

National Convention Update, Elections and Awards

On Thursday, August 6, two new National Executive Board members were elected to fill the positions of the departing Secretary/Treasurer Linda Rumney and Executive Vice President Mark Strong. Shelly Souders of Kentucky is the new Secretary/Treasurer and Kelly McCartney of Missouri was elected as a National Vice President; Jack Jameson was elected as the new Executive Vice President. Bill Brennan joins the National Executive Board as president of the Retired League Postmasters, taking the reins from Jim Merritt.

LEAGUE President Charley Mapa gave out “President’s Awards” to LEAGUE members Mike Perrone, Sunny Sundquist, Bill Krejci, Jeonilla Van Houten and Marjory Adams. Each has served the LEAGUE in a variety of ways, volunteering time and effort over many years.

Website and Newsletter State Branch Awards went to:

Website Best in the Nation – Tennessee State Branch
Runner-up – West Virginia State Branch

Category I – Best in Nation

Ohio, Hazel Boettcher

Runner-up – California, Gary Spizzirri

Category II – Best in Nation

Arkansas, Jeonilla Van Houten

Runner-up – Nebraska, Shirley Stoltenberg

Category III – Best in Nation

Arizona, Brian Oakes

Runner-up – Hawaii, Tom McCarthy

Best Use of Photos & Graphics: NY, The Empire Express

Best State Convention Coverage: PA, The Keystone Leaguer

Best Forum Coverage: MO, The Missourian

Best Editorial – WI, The Wisconsin League Leader

Best Design & Layout – MI, The Michigander

Best Special Feature: KY, The Blue Grass News

The highest honors that the LEAGUE bestows were given at the Grand Banquet. The **National Postmaster of the Year Award** went to **Bob Mayhar** of Texas. The special **Oscar Pogue Award** went to **Josephine Zunno** of New York.

Look for the full convention coverage coming in the October *Postmasters Advocate*.