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OFFICE OF THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

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TO: All District Lodge Presidents and Secretary-Treasurers, Local Lodge Presidents and Recording Secretaries, Directing Business Representatives, Business Representatives, TCU Carmen Division Officers, National Representatives, Assistant National Representatives and Local Lodge Officers

## Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This is the official call to the 2014 IAM Communications Conference scheduled for Sunday, June 1 through Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at the Loews New Orleans Hotel, 300 Poydras Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130; phone (504) 595-3300; fax (504) 595-3310. Plan to arrive on **Sunday**, **June 1**. Conference registration begins at <u>2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.</u> and continues on **Monday**, **June 2** from <u>7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.</u> The conference will wrap-up around midday on Wednesday, June 4, 2014. Plan your departure date accordingly.

General Vice President Diane Babineaux will chair this conference and direct the busy agenda.

Awards for the IAM's 2013 Newsletter and Website Contest will be presented and winners of the 2013 George J. Kourpias and Robert J. Kalaski awards will be announced at the conference.

For this important conference, we have arranged for a special room rate: \$179.00 for single or double. The telephone number for reservations is (866) 211-6411.

Request the group rate for IAMAW or International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers. **The cut-off date for this rate is April 24, 2014.** After that date, we cannot guarantee the special room rate or guarantee the availability of a room.

There is a \$75.00 conference registration fee that will help defray the cost of the awards banquet on Tuesday, June 3. Banquet tickets for guests cost \$35 and must be paid in advance or at registration. If possible, the registration fee should be paid when you return the registration form. A registration form is enclosed with this letter. No cash will be accepted at registration. Please complete the registration form and return it to the IAM Communications Department, 9000 Machinists Place, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772.

The IAM has arranged for an all-union, Washington, DC-based travel agency to handle your arrangements for air travel. To receive the maximum savings, call Metropolitan Travel Service at (800) 662-6363. Be sure to identify yourself as an IAM member and tell them that you are attending the IAM's 2014 Communications Conference. You should contact them at least thirty (30) days prior to your departure date to obtain the best airfares available.

The Communications Conference is a great learning experience. This is a unique opportunity to master the skills needed to be effective communicators.

I plan to actively participate in the workings of this year's conference. I sincerely urge all of you to plan your time and budgets to join us for what I know will be a rewarding experience for you. If there are any questions concerning this conference, please direct them to the Communications Department at (301) 967-4520.

In solidarity,

R. Thomas Buffenbarger International President

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Enclosure

cc: Executive Council

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## International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers Communications Conference June 1-4, 2014

The following delegate will attend the IAM Communications Conference. **One form per delegate please**.

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Title		
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□ \$75 Registration Fee Per Delegate Enclosed (includes banquet) This check covers the registration fee for : □ \$35 Guest Banquet Fee Enclosed		
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NO CREDIT CARDS NO CASH	Mail completed form to:  IAMAW  Communications Conference if 9000 Machinists Place, Room Upper Marlboro, Maryland 2017 Phone: 301 967-4520 Fax:	303-D

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