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MONTHLY MEMBER NEWS

JULY 2026

New Ford Program for ABC Members

JOIN AMERICA'S LARGEST FLEET*

ABC members receive special pricing
incentives on select vehicles.**

*Based on S&P Catalyst for Insight, Total Fleet registrations,
Cars-Truck combined CY 2025. **See dealer for details.



ALL NEW Ford discount program

Built Ford Tough[®] vehicles are engineered for the long haul. With many models featuring best-in-class towing, military-grade materials, and cutting-edge technology, a Ford vehicle is more than just transportation — it's a dependable tool built to help your business succeed. Whether it's a F-150, Super Duty or Transit van, Ford Pro[™] has the right vehicle for you.

This program gives ABC members the opportunity to save thousands below invoice! Even a single vehicle purchase will qualify.

Simply contact your local Ford dealer or your Enterprise Fleet Management representative to take advantage of the savings.

Visit abc.org/ford to learn about the incentives and see all eligible vehicles!.

View the Ford Flyer [here](#).

Meta, ABC Form Partnership



Meta, ABC Form Partnership to Launch Academy to Train and Create Jobs for Construction Craft Professionals

Meta Platforms Inc. and Associated Builders and Contractors have announced a [partnership](#) to educate and provide construction-ready career pathways for thousands of data center construction technicians kicking off in Indiana, Louisiana, Ohio and Texas as a

meaningful step toward meeting the growing demand for data centers workers nationwide.

To read the whole press release, please click [here](#).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **Strategic Planning**

The Board of Directors is preparing for its Strategic Planning Conference in October through pre-planning efforts.

- **Membership Drive**

The 2026 Board of Directors recently hosted its annual Membership Drive, and their recruiting efforts resulted in new contractors and suppliers joining the ABC of Iowa family.

If you know of any organizations that could benefit from joining ABC of Iowa, please contact Membership Director [Brevin Mason](#) to learn more about the programs, resources and benefits available to all members.

Department News



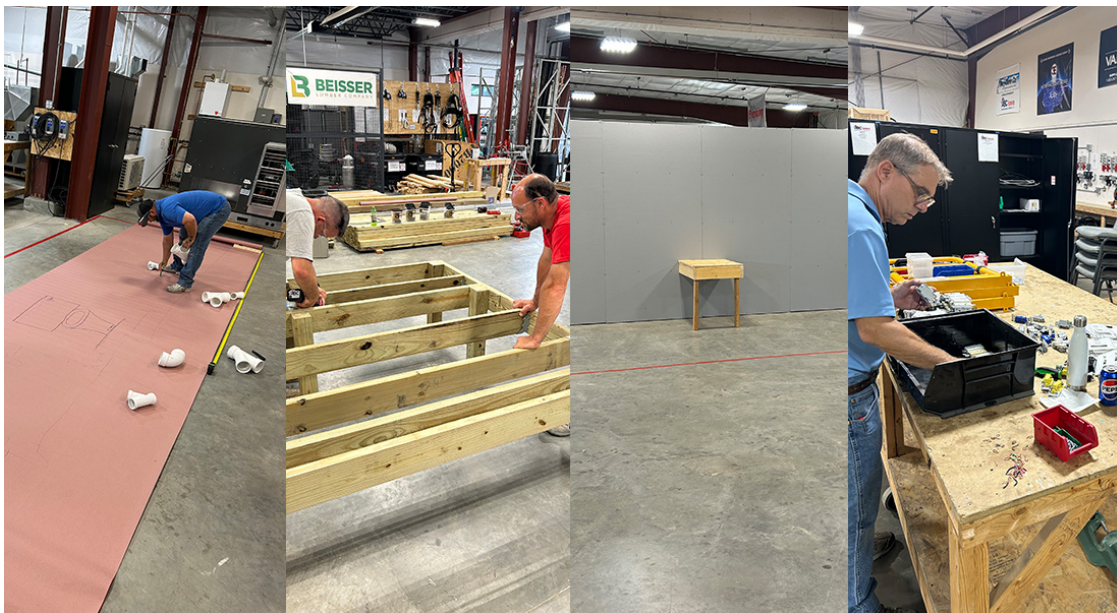
APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING TRUST BOARD

- **FY26-27 Budget**

At the latest meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the FY26-27 budget, which includes funding the various apprenticeship outreach initiatives.

