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★ ★ ★ ~ Business Manager's Report ~ ★ ★ ★

Sisters and Brothers,

We are still very cautious in our approach to reconvening meetings of all types. Our June General membership meeting was held in person with limited seating, face masks, etc. and I do plan to continue to hold our meetings in this same format until the all clear has been given by the CDC or a vaccine has been made readily available to all Americans. I am also working with our Fund to set up Coronavirus testing in lieu of our annual wellness event. This testing will be implemented as soon as possible based on availability of our service provider and testing supplies. All participants will be notified once final arrangements have been made. Although we are all beyond exhausted with the continued disruption of COVID-19, it is of real concern and we should keep in our thoughts, all those that we have lost or those who are currently battling the illness.

This year, Iowa's legislative session was unique based on its extraordinary pause due to COVID-19, beginning in mid-March with legislators returning 11 weeks later on June 3. Of the legislation that was considered this session, there are some important bills to note:

SF 2338 COVID-19 liability; this bill, one of the significant issues the parties clashed over in the final days of session was supported by the republican majority. The bill disregards protections for workers in an environment affected by COVID-19 by prioritizing immunity for employers. It provides protections from liability lawsuits and it is retroactive to cover the entire period of the presence of the coronavirus in Iowa.

HF 2486 became very heated as the Senate added language restricting the Secretary of State's ability to send out absentee ballot request forms, contrary to what was done for the June 2020 primary. After passing this on a party line vote, the House Dems were successful in arguing the issue and eventually, the House amended the bill to remove the voter suppression language. But, during midnight debate, Senate amended HF 2643, Omnibus Appropriations, restricting auditors from using election databases to fill in missing or incomplete information related to absentee ballots, another form of suppression.

One of the Governors priorities, HF 2627 Professional Licensing Qualifications addressed several provisions for granting and renewal of professional licenses. It was a policy priority the Governor addressed in her State of the State address. IBEW was in the thick of this fight the entire session and through the session pause. We initially worked to remove the language in Sect. 27 allowing nonresidents with no license from being able to obtain a license with just one year of work experience and no education. It was then transitioned to a 3-year requirement. We were able to maintain a requirement for anyone applying for licensure to take an examination. We also secured a language change that allows the board to consider previous experience but does not require the Board to accept the work experience as education. It was a tough fight right up to session's end but we were able to fend off the most terrible aspects of the legislation.

We were also successful in removing certain provisions of SF 2284 that would have included language not requiring electricians working at regent institutions such as the University of Iowa to be licensed.

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There were many bills that failed to pass also. One of the most damning was HF2572/ SF2364 prohibiting design build and other alternative delivery methods in the public sector. One particular section explicitly stated a construction manager at risk does not have to honor the Labor agreements of their subcontractors. Union Busting.

With the close of this session we now turn to the November elections. I cannot emphasize enough the importance of electing people that are in line with our Labor issues. Our priority needs to coordinate with our ability to provide for our families. Wages, Healthcare, Retirement, Education, etc. You would not let someone steal your wallet. So do not vote for people that choose to steal from your family with bad legislative priorities. I am looking forward to a successful 2021 session.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells

★★★★ ~ Presidents Message ~ ★★★★★

Brothers and sisters,

Glad to see everyone who could make it to the union meeting. Still a lot of new cases of corona virus in the state. The heat is only going to get worse so stay hydrated and stay safe.

Union strong
Chad Lowe

Brothers and Sisters,

~ Political Corner ~

Now that the primary is over, the focus is beginning to shift to the general election that is coming up in November. Unfortunately, that's going to mean a significant uptick in the amount of political ads that we all have to deal with, and many of those are going to be for the presidential race where almost everyone has already made up their minds. The most likely effect of this onslaught of propaganda will be to get burnt out on politics and try to put the whole election out of our minds, but that is not something we can afford to do right now. If we sit this one out, those that oppose organized labor (and the good pay and benefits we have fought for) will continue to build power and will most certainly hit us where it hurts during the next legislative session. To stop that from happening, I ask that everyone reading this look past the superficial stuff, request your absentee ballot and vote for your state and local endorsed labor-friendly candidates!

AFL-CIO Endorsed Candidates: <https://www.iowaafcio.org/legislativepolitical/2020-endorsements>

Online Voter Registration: <https://mymvd.iowadot.gov/Account/Login>

Absentee Ballot Request Form: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/pdf/absenteeballotapp.pdf>

*You can request your absentee ballot as early as July 6th.

In Solidarity,
Wade Lester

~ RENEW ~

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy on all of the jobsites. We will be resuming RENEW meetings on June 30th, and will be following all guidelines to keep everyone safe. The RENEW coins were such a hit that the hall has decided to order a second round of coins, so if you did not get a coin from the initial order, you should be able to get one from the second order. I look forward to seeing all of you at the next meeting.

