

CRICKETS



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF NAPS BRANCH 32

STATE CONVENTION!

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For the next few months, you will be hearing from me about the **85th TN State Convention!** There is detailed information in this month's edition of *Crickets*, but in my article today, I want to give you some reasons why you should be there.

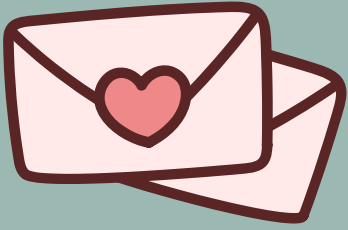
Reason #1 - It's a great way to meet supervisors, postmasters, district and other EAS from across the state of TN! NAPS has branches in **Memphis, Chattanooga, Knoxville and Johnson City!** It is one of the best networking opportunities for TN EAS this year!

Reason #2 - **Ivan Butts, our National President** will be in attendance. Ivan is a tremendous leader for NAPS, and this is a great chance for you to meet him and hear about NAPS at the national level.

Reason #3 - Training. We plan to bring some needed training to EAS from ELM 650 to knowing your rights as an EAS.

Reason #4 - It will **cost you very little**. As a member of Branch 32, we pay your registration (75.00) and as a First Timer, you will be reimbursed for one of your night's stay!

Reason #5 - You will enjoy it! Keep reading *Crickets* for more information.



Branch 32 Scholarship



2025 Scholarship

**APPLICATION at
napsbranch32.org**

**Application Deadline:
Monday, March 31, 2025**

For more information visit:
www.napsbranch32.org/important-documents



2025 TN STATE CONVENTION

BRANCH 32 HOSTS STATE CONVENTION

The **85th TN State Convention** will be held at the ***Drury Plaza Hotel*** in Franklin on **April 24-26, 2025**. **Branch 32 is hosting** so this is a perfect chance for you to come to a State Convention.

The theme of the convention is **Every Piece Matters**. It is based on a jigsaw puzzle and trainings will be given on the **EAS Piece, USPS piece, and the NAPS piece**. All of these fit together for a complete EAS employee.

First Timer? We pay your registration and reimburse you for the Friday night stay. Why would you not take advantage of that?

Click **HERE** to get registered and there is a link on the form to **make your hotel reservations**.



See you in Franklin!



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Invitational
DESERT CLASSIC GOLF
Tournament

**FRANKLIN BRIDGE
COUNTRY CLUB**



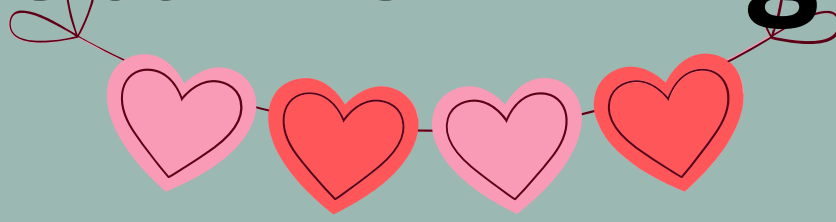
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Stuff & Things



USPS History February

February 1, 1978 - The first stamp in the Black Heritage stamp series was issued, featuring Harriet Tubman.

February 1, 2015 - Megan Brennan became the first woman Postmaster General.

February 2, 1925 - Congress passed “An Act to encourage commercial aviation and to authorize the Postmaster General to contract for airmail service.”

February 10, 1941 - The first Highway Post Office began its run between Washington, DC, and Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Source: <https://www.usps.com/history>

February 15, 1926 - The first commercial airmail flight in the United States occurred.

February 18, 1908 - The first coil (roll) stamps were issued.

February 20, 1792 - President George Washington signed the Postal Act of 1792, which established the foundation of the modern USPS.

February 25, 1895 - African-American letter carriers in the District of Columbia served as pallbearers at the funeral of Frederick Douglass.

Next Branch Meeting

The next Branch 32
monthly meeting will
be February 25, 2025
at 6pm at the
Nashville Post Office
Credit Union.



Final Thoughts

As I wrap up this month's edition of Crickets, I just want to remind you of a few things...

- Register for TN State Convention
- Make hotel reservations
- If you want to golf in **Bob Invitational Desert Classic**, email napsbranch32@yahoo.com
- Next monthly meeting - February 25, 6PM
Nashville Post Office Credit Union.
- Sign up new member and get \$50 from NAPS HQ.
Ends February 28
- Branch 32 Scholarship forms due March 31.

Happy Valentines Day Branch 32!

Robert Wakefield
President