

## *Iowa State Association of Letter Carriers*



*President's Report*

December 2019

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

First of all Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year! Wouldn't it be nice if we could bottle up the "Christmas Spirit" and ration it out throughout the year? That would certainly make it easier to deal with postal management on a daily basis, not to mention encouraging members of congress to support good postal legislation. All we would have to do is sprinkle out a little "Spirit" and enjoy the day. Even without the ability to sprinkle out a good day, we have a lot to be thankful for.

Number one on the list of things to be thankful for is our union, which I find synonymous with family. Although I have always considered Iowa number one, I am now frequently recognizing similar characteristics nationwide. We are blessed to belong to the best union in the world. The leaders of this union are continuously working to protect our jobs now, and into the future. Currently those leaders are tirelessly working on contract negotiations, and postal legislation as 2019 comes to a close. HR 2382 has 297 co-sponsors as of the writing of this article. With this strong support, the bill could see floor action in the House in the near future. Three of Iowa's Representatives have signed on. We continue to encourage Congressman Steve King to make it unanimous. If you live in the 4<sup>th</sup> District, please make a phone call and ask him to sign on. Also, on December 3<sup>rd</sup> the Senate introduced S.2965, their version of the House Fairness Act. We will be asking for your help to get this legislation in position too.

Please visit the Iowa State Association of Letter Carriers website for updates on trainings, and a new fillable Joseph Miller Scholarship application. I would also like branches to notify me of upcoming events you are planning in 2020, National would like us to sign up members to LCPF, and this would be an opportunity to have people in attendance to do that. I would ask that you all stay informed. Read your Postal Record. Get the NALC app. Contribute to the Letter Carrier Political Fund. I am truly thankful for each and every one of you, and for all the work you do. God bless!

In Solidarity,

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