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## SECRETARY-TREASURER UPDATE

By Rick Host, ISPA Secretary-Treasurer



I hope this finds all of you well and enjoying another Iowa summer. It has been a hot one so far and looks to continue.

Here is an update on the condition of the Iowa State Police Association (ISPA). As of June 12, 2017, membership stands at 3,147. This is virtually the same as last year. We have had a few members choose not to renew their membership and there is the usual turn over with the locals. We have lost 24 members to death so far this year. Over the long run, we average about 30 deaths per year. The last three or four years have been exceptional with numbers in the mid to upper 30s. I hope this trend is short-lived.

The financial condition of ISPA is a constant topic at board meetings. The net worth has remained constant this year at \$1.87 million. The increase of dues passed at last year's Annual ISPA Conference has helped. I would like to thank you all for getting your dues in so promptly.

Our only revenue is derived from membership dues and the performance of our market investments. We have started to draw some interest from our market investments to help with cash flow. We have had to withdraw funds from our annuity investments and cash some market investments to meet year-end operating expenses. The board has done an admirable job of trying to reduce our expenditures and continue to look for ways to increase revenue.

This year's Annual ISPA Conference will be Monday, October 9–Wednesday, October 11, 2017, in Davenport. The conference hotel is the Radisson Quad City Plaza. The address is 111 E. 2nd Street, Davenport, Iowa. The cost for this year's conference is the same as last year: \$90 for a single delegate and \$155 for a delegate and guest. Again, the break down is \$20 for registration, \$30 for the Tuesday evening buffet, \$35 for the Wednesday evening banquet and a \$5 donation for the Purple Heart Award.

Please consider contacting California Casualty for a comparison quote on your auto and/or home owner's insurance. Cal Cas is endorsed by ISPA and they are our only premier sponsor. They are now offering a rate reduction for policies to our members. Please contact them for a quote, at least. If they can't beat what you have, stay with your present company. It never hurts to shop around.

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming Annual Rabiner Treatment Center (RTC) Open Golf Tournament in Fort Dodge or at the Annual ISPA Conference in Davenport. As always, be safe.