

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



*President's Report*  
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Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

The National Day of Action is now behind us. Iowa has 3 of their 4 House Representatives signed on to House Resolution 993, with Rod Blum being the newest addition in District 1. Thank you to everyone that stepped up to attend these rallies to protect the USPS against privatization threats. As of October 10<sup>th</sup> HR 993 had 227 cosponsors, and in the Senate, sister Resolution 633 has 42 cosponsors.

I have a shirt that reads "Life is Short, Fix it Yourself". Unfortunately, you can't always fix everything by yourself. We are very fortunate as an organization to have individuals that are willing to sacrifice their time for the benefit of all. Your State Association would be very ineffective without the leadership displayed by these members. So, what do you do when National decides to have a Day of Action? You ask for volunteers to organize, and host the event, according to guidelines and a time table established by our Legislative Department. Vic McCuen hosted the Des Moines rally, and Tom Kinn was the host in Cedar Falls. Both were very well attended and brought our message to the public. Take the time to thank them.

Tom and Vic were not the only members to reach out to lead a rally. Traci VanHying, John Holben, Mike Nieland, and Travis Klemp also were willing to volunteer, but ultimately, we felt that the 2 locations chosen would be the most effective. Thank you to all that participated in some way or another. Hundreds gave up part of their holiday to get our message out. In Cedar Falls those in attendance rallied in the rain, and cool temperatures. It is after these events are held that you realize just how blessed we are to belong to the NALC! Brothers and Sisters standing together with pride, and purpose, representing not only our members, but educating the public on damaging legislative proposals.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Fall Training! We have a very intense program planned, with National VP Lew Drass in attendance. God Bless!

In Solidarity,

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