

August 2020

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

October 2-

[The Kaleidoscope of Ethics Webinar-Your Computer](#)

October 7-

[Prepping for Labor Negotiations Webinar- Your Computer](#)

October 20-

[Personnel Issues from Covid-19 Webinar-Your Computer](#)

Nov 17-19

[105th Annual League Conference-Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City](#)

- ✓ Conference Registration is Open
- ✓ League Conference Information
- ✓ Beware Scam Housing Communications
- ✓ Mayors' Hall of Fame
- ✓ *NJ Municipalities Magazine*

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Committeeman James Perry, Hardwick Township

The Annual League Conference offers you an excellent value in keeping your staff as well as your elected officials well informed. This year the League is offering many sessions of interest to your elected officials, including those on the topics of Ethics, Budgeting, Open Public Meetings, and Public Procurement.

Elected officials who participate in the Local Government Leadership Program can receive points for attending these classes. Course listings and CEUs will be this fall on the [Conference page](#). For more information on the Local Government Leadership program, please visit the [Local Government Leadership webpage](#).

Also, please remember to register your staff in August to take advantage of the pre-registration rate of \$55 for members, August 1 through October 1. Then from October 2 through October 22, you are still able to Pre-register online at the rate of \$65 for members/delegates. Pre-registration is online only for members/delegate, NJLM no longer uses paper registration for members/delegate. For-Profit-Organizations (Non-Government) go to www.njlm.org/conference to download a paper registration to register August 1- October 1 \$105, October 2 through October 22 \$125, online registration is not available to For-Profit-Organizations (Non-Government).

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When you consider all of the valuable certification credits and information available for just \$55 (pre-registration rate), it is clear that this is the best, most cost-effective method for you to keep your staff trained. In addition, please take a moment to review the lower hotel rates. The combination of low registration fees and low housing rates make the Annual Conference a valuable option to educate your Elected Officials.

105th Annual Conference Pre-Registration Opens Aug. 1

Contact Johnnifer Harris at jharris@njilm.org or ext. 119

Pre-Registration for the 105th Annual League Conference has begun! Costs for online advance registration are \$55 for government officials and \$105 for non-government officials through October 1.

After October 2 attendees can register online for \$65 for government officials and \$125 for non-government officials. Attendees also have the option to register onsite at the conference for the rates of \$65 government and \$125 non-government.

For more information on pre-registration, please visit the [Conference website](#).

League Conference Information

For more information, visit the [League Conference page](#).

Delegate Registration

Delegate registration will open on August 1 at www.njilm.org/conference. We encourage everyone to pre-register on line and have their conference credentials mailed to them in advance. This avoids delays and lines onsite in Atlantic City.

League Code of Conduct

The League intends to maintain a welcoming professional atmosphere in all aspects of the Annual League Conference. To that end, conduct that violates the [League Code of Conduct](#) is not tolerated by the League, anyone who witnesses it, or is subjected to it. Everyone who participates in the Annual League Conference is required to adhere to this code.

Conference Center Preparations

We are busy making arrangements for this live event including education and exhibits with the full expectation that by November the State will permit important gatherings of government officials like the Annual League Conference. The League is taking measures along with our partners at the Atlantic City Convention Center and all related service providers to follow CDC and NJDOH guidelines to create a safe and healthy conference.

A healthy conference environment is our top priority for 2020 and with that we are dedicated to providing an educational, informative, productive, and collaborative conference. Sanitization protocols that comply with CDC guidance are ready for public spaces, meeting areas, food service, and transportation. Venue layout will take into account social distancing. Pre-registration will eliminate waiting lines.

Beware of Scam Conference Housing Communications

Contact Dee Kotch, ext. 115, or dkotch@njilm.org

It has come to our attention that there are unauthorized firms soliciting housing and hotel reservations from League conference attendees.

Please Note: The only firm authorized to handle our conference housing reservations is AC Central Reservations. They will not call, email, or contact anyone unsolicited. You can visit their website via the [League Conference page](#).

Using unauthorized reservation services creates real problems for you and the conference as a whole. You cannot be assured your credit card or financial information is secure, and your room reservation may not actually be made. Also, your room will not be part of the official conference housing block so you won't get emergency housing information, nor will there be adequate shuttle bus services to your hotel.

As always, the League is available to answer your questions on any aspect of the Annual Conference and we strive to make your participation both enjoyable and highly productive.

Nominations Sought For Mayors' Hall of Fame

Contact Michael Cerra at mcerra@njlm.org or ext. 120

The League is accepting nominations for the 2020 Mayors' Hall of Fame. To qualify, a mayor must be serving in at least their 10th cumulative year for the silver level, 20th year for the gold level, or 30th year for the platinum level. Mayors who rotate into office can qualify after holding the office of mayor for 10 years.

Qualifying mayors will be inducted into the New Jersey State League of Municipalities Mayors' Hall of Fame during the Mayors' Luncheon at the Annual Conference Wednesday, November 18, in Atlantic City. For nomination forms and more information about the Mayors' Hall of Fame, visit the [Hall of Fame page](#) on the website or contact the League at 609-695-3481, ext. 120.

Let Your Vendors Know About NJ Municipalities Magazine!

Contact Taran Samhammer, tsamhammer@njlm.org

Do you work with vendors that you would recommend to other municipalities? Let these vendors know about the League's magazine, *NJ Municipalities*. Placing advertisements in the magazine helps to increase the reach of their marketing messages and supports the League as an organization in the process.

Contact Taran Samhammer at tsamhammer@njlm.org with your vendor's mailing address and we will send them a sample issue!