

LOUISIANA-MISSISSIPPI LOCKSMITH ASSOCIATION, INC.

BREAKFAST AND GENERAL MEETING –APRIL 12, 2008 BATON ROUGE, LA.

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The breakfast meeting was opened with a prayer and Pledge.

After breakfast, the meeting was called to order by President Bill Cooper.

A quorum was established and George Thrash gave the Treasurer's Report which was accepted and approved.

John Nassour noted that the minutes of April 28, 2007 were published in the Dials and Files and web site; therefore, it was not necessary to read them at the meeting. A motion and second was made to accept the minutes as written, and all approved.

John Nassour gave the Convention report which stated that there were a total of 5 classes offered plus the Fire Marshall's meeting. IDN had to cancel there LSDA certification class due to an illness. A total of 36 members attended at least one or two of the classes. Also, there were approximately 24 members and vendors at the breakfast.

John Nassour gave a membership report which stated that there were 61 regular members, and 15 life members which included 20 members from Mississippi and 39 from Louisiana and 2 from other states. Of those members, one form Mississippi and 12 from Louisiana have not paid their 2008 dues.

Bill Cooper recognized C. D. Lipscomb from ALOA at which time C.D. stated that ALOA would offer a Scholarship door prize for classes at the ALOA Convention in Texas.

Bill state that last year's winner of the ALOA prize did not attend because of financing and suggested that Lou/Miss help with expenses if monies were available.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was a motion and second on the floor for Lou/Miss to help the winner of that door price with expenses when attending the week long classes at ALOA.

After a long discussion, there the motion was modified to state that Lou/Miss would provide up to \$600.00 to the ALOA door prize to help the winner with expenses related the attending the week long classes provided proper receipts were received. It was also noted that a first and second runner up would be drawn for the door prize in case the winner was not able to attend. The motion and second was approved.

Bill Cooper stated that the members would be receiving a letter in the near future to modify the By Laws to change the nomination and election of officers to the Spring Convention since that was when most members came and also, there were less chance of cancellations due to bad weather.

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Bill Cooper gave a general report on the Fire Marshall's talk on Friday afternoon. During that meeting the Fire Marshall stated that 6 CEU's would be required in 2008 and 2009. He also stated that they were in the process of modifying the locksmith's requirements to require 12 CEU's each year; and that they were also looking at modifying the requirement that a locksmith had to have a shop in LA in order to be licensed in LA. He was still working on a lesson plan to conduct a class on Life Safety Codes (related to locksmiths) in the near future.

The Fire Marshall stated that he would like to have two Louisiana representatives from Lou/Miss to attend there meetings related to modifying the licenses requirements. After discussion Bill Cooper appointed Randy Benoit and **Michael Jones** to represent Lou/Miss at the meetings. Bill also appointed Glynn Hinton as a Board Member at lodge to help Lee Holcomb in his job. **(Note: It was determined later by the Board that Michael Jones was NOT a member of Lou/Miss, therefore, he will not be able to serve as a representative for Lou/Miss).**

There was a motion and second for Lou/Miss to pay mileage to members when attending these meetings. After discussion, the members approved to pay the Government approved rate for mileage.

Bill

There was a motion and second from the floor to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor.

Vendor Show: There were a total of 5 vendors at the show. Winners of door prizes will be published in the D & F in one of the up coming issues.