## **Iowa State Association of Letter Carriers**



## President's Report October 2016

Greetings Sisters & Brothers,

Anyone who has not yet received a phone call or door knock concerning this year's election? Request an absentee ballot and mail it in as soon as you get it, you will be taken off of many phone and mailing lists if they see you have voted - my vote will be in before October.

Donald Trump has the worst favorability rating ever for any major party presidential candidate - and the second worst belongs to Hillary Clinton. So, where does that leave us?

In a position to make up our own minds when we vote - instead of believing the "journalists" who can make a front-page story out of rumors and repeated accusations that lend some truthiness to their story.

They want to make their bosses happy by getting better numbers in the ratings game. Sound familiar? Got anyone in your office who wants to make the numbers better to please their boss? And will do anything they can think of to do it?

You can go to www.nalc.org for information you can trust. Read what President Rolando had to say about Hillary Clinton as the NALC endorsed candidate for President.

Letter carriers will not be released to work on the election this fall in Iowa because of focus on other states and falling contributions to the Letter Carrier Political Fund. You can still volunteer to help out.

The Iowa Federation of Labor is working the union member program. If you can volunteer to call on union members' doors, we can all benefit from your work to elect labor friendly candidates to the Iowa House and Senate. In Cedar Rapids call Jeff Cooling at 319-540-9221 or Mike Olson at 319-540-0151 (both IBEW 405 members) and they will set you up with a list of union members' names and addresses to call on.

Or, if you'd rather volunteer time with the Clinton campaign: just drop by 2706 1st Ave NE.

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