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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF IN-HOUSE LOCKSMITHS, INC.

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THE LARGEST LOCKSMITH ASSOCIATION IN NEW YORK CITY

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY, January 14 6:00 PM

Note the new location for this meeting!
55 LEXINGTON AVE (corner of 24th Street)
Room 14-270

ACCREDITED LOCK SUPPLY

Norman Koller will discuss why Accredited is an excellent choice for your locksmith needs. He will be joined by Nolan Thrope of IR SSC. Nolan will be presenting Dor-O-Matic's ADA (handicap) operators.

The meeting starts at 6:00 PM. Please be sure to be on time.

ELECTIONS ARE COMING, FOLKS!!

It's that time, it comes every two years. Now it's your turn to volunteer.

Every position is open. What will <u>you</u> be running for?

The following is a short summary of each of the positions open for election:

PRESIDENT

The President is the official voice and representative of NYAIL. He runs the monthly meetings and makes informed decisions regarding day-to-day operations.

VICE PRESIDENT

The VP assists the President and runs our meetings in his absence.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

The Secretary/Treasurer signs all checks, makes deposits to the checking account, accepts dues from members, and sends invoices to Corporate Members. Sends out monthly meeting notices/newsletters.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Records the minutes of every meeting, and reads these minutes at the next meeting.

2nd RECORDING SECRETARY

Records and reads the minutes in the absence of the Recording Secretary.

EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Responsible for coordinating monthly meetings and educational seminars, and has ongoing contact with Corporate Members.

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SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Responsible for keeping order at meetings, greets all new members and guests. Ensures that all attendees sign the sign-in book.

In addition, a non-elected, non-officer position of **webmaster** will be available. Rick Duskiewicz, the current maintainer of our site would like to transfer these duties to someone that understands and is capable of working with HTML.

LAST CHANCE FOR ELECTRICITY CLASS!!

The deadline for the free basic electricity class registration is January 14. If you don't send in your deposit, you will not be able to attend.

The Saturday, January 24 class will be held at Baruch College, at 55 Lexington Ave, room 9-155. There will be bagels at 9:00 in the morning before class, and lunch will also be served.

INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATION

The Institutional Locksmiths Association has been deeply involved with a relatively new certification program designed specifically with the in-house locksmith in mind. The first exam consists of 250 multiple-choice questions. If you pass, you will receive a certificate indicating you are a Certified Institutional Locksmith (CIL). Exams for Certified Journeyman Institutional Locksmith (CJIL) and Certified Master Institutional Locksmith (CMIL) are currently being prepared.

Tom Negron, the president of the ILA, has offered NYAIL members the opportunity to do this on our own turf, so to speak. The cost of the exam is normally \$100, but since Tom considers NYAIL members to be ILA affiliate members, we will be able to take this exam at the discounted rate of \$50.

You may take up to 4 hours to complete this test. A study guide is available from the ILA, which costs \$20, plus \$5. shipping. Send your \$25 check to:

ILA, PO Box 4188. Trenton, NJ 08610.

If there is sufficient interest, we will arrange a location at Baruch in February or March. It will be held on a Saturday or a Sunday. Let us know if you are interested.

TIME FOR YOUR INFO UPDATE

The records for our members have unfortunately not been updated for quite some time. A sheet will be passed around at this month's meeting, asking for any

information, such as your place of employment, your institution's hardware types, your contact info, etc. If you won't be attending this month's meeting, contact Rick at 212 802-2688 with your info.

DUES

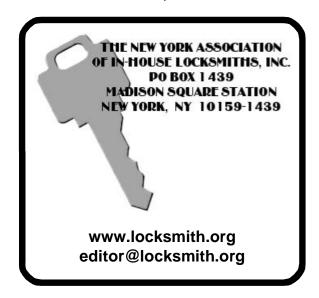
We realize it's probably a bad time to bring it up, but your annual dues are due. Please send your check for \$35 (Regular members only) to our mailing address below.

Corporate members' invoices will be sent next month.

If you joined midway through last year, this year's dues may be prorated.

OLD MEETING NOTICES / NEWSLETTERS

We recently purchased a copy of software that will allow us to create pdf files. Many of you use Adobe Reader to read this type of file. This will enable us to place old newsletters and other correspondence on the website.



LICENSES

The NYC Dept of Consumer Affairs recently cracked down on tow truck drivers who failed to renew their towing licenses. Several towing vehicles were confiscated.

Considering the DCA's recent inept handling of Locksmith licenses, we can't help but wonder if the DCA royally screwed up the towing license renewals also.

"Support your local locksmith -- lose a key. Support your local institutional locksmith -- lose a master key."

-John Truempy, CIL, University of Pennsylvania Lockshop