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## ~Business Manager's Report~



Sisters and Brothers,

The Apprenticeship Turn Out Banquet is one of the most honorable events that I have the opportunity to attend on an annual basis. This year was extraordinary due to the combination of both the 2020 and 2021 classes. I would like to congratulate all of our newest Journeymen Wiremen, Technicians and Residential Wiremen. Today we are taking in some of the largest groups of apprentices in our history and it is important that you realize that not only are you the future of this Local Union, you are the Local Union. Without you, our Union Hall is just a building. Without you, there is no Labor movement. Be involved, stay involved. As a Journeyman, the "real" work begins now right? Now you may supervise the work of others. Now you may begin running work for an employer. You will most definitely have a lot more responsibility, the first is making sure that everyone including yourself goes home to their families in one piece every night. Worker safety is your first priority.

If your employer sends you to work in another Local Union's jurisdiction, you are required to contact that Local Union to make them aware. This can be as simple as a phone call. It is never the responsibility of your employer to call for you. It is the duty of every IBEW member to make that contact. You should also confirm the financial arrangements with your employer before you go. The wages and benefits will likely never be the same at any other Local Union. Be sure that you know what wage and benefit rate you will earn and how the benefits will be processed. If you ever have any questions, call or stop by the Hall.

If and when you become unemployed for any reason, you can work anywhere in the country simply by signing book 2 in another Local's jurisdiction (if they have work available). This is a huge advantage for IBEW members. When we slow down here, and someday we will, there may be opportunities for you to earn excellent wages and benefits working through another IBEW Local Union. IBEW covers the entire country and we are all part of the same Brotherhood, regardless of location. When traveling, all your benefits will reciprocate

### IMPORTANT DATES

July 4; Independence Day  
July 5; Independence Day celebrated

September 5; Labor fest celebration at Labor Park

September 6; Labor Day

September 11, 18; Des Moines Wellness Events

September 25; Ft Dodge Wellness Event

September 25; Local 347 Golf Outing

from that Local Union back to your benefit plans through the IBEW/NECA Electronic Reciprocity Transfer System (ERTS). This gives you the ability to maintain your current eligibility, coverage and participation in the LU 347 Pension and Health Funds virtually uninterrupted. Be sure to swing by the Hall to get registered for ERTS before you go.

Should you ever decide to permanently move to another jurisdiction and want to become a member of that Local Union, you can request a travel card from 347. It requires a travel card to change your Local Union designation and it must be accepted by the members of the receiving Local Union.

Some of you, at some point, will move into non bargaining positions with our employers. This means you will become an estimator or a project manager for example. Keep in mind when moving into non bargaining positions, you can no longer participate in the benefit Funds provided under the CBA. Your current LU retirement/401K benefits will remain within our plan, under your self direction as they are today, but future retirement

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benefits would be negotiated between you and the employer. You will be eligible to remain on our health plan for five months following the transition to non bargaining but would then go onto whatever plan your employer offers. Your current HRA balance would still be available to you, so long as you use it. If it sits idle, it will be forfeited back to the fund.

Times are very good for Local 347. There is a lot of work in central Iowa right now. Take advantage of it. It's not always going to be this busy. Have you experienced a significant economic downturn yet? It is inevitable. Do not overextend yourself financially. A good practice is to base your income on nine months per year. If you can't cover every expense you have with nine months of wages, consider making adjustments. Always be prepared, layoffs are a normal part of the electrical construction industry. When it happens, come by the Hall and we will get you back out.

JWs, your classification requires you to maintain a state of Iowa Journeyman electrical license. This means 18 hours of continuing education every three years. Do not fail to meet your CEU requirement. You will be very disappointed if you have to retest for the Journeyman license. The next three year cycle ends on 12/31/2022.

Congratulations to all our 2020/2021 graduates!  
Brotherhood Strong,  
Pat Wells



The RENEW group is back in full swing! We had our first annual bags tournament and it was a hit! We had a total of nine teams participate this year, and the winners were Brothers Chris Thurgood and Patrick Galvin. We also raffled off two custom sets of bag boards this year. I appreciate everyone who showed up and helped. The RENEW group is continuing to meet at the hall on the last Tuesday of the month at 4:30pm. If you or anyone you know is a young worker and are curious about the union come to the next RENEW meeting!

