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## 2015 NWSEO Election Letter and Convention Details

(May 4, 2015) The 2015 Election Letter is in the mail to NWSEO members. As an added convenience, we are posting the letter at <http://nwseo.org/convention.php>. The Elections Letter details the procedures to nominate NWSEO members for NWSEO offices and to participate in elections. Local office elections include the positions: Branch Steward and Vice Steward, Delegate and Alternate Delegate. Elections will also be held for National Offices including NWSEO President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer. Elections for the National Offices take place at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual National NWSEO Convention in Alexandria Virginia.

New Steward Training session for new stewards will be held on Friday, September 25 from 1 – 5 p.m. Due to limited space, this training is for invited new stewards only. If you are a newly elected steward after the 2015 election and would like to attend the training, please let your Regional Chair know before August 1. A request for this training is the first step to get a training invitation, it is not a guarantee.

Information on the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual NWSEO National Convention is also included in the Elections Letter. All NWSEO members are invited to attend the convention at the Hilton Alexandria Old Town on Saturday and Sunday, September 26-27, 2015. The Hilton Alexandria Old Town is located at 1767 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Set in Alexandria's historic district, this upscale hotel is a 2-minute walk from King Street metro station and close to downtown Washington DC. The hotel was renovated in 2014 and boasts modern, spacious rooms.

If you plan to attend the convention, you are responsible for making your reservations. NWSEO has successfully negotiated a room rate starting at \$119 per night plus taxes. Room reservations must be made by August 25, 2015. They can be booked directly with Hilton by calling (888) 370-0980 or using [Hilton's online reservation site](#). Please mention that you are an NWSEO member and attending the convention in order to get the negotiated room rate.

The annual National Convention is the governing body of NWSEO. It is also a time to learn in depth about NWSEO's work and accomplishments. You'll hear about upcoming events, strategies and opportunities. This is also a great opportunity to network with other professionals throughout the country. Many NWSEO members return to the event every year.

### **Recruitment Incentive**

Once someone joins the NWSEO, they recognize the value and strength of NWS employees working together for a cause and often become a member for life. Because of this, NWSEO offers the following recruitment incentive to our members:

Any NWSEO member who recruits two or more new members to join NWSEO using the [1187 form for payroll deduction](#) (not by credit card) from August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015, NWSEO will provide airfare, 3-nights lodging, and approved group meals for the 2015 convention at the [Hilton Alexandria Old Town](#) in Alexandria, Virginia. The name of the recruiter must be on the submitted 1187 in order for them to receive recruitment credit.

Recruitment is important this year, as many of our members have been promoted out of the Bargaining Unit and retirements are increasing. We need to increase membership to keep our organization strong. [The NWSEO Recruitment page](#) includes a wealth of information and speaking points to help with recruitment efforts.

NWSEO will keep you informed about convention plans in the coming months. Updates will be available on <http://nwseo.org/convention.php>. We hope to see you at the convention!

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