

Iowa State Association of Letter Carriers



President's Report

June 2019

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Give yourselves the gift that keeps on giving throughout the year. No, not the Jelly of the Month, LCPF. Invest in your future and protect your job at the same time.

I recently received an email from Brent Fjerestad, our Legislative Political Organizer, reminding me of his desire to help our branches here in Iowa to sign members up in the Letter Carrier Political Fund. Brent is willing, and available to come to Iowa during the months of July, and August, to assist with sign ups at a branch meeting, or a special branch event. Let me know when and where your event is being held, and I will make the arrangements for you. We even have a handout that can be given to members explaining the political threats we are facing. These would need to be given to your members, off the clock, and off postal property. It is time to make a BIG push here in Iowa.

If you haven't noticed yet, Iowa has a plethora of Democratic Presidential Candidates racing around the state. If you have the opportunity, please attend a rally, and discuss their support for our issues on Postal Reform. Mike Birkett seems to think that with all the candidates in the state, you don't actually have to attend a rally, but could probably trip over one of them. Iowa will be the focus of the candidates because of our status as the First in the Nation Caucus, as they try to woo voters. We need to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss our issues, as they jockey for political position within their party.

Please visit the Iowa State Association of Letter Carrier website for upcoming events, and trainings. I am also looking for suggestions for Fall Training. If there are topics you would like to see discussed, please submit them to me. Also, now is the time to be considering applicants for the NALC Leadership Academy. If there are candidates in your offices, make sure to get applications in timely. Those application forms are available at nalc.org/leadership. Good leaders don't just appear, they are developed.

Have a great summer, and safe 4th of July.

In Solidarity,

Herb Copley, President

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