In Solidarity,  
Stephen Cox

# RENEW

REACH OUT AND ENGAGE THE NEXT GENERATION OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

Brothers and Sisters,

## ~ Political Corner ~

The 2021 Iowa Legislative session ended shortly after last month's newsletter went out, so I'll start with some updates on that. As the session came to a close Republican legislators started to churn out bills, managing to pass many of their priorities just before the session ended. These include bills that increase penalties for protesting, protect drivers that hit protesters, expand charter schools, ban school mask requirements before many children can be vaccinated, and even one that makes it a felony for a union officer to deliver a member's absentee ballot. We were fortunate that some of the bills that we have rallied against didn't make it this year; such as unemployment cuts, private school vouchers, and the bill that would have stopped Iowa universities from using design-build on their projects.

So although we dodged some bullets during this session, there is always next time for special interests to advance their agendas, and we'll have to be ready for them. One way that we can improve our position is by electing more union-friendly representatives to the Iowa legislature. We won't have a chance to do that directly this year, but we *can* elect good people to our city councils and school boards. The people in these positions have a significant impact on the daily lives of you and your family, and could potentially run for a state-wide seat later on. Considering this, let's all be ready to cast our ballots this November and make our voices heard.

In Solidarity,  
Wade Lester



## IN HONOR OF THOSE WE'VE LOST

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

Retired Brother Gene E. Sewell Sr. passed away on June 5th, 2021. He was 92 years old. He was a member for 62 years.

# NEWBORNS




Austin Matthew Hartman Born: 5/12/2021 7 lbs. 15 oz. 20" Parents: Matt & Katie Hartman	Brock Joseph Nelson Born: 6/11/2021 8 lbs. 21 1/4" Parents: Rex & Kyli Nelson	Wilder Lee Willis Born: 6/14/2021 9 lbs. 1.3 oz. 20" Parents: Kevin & Abby Willis
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### Last Months Job Referrals

120—Referrals sent out  
53-Regular Calls 18-Apprentice  
5-Short Calls 2-VDV Installer  
40-CW 2 – Resi. Apprentice

Pat: phwells@ibewlu347.org Scott: slfarnsworth@ibewlu347.org Dave: dlreid@ibewlu347.org	Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org Misty: mrturmer@ibewlu347.org Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org	Tim: tshawthorne@ibewlu347.org Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org
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**Des Moines  
Electrical  
Apprenticeship**



## JULY JOURNEYMAN WIREMAN CLASSES

Course Title	Course #	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time	Location
2020 Grounding & Bonding Requirements	763	07/12/2021	07/13/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center
Calculating Raceway and Box Fill	764	07/14/2021	07/14/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center
Temperature Ratings & Conductor Ampacities	765	07/08/2021	07/08/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center
Temperature Ratings & Conductor Ampacities	766	07/29/2021	07/29/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center
Significant Changes to the 2020 NEC (WebEX)	767	07/21/2021	07/22/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	WebEx Virtual Course
Significant Changes to the 2020 NEC (Webex)	768	07/27/2021	07/28/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	WebEx Virtual Course
Temperature Ratings & Conductor Ampacities	769	07/13/2021	07/13/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center
Motor Calculations	770	07/26/2021	07/26/2021	4:30 PM	7:30 PM	Urbandale, Training Center

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **July 31, 2021**. This list was run on June 21, 2021. This list is broken down into “ A” and “BA” members.

