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~ Business Manager's Report ~

At our General Membership meeting held on February 10, 2022, the Sisters and Brothers of Local Union 347 moved by resolution a dedication of our new meeting hall in honor of Howell Hamilton "Harry" Broach.



Starting his career as an inside wireman at age 16 when he was initiated into I.B.E.W. Local 456 of Oklahoma City on April 29, 1909, Howell Hamilton "Harry" Broach transferred his membership to Local 347 of Des Moines in August 1915. He then helped organize the fledgling local before he was named International President of the I.B.E.W. In 1929, serving in that capacity through 1933.

Brother Broach was appointed an International Representative of the I.B.E.W. in October 1917, becoming one of the youngest members ever appointed to the International staff, and in January 1920, he became an International Vice President. Nine years later on December 7, 1929, following the death of International President James P. Noonan, Brother Broach was appointed International President by the I.B.E.W. Executive Council.

President Broach presided over the Brotherhood during the Great Depression, and his tenure was marked by a series of changes designed to enable the union to meet the challenges of the times. Among the many contributions he made to the union, perhaps none was more monumental than his rewriting of the International Constitution in 1930 (as authorized during the 1929 convention).

Poor health forced him to resign in August 1933.

In November 1941, Brother Broach returned to the I.B.E.W. staff as an International Representative.

At the 1946 I.B.E.W. convention in San Francisco, he was elected to the International Executive Council, serving as its secretary until January 1960, when he retired. Born on March 8, 1893, Brother Broach passed away July 25, 1960.

Shortly after he ascended to the union's presidency, his local saluted him in the February 1930 I.B.E.W. Journal:

"We are all real proud to think that our new international president, H. H. Broach, has his name on our roll call. ... We feel that the brotherhood has chosen a very capable leader who will surely do everything humanly possible for the betterment of the organization in all of its branches."



BROACH MEMORIAL HALL

Please join us for this year's St Patrick's Day Parade in Des Moines. Staging begins at 15th and Mulberry and continues east on MLK. LU 347 will be setting up along MLK beginning at 10am. More information on specific location will be announced via FB and the website once I have it. The parade starts at 12pm and the route will conclude at 8th and Grand. There are parking ramps in that area but you may use the old Hall for parking/car pooling as well. Parade rules state for safety that candy and promotional items may be handed out but not thrown into the crowd. There will be a public reception at the Marriott following the parade.





The Local Union would like to express it's sincerest condolences to the family of Brother Leo LeRoy Ross

Retired Brother
Leo LeRoy Ross, age 95,
of Cape Coral, Florida
passed away on Sunday,
January 30, 2022.
Leo was born August 9,
1926. He was a member
of IBEW Local 347 for 66
years.

Newborns!

Kaelynn Jo Drake

Born: 1/7/2022

8 lbs. 4.3 oz., 19 1/2"

Parents: Brian &
Destiny Drake

Emerlyn Jay Evans

Born: 2/3/2022

8 lbs. 5 oz., 20 1/2"

Parents: Jarod &
Kelsey Evans

Piper Jean Greff

Born: 1/17/2022

9 lbs. 9.4 oz., 20 1/2"

Parents: Afton &
Jens Greff

Weston Kaye Kurtz

Born: 2/14/2022

7 lbs. 14 oz., 21 1/4"

Parents: Matt &
Lyndsey Kurtz

Elizabeth Merydith

Thomas

Born: 2/1/2022

8 lbs. 8 oz., 20"

Parents: Jim &
Shelby Thomas

State Licenses expire this year! All JW Continuing Education Course (CEC) offerings will be posted on our JATC Facebook page as they are opened up for registration. You will need to go to the TradeSchool site to register for classes. The link to the TradeSchool site is listed on the JATC website www.DMELEJATC.org under the members tab.

Please keep in mind, the required harassment training needs to be completed by June 1. If you have any questions or difficulties logging into the LMS, contact us asap! For those that attended the IBEW/NECA sponsored -Diversity and Inclusion Training at Prairie Meadows your certificates are available at the Hall. Please contact Misty to have a copy sent/emailed to you.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells

<http://blendedlearning.njatc.org/>



Brothers and Sisters,

The 2022 legislative session is now well underway and I'm going to ask you all to call your representatives, but first I'll explain why. Like last year's session, there are some bad bills which have been proposed. These bills would hurt Iowa families if they were to be passed. The first bill would create a one week waiting period for all unemployment claims and shorten the maximum claim to 16 weeks, from the current 26 weeks, among other cuts. I don't need to tell most of you that unemployment benefits can be a lifeline, allowing you to feed your family and keep a roof over your head during hard times. A bill like this would only help employers, and could be a disaster for working families.

