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~Business Manager's Report~

Sisters and Brothers,

This newsletter will serve as the last official notification of the required harassment training prior to the June 1 increase taking effect under the Des Moines Inside Agreement. Everyone working under this Agreement needs to complete this rather quickly. Page five will outline the steps in detail in order for this to be accomplished. This training is important for a number of reasons, not just for the contract increase. Harassment is a serious issue that can have a devastating effect on people. It is harmful to the individual, their mental well being, their family and it can certainly affect their employment. Often times people who experience harassment won't tell others until it has created almost tragic circumstances within their lives. This training will help you recognize harassment and provide the tools you need to address the problem should it ever arise. There should be no tolerance for harassment within our Local Union. We are all here for the same reasons, we want a good paying job with benefits so we are able to provide for our families. We want respect, appreciation and dignity in the workplace and we want to build a stronger Union so we can secure a better future for all our Sisters and Brothers. We all need to work together to remove any barriers to a stronger Brotherhood.

As you may have heard, Carol is retiring in August. She has been instrumental in maintaining the integrity of our accounting principals here at the Hall for nearly two decades (amongst a thousand other things). She has gotten to know most of you over the years and thinks of you as family. I know she will miss seeing so many of you on a regular basis and we will certainly miss having her here. Please take a moment to congratulate her on her retirement next time you stop in. Misty Turner will now move into that role and I look forward to her continued success. **This leaves a position available as our benefits coordinator. An interested individual should send, deliver or email a resume to me by May 16.** The position will require you to be proficient with Office (Microsoft 365) in addition to learning and utilizing other proprietary membership software platforms. You will be required to effectively communicate with our membership, their families, contractors and clients on many issues including benefit plans, bargaining agreements and all other Union subject matter while maintaining strict confidentiality. You may work on the creation, review and publishing of written language including collective bargaining agreements, newsletters, professional letters, as well as online content. This is merely a sample of the entire scope. The position offers a sound retirement benefit, full family health coverage with vision, dental, wellness and death benefits. Typically M-F 8-4:30 but may require additional hours for special events.

The 149 members in attendance at our April General Membership meeting allocated the Des Moines Inside increase as follows; \$.40 into Pension and the rest to Wages. It is important to remember that we also have the option of elective deferral for those wishing to maximize their earning potential for retirement security. In 2022 the IRS limits your elective deferral to a maximum of \$20,500. The total contributions to your 401k including the elective deferral and the employer contribution must be the lesser of either 100% of your compensation or \$61,000. If you include catch up contributions of up to \$6,500 for those age 50 or over the total contributions to your 401k can be a maximum of \$67,500 in 2022. I encourage you to use the elective deferral option. It is tax deferred and a great way to start preparing for retirement. In order to do this you can download the form from our benefits site <https://ibewlu347.org/members/benefits> or swing by the Hall for more information. There are multiple options available for accessing your Principal account; on the phone at 800-547-7754, the mobile app principal.com/onthego or online at principal.com. Use the information on the following pages to get started.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, June 11, 2022
LU 347 Spring Picnic at Labor Park

Saturday, July 9, 2022
LU 347 Golf Outing at Terrace Hills



Pictured above, Congresswoman Axne speaks with LU 347 RENEW chair/political registrar, Wade Lester and President Emeritus/Des Moines JATC instructor, Tim LeClaire.

Congresswoman Cindy Axne visited with LU 347 members at a crowded April General Membership meeting. She spoke about the benefits of the American Rescue Plan including the reform of defined benefit pension plans under Subtitle H. If you recall in 2020 we were at the forefront of the fight to keep composite plans from being created that would have had a devastating impact on our current and future IBEW retirees' NEBF benefits. She also spoke about the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, IBEW's involvement in EVITP and Project Labor Agreements. She took the time to address several questions from our members as well. I always enjoy visiting with our elected representatives and I am impressed with the work Congresswoman Axne has done for IBEW and all working people in Iowa and America.



This years LU 347 Easter Egg Hunt and pancake breakfast was a great time! The turnout was incredible especially considering the cold morning. Kids managed to gather up nearly 6,000 eggs in about 6 minutes. Hard workers no doubt, just like their IBEW parents. I also want to recognize the Sisters and Brothers that made all of this possible. These are the volunteers that are responsible for doing the shopping, cooking, serving and cleanup of the park. Many also showed up on the prior Sunday for several hours to fill the eggs with candy. We could not do these events without their hard work. Thank you to Serenity Jacobs, Gerald Jacobs, James Becvar, Daniel Hellstern, Tim Crowley, Joe Hil- lig, Mike Wright, Naomi Lawson, Lance Lawson, Dustin Schmidt, Ross Wood- ford, Kenny Nguyen, Nate Friesen, Jim Thomas, Anthony Galante, Josh Garza, Shannan Garza, Miguel To- lledo, Reid Juelsgaard, Doug Wolf, Devon Wolf, Bronson Weese, Rick Chumbley, Hunter Vockings, Tim LeClaire, Stephen Coxe, Wade Lester, Chad Lowe, John Stahow- ick, Matt DeAngelo and Dave Reid.