In Solidarity,
Stephen Cox

NEWBORNS

Lila Frosolone
Born: 5/12/2020
5 lbs. 15 oz.
18"

Parents: Mike & Julianne
Frosolone

Sebastian Wayne-James Signs
Born: 5/26/2020
7 lbs. 8 oz.
20"

Parents: Jimmy Signs & Me-
gan Ayala

Sadie Kathryn Whisney
Born: 6/15/2020
8 lbs. 5 oz.
20"

Parents: Adam & Madison
Whisney

Huntleigh Rose Davis
Born: 6/17/2020
7 lbs. 14 oz.
19 1/2"

Parents: Hunter & Taylor
Davis

RETIREE LUNCHEON CANCELLED FOR JULY

Last Months Job Referrals

209—Referrals sent out 118—Regular Calls 2- Short Call
47—CW 23 -Apprentices 3- VDV Tech 16-VDV Installer 0-Residential

"BICSI TE350 - Technician Class"

Class #671

A BICSI Technician certification class has been scheduled to be conducted August 24th – 29th 2020, 8am – 4pm Monday through Friday, and 8am to noon Saturday at the Des Moines Electrical Apprenticeship Training Center, 10700 Justin Drive, Urbandale, IA. A hands-on and written certification examination will be conducted for each participant.

Prerequisites: A minimum of three years of verifiable telecommunications related field experience is required to register for this class.

Requirements:

- A course fee of \$1500 per participant is required to enroll in this class. The course fee includes the BICSI reference text (ITSMM 7th edition), BICSI student workbook, TE-350 course and BICSI exam fee.
- The course fee must be received at the apprenticeship office no later than July 20th, 2020.
- A minimum of 3 participants is required to conduct the class, with a maximum class size of 8 participants.

For additional information regarding this course and to register please contact:

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The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **July 31, 2020**. This list was run on June 22, 2020. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" MEMBERS

JESUS	L	ALVARADO
JAMES	K	BAUMEISTER
LIAN		BAWI
JUSTIN	M	BEAM
MATHEW	D	BENNETT
RANDALL	S	BIANCHI
CONNER	C	BREGAR
CHRISTIE	L	BROOKES
MITCHELL	A	BUNCH
JACK	R	CARPENTER
AARON	M	CHAPMAN
JOHN	S	CHRISTENSEN
ADAM	B	CHRISTIAN
JONATHAN	J	CLARK
JAMIE	C	CLOE
ANDREW	D	COCHRANE
NATHAN	W	COFFMAN
MICHAEL	A	CONNER
JULIAN	J	CORDOVA
ANDREW	R	COY
DILLON	R	CROOK
JEFFERY	W	CUNNINGHAM
JOSEPH	D	DAKE
JAMES	D	DAVIS
KEVIN	S	DAY
TYLER	G	DEMOSS
TRAVIS	J	DOWIE
RYAN	L	EDGINGTON
DON	L	ERICKSON
ERIC	W	ERICKSON
SCOTT	A	ESPE
TREY	L	EVANS
CORY	S	FERREL
DARYL	W	FITZGERALD
JACE	S	FOSTER
GARRETT	R	GALVIN
CLINT	J	GARDNER
KALE	A	GOBEN
JASON	B	GRANDSTAFF
DALTON	R	GURNETT
PATRICK	J	HANNAM
QUINTIN	L	HARRISON
MARTIN	J	HASS
ERIC	J	HEISTAND
SAMUEL	A	HENDERSON