There are a few bad bills related to schools and daycare centers as well. Like last year, we have a school voucher bill which would allow parents to pay for part of the tuition at a private school with tax dollars meant for public schools. People can send their kids to a private school, but it shouldn't be at the expense of the public schools that over 90% of Iowa children attend. Another bill would attempt to solve the shortage of workers at daycare centers by allowing each worker to watch more children. If you have kids, I don't have to tell you why this is a bad bill. Finally, some Iowa Legislators are working on a bill which would allow the state government to ban books from school libraries or classrooms. This kind of censorship, based on the whims of politicians, would restrict children's worldviews and their ability to grow and learn.

If you want these bills to be stopped, you need to call your representatives. You can easily find out who your representatives are and get their contact info online: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislators/find> After that, a short 1-2 minute call is all it takes to let your State Senator or House Rep know what you want. The more of us who call, the more likely it is that these bad bills will be killed.

In Solidarity, Wade Lester

**Political
Corner**



At Noon on March 9th at the Union Hall.
6809 SE Bellagio Ct. Ankeny.
RSVP to Misty at 515-243-1924
or contact
Retired Brother Mike Booker at 515-276-5458.

Retiree Luncheon
Second Wednesday at noon
every month!



IBEW LOCAL #347 EASTER EGG HUNT

**9 am Saturday, April 16
Union Labor Park
4640 NW Morningstar Dr, Des Moines**

**Please bring the whole family
for a morning of fun! There will
be an Easter Egg Hunt for the
kids at 9am sharp and a
pancake breakfast for all.**



Would you like to help us with this event? The LU 347 RENEW "Reach out and Engage the Next generation of Electrical Workers" group is heading it up. Please contact us at the Hall for more information or how to join. 515-243-1924

The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **March 31, 2022**. This list was run on February 21, 2022. This list is broken down into "A" and "BA" members.

"A" MEMBERS

RONNIE	D	ALLBEE	JONATHAN	D	MILLER
DALLY	A	BARDOUL	GIOVANNI	L	MILLER
LANDON	D	BEARD	JORDAN	D	MILLER
JOSHUA	D	BELL	JOVANI		MORQUECHO-RUIZ
RANDY	D	BIRKENHOLTZ	WILLIAM	T	NEWTON
JORDEN	B	BORTS	VICTOR	P	OCHOA
JOEL	W	CALDERON	MEKALLO	M	POTTER
MARIANA		CASTILLO-TORRES	ZACHARY	A	RAY
JONATHAN	J	CLARK	CLINT	R	ROBBINS
LUCHIANO	D	CORUJO	BRANDAN	A	ROSS
ANDREW	R	COY	EDDIE	R	RUSH
JOSH	P	DEVORE	CLINT	E	RUSSELL
JOSEPH	B	DONALDSON	DREW	N	SCHMIDT
HUNTER	R	DRAKE	CHRIS	L	SCHWIENEBAERT
CHASE	R	ELLIOTT	LUKE	W	SEE
CHASE	A	FARRELL	ETHAN	J	SENN
JARED	R	FEE	BRENDAN	P	SHANAHAN
LAWRENCE	T	FOSTER	GIDEON	P	SMITH
CHAYTON		FRENCH	CHRISTOPHER	T	STEEPLES
NOAH	J	GASPAR	SHANE	L	STONEBURNER
SHANE		HALL	JESSE	T	STRUBLE
BENJAMIN	B	HAMILTON	BROCK	E	SWANSON
STEVEN	A	HANNAM	KENNETH	W	TEMPLETON
PATRICK	J	HANNAM	RYAN	W	THODE
QUINTIN	L	HARRISON	ZACHARY	D	THOMPSON
MARTIN	J	HASS	BLAKE	E	TICE-TAYLOR
CHRISTOPHER	C	HEER	WILLIAM	V	WEST
JENNIFER	S	HITT	DENNIS	J	WILLIAMS
JAMES	A	HUNTER	BRANDON	L	YEARLING
JORDAN	J	HUTTON	RYAN	T	ZINNEL

"BA" MEMBERS

NEIL	H	NELSON
CAMERON	E	SCHNEIDER

FEBRUARY 1ST DROPS

"A" Members

Davontae Buckner
Timothy Cleghorn
Richard Cohenour
Mason Cross
Patrisha Farlow
Jared E. Jacobson
Trevor Perrigo
Robert Pruitt
Anthony Rhoades
James R. Rhoades
Francis Tonelli

Cameron Weese

"BA" Members

Fidan Hysa



The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by March 31, 2022. This list was run on February 21, 2022.

