

DEADLINE REMINDERS

The 2012 NALC Convention in Minneapolis will be here before you know it, so delegates and branch officers are encouraged to review the deadlines for convention business.

Delegate eligibility lists for the 68th biennial national convention were mailed to all branches on Feb. 1. The lists must be completed and returned to Secretary-Treasurer Jane Broendel's office at NALC Headquarters no later than May 24 in order for branch representatives to be registered as delegates to the convention, which takes place July 23-27 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. All proposed amendments to the NALC Constitution to be submitted for consideration at the convention must be received by Broendel's office by May 24 as well. That date is 60 days in advance of the convention, as prescribed by the Constitution. Proposed amendments will appear in this July's *Postal Record* for the entire membership to review.

Resolutions to be considered by delegates also must be received at Headquarters by the May 24 deadline in order to be printed in the Resolutions and Amendments book provided to delegates. Resolutions received after May 24, however, still may be considered at the convention. Branches wishing to sell items in the designated branch sales area during the convention must contact Broendel's office no later than March 19 to secure guidelines and forms. The completed forms must be returned to Headquarters by April 9.

Branches and state associations that would like to compete in the branch publication competition, including the contest for best website, must submit their entries by April 1. Complete rules and labels for entries can be found in the January Postal Record or on NALC's website.

Complete convention details can be found at nalc.org. \boxtimes

INFORMATION FOR DISABLED ATTENDEES

A ttendees at the NALC 68th Biennial Convention who may require assistance due to a disability can avail themselves of the following accommodations in adherence with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):

Hearing impaired—Open captioning on convention screens

General session video presentations, including podium and floor action, will be open-captioned so that hearing-impaired delegates can sit with their delegations.

If a delegate needs other special accommodations for the disabled, including a need for a signing interpreter in workshops, contact the secretary-treasurer's office at NALC Headquarters by May 24.

Accessible equipment rental/medical supplies

Scootaround provides a complete mobility rental service. Call toll-free, seven days a week, at 888-441-7575 to book your rental equipment over the telephone. Call Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sundays, or visit www.scootaround.com. (Delivery to hotel or convention center available.)

The Mobility Shop provides electrical mobility scooters and wheelchairs. Onsite reservations can be made at the Visitor Information Center, Monday through Sunday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For advance reservations or for more information, call 888-404-5554 or visit www.themobilityshop.com (located at the convention center).

Oxygen

If you require oxygen refills while in Minneapolis, you may contact one of the suppliers below. You will need the following information: prescription, diagnosis, amount of oxygen and type of equipment required, type of payment (cash, credit card or insurance information, if insurance will be paying). It is suggested that you call a day ahead.

Handi Medical Supply 651-644-9770, 800-514-9979 www.handimedical.com **Reliable Medical Supply, Inc.** 763-566-4060 www.reliamed.com

Parking

Handicapped parking is available to individuals with valid disability parking permits in surrounding ramps and lots as well as at parking meters on the street.

Wheelchair lift vehicles

The NALC is providing free shuttle bus service to/from the Minneapolis Convention Center for hotels within the block that are not within walking distance. A complete list will be available at a later date. To comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, a vehicle equipped with a wheelchair lift will be made available during all convention hours on an on-call basis. Requests for use of this service can be made directly by calling the operations manager on-site. The number will be listed on bus fliers available at all hotels where shuttle service is provided. 🖂