



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

## ~ Business Manager's Report ~

Sisters and Brothers,

Participants of the IBEW Local 347 Electrical Workers Health and Welfare Fund, will be receiving information soon about a new hearing care provider benefit with Amplifon. They will help find suitable solutions to your hearing needs and offer discounts on many products. There are no enrollment fees and access to the hearing program is completely free. You can call them at (877) 301-0837 to have a patient care advocate explain the details of the Amplifon Program, help you find a hearing care provider and send you and your provider the necessary information to activate your Amplifon program. You can also learn more about the Amplifon program at [www.amplifonusa.com/ibew347](http://www.amplifonusa.com/ibew347)

I also wanted to be sure that you are taking advantage of our telehealth benefit. Doctor on Demand. This is a very easy and convenient way to address minor illnesses from the comfort of your home verses waiting in long lines surrounded by other sick people at a clinic or hospital waiting room. Get familiar with the benefit ahead of time so it is readily available as we battle the cold and flu season.

One last piece of business on the fund, the annual dependent verification will be sent soon. Although the individual plan participant will not be affected as they are covered regardless, it is critically important that you fill it out if you have dependents (spouse and/or children) or had dependents listed in the past. If you need assistance, please stop by or contact us.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Union Sportsmen's Alliance Dinner will be held at Prairie Meadows on Saturday, February 16, 2019. For information on how to participate contact Misty at the Hall. On that note I would like to congratulate Brother Jason Jordan and his daughter Sarah. Both scored in the top three at the Union Sportsman Alliance Sporting clay and skeet shoot on October 20 representing Local 347.

The NEBF is again extending its retiree return to work amendment for 2019. All normal and early retirees with a pension effective date of December 2018 or earlier will be permitted to return to covered and contributory employment only and will be permitted to work for up to 600 hours during the above period without a loss of NEBF benefits. For more information on coordination of benefits with PBF and the 347 Health Fund, swing by or give us a call.

The 2019 Pin Party is scheduled for Saturday, March 9. Please see attached information and call us with any questions. Sure to be a great time and Congratulations to this years pin recipients!

2018 Toys for Tots was another successful year. I plan to report final counts at our next meeting but I suspect there are many children in central Iowa that had a very merry Christmas due to the efforts of all that helped. I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude to Brother Bo Kruse for being the single largest individual contributor to this years event on behalf of LU 347. Good work Brother, thank you!

## ~ President's Report ~

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone enjoyed the Holidays and I wish everyone well in 2019. Thinking back on the last few years I think we have all been blessed with full employment.

I hope everyone had a chance to check out the Jolly Holiday lights display this year. Our local union has participated in volunteering for many years. As the holidays come to an end we will need volunteers who are able to help with the tear down on Saturday, January 19th at 8:00am. Anyone that could help for a couple of hours would be appreciated.

With one more year before our state license needs renewed I would encourage members to get your classes scheduled.

In Solidarity, Jason Ballard  
President IBEW Local #347

## ~ Political Corner ~

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Even though we are still living with a Republican controlled legislature, we have made considerable strides in changing it. We elected the first two Congresswoman from the state of Iowa. In the first Congressional District Abby Finkenauer and in the third Cindy Axne. Very strong Labor leaders which I know that they will leave no stone unturned when it comes to protecting UNIONS.

In the Iowa House of Representatives we have gained six seats to narrow the margin, five were right here in Polk and Dallas County.

Unions have made a difference, working people made our voices heard in the 2018 midterm elections. Nation wide together we knocked over 2.3 million doors and made over 500,000 phone calls in support of the Union Labor endorsed candidates who will advocate for working families, but there is still work to be done.

The 2019 legislative session will be starting on January 14 and they will continue there onslaught of decimating Unions and the working class. Don't think that I have to remind you of what they have done over the last two years.

