
MARTIN	J	HASS
ZEBULON	Z	HATFIELD
ROBERT	M	HATHAWAY
ERIC	J	HEISTAND
STEVE	J	HERMANN
TYLER	J	HOUGHAM
COLE	E	HOUSEMAN
GERALD	J	JACOBS
ROBERT	L	JOHNSON
ERIC	A	JORGENSEN
MATTHEW	A	KIRBY
ZACHARY	O	LANGE
AYE	A	LAY
KORY	J	LEIKER
TIMOTHY	S	LEROY
LINDSAY	D	LESLIE
ZACHARY	T	LITTLE
RONNIE	L	MARSHALL
JORDAN	M	MARTZAHL
SETH	W	MCKINNESS
JEROME	J	MILLER
ZACHERI	C	MOEHLE
JAMIE	R	MOORMAN
BRANDON	S	MORRIS
JOSEPH	D	MUNFORD
JASON	P	MURPHY
GUY	W	NEWBERRY
DILLON	J	NORRIS
THAD	J	O'BRIEN
VICTOR	P	OCHOA
TIM	J	O'CONNOR
JUSTIN	N	OLNEY
KASAHARA	R	OROZCO
JORDAN	S	PALMER
DON	C	PATE
ALEC	E	PERKINS
PHILLIP	E	PETRIE
KENNY	K	PHAYDAVONG
NICHOLAS	S	QUINTANA

ZACHARY	A	RAY
GARRETT	M	REYNOLDS
BRANDON	E	RICHARDS
JOHN	A	RUS
AARON	B	RUTER
JACOB	D	SCHMEHR
MARTIN	A	SCHNOOR
BLAKE	T	SCHOMER
NICHOLAS	R	SCHULTZ
CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBA
ADAM	J	SCOTT
JASON	R	SENECAUT
DAVID	A	SMITH
NWEH	A	SOE
MATTHEW	R	SPAINHOWER
ANTHONY	T	STELPFLUG
CHARLIE	C	STROUD
MIKE	C	SUSANIN
STEVE	B	SWENSON
JACOB	M	SWENSON
JAMES	D	TAYLOR
MATTHEW	J	TEMPLE
SEAN	P	TOTTEN
NATHAN	A	UTSLER
JOSHUA	D	VAN MAANEN
JEREMY	D	VANDERWELL
CHANCE	G	VEACH
DUSTIN	J	WAAGE
MICHAEL	E	WADDELL
SHANE	M	WARE
CODY	A	WEATHERMAN
RALPH	E	WILLIAMS
THOMAS	D	WYANT
ETHAN	P	YETMAR

WHITNEY	J	BOBLETT
LARRY	W	ETTER
MICHAEL	A	HANSEN
STACY	M	HICKMAN
RONALD	L	MARTIN
JAMES	A	PRICE
ROBERT	E	WARE

DEZMOND	J	BROMMEL
NATHANIEL	A	CASKEY
RANDALL	J	CHRISTIE
CHRISTOPHER	L	CROUSE
SALVADOR		CRUZ
CHAD	S	FANE
AUSTIN	B	GREEN
DAVID	J	HUMMEL
ANDREW	T	JOHNSON
ROGER	S	KEHO
NEIL		KOSTER
COLETON	A	PACE
NOLAN	H	RAYMOND
JONATHAN	W	SCHMIDT
JOHNNY	F	SOUTH
KEVIN	W	TALLMAN
JAMIE	R	TEMPLETON
RANDY		WHITFIELD
THOMAS	M	WILSON
NICOLAS	C	WOODS

## RICHARD N ANNIS

Waylon Balk  
Kyle Berst  
Thomas E. Quick  
Chase D. Thomas

James Bolden Jr.  
Brandon Tidball

# August 2018

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	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	18
19	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	31	



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# IOWA STATE FAIR DATES

## AUGUST 9-19

**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 PLAN 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:**

1-800-547-7754

[www.principal.com](http://www.principal.com). When calling have your P.I.N. ready

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