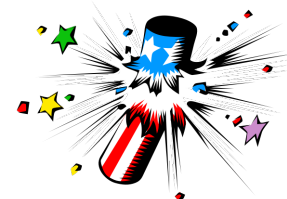
### “A” MEMBERS

RANDY	J	AHRENS	CHARLIE	L	FOX	SETH	W	MCKINESS	ANTHONY		SOLIVERAS TORRES
JASON	T	ANANIA	GARRETT	R	GALVIN	KYLE	F	MCNAMARA	ZACHARY	E	SPAIN
KILE	E	ANDEWAY	RICHARD	D	GRANDQUIST	TYLER	J	MCNULTY	DEVAN	R	STANDLEY
ZACHARY	J	BAETSLE	STEVE	C	GREENE	KAYLA	R	MEALEY	SHANE	L	STONEBURNER
DOHNO-VAN	D	BAILEY	JENS	J	GREFF	JONATHAN		MEZA-RAMIREZ	SEAN	R	SULLIVAN
ADAM	W	BARBER	EMILY	S	HAMILTON	BROCK	T	MICKELSON	MATTHEW	H	TALCOTT
JAMES	K	BAUMEISTER	TYLER	J	HANKE	RICKY	J	MILLER	RYAN	W	THODE
JUSTIN	M	BEAM	NICOLAS	L	HANSEN	CARLTON	C	MOORE	JAMES	L	THOMAS
DENNIS	E	BEERY	GARY	L	HANSON	JAMIE	R	MOORMAN	JESSE	D	VAN RIPER
JACOB	M	BELCHER	WILLIAM	A	HARDING	BRANDON	S	MORRIS	RICHARD	R	VANDEBOE
DOUGLAS	P	BOOTH	SCOTT	J	HEATER	WILLIAM	T	NEWTON	CHANCE	G	VEACH
CONNER	C	BREGAR	SEBASTIAN	T	HEBERT	THOMAS	J	NIKKEL	DONALD	D	VETTER
HAROLD	F	BROWN	WILLIAM	L	HOLLOWAY	LOUDEN	W	NILES	HALSEY	C	WASSON
TRENTON	J	BROWN	KERRY	A	HORNER	GREGORY	M	NORDSTROM	JACOB	A	WILKENING
JON	T	BUNTING	NICHOLAS	P	HOWARD	TYLER	C	NOWELL	NICK	J	WILLENBORG
ANTHONY	L	BURROWS	DYLAN	M	JENSEN	MICHAEL	D	OLIVER	JAMES	D	WILLIAMS
RAY		CAMACHO	ANDREW	T	JOHNSON	MICHAEL	T	OSBORN	DENNIS	J	WILLIAMS
GABE	R	CAMPO	COBEY	D	JOHNSON	RICHARD	J	PALMER	PATRICK	H	WOOD
JACK	R	CARPENTER	JASON	D	JONES	RYAN	L	PENNINGTON	BENJAMIN	A	WOOLDRIDGE
NATHANIEL	A	CASKEY	COREY	M	KELLEHER	PATRICK	J	PETERSON	STEVEN	E	WORKMAN
MARIANA		CASTILLO-TORRES	JOSEPH	M	KELLER	BEAU		PICKERING	JORDAN	W	WRIGHT
ADAM	B	CHRISTIAN	ALLAN	J	KENNEDY	TIMOTHY	D	RABE	THOMAS	D	WYANT
JONATHAN	J	CLARK	CHRISTIAN	A	KIMMEL	ZACHARY	A	RAY	<b><u>“BA” MEMBERS</u></b>		
JOHN	R	CONROY	BRYSON	P	KINYON	TREVER	J	REED			
ALLEN	L	COOK	MATTHEW	A	KIRBY	GARRETT	M	REYNOLDS			
RICHARD	B	CORBIN	ERIC	A	KLINGENSMITH	JUSTIN	C	RHEA			
OWEN	D	CRAWFORD	MHIKEALY	M	KNIGHT	DEVON	T	RIFFLE			
MICHAEL	D	CRIGGER	ZACHARY	O	LANGE	ROBIN	D	RILEY			
CHAD	A	DAVIS	ALEXANDER	J	LEE	MIGUEL	A	RIOS	RICHARD	C	BUCY
KEVIN	S	DAY	KEATON	J	LENNING	DANIEL	W	ROWLING	BARON	A	CANTY
JOSH	P	DEVORE	JOSH	D	LEONARD	KIRK	I	RUNDALL	COREY	D	COMEGYS
OLEKSIY	O	DOBRYDEN	DAVID	W	LESAN	GRANT	A	RUTZ	DOUGLAS	L	EDWARDS
MASON	R	DOWNING	MICHAEL	J	LEWIS	JOSEPH	J	SANDERS	JASON	A	HARWELL
BRIAN	N	DRAKE	KEVIN	L	LISK	DALE	A	SCHMIDT	WILLIAM	M	HOSTETTER
KEANAN	J	ELMORE	COREY	A	LITTLE	SCOTT	B	SCHOONOVER	ERIC	T	HUGHES
JACOB	J	ENGLAND	ROBERT	L	LOX	NICHOLAS	R	SCHULTZ	BOBBY	M	HUNTOON
ERIC	W	ERICKSON	ADAM	S	LYONS	JOHN	A	SCHWERING	CONSUELO		LEIVA CASTILLO
SCOTT	A	ESPE	JORDAN	D	LYTTON	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBAERT	DAVID	S	LOPEZ
SAMUAL	R	FARRELL	FIDEL	D	MACIAS	TED	R	SCOGGIN	CLARA		LOZANO ESTRADA
RAYMOND	L	FAST	MATTHEW	A	MAJERUS	LUKE	W	SEE	ATID	V	LUONG
JARED	R	FEE	PARKER	J	MARSCHER	JARED	A	SEEHUSEN	JOHN	D	RIDDLE
MICHAEL		FERGUSON	DOMINIC	L	MCCARL	MATTHEW	J	SHOENHAIR	KARL	R	SMITH
KOHL	J	FISH	ROBERT	J	MCCAULEY	STEPHANIE	M	SLIGER	GALVIN	Q	THIPHAVONG
DARYL	W	FITZGERALD	JAKOB	M	MCFARLIN	ANDREW	A	SMITH	JUSTIN	G	WELLS
			LOCHLAN	B	MCINTOSH	ROBERT	L	SMITH	ERIC	M	WESTBERG