- **2026-2027 School Year**

If you would like to bring students to one of our training facilities or have Apprenticeship Outreach Coordinator Daryle Wright visit your school, please reach out to him by [email](#) or call 515-985-1161.



- **Apprenticeship Registration**

Apprenticeship registration for the 2026-2027 school year is **open and closes on August 5th**. Registration is through Flashpoint. For information and details, click [here](#).

- **Updating the Grimes Lab**

Our instructors, pictured above, have spent time updating and organizing the lab in preparation for the upcoming school year. Come to the Open House to see it in person!

- **Grimes Open House**

Join us for our Open House on **Thursday, August 27, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.** in Grimes. RSVP by Monday, August 24. Click here to [register](#)!

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

ABC of Iowa members attended ABC National Legislative Week in June in Washington, D.C., where they joined fellow ABC members from across the country to advocate for the merit shop construction industry.

We were especially proud to have Iowa Congresswoman Ashley Hinson be the opening speaker at the conference's breakfast. During the week, our members also had the opportunity to connect with Congresswoman Mariannette Miller-Meeks and Congressman Zach Nunn at the Iowa reception, followed by dinner with Senator Chuck Grassley.

Pictures below:



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS CONT...

Registration for our Fall 2026 PAC Clay Shoots is open:

- [Central Iowa \(Pella\)](#) - Thursday, September 24
- [Eastern Iowa \(Riverside\)](#) - Thursday, October 1

Donate to PAC

Merit shop contractors have greatly benefited from elected leaders who support our industry and our values. With that support, we've been able to pass important legislation protecting contractors from local government preferences toward union labor and increase apprentice ratios to 3:1. As we transition to a focus on the election, that includes raising money for our State PAC. To make a donation, click [here](#).



MEMBERSHIP

- **Member Discounts**
To view all the Business Partner Discounts, click [here](#).
- **Job Board (for Contractor Members)**
Are you looking to hire? Use our [Job Board](#) and make a posting today!

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SAFETY

- **Reminder: Renew your STEP applications for 2026**

...or [apply](#) for the first time! [Call Tom](#) – he will explain the importance of getting safety recognition for your organization!

- **OSHA 30-Hour Training**

Do you need an OSHA 30-Hour training? If so, please check the upcoming dates and times below for Grimes and Hiawatha. Register under events.

Grimes:

- Day 1 - Tuesday, August 11 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 2 - Tuesday, August 18 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 3 - Monday, August 24 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 4 - Wednesday, August 26 (8 AM - 3:00 PM)

Hiawatha:

- Day 1 - Friday, August 14 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 2 - Thursday, August 20 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 3 - Thursday, August 27 (8 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Day 4 - Friday, August 28 (8 AM - 3:00 PM)

- **Lunch & Learns**

The topic for this year's four Lunch & Learns will be scissor lift safety, including information on the daily walkaround inspection that should be completed before operation. Additional details, including exact locations, will be shared soon. In the meantime, save the following dates:

- Wednesday, September 30 - Des Moines, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- Thursday, October 1 - Ames, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- Wednesday, October 14 - Quad Cities, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- Thursday, October 15 - Cedar Rapids, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

EVENTS

REGISTER

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11 - WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26
(8:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

ABC of Iowa - OSHA 30-Hour - Grimes

3100 SE Enterprise Dr., Grimes, IA 50111

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ABC OF IOWA OPEN HOUSE - GRIMES

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REGISTER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 (12 PM - 4:30 PM)

Central Iowa - PAC Clay Shoot

Black Oak Clays

1243 180th St., Pella, IA 50219

REGISTER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 (12 PM - 4:30 PM)

Eastern Iowa - PAC Clay Shoot

Highland Hideaway Hunting

3127 160th St., Riverside, IA 52327

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

ABC of Iowa extends a warm welcome to the following:

- **County Line Mechanical LLC**, Des Moines, IA
- **Hick Electric**, Adel, IA
- **Kelling Electric LLC**, Corydon, IA
- **UnityPoint Health/St. Lukes Hospital**, Cedar Rapids, IA
- **Vander Linden Services**, Leighton, IA

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