



DEADLINES SET FOR MINNEAPOLIS CONVENTION

DELEGATE ELIGIBILITY LISTS must be completed and returned to the office of Secretary-Treasurer Jane Broendel at NALC Headquarters no later than May 24 for branch representatives to be registered as delegates to the 68th Biennial Convention in Minneapolis, July 23-27, 2012.

All branches should have received the official "Convention Call" by the printing of this magazine. Any branch that has not received it should immediately contact the secretary-treasurer's office. Included with the call is a delegate allotment card advising each branch of its maximum number of delegates, based on the branch's active and retired membership as of Oct. 1 this year. All state associations have two delegates.

The process of registering members who have been elected as delegates will not begin until February.

The NALC has made special arrangements with 19 hotels within easy reach of the convention center to accommodate letter carrier delegates. Locations and room rates for these NALC-block hotels were shown in last month's *Postal Record*. The Hilton Minneapolis will be the NALC Headquarters hotel.

The one night's room deposit required for reservations will be \$195.

AMENDMENTS, RESOLUTIONS

An important deadline for convention business is May 24. That is when all proposed amendments to the *NALC Constitution* to be submitted for consideration by the delegates in Minneapolis must be received by Secretary-Treasurer Broendel at NALC Headquarters. The May 24 date is 60 days in advance of the convention, as prescribed by the *Constitution*. Proposed amendments will appear in

the July 2012 *Postal Record* for the entire membership to review.

Resolutions to be considered by delegates also must be received at Headquarters by the May deadline in order to be printed in the *Resolutions and Amendments* book provided to delegates. Resolutions received after May 24, however, may still be considered at the convention.

Note: Any resolution considered and approved by a previous convention will not be considered at the Minneapolis convention unless the motion is to disapprove or rescind a previous action. Also, resolutions and amendments must conform to the provisions spelled out in Articles 12 and 19 of the *Constitution* regarding form and method of endorsement. (The *NALC Constitution* is available at nalc.org.)

BRANCH SALES REQUIREMENTS

Branches wishing to sell items in the designated branch sales area during the convention must contact the secretary-treasurer's office no later than March 19 to secure sales guidelines and registration forms. The registration forms must be completed and returned to headquarters by April 9.

Branches are permitted to sell items only to raise funds for COLCPE and/or the Muscular Dystrophy Association. All products must be 100-percent manufactured and assembled in the United States by union labor, and they must bear a union label that clearly indicates which union represents the workers who manufactured the item. The only exception is for "craft" items made by NALC members or their families.

Only branches that register in advance will be given space in the sales area. The April 9 deadline is necessary to ensure sufficient space is available. ☒