I can not advocate strongly enough how important it is to talk to your Representatives on your beliefs in keeping Unions a driving factor in the state of Iowa. Now on to the Federal Branch

The Trump tax cuts, since the tax cuts have went into affect the deficit has increased our 401k's has plummeted and work has slowed down. This trickle down BS to stimulate the economy has never worked. Reagan tried the same crap and it destroyed the middle class as we knew it. Here are just a few facts since the tax cuts:

6/18 Harley Davidson	12 million tax break	Lay-off 550 people
7/18 Lennox Air	46 million	Lay-off 1200
7/18 Ford	92 million	Lay-off 3200
11/18 General Motors	157 million	Lay-off 14000
11/18 Nationwide	97 million	Lay-off 4400
12/18 Verizon	4 Billion	Lay-off 10,400

Can you see the common denominator here, lets make the corporations get richer while screwing the American worker and believe me my friends it will only get worse. You guys had better wise up, we are heading back into a recession in my opinion. Nobody has a crystal ball but history always repeats itself. This has been the worst December for the markets since 1931. The Great Depression

On a better note I hope everyone got to enjoy their holidays and may the new year be better than the last.

## Apprenticeship News

### State Licensing Continuing Education Courses:

The Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship will post upcoming Continuing Education Courses (CEC) on our website [www.dmelejatc.org](http://www.dmelejatc.org), starting in January. Please use the on-line registration to sign-up for the classes. Make sure that you complete the registration process by putting the class in your "cart" and then checking out. If you have completed the process and checked out you will receive a confirmation email from the system. If you do not receive an email the sign-up process was not completed. Due to the apprentice class schedule there will more CEC course offerings in the spring and summer of 2019 than will be offered in the fall of 2019. Keep in mind that you will need to have 18 hours of CECs by December 31, 2019 in order to renew your license.

**Reminder:** There will not be any classes offered after November 22, 2019.

## Membership News

*The Local Union would like to express it's sympathy to the families of the following members:*

Retiree Brother Robert LeRoy Adams passed away on November 21st at the age of 91. He was a member for 68 years.

Brother Michael L. Wood passed away on December 2nd, 2018 at the age of 46. He was a member for 1 year.

### Congratulations to the following members for perfect attendance at every General Membership Meeting in 2018!

Jason Ballard, Tracy Bethards, Matt Carpenter, Adam Casady, Rick Chumbley,  
Ross Gabriel, Mike Gomez, Dan Hagen, Eric Hager, Mike Jones, Kathy Landeros, Tim LeClaire,  
Kyle Overton, Dustin Schmidt, William White

## Newborns!

Nora Elizabeth Whitaker

Born: 11/30/2018

8 lbs. 1 oz.

21"

Parents: Daniel Whitaker &  
Michelle Smith

Evelyn Jodell Broughton

Born: 10/28/2018

3 lbs. 8 oz.

15"

Parents: Josh & Susan  
Broughton

Layla Blake Wood

Born: 11/29/2018

7 lbs. 13 oz.

20"

Parents: Treyor & Cora Jean  
Wood

### Last Months Job Referrals

20—referrals sent out    9—Regular Calls

1—VDV                    3—Apprentice    5—CW

1— Short Call    1— Stockman/Deliveryman

**2019 PIN PARTY/RECOGNITION NIGHT**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019**

**COCKTAIL HOUR: 5:00 – 6:00 PM**

**DINNER SERVED: 6:00 PM**

**BISHOP BALLROOM**

**Enter through The Meadows entrance**

**\$10.00 per person**

**Located at Prairie Meadows**

**1 Prairie Meadows Drive**

**Altoona, IA 50009**

**515-967-1000**

**A block of rooms have been reserved. They will go fast.  
Use Group Code "03092019347" when making your  
reservation.**

**Mark your calendar for an evening to honor  
both the young and the experienced.**

**After dinner there will be prizes, music and dancing!!!!**

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RSVP BY FEBRUARY 15, 2019 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PRIZE DRAWING!**

**Please detach and mail to Local #347, 850 18th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50314  
or drop off at our Hall. Please make checks payable to Local #347.**

Name of Member or Retiree

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Guest attending:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 per person = TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Office Use Only: \_\_\_\_\_ Pin \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Paid: CASH C.C. CHECK# \_\_\_\_\_**