Brotherhood Strong,
Pat Wells







The Local Union would like to express it's sincerest condolences to the family of Retired Brother George C Krah Jr.

Brother George Krah
age 93 , of Mesa , AZ
passed away on
12/16/2021.

He was a member of
IBEW Local 347 for 67
years.

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.



Newborns!

Ariana Grace Minick
Born: 3/22/2022
8 lbs. 8 oz., 20"
Parents: Sam & Bina
Minick

Brycen Benjamin Irwin
Born: 4/20/2022
7 lbs. 1 oz., 19 1/2"
Gage & Jessie Irwin

Dovah Joy Hunwardsen
Born: 3/27/2022
8 lbs., 13 oz., 20 1/2"
Parents: Cameron & Bree
Hunwardsen

Parker Ivy Mae Parsons
Born: 3/29/2022
6 lbs. 13 oz., 19"
Parents: Brandon & Ash-
ley Parsons

Rhett Dean Neuenkirk
Born: 4/8/2022
6 lbs. 7 oz., 19 1/2"
Parents: Brian Neuenkirk
& Morgan Myers





Brothers and Sisters,

At the time of writing, we should be closing in on the end of the 2022 legislative session. April 19th was the 100th day and was targeted to be the last day of the session. Unfortunately, the actual end seems to be nowhere in sight as a budget still needs to be passed and some of Gov. Reynolds' legislative priorities remain on the table. These priorities include private school vouchers which would redirect tax money from public schools to private schools; and cuts to unemployment that would reduce the maximum benefits by 10 weeks, among other things. If you haven't contacted your representatives about the unemployment bill there may still be time to do so, all the information you need to do so can be found here: TheIowaWorker.org

Political Corner

This year's Democratic and Republican primaries will be held Tuesday June 7th, a little over a month away. Our endorsed candidate for U.S. Senate Abby Finkenauer recently won her case with the Iowa Supreme Court and will be on the ballot. If you want to vote for her in the primaries, you should make a plan in advance so that you don't miss your opportunity to cast a ballot. On election day, polls are open between 7 AM and 8 PM. You can vote early in person starting May 18th at your county auditor's office. That is also the first day you are able to request a mail-in ballot, but it may be better to vote in person since the window for returning a mailed ballot is so short. You can find more information about upcoming elections at the Iowa Secretary of State's website: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/>

In Solidarity,
Wade Lester

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 <p>Questions?</p> <p>Having trouble setting up your login? Give us a call at 800-986-3343.</p>		
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Harassment Training

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

1. For your username, enter the email address you provided to the JATC in Tradeschool (where you register for JW training).
2. For your password, enter the phone number you provided to the JATC in Tradeschool. Type it in exactly as follows: (xxx)-xxx-xxxx
example: (515)-243-1924
3. Click “sign in”
4. On the main menu, click on, “My Courses”
5. Locate “Harassment Prevention” and click on it. This will open up the course.
6. 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 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.
7. Once you complete the course, please email your completion certificate to info@dmelejatc.org and print a hard copy for your current employer.



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The following people will fall into reinstatement (\$30) if their dues are not paid by **May 31, 2022**. This list was run on April 20, 2022. This list is broken down into “A” and “BA” members.

