



# Official Publication of Local Union #347

## ~Business Manager's Report~

Sisters and Brothers,

How quickly things change; I regret to inform you that the **South Central Iowa Federation of Labor's 2021 Labor Day events have been officially cancelled** due to concerns of the delta variant. This is a huge disappointment. We were prepared for an incredible celebration and parade this year. Regardless, you can stop by the Union Hall and pick up a LU 347 2021 Labor Day shirt for the family while supplies last.



Labor lost a legendary leader on August 5. Richard Trumka, President of the AFL-CIO was a warrior for Union Labor. He began his career as a third generation mine worker with the United Mine Workers of America, eventually becoming President. In 1995 he was elected Secretary Treasurer of the AFL-CIO and in 2009 he was elected President of the AFL-CIO. Representing 12 million Union members he was the most powerful/influential Labor leader in the country and he used that power effectively. Forging ties with federal legislators, he has made incredible gains for American workers. Most recently, his efforts were focused on the single most important piece of Labor legislation since the Wagner Act. H . R . 8 4 2 & S . 4 2 0 'Protecting the Right to Organize Act of 2021' (PRO Act).

The PRO Act is important to Labor because it has become quite clear that over recent decades employers have significantly increased their ability to violate the National Labor Relations Act without consequence. Attacks on Organized Labor have been increasing rapidly across the country. Today, nearly half of all organizing elections are compromised by employers in violation of the law.

The PRO Act will ensure that workers can reach a first contract quickly after a union is recognized, end employers' practice of punishing striking workers by hiring permanent replacement workers, hold corporations accountable by strengthening the National Labor Relations Board and allowing it to penalize employers who retaliate against working people in support of the Union or collective bargaining and perhaps most notably, it repeals "right to work" laws - divisive and racist laws created during the Jim Crow era that lead to lower wages, fewer benefits and more dangerous workplaces.

### IMPORTANT DATES

September 5&6 Labor Day events **cancelled!**

September 11 and 18; Des Moines Wellness Events

September 25; Fort Dodge Wellness Event

September 25; Local 347 Golf Outing

October 29; Local 347 Trunk or Treat at Labor Park

2nd generation IBEW Sister Liz Schuler is now acting President and Secretary-Treasurer of the AFL-CIO. She is the first woman elected to the position of Secretary-Treasurer, and the youngest woman ever on the Federation's Executive Council. Congratulations Sister Schuler!

Brotherhood Strong,  
Pat Wells



Brothers and Sisters,

## ~ Political Corner ~

Another month has gone by, and Congress still needs to work on the important legislation that was mentioned in the August newsletter. The For the People Act and the Protecting the Right to Organize Act both seem no closer to passing. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework hasn't passed yet, if it did it would provide a lot of work for us while also allowing us to repair our decaying infrastructure. One more important thing to keep an eye on is the John Lewis Voting Rights Act which is meant to stop partisan gerrymandering, this is also time-sensitive since the redistricting process is already in its early stages.

Please take the time to contact your representatives and urge them to act on these worker priorities. I'll leave the phone numbers of Iowa's Representatives below, you can also visit [ibewaction.org](http://ibewaction.org) to easily write to congress.

Rep. Ashley Hinson (R): (319) 364-2288  
Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R): (641) 244-7020  
Rep. Cindy Axne (D): (515) 400-8180  
Rep. Randy Feenstra (R): (712) 224-4692

Senator Chuck Grassley (R): (202) 224-3744  
Senator Joni Ernst (R): (202) 224-3254

PS: If you are in Iowa House District 37 (Ankeny), don't forget to vote for Andrea Philips in the special election Tuesday September 14<sup>th</sup>. This is an opportunity for us to gain a little ground here at home.

In Solidarity, Wade Lester

### September 25, Local 347 Golf Outing!



Pick your team!

**Clip and return the coupon with your payment by September 15** to participate in the September 25, Local 347 Golf Outing!

This year's outing will be at Copper Creek in Pleasant Hill, Iowa. For questions contact Dave Reid or Misty Turner at the Hall 515-243-1924



**Deadline to Register: September 15, 2021**

Player #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Player #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player #3 \_\_\_\_\_ Player #4 \_\_\_\_\_

**\$30.00 per person. Please make checks payable to IBEW Local 347.**

**Detach this form and mail to Local 347, 850 18th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314, along with your check or money order. There is also a drop slot available on our front door. You can also pay by credit card over the phone or in person. The Union Hall accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover.**

Office use only: Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ # of Persons Paid for \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Payment    Cash    Credit    Check    MO Check or MO#

## IN HONOR OF THOSE WE'VE LOST

Retired Brother Melvin Keul passed away July 14, 2021 at the age of 90. He was a member for 69 years.