## PIN RECIPIENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 2018

**65 YEAR PIN:** William Rohde

**60 YEAR PIN:** Richard Bird Richard Fazio Grant J. Harter Phillip A. Johnson Wayne E. Jones

**55 YEAR PIN:** Thomas Gruis

**50 YEAR PIN:** Ronald J. Ballard • James C. Becker • Ronald J. Collins • George L. Fuller • Dennis P. Gurnsey • David R. Hamilton • David J. Hawkins • Walter B. Lee • William T. Rogers • Richard P. Smith • Craig E. Wallace

**45 YEAR PIN:** Michael J. Booker • Donald Darling • Rick Knowlton • Michael C. Madden • Larry G. Peterson

**40 YEAR PIN:** Rex A. Adams • Stephen C. Ball • Patrick D. Flaherty • Ronald S. Harmon • James P. Keul • Mark A. Ramsey • Jeffrey L. Rose • Terry L. Ware

**35 YEAR PIN:** Alan V. Anthony • Scott P. Baysinger • Gerald Butler • David L. Robertson • Robert E. Ware

**30 YEAR PIN:** Karl Anderson • Rollo Berg • Keith Carson • Krzysztof Chrzaszcz • Kevin L. Clark • Steven C. Cockerham • Dana A. Conrad • Matt M. DeAngelo • Allen J. DeHeer • Mark S. Dunagan • John R. Garrett • Steven M. Glas • Steven D. Gregory • Kevin W. Harson • Rob D. Joiner • Scott E. Kaldenberg • Joseph T. Kouri • Nile R. McLeran • Joseph L. Robson • Kevin R. Thomas • Wieslaw Y. Trebus • Ted Worthington

**25 YEAR PIN:** Wesley C. Bowlby • Don C. Carpenter • Bryce E. Davidson • Joseph E. Davis Robert H. Hall • Steven A. Hannam • Steven D. Jones • Clifford C. Nolte • Scott N. Shannon • Joe D. Shoemaker • Stephen A. Thomas • David J. Washington

**20 YEAR PIN:** Derek R. Baldwin • Jason M. Ballard • Daran J. Bartels • Bradley R. Boggess • Joshua J. Broughton • Rob E. Brown • Michael E. Burton • Greg W. Carlton • Derek E. Conover • Jeffrey D. Cowie • Greg P. Curtis • Paul D. Ellingson • Michael D. Emerson • Kevin C. Enga • Randy N. Etter • Joshua J. Fett • Justin L. Flynn • Willard C. Fox • Marten B. Ham • David J. Hann • William L. Hiney • Norman W. Hopkins • Nathan A. Houck • Anthony P. Jensen • Chris L. Knight • Corey A. Little • Matthew N. Marchese • Sean E. McKee • Jamie R. Moorman • J. Brad Moren • Alan P. Newell • Joseph A. Nizzi • Chad E. Osborn • Theodore E. Perschall • K. Kurt Potthoff • Brian M. Ramsey • Neil A. Rhinehart • Chris V. Richardson • Robert L. Richt • Edwin D. Smith • Noah T. Smith • Chris P. Struble • Michael B. Swanson • April C. Thorpe • Ronald J. Tigges • Randy H. Tucker • Douglas K. Ulrey • Phillip J. Vaassen • Robert B. Wolfe

**15 YEAR PIN:** Ryan E. Barnett • Jorge C. Borges • Jeffery J. Burns • Jason S. Clayton • Paul A. Cooper • Chester Pl Crawford • Troy W. Downing • Luke D. Grove • Shawn M. Hauf • Chris D. Heaberlin • Tim L. Klingensmith • David M. Marlenee • James J. McDonough • Anthony J. Mense • Donald D. Nelson • Tyler C. Nowell • Randall R. Patrick • David T. Ramsell • Robin D. Riley • Ryan P. Rysavy • Matthew H. Talcott • John W. Torrey • Thomas E. Washington • Nathony J. Wiebelhaus • Robin Young • Jerry J. Zavodsky