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### “A” Members

ANTONIO	M	BROWN
MONTEZ	D	CLARK
RICK	A	JOHNSON
RONNIE	L	MARSHALL
MATTHEW	A	PARKS
ANTHONY	A	RHOADES
KIRSTEN	M	RYNISH
JASON	A	SCHUTTY
SKYLAR	M	SEIDENKRANZ
JASON	A	SIMONSON
CRISTOBAL		TLASECA
BROCK	G	WILEY



### “BA” MEMBERS

RICHARD	C	BUCY
BARON	A	CANTY
COREY	D	COMEGYS
DOUGLAS	L	EDWARDS
JASON	A	HARWELL
WILLIAM	M	HOSTETTER
ERIC	T	HUGHES
BOBBY	M	HUNTOON
CONSUELO		LEIVA CASTILLO
DAVID	S	LOPEZ
CLARA		LOZANO ESTRADA
ATID	V	LUONG
JOHN	D	RIDDLE
KARL	R	SMITH
GALVIN	Q	THIPHAVONG
JUSTIN	G	WELLS
ERIC	M	WESTBERG

### June 1st Dropped Members

#### “A” Members

Austin Dewitt  
Melvin Moore  
Austin Siefken

#### “BA” Members

Kenneth Casebolt  
Laura Freeman  
Phillip Henry  
Moanty Panyathong  
Eric Roberts  
Anthony Wiebelhaus

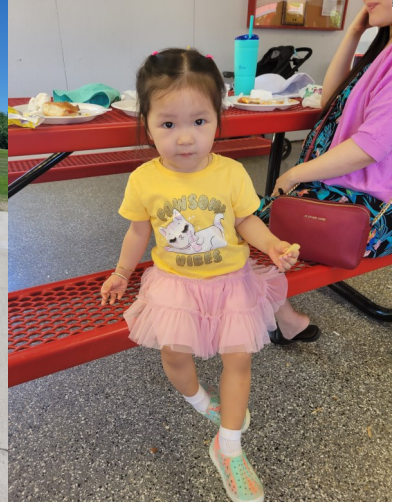




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# July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 	5 Independence Day celebrated Hall Closed	6 EP 2 4:00 PM	7	8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	9	10
11	12	13 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	14 Retiree Lunch Noon at Hall  Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	15 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM	16	17
18	19 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:00 PM	20 Keystone Mtg. after work	21 VDV Mtg. 4:00 PM	22 Fort Dodge Unit Mtg. 4:30 PM	23	24
25	26	27 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM  RENEW 4:30 PM	28	29	30	31



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