

# **IBEW Local 405**

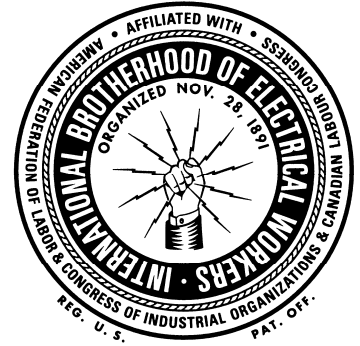
**Cedar Rapids/Iowa City**

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## **News & Information**

**Bill Hanes, Business Manager**



Remember that the Cedar Rapids Inside Wage Allocation will take place at the July 21st General Meeting. In addition there will be a vote on the By-Laws proposals that were presented at the May 19th General Meeting.

I attended the State Democratic Convention on June 12th. While the crowd was enthusiastic, it was missing something; members of organized labor. There were only a handful of Labor people in attendance and to the best of my knowledge, only one from the Building Trades. I have said this over and over, but here it goes one more time. We need to have more members involved in the political process in Local 405.

The election cycle is starting again and this time it will be critical to keep the Democrats in control of the State government. Anyone who remembers what it was like to live in Iowa while Terry Branstad was in charge knows that we cannot afford to return to those days. We will be asking for a lot of help over the next few months and I hope that some of you will step up to the plate when asked. I would like to give a big thanks to all of those who helped with the House District 30 Primary. There were a number of Saturdays and rainy days where Building Trades members came out to door-knock and do lit-drops for Dave Jacoby. Dave ended up winning his Primary by an 88% to 12% margin. That is what is possible if we get a few volunteers out on the streets.

We are in the process of setting up 1st Aid/CPR Classes for this summer and fall. If you are interested you need to call Nichole and sign up. We are also looking at putting on a class for those who are nearing retirement. We would like to hear from you with questions you may have so that the class can address specific concerns. E-mail me at the Local's address with subjects that you would like to see addressed at this class. As soon as we have the syllabus ready we will schedule the dates and begin signing members and spouses up.

The Local 405 Family Picnic will be held on July 24th on the vacant lots across the street. Plan to come out and spend the day with friends and family. This is the fifth annual (renewed) picnic and we would love to see an overflow crowd.

# July 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Independence Day	5 Office Closed -Holiday	6	7	8 Retirees' Movie Day 1:30 pm	9	10
11	12	13 CPR/First Aid Class 5:00pm @ the Hall	14 <b>E-Board Meeting 5:00pm</b>	15 Retirees' Social Club 11:30am	16	17
18	19 CPR/First Aid Class 5:00pm @ the Hall	20	21 <b>General Meeting 6:00pm</b>	22	23	24 IBEW Local 405 Family Picnic 12:00pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## Delinquent Members

The following members are delinquent in their dues as of *June 2, 2010*: **Brent Busch, Richard Jenkins, Ronald McFadden, and Brahn Timmons.**

## Electrical Workers Benefit Fund

The following people are drawing EWBF: Tim Vrchoticky, and Don Gardner. **Third quarter EWBF will be \$10.00 per month or \$30.00 for the quarter. Please make this a second check when paying with your dues.**

## IBEW Local 405 Family Picnic

On Saturday, July 24th IBEW Local 405 will be hosting its annual Family Picnic. The picnic will be held from noon to 4:00pm on the lots across the street from the Hall. Members and their families are invited for a day of fun and relaxation. There will be drinks and barbeque ribs for lunch, horseshoe games, and more. Kids will enjoy airbrush face painting by Rainbow Annie, also a rock climbing wall and inflatable bouncers.

## CPR/First Aid Class

The Hall is having a CPR/First Aid Classes on Tuesday, July 13th and Monday, July 19th. Both classes will be at 5:00pm at the Hall. If you would like to attend, please call the Hall at (319) 396-8241. There are a limited number of seats available. We are also starting a list for an OSHA Class, once there is enough people a class will be scheduled.

## ***The Assistant Business Manager...***

*Rich Good*

Currently, there are 56 on Book 1, 467 on Book 2, 1 on the Residential Book and 2 on the VDV Book. In the last month we have written 42 referrals. Work seems to have slowed a bit and layoffs have been coming in. There are projects getting ready to start, so hopefully the slowdown will be short lived.