**10 YEAR PIN:** Bryan J. Aller • Micheal L. Aubert • Justin R. Barnett • Damon J. Berger • Justin J. Berry • Richard D. Chumbley • Jonathan P. Coffey • Jacob J. Crane • Ryan A. Derby • Tywon J. Dudley • Randolph D. Elliott • Van M. Flattery • Luiza J. Fritz • Christopher R. Haney • Charles D. Harned • Mike Hyde • Gregory A. Jennings • Eric A. Klingensmith • Justin A. Lantz • Heather Larson • Cory R. Lueth • Heath Maguire • Elliott J. Mann • Adam D. McCarty • Jerome J. Miller • Justin M. Miller • Gary W. Murray • Jason J. Nichols • Derek L. Nish • Patrick K. O'Brien • Christina L. Oliva • Richard J. Palmer • Justin J. Panek • Robert W. Perkins • Clint E. Russell • Wano N. Russell • Phillip J. Schaffer • Mitchell L. Shaw • Jeremy D. Sheaffer • Stephanie M. Sliger • Eric J. Stewart • Josh M. Taha • Matthew L. Wheelock

**5 YEAR PIN:** Brad R. Eppert • John (Marty) Farrell • Matthew C. Forest • Christopher L. Funk • Nicholas A. Ghormley • Eric A. Glasscock • Anthony R. Henry • Nicholas G. Hinkle • David J. Hummel • Adam M. Irving • Michael A. Janzen • Thomas F. Kennedy • Craig A. Knutson • Tam V. Luong • Daniel C. McCoun • Lochlan B. McIntosh • Caleb C. Meis • Neil H. Nelson • Darren Nunnikhoven • Beau Pickering • Travis J. Pwell • Nolan H. Raymond • Brandon E. Richards • Edmunco F. Rivera • Vincent L. Ross • Ron J. Saf • Derek R. Smith • Jaason M. Smith • Joshua P. Smith • Troy T. Stockdale • Brent T. Swalin • Steve B. Swenson • Jesse L. Tharp • Matthew O. Walsh • Aaron E. Wepplet • Zechariah E. Wicker



The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **January 31, 2019**. This list was run on December 20, 2018. This list is broken down into "A" and

### "A" Members

ALEX	M ADKINS
LAWRENCE	D ANTHONY
CLINT	J BAILEY
BRIAN	L BAILEY
RYAN	M BARKER
JUSTIN	R BARNETT
OSCAR	M BAZA-BARBUDO
JUSTIN	M BEAM
LANDON	D BEARD
ARTHUR	L BEEK
JOSEPH	A BERNARDINO
TAYLOR	L BROWN
DYLAN	E BUCHMAN
RAY	CAMACHO
EUGENE	L CARTER
MICHAEL	T CLAYTON
ALLEN	L COOK
JULIAN	J CORDOVA
MARK	W CRAWFORD
TYLER	J CREMEENS
BRIDGET	C DAVIS
ROBERT	K DENNIS
JOSH	P DEVORE
BRIAN	N DRAKE
RONALD	D EATON
DON	L ERICKSON
SCOTT	A ESPE
TREY	L EVANS
CHASE	A FARRELL
SAMUEL	R FARRELL
MARSHALL	L FIELD
JACE	S FOSTER
JAMES	C FREY
CLINT	J GARDNER
LEONEL	M GARZA
THADEUS	J GIBBONS
THOMAS	B GOMEZ
ORLANDO	GONZALEZ
ANDREW	V GRAHAM
JASON	B GRANDSTAFF
KEVIN	R GRANT
STEVE	C GREENE
WILLIAM	P GUIZAR
STEVEN	A HANNAM