Brother Jon Cummings passed away August 1, 2021 at the age of 58. He was a member for 34 years.



Brother Christopher Draman passed away August 13, 2021 at the age of 24. He was a member for 2 years.



## Newborns

### Last Months Job Referrals

163—Referrals sent out  
75-Regular Calls 8-Apprentice  
2-Short Calls  
19-VDV Installer 11-VDV Tech  
3-VDV Apprentice  
3-Book 4 42-CW

Londyn Grace Keiller  
Born: 7/5/2021  
7 lbs. 13.9 oz.  
19 3/4"  
Parents: Edward & Antje Keiller

Alice Katie Goslar  
Born: 7/30/2021  
7 lbs. 14 oz.  
20 1/4"  
Parents: Dallas & Amber Goslar



**Des Moines Inside: Log in is now available!**  
**Required Harassment Training for the June 1, 2022 Contract Increase**

### **LMS (Learning Management System) - Quick Start Guide for JW LMS**

Go to the blended learning website to log in: <http://blendedlearning.njatc.org/>

For your username, enter the email address you provided to the JATC in Trade school.

For your password, enter the phone number you provided to the JATC. Type it in exactly as follows: (xxx)-xxx-xxxx For example: (515)-243-1924

Note: there are no spaces between parentheses, numbers, or dashes.

Click "sign in"

Under "Settings" on the lower left, you should see a link saying, "password settings". If you'd like to change your password, click on this link and follow the prompts.

Once complete, go back to the main menu and click on, "My Courses" Locate "Harassment Awareness" and click on it. This will open up the course.

The Harassment Awareness course is a self-paced, computer mediated course. The modules must be completed in sequence. You must score a minimum of 80% on each knowledge check to move on to the next module. You cannot skip ahead to other modules. You cannot fast forward through the videos. You must pass the quiz at the end of each section in order to unlock the next module. You can save your progress and return to the course at any time.

Once you complete the course, please email your completion certificate to [info@dmelejatc.org](mailto:info@dmelejatc.org)





### **2021 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 25, 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Iowa Central Community College East Campus – Triton Room  
2031 Quail Ave – Fort Dodge

**Des Moines Health screenings:** Saturday, September 11, 6:00 AM - 1:00 PM and Saturday, September 18, 6:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: IBEW Local 347 Union Hall  
850 18<sup>th</sup> Street – Des Moines

### **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. The screening requires a 12-hour fast prior to the screening. 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. This will be available prior to and during the health screenings.

**Step 4:** Follow up consultations will be scheduled the day of the screening.







NEW UNION HALL PROGRESS

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **September 30, 2021**. This list was run on August 20, 2021. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