DAVID	C	HIRSCH BAUTISTA
WILLIAM	L	HOLLOWAY
SHANE	J	HOWARD
ADAM	J	IVANOVICH
DYLAN	M	JENSEN
MATTHEW	S	JESSE
DAVID	P	JOHNSON
JACOB	J	JOHNSON
KADE	A	JONES
SCOTT	A	JORDAN
ALLAN	J	KENNEDY
ERIC	A	KLINGENSMITH
DILLON	J	KOVACEVICH
ALEXANDER	J	LEE
RAE		LENZ
DAVID	W	LESAN
MICHAEL	J	LEWIS
IAN	J	MAHAN
MATTHEW	A	MAJERUS
DYLAN	R	MANGANO
JEFF	L	MCCUTCHEON
TYLER	J	MCNULTY
HUNTER	N	MILLER
STEVEN	L	MINGUS
JAMIE	R	MOORMAN
SETH	R	MORLAN
CHRISTO-	M	MURPHY
MICHAEL	W	MURPHY
JAKOB	K	OLESEN
RANDALL	R	PATRICK
MICHAEL	A	PAUSCHER
DALTYN		PECK
JAY	P	PETERSON
NICHOLAS	S	QUINTANA
JASON	M	RAHM
ZACHARY	A	RAY
JUSTIN	C	RHEA
BRANDON	E	RICHARDS
KYLE	J	RIGGLE
ROBIN	D	RILEY
MATTHEW	H	RITCHIE
FRANK	L	RIVERA
CHAD	D	SCHNELL
JASON	A	SCHUTTY
JESSE	B	SINK
JACOB	P	SLEETH
JAMES	J	SMITH
JOSHUA	R	SODERGREN
ANTHO-		SOLIVERAS TORRES
PATRICK		SOMSAVATH
ZACHARY	E	SPAIN
WILLIAM	T	SPENCER
SCOTT	B	STEELE
TODD	A	STEWART
SHANE	L	STONEBURNER
JACOB	M	SWENSON
DAVID	C	TERRILL
EMILIO	A	TODD
MARTIN	J	TRAVIS
JOSHUA	D	VAN MAANEN
BO		VAN WYNGARDEN
RICHARD	R	VANDEBOE
ALEX	G	VANDENBROEK
CHANCE	G	VEACH
DONALD	D	VETTER
JOSHUA	D	WADE
AUSTIN	D	WADE
RANDY		WHITFIELD
JACOB	A	WILKENING
KEVIN	L	WILLIS
ROBERT	W	WOODARD
TED		WORTHINGTON

"BA" MEMBERS

MICHAEL	A	BLAKE
GARY	A	BROWN
KENNETH	J	CASEBOLT
TAMMY	L	COOPER
TIMOTHY	E	DEAHL
GREGORY	A	FOX
AARON	J	HALTOM
STACY	M	HICKMAN
ERIC	T	HUGHES
MENTOR		HYSA
DAVID	D	KING
MICHAEL	K	MCCREARY
MICHAEL	J	MOHLER
NEIL	H	NELSON
JOHN	D	RIDDLE
BRIAN	C	SCAGGS
SHARI	A	SLOAN
CHANTHARA	C	SPHONGSAI
APRIL	L	SWANSON
ERIC	M	WESTBERG

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by July 31, 2020. This list was run on June 22, 2020.

"A" Members

JASON	T	ANANIA
RANDY	D	BIRKENHOLTZ
JEREMY	C	BUNN
ANTHONY	L	BURROWS
MICHAEL	I	BYERS
NATHANIEL	A	CASKEY
MICHAEL	D	CRIGGER
AUSTIN	J	DEWITT
EMILY	S	HAMILTON
JACOB	E	HOWARD
NIC	D	KAHOE
BRENT	A	KRAPFL
COREY	A	LITTLE
JEFF	M	MANNING
MICHAEL	J	MOUW
MATTHEW	J	OLESON
BRANDON	M	OVERTON
DANIEL	W	ROWLING
SERGIO	A	SALCIDO
DERRICK	L	SANDY
ERIK	L	SHELD AHL
TANNER	J	SUSIN
MARCUS	D	WEBBER

"BA" Members

LARRY	L	RICHE
DUNCAN	K	SINCLAIR

JUNE 1ST DROPS

"A" Members

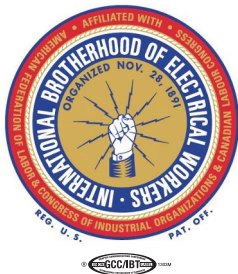
Michael E. Dirksen
Terrence J. Driscoll
Jeremy R. Isaac
Amy S. Joseph
Gage J. Martin
Anthony D. McFerrin
Joseph M. Janes

"BA" Members

Cody R. Baccam
Alexander R. Johnson
Donald D. Nelsen

JULY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Union Hall Closed For Holiday	4 
5	6 Trans-Lux Mtg. 2:30 & 3:15 PM	7 EP 2 4:00 PM	8	9 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	10	11
12	13	14 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	15 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM VDV 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 Unit Mtg. 4:30 PM	24	25
26	27	28 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM RENEW 4:30 PM	29	30	31	



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Local #347 Benefits Website: www.ibew347benefits.com

DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP—www.dmelejatc.org Phone: (515) 224-4349

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 and click on Options PPO.

HRA BALANCE BY PHONE 1-844-472-2251

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WWW.SAVRX.COM

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

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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 RETIREMENT & 401K #4-31329 Principal Financial: 1-800-547-7754
www.principal.com. When calling have your P.I.N. ready
Address changes: 1-800-547-7754

JOURNEY CREDIT UNION: (515) 243-8735

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