WILLIAM	A HARDING
JORDAN	D HARDING
KEVIN	D HARRIS
MATTHEW	L HEBERT
TYLER	W HECKMAN
NICHOLAS	A HIGGINS
DAVID	C HIRSCH BAUTISTA
MICHAEL	R HOTMAN
COLE	M HYLER
DEVON	L INGLE
ADAM	M IRVING
GERALD	J JACOBS
MATTHEW	A JOHNSON WALKER
KADE	A JONES
JUSTIN	S KEIGHER
MICHAEL	V KELLEHER
JEFFERY	R KERR
BRYSON	P KINYON
MATTHEW	A KIRBY
CHASE	KOHLER
JOHN	D LADURINI
ZACHARY	O LANGE
JUSTIN	A LANTZ
ALEXANDER	J LEE
LINDSAY	D LESLIE
JASON	D LYON
ELLIOTT	J MANN
JONATHAN	E MATHERLY
JORDAN	B MAYER
JEFF	L MCCUTCHEON
SETH	W MCKINISS
TYLER	J MCNULTY
BARBARA	J MENTZER
ANDREW	L MILLER
STEVEN	L MINGUS
JASON	D MOORMAN
JAMIE	R MOORMAN
MICHAEL	M MORRIS
RENE	T MULLANEY
JOEL	C MURPHY
GUY	W NEWBERRY
PHI	V NGUYEN
CHRISTOPHER	D NICELEY
TYLER	C NOWELL
VICTOR	P OCHOA

JUSTIN	M OLIVER
KASAHARA	R OROZCO
RANDALL	R PATRICK
PATRICK	J PETERSON
BOWE	R PORTER
ANTHONY	W PORTER
D. KURT	POTTHOFF
ROBIN	D RILEY
JACOB	L ROACH
WANO	N RUSSELL
JASON	SCHERFF
DREW	N SCHMIDT
JOHN	A SCHWERING
TED	R SCOGGIN
LUKE	W SEE
JIMMY	J SIGNS
DARRELL	W SILVERTHORN
DEREK	R SMITH
AUSTIN	B SMITH
ANTHONY	SOLIVERAS TORRES
JOHNNY	F SOUTH
ZACHARY	E SPAIN
TODD	A STEWART
TANNER	J SUSIN
MATTHEW	H TALCOTT
TAYLOR	R THOMPSON
ZACHARY	D THOMPSON
DAVID	L TREAGER
WILLIAM	A TUCKER
NATHAN	A UTSLER
COLBY	D VANARKEL
ALEX	G VANDENBROEK
DANIELLA	R VAUGHN
HALSEY	C WASSON
EDWARD	H WEERS
RODRIC	J WELSHER
RANDY	WHITFIELD
WILLIAM	R WILSON
JORDAN	W WRIGHT

### "BA" Members

JEFFREY	D COWIE
STACY	M HICKMAN
ERIC	T HUGHES
LARRY	L RICHE
ERIC	M WESTBERG

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### "A" Members

JOHNATHON	R ALEXANDER
JAMES	D AVON
AUSTON	R BIRKENHOLZ
HUNTER	N DAVIS
EVAN	E GARR
JARED	T HEATON
ANDREW	T JOHNSON
TIMOTHY	S LAGOW
KEVIN	L LISK
CURTIS	W MILBURN
DANIEL	R MOEN
GARRETT	M REYNOLDS
JASON	A SCHUTTY
DAVID	K SHARON
GRANT	L SHIVVERS
DREW	M VESPESTAD

### "BA" Members

ADAM	D GRIMM
JONATHAN	P MESECHER

### DEC. 1ST DROPS

#### "A" Members

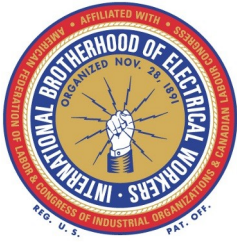
Jerraun Amerisan-Smith  
Jeffrey D. Arnold  
Drew M. Barnard  
Nicholas D. Bradshaw  
Justin P. Carr  
Luis A. Cruz  
Riley C. Gordon  
Ryan M. Gordon  
Hunter B. Halton  
Zachary A. Ray  
Aaron B. Ruter  
Blake T. Schomer  
Charlie C. Stroud

#### "BA" Members

Ronald L. Martin

# January 2019

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



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**Quick Notes:**

- Remember that as of January 1, 2019 dues will increase by \$1.00 per month for “A” members.
- Pin Party/  
Recognition night

Pat: phwells@ibewlu347.org  
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 Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org

Member Benefits, Misty: mrtturner@ibewlu347.org  
 Dues, Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org  
 Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org

**LOCAL UNION 347—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**

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](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