## "A" MEMBERS

|          |   |                 |             |   |                    |             |    |             |           |   |               |
|----------|---|-----------------|-------------|---|--------------------|-------------|----|-------------|-----------|---|---------------|
| JOSHUA   |   | ANDERSON        | CHASE       | A | FARRELL            | SEAN        | M  | LAUVER      | TREVOR    | J | RUS           |
| CHRIS    | D | ARGAN-BRIGHT    | RYAN        |   | FINER              | ALEXANDER   | J  | LEE         | JAMES     | C | SCHIEFFER     |
| TANNER   | J | ARNOLD          | DYLAN       | O | FLEMING            | KORY        | J  | LEIKER      | JASON     | A | SCHUTTY       |
| CURTIS   | L | BALMER          | ERIC        | S | FLINN              | NICHOLAS    | J  | LINDERMAN   | CHRIS     | L | SCHWIENE-BART |
| ADAM     | W | BARBER          | CHRISTOPHER | J | FRIDLEY            | ZACHARY     | T  | LITTLE      | JARED     | A | SEEHUSEN      |
| JAMIE    | M | BAUGH-MAN       | JOSE        | O | GARCIA             | CHRISTIAN   | M  | LLOYD       | BRYCE     | B | SELLERS       |
| MICHAEL  | R | BEITZ           | LEONEL      | M | GARZA              | ADRIANA     | Y  | LOPEZ       | JASON     | R | SENECAUT      |
| MATTHEW  | P | BERG            | RICHARD     | J | GOMEZ              | KURT        | D  | LOVING      | ETHAN     | J | SENN          |
| RANDY    | D | BIRKEN-HOLTZ    | THOMAS      | B | GOMEZ              | CORY        | R  | LUETH       | WILLIAM   | J | SETTLE        |
| JOSHUA   | R | BOEHLER         | TYLER       | L | GRAHAM             | THOMAS      | G  | LUST        | CAMERON   | D | SICK          |
| ROBERT   | T | BOWMAN          | JOSH        | D | GROOMS             | JASON       | D  | LYON        | JESSE     | B | SINK          |
| JAYDEN   | C | BRIDGE-MAN      | STEVEN      | D | GRUBB              | JORDAN      | D  | LYTTON      | BRIAN     | D | SLYKHUIS      |
| EDWARD   | L | BROCK           | TYLER       | J | HANKE              | HEATH       | E  | MAGUIRE     | PATRICK   |   | SOMSAVATH     |
| GARY     | D | BROWN           | CHARLES     | D | HARNED             | KYLE        | A  | MALDONADO   | CALEB     | D | SPAIN         |
| TRENTON  | J | BROWN           | ZEBULON     | Z | HATFIELD           | DAVID       | M  | MARLENEE    | FRANK     | T | SPOSETO       |
| JON      | T | BUNTING         | BENJAMIN    | M | HEATH              | TROY        | EL | MARTIN      | TIM       | J | ST. ARNOLD    |
| ALAN     | J | BUTTLER         | KLAYTON     | M | HEIMAN             | JEFF        | L  | MCCUTCH-EON | JOSEPH    | A | STEC          |
| JOEL     | W | CALDERON        | CURTIS      | P | HENDRICK-SON       | NILE        | R  | MCLERAN     | CHAD      | R | STIVER        |
| RON      | E | CARPENTER       | RICHARD     | R | HILL               | JUAN        | M  | MENDIAS     | SEAN      | R | SULLIVAN      |
| LANE     | D | CARSON          | WILLIAM     | L | HINEY              | NATHAN      | D  | MEYER       | TANNER    | J | SUSIN         |
| JEFFREY  | D | CARTER          | AARON       | R | HODGES             | RICKY       | J  | MILLER      | JAMES     | L | TACKETT       |
| MARIANA  |   | CASTILLO-TORRES | MICHAEL     | R | HOTMAN             | JONATHAN    | W  | MILLER      | NICHOLAS  | M | TALLEY        |
| CAMDEN   | M | CHRISTEN-SEN    | NICHOLAS    | P | HOWARD HUNWARD-SEN | JASON       | D  | MOORMAN     | ISAAC     | M | TAYLOR        |
| MICHAEL  | T | CLAYTON         | CAMERON     | E |                    | JAMIE       | R  | MOORMAN     | JACOB     | M | THOMA         |
| MICHAEL  | A | CONNER          | TRAVIS      | L | HURLEY             | SETH        | R  | MORLAN      | APRIL     | C | THORPE        |
| JOHN     | R | CONROY          | MIGUEL      | A | IBARRA             | CHRISTOPHER | M  | MURPHY      | KEITH     | E | UTSLER        |
| STEVE    | G | CONTRE-RAS      | ADAM        | M | IRVING             | NATHAN      | R  | NEUENKIRK   | JOSHUA    | D | VAN MAANEN    |
| AUSTIN   | L | COOK            | COREY       | A | JACKSON            | ERIC        | J  | NUNO        | JESSE     | D | VAN RIPER     |
| LUCHIANO | D | CORUJO          | BRADLEY     | W | JOHNSON            | JACOB       | T  | NYBERG      | COLBY     | D | VANARKEL      |
| ORLANDO  | C | CRAMER          | AUSTIN      | M | JOHNSON            | MARK        | W  | O'CONNOR    | AGUSTIN   |   | VILLAGOMEZ    |
| DON      | E | DARRAH          | JESSIE      | J | KADOUN             | MICHAEL     | A  | PAUSCHER    | DUSTIN    | H | VOLQUARD-SEN  |
| JAMES    | D | DAVIS           | EDWARD      | P | KEILLER            | RYAN        | L  | PENNING-TON | DUSTIN    | J | WAAGE         |
| RYAN     | A | DERBY           | CORY        | L | KELLER             | KENNY       | K  | PHAY-DAVONG | SAMUEL    | F | WALLACE       |
| BRENT    | P | DEWITT          | CHRIS       | L | KESTERSON          | HAL         | L  | PLAUTZ      | GRANT     | R | WALTERS       |
| DAN      | G | DOWELL          | CHRISTIAN   | A | KIMMEL             | DAWES       | J  | QUALLS      | CODY      | A | WEATHER-MAN   |
| PAUL     | A | DRUART          | BROGAN      | J | KINYON             | JASON       | M  | RAHM        | EDWARD    | H | WEERS         |
| TYWON    | J | DUDLEY          | MHIKEALY    | M | KNIGHT             | DAVID       | T  | RAMSELL     | JOHNATHAN | D | WEIL          |
| KENT     | O | DUDNEY          | KEVIN       | R | KNOX               | DANIEL      | J  | RAWLINGS    | WILLIAM   | V | WEST          |
| DAKOTA   | W | ELLSWORTH       | THOMAS      |   | KOEP               | TREVER      | J  | REED        | ADAM      | L | WHISNEY       |
| MATTHEW  | J | ENDRES          | CHASE       |   | KOHLER             | RICHARD     | J  | REIDBURN    | JOHNATHAN | N | WHITE         |
| JACOB    | J | ENGLAND         | DILLON      | J | KOVACEVICH         | NOAH        | C  | RESZEL      | ROBERT    | J | WHITE         |
| DUSTIN   | A | ENGLE           | TIMOTHY     | G | KRUSE              | DILLON      | D  | RIEGER      | ROBERT    | A | WICKHAM       |
| TREY     | L | EVANS           | TROY        | R | KUNZE              | DAVID       | J  | RILEY       |           |   |               |
| JOSEPH   | P | FARHAT          | CHRIS       | S | LANDWEHR           | JAKE        | L  | ROGERS      | ROBERT    | B | WOLFE         |
|          |   |                 | JUSTIN      | A | LANTZ              | JOHN        | C  | RONG        | TREYOR    | R | WOOD          |

