

CONVENTION CALL

This is the official Convention Call for the 110th State Convention of the Indiana State Association of Letter Carriers. This year's convention will be hosted by the State Association at the Sheraton-Keystone at the Crossing in Indianapolis IN. The convention will be held on May 15-16, 2009.

Delegates

Article III, Section 3, of the State By-laws, states, *“At least 30 days prior to each Convention, all delegates and alternate delegate cards are to be returned to the State Secretary. The cards are to be signed by both the Branch President and Secretary. The Registration Fee is to be submitted along with the delegate cards for each delegate attending.”*

Election of delegates to the ISALC State Convention shall be conducted in accordance with Article V, of the National Constitution, as required by Article V Section 3 of the ISALC By-laws. The actual total membership as of January 1, 2009 will determine your actual delegate and voting strength at the convention (Article V, Section 4 of the ISALC By-laws.)

Article V Section 2, states, *“The basis of representation and vote in the Association shall be one delegate and vote for each subordinate Branch having a membership of ten (10) members or less and one additional delegate and vote for each additional ten (10) members or fraction thereof.”*

Registration

The registration fee for this year's convention has been set at \$85.00 per delegate. Checks should be made out to **ISALC** and included with the **BLUE** delegate cards. Return the blue delegate cards and checks, for registration, to:

Dave Tunison, Secretary
ISALC
10 Whitewood Court
Beech Grove IN 46107-2615

Convention site

Sheraton-Keystone at the Crossing
8787 Keystone Crossing
Indianapolis IN
317/846-2700

Room rates are \$97.00+ tax for a single or double. Room reservations must be made by April 17, 2009 in order to receive the discounted rate. Mention that you are with the Letter Carriers convention for the discounted room rate.

Convention Program Reports and Advertisements

All officer reports, minutes, agendas, and advertisements must be received by the State Secretary before April 17, 2009 to be printed in the convention booklet. The following rates have been set for any advertisement: full page- \$120, half page- \$60, quarter page- \$30. Please send any ad and payment to the above address. Digital copies can be sent to tunaman2213@sbcglobal.net.

Amendments to the State By-laws

Article XIV, Section 3. *Proposed amendments to the by-laws of the Indiana State Association of Letter Carriers (ISALC), must be presented in writing, in the manner herein set forth: (a) by any member of a Branch in good standing, signed by him/her, at a regular meeting of the Branch: providing, the proposal is endorsed by two-thirds of the members present and voting at the meeting: and (b) by any member of the ISALC Executive Council, signed by him/her, at a regularly called meeting of the Executive Council: provided the proposal is endorsed by two-thirds of the members of the Executive Council present and voting at the meeting. Proposals thus qualifying shall be forwarded to the State Secretary in duplicate, each on a separate sheet of paper, at least sixty (60) days prior to the ISALC State Convention signed by the Branch President and Secretary or, in the case of the Executive Council, by the Chairperson and Secretary thereof. These amendments shall be sent to the Branches by the State Secretary prior to the State Convention and shall be printed in the official Convention Book distributed to all delegates. All proposed amendments to the By-laws shall designate the Article and Section to be amended and shall be referred to the By-laws and Amendments Committee, and be reported by them before being acted upon by the Convention. Said word "acted" to be interpreted as meaning altering, amending, or changing in any manner whatsoever by a majority vote of the Convention.*

Resolutions

Article XV states, *Resolutions must be submitted in duplicate to the Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the Convention in order to be printed in the Resolution Booklet. Other resolutions may be brought up on the Convention floor, prior to the closing of that business session. These resolutions must have five (5) delegate signatures each from a different Branch.*"

Convention and Assemblies

Article III, section 1. *This Association shall meet annually in Convention for two (2) consecutive days in the months of March through June at such a place and time as may be determined by the previous meeting. Bids for the convention must be submitted to the State Secretary and must be submitted by March 1st of the year prior to such Convention.*

Branches submitting bids must provide the following criteria.

1. Site-Location
2. Rooms and room rates for available meeting and sleeping rooms
- 3 Unionized facilities, if feasible
4. Eating facilities
5. Access-highways roads, etc.
6. Cost of delegate registration

Committee Appointments

If your Branch has a delegate that would like to volunteer to serve on a committee, notify the State President or State Secretary. Assignments will be made for the following Committees: (1) Credentials, (2) Audit, (3) Mileage and Per Diem, (4) Amendments, By-laws and Resolutions, (5) Nomination and Election, (6) Convention, and (7) Fred Herman Steward Award. Please notify the State President or State Secretary with any names by April 1, 2009.

Article IX, Section 12 states, *"Any member, who serves on a Committee during the State Convention, shall be given a stipend of fifty (\$50.00) dollars. The chair of each committee will receive an additional fifteen (\$15.00) dollars.*

Fred Herman Steward Award

At this year's convention, we will announce the winner of the Fred Herman Steward Award. Any Branch Steward may be nominated.

Branches may nominate more than one steward. Copies of the nomination form are allowed. A separate nomination form must be filled out for each nominee. Nomination forms are also available on the ISALC's website at www.indiananalc.com.

Nominations must be received by the State Secretary by May 1, 2009.

Miscellaneous

The ISALC Executive Council would like to request that all Branches contribute to the hospitality rooms to be held on Thursday and Friday nights. Please send any donations (made out to ISALC) your Branch may give to my home address listed above.

I also hope to organize a golf outing on Sunday morning May 17, 2009 to raise money for the MDA. Watch for details in the future.

In solidarity,

Dave Tunison, Secretary
Indiana State Association of Letter Carriers