<u>“A” MEMBERS</u>			SCOTT	J	HEATER	JAKE	L	ROGERS
JOSE	M	ABARCA	MATTHEW	L	HEBERT	TREVOR	J	RUS
ALEX	M	ADKINS	TYLER	W	HECKMAN	JUSTIN	M	RUSH
RONNIE	D	ALLBEE	CHRISTOPHER	C	HEER	JOSEPH	J	SANDERS
BENJAMIN		ALVARADO	DYLAN	C	HEIDEMAN	GRAEHAM	C	SCHOPE
HUMBERTO		ALVARADO	KLAYTON	M	HEIMAN	JOHN	A	SCHWERING
JOSHUA		ANDERSON	SAMUEL	A	HENDERSON	LEVI	C	SEBOLT
ZACHARY	J	BAETSLE	JASON	E	HICK	LUKE	W	SEE
DALLY	A	BARDOUL	WILLIAM	L	HINEY	JASON	R	SENECAUT
TRAVIS	D	BROCK	ZACHARY	J	HOLTMAN	ETHAN	J	SENN
EDWARD	L	BROCK	TRAVIS	L	HURLEY	JAN	L	SHAFFER
JOSHUA	J	BROUGHTON	JORDAN	J	HUTTON	JIMMY	J	SIGNS
DEVAN	J	BROWN	COLE	M	HYLER	KYLE	J	SIMPSON
RAY		CAMACHO	ADAM	M	IRVING	GAGE	M	SMITH
RODNEY	J	CARNEY	TANNER		JOHANSEN	ROBERT	L	SMITH
ALLEN	L	COOK	ANDREW	T	JOHNSON	CHRISTOPHER	T	STEEPLES
LUCHIANO	D	CORUJO	CHRISTOPHER	A	JOHNSON	DALTON	A	STOLL
OWEN	D	CRAWFORD	STEVEN	D	JONES	SHANE	L	STONEBURNER
TRENITY	A	CULBERTSON	MICHAEL	V	KELLEHER	MATTHEW	H	TALCOTT
BERGAN	A	DALLEY	KEVIN	M	KELLY	JAMIE	R	TEMPLETON
ROBERT	E	DAWSON	CHRISTIAN	A	KIMMEL	RYAN	W	THODE
JACOB	D	DEARDEN	MHIKEALY	M	KNIGHT	ZACHARY	D	THOMPSON
CARTER	A	DIRKSEN	KONNER	D	KOOSMAN	CHASE	D	TINNERMEIER
LANCE	R	DIXON	CHAD	D	LAWSON	RYAN	M	TRUMAN
JOSEPH	B	DONALDSON	MICHAEL	G	LUNA	BO		VAN WYNGARDEN
BRIAN	N	DRAKE	ADAM	S	LYONS	RICHARD	R	VANDEBOE
JACOB	S	DUNSBERGEN	MATTHEW	A	MAJERUS	JEREMY	D	VANDERWELL
TREY	L	EVANS	RONNIE	L	MARSHALL	EDWARD	A	VASQUEZ
JOSEPH	P	FARHAT	JASON	D	MOORMAN	ADAM	L	WHISNEY
CONNOR	M	FINDLAY	JAMIE	R	MOORMAN	ERIC	S	WILCOX
BRYON	A	FLEMING	J. BRAD		MOREN	JONAH	T	WILLIAMS
BENJAMIN	J	FULTON	DON		MORGHEIM	ADAM	M	WILSON
JOSE	O	GARCIA	JOVANI		MORQUECHO-RUIZ	ROBERT	B	WOLFE
LEONEL	M	GARZA	RENE	T	MULLANEY	NICHOLAS	C	WOLFE
NOAH	J	GASPAR	CHRISTOPHER	M	MURPHY	NOAH	T	YOUNG
TRAE	D	GILLILAND	THOMAS	J	NIKKEL	<u>“BA” MEMBERS</u>		
KALE	A	GOBEN	VICTOR	P	OCHOA			
THOMAS	B	GOMEZ	RYAN	R	OSTRING	WALTER	E	AUNSPACH
FRED	M	GRAHAM	ZACHARY	P	OWENS	ROBERT	K	BELL
KAYLA	A	GRAYSON	DEVIN	A	PEARSON	GARY	A	BROWN
PATRICK	J	HANNAM	RANDALL	J	PECKHAM	ERIC	R	KRIEGER
NICOLAS	L	HANSEN	ANTHONY	W	PORTER	JUSTIN	G	WELLS
ALEXANDER	J	HANSEN	AUSTIN	L	PRUITT	<u>Last Months Job Referrals</u> 76 -Referrals sent out 52- Regular Calls 1– Short Call 3- VDV Installer 1-VDV Tech 2– VDV Apprentices 17-CW		
ROBERT	M	HATHAWAY	NICHOLAS	S	QUINTANA			
SHAWN	M	HAUF	ZACHARY	A	RAY			
JACKSON	A	HAWXBY	LOGAN	M	RICHARDSON			

The following people will be dropped if their dues are not paid by May 31, 2022. This list was run on April 20, 2022.

“A” Members

JOSH	P	DEVORE
HUNTER	R	DRAKE
CHAYTON		FRENCH
JENNIFER	S	HITT
JAMES	A	HUNTER
SEAN	M	JOELSON
MEKALLO	M	POTTER
BROCK	E	SWANSON

MARCH 1ST DROPS

“A” Members

Ciji V Caylor
 Garrett D Connolly
 Samuel R Farrell
 Jesse D Gilbert
 Rocquan J Kipper
 Xander I Leonard
 Xaylan A Leonard
 Jonathan Meza-Ramirez
 Daniel E Overton
 Jorge G Salas
 Thomas A Schilling Jr.
 James Tackett Jr.
 Marcus D Wilson II

“BA” Members

Michael A Hansen
 Atid V Luong



MAY 2022

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

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 Misty: mrtturner@ibewlu347.org
 Randy: rhtucker@ibewlu347.org
 Tim: tshawthorne@ibewlu347.org



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Local #347 Benefits Website: www.ibew347benefits.com

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1-800-544-0718

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To contact V.S.P. directly if you do not have internet access:

1-800-877-7195

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1-800-547-7754

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NEBF:

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