"A" Members

BAETSLE	ZACHARY	J
BRIDGEMAN	JAYDEN	C
CAMACHO	RAY	
CAYLOR	CIJI	V
CONNOLLY	GARRETT	D
CONOVER	DEREK	E
DENNY	JARED	B
FARRELL	SAMUAL	R
GILBERT	JESSE	D
HILL	RICHARD	R
KINYON	BRYSON	P
KIPPER	ROCQUAN	J
LEONARD	XANDER	I
LEONARD	XAYLAN	A
LUNA	MICHAEL	G
MCCARL	DOMINIC	L
MEZA-RAMIREZ	JONATHAN	
OSBORN	MICHAEL	T
OVERTON	DANIEL	E
RAMSEY	ZACHARY	A
REED	CALEB	P
RICHARDS	BRANDON	E
RICHARDSON	LOGAN	M
SALAS	JORGE	G
SCHILLING	THOMAS	A
SIGNS	JIMMY	J
SOLIVERAS TORRES	ANTHONY	
TACKETT	JAMES	L
WILSON	MARCUS	D

"BA" Members

HANSEN	MICHAEL	A
LUONG	ATID	V
ROSS	GARY	W

Last Months Job Referrals

84-Referrals sent out 43- Regular Calls 1-Stockman
26- Inside Apprentice 2-VDV Installer 12 -CW

MARCH 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 EP 2 4:00 PM	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM	9 Firestone Mtg. 3:00 PM Retiree Lunch Noon at Hall	10 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 5:00 PM	11	12 PIN PARTY @ PRAIRIE MEADOWS 
13	14	15 Keystone Mtg. after work	16 VDV Mtg. 4:00 PM	17 KCCI Mtg. 1:00 PM St. Patrick's Day Parade	18	19
20	21 Stockman/ Deliveryman Mtg. 4:00 PM	22	23	24 Fort Dodge Unit Mtg. 4:30 PM	25	26
27	28	29 E-Board Mtg. 4:00 PM RENEW 4:30 PM	30	31		
		Pat: phwells@ibewlu347.org Scott: slfarnsworth@ibewlu347.org Dave: dlreid@ibewlu347.org Re-sign: resign@ibewlu347.org Carol: caharvey@ibewlu347.org Misty: mrturmer@ibewlu347.org Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org Tim: tshawthorne@ibewlu347.org				



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**LU 347 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**

LOCAL UNION 347—www.ibewlu347.org Business Office open 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday-Friday: For Job Calls, call after 4:30 PM daily and all weekend long: (515) 243-5412 Local #347 Benefits Website: www.ibew347benefits.com			Phone: (515) 243-1924 Fax #: (515) 243-8772
<u>DES MOINES ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP—www.dmelejatc.org</u>			Phone: (515) 224-4349
<u>LOCAL 347 HEALTH PLAN GROUP #78-380001</u> Dollar Bank Billing & Claims Information: Call CompuSys 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.			1-844-347-IBEW (4239)
<u>HRA BALANCE BY PHONE</u>			1-844-472-2251
<u>SAV-RX GROUP #IBEW347</u> www.savrx.com			
<u>DELTA DENTAL INFORMATION—www.deltadental.com</u> 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
<u>V.S.P. INFORMATION (Eye Care)—www.vsp.com</u> 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
<u>LOCAL 347 RETIREMENT & 401K #4-31329 Principal Financial:</u> www.principal.com . When calling have your P.I.N. ready Address changes:			1-800-547-7754 1-800-547-7754
<u>JOURNEY CREDIT UNION:</u>			(515) 243-8735
<u>RETIREE RESOURCES:</u> IBEW Retiree helpline: NEBF: Have your Card# or SS# ready			1-800-733-4239 1-301-556-4300