## "BA" MEMBERS

|                  |   |                |
|------------------|---|----------------|
| ANNA             | L | BASSETT        |
| MARIA MAGDALE-NA |   | BRITO          |
| DAVID            | A | DE BRUYN       |
| ERIC             | J | GANNON         |
| CONSUELO         |   | LEIVA CASTILLO |
| CLARA            |   | LOZANO ESTRADA |
| ATID             | V | LUONG          |
| JOEL             |   | MARTINEZ       |
| JUSTIN           | G | WELLS          |
| JUSTIN           | R | WOLBER         |

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### "A" Members

|         |   |               |
|---------|---|---------------|
| ORLANDO | A | COOPER        |
| CURTIS  | L | EMRICH        |
| ANDREW  | M | FITZLAFF      |
| ANDREW  | V | GRAHAM        |
| DEVIN   | L | HILL          |
| EVAN    | T | LARSON        |
| CALEB   | P | REED          |
| JOSEPH  | H | REICHENBACKER |
| VINCENT | L | ROSS          |
| JORGE   |   | VARGAS        |
| PHILLIP | K | WILLIAMS      |
| MICHAEL | E | WISEMAN       |

### "BA" Members

|         |   |           |
|---------|---|-----------|
| BRANDON | L | HARRELL   |
| JERRON  |   | HAYNES    |
| RICKY   |   | INTHAVONG |
| AARON   | J | REYNOLDS  |
| DUNCAN  | K | SINCLAIR  |

### August 1st Dropped Members

#### "A" Members

Antonio Brown  
Montez Clark  
Rick Johnson  
Matthew Parks  
Kirsten Rynish  
Skylar Seidenkranz  
Cristobal Tlaseca

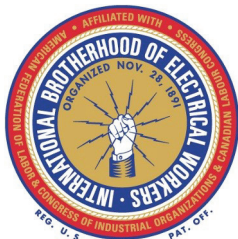
#### "BA" Members

Robert Kerwin



# September 2021

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



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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)

**DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP—[www.dmelejatc.org](http://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](http://www.uhc.com) and click on Options PPO.

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1-888-257-0225

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[Www.savrx.com](http://www.savrx.com)

**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 RETIREMENT & 401K #4-31329 Principal Financial:**

1-800-547-7754

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

1-800-547-7754

**JOURNEY CREDIT UNION:**

(515) 243-8735

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IBEW Retiree helpline:

1-800-733-4239

NEBF:

1-301-556-4300

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