We took a bus down to St. Louis this week to attend a Building Trades Unity Rally to support the members of Local 1. There were approximately 5,000 members of various Building Trades Unions in attendance. Ed Hill, and many of the other Building Trades International Presidents, as well as Mark Ayers, President of the Building Trades, spoke about the problems they are facing. St. Louis is in turmoil due to the tactics of the Carpenters Union, and particularly the Business Rep in that area, and their International President. They have been organizing Non-Union Electrical Contractors and making them union. That would be good news if they were making them IBEW, but no, they are now UBC Electricians. They have made sweetheart deals with these contractors making them union, so they can bid on union projects, but they are doing nothing to help the conditions of the workers. The contractors can continue to pay sub-standard wages and benefits and undercut the IBEW contractors. This tactic will spread outside of St. Louis. The rank and file Carpenters in the St. Louis area are against this, but their constitution does not provide a process for them to elect their agents. Their agents are appointed. It is a dictatorship, not a union. The Carpenters in our area probably know nothing about what's going on and would be against it as well. We get along with the Carpenters in our area and do not want to start any problems here. If you are working with a Carpenter ask them if they know about this. Let them know that their dues are being used to organize Electrical Contractors instead of contractors that employ Carpenters. Phone calls from the rank and file Carpenters to their International President might help fix this. At a time of economic uncertainty, and high unemployment we need to stand together not divide like the Carpenters have.

## **Retirees Social Club**

The Retirees Social Club met on Thursday, June 17th at Cooper's Mill in Cedar Rapids. They had 17 in attendance. They will meet again on **Thursday, July 15th** at 11:30am at The Londoner British Pub and Restaurant, located at 3325 Center Point Road. If you would like to attend, please contact Jim Ryan, Retirees Chairman, at (319) 396-7904. The Retirees' also met on Thursday, June 10th at the Hall for Retirees' Movie Day, they watched *The Blind Side*. Next month the Hall will be showing *The Bucket List* on Thursday, July 8th at 1:30 pm. If you'd like to come, please call the Hall at (319) 396-8241 to sign up. Don't forget your lawn chair!

## **Member Death**

Irving Martin, Jr., 68 years old, died June 8, 2010. Irv was a 47 year member of IBEW Local 405.

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**Vanessa @ ext 1221** for: Monthly Statements, HRA, Self-Pays, Eligibility, Pension & 401k or to initiate a disbursement

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## **JATC Training Center News**

Mike Carson, Training Director

### **Congratulations to the Graduating Apprenticeship Class of 2010!**

**18 Inside Apprentices**– Andy Braksiek, Mark Eaton, Shane Kelley, Alex McRoy, Adam Reece, Alan Rutan, Bill Seitz, Scott Berger, Luke Duttlinger, Jason Geltz, Scott Kinrade, Greg Lake, Chad Pohorsky, Brian Reynolds, Ben Spoor, Aron Sweet, Jason Tapken, Ryan Schutte.

**4 VDV Apprentices**– Jim Negro, Michelle Myers, Michael Amling, Mark Diehl.

**3 Residential Apprentices**– Jory Schaldecker, Kelly Murphy, Lucas Riddle.

**The JATC would like to express our appreciation to the following companies who have partnered with us in our training program:** Crescent Electric, Square D, Klein Tools, Altorfer Rents, Van Meter Co., Hupp Electric Motors, 3M, Tyco Thermal Controls, RB Sales, Crouse-Hinds, P3-Power Protection Products, NRG Sales-Randy Nichol, and Bray Sales-Cadweld.

## **Members in Arrears as of 6/2/10**

Josh Abrams	William Jones
Eric Baily	Vladimir Kazberouk
Michael Bamsey	Todd Kelly
Jeffery Bauer	Kirby Kesterson
Jesse Bond	Loras Kremer
Thomas Carver	Michael Lacina
Zach Casey	Gregory Lien
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Jason Chambers	Christopher Miles
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Ross First	Justin Rundell
Aaron Foster	Clinton Salter
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Edwin Frederick	John Shaffer
Joe Fulmer	Nolan Smith
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