



# South West Chapter Chatter

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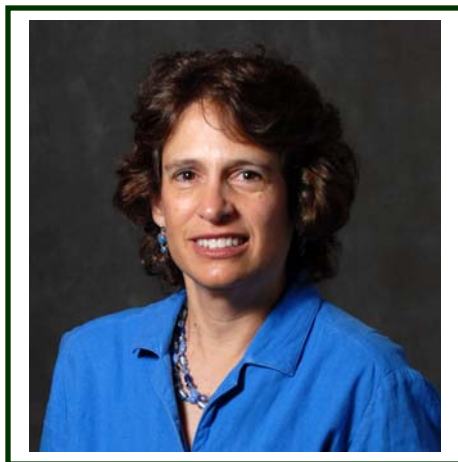
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## President's Message

By Ilona Guzman, IALEP SW Chapter President



### Imagine the job description for a dog ...

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: play, get loved, give love, wag your tail, eat, sleep, go for walks and, above all ... please your master.



Perhaps it is this last skill that allows our canine friends to showcase their uncompromising abilities, their passion for life, and their downright dogged desires to be such masterful creatures.

*"He is your friend, your partner, your defender, your dog. You are his life, his love, his leader. He will be yours, faithful and true, to the last beat of his heart."*

*Unknown author*

I am so pleased to be able to hold a joint meeting with our colleagues in the Arizona Association of Crime Analysts (AACA). I know that many of our members are also members of the AACA, as we share a great deal, given our analytical processes, techniques, and overall skills. There is much to be said for this relationship.

So join us up north on **Tuesday, August 11** in cool Prescott Valley to learn about dogs with jobs! Hear some of the tales (*pun intended*) of our featured speakers -- the Big Dogs-- and their masters. Learn how re-channeling a dog's natural energy to play and to please can transform them into members of the work force.



Discover how these amazing animals can communicate with us by sniffing out crime, finding people in trouble, and comforting us in times of distress.



## Election Time is Coming.....

During the IALEP SW Chapter annual meeting on November 10, the names of the **IALEP Southwest Chapter 2010 Board Members will be announced!!!**

**Please consider running for a position on the 2010 IALEP SW Chapter Board.**

Nominating ballots will be sent out by **August 25**.

Please submit your name or the name of the person you would like to nominate to one of the positions on the board.

To ensure the nominee's name is included on the elections ballot, the nominations form should be returned on or before September 22, 2009 via email / fax to:  
[RCheetham@azdps.gov](mailto:RCheetham@azdps.gov), (602) 223-2945.

Election ballots will be emailed to all voting members by **October 6** and must be 1) brought to the November 10 meeting, or 2) emailed / faxed using one of the following:  
[RCheetham@azdps.gov](mailto:RCheetham@azdps.gov), (602) 223-2945, on or before **November 6**.

## Southwest Chapter By-Laws

### ARTICLE IV - Officers

#### **Section 1: Constituted Officers**

The officers of IALEP, Southwest Chapter, shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall perform those duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by IALEP, Southwest Chapter.

**A.** No two members from the same Member Agency shall simultaneously hold an office of IALEP, Southwest Chapter. No member shall hold more than one office at a time.

**B.** The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be elected at the fall meeting to serve for a term of one year. Except for the Secretary, elected officers shall be installed during, and their term of office shall begin, at the close of the annual meeting. The Secretary's term shall commence immediately following the installation ceremony and include the annual meeting for the purpose of recording minutes.

#### **Section 2: President**

The President shall preside at the chapter meetings; be ex-officio member of all special committees; appoint chairpersons of special committees; conduct liaison with other similar associations; shall coordinate special project presentations by members of invited guests; shall, by appointment and with the approval of the voting members at the next regular Executive Board meeting, fill any vacancy occurring. The President shall be the representative to the national organization.

#### **Section 3: Vice President**

The Vice President shall in the absence of any other elected officer assume the duties of that position; assist in the operation of IALEP, Southwest Chapter; chair the Membership Committee; perform such other appropriate duties as may be assigned to them by the President and, should the office of President be vacated, fill it pursuant to the bylaws.

#### **Section 4: Secretary**

The Secretary shall, at the direction of the President, receive and read all correspondence for the IALEP, Southwest Chapter; direct specific information requests to concerned members; read previous meeting minutes and all pertinent correspondence to

members at the general meetings; provide general information including a current membership roster and meeting minutes; and shall assume responsibility for mailing previous meeting minutes and meeting notices a reasonable time prior to each meeting; and shall make timely submission of information to the IALEP at the direction of the Representative to the national organization.

#### **Section 5: Treasurer**

**A.** The Treasurer shall receive and collect all monies and keep an accurate record of same; distribute the funds of IALEP, Southwest Chapter, as may be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

**B.** The Treasurer and/or President shall sign all checks issued by IALEP; deposit funds in designated accounts as ordered by the Executive Board; shall present the records to the Executive Board for audit whenever requested to do so; and shall make timely submission of all State and Regional information and required monies to the IALEP.

#### **Section 6: Executive Board**

The above described officers (Sections 2-5) shall constitute the Executive Board of the IALEP, Southwest Chapter. In addition to the above described officers, the immediate past President of IALEP, Southwest Chapter shall be a member of the Executive Board with full voting privileges.

**A.** Succession of Presidential Vacancy: In the event the office of President becomes vacant, it will be filled by the Vice President. The order of succession for the office of President shall be Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and immediate past President.

**B.** Authority to take all appropriate measures and perform all duties required to accomplish the goals and objectives of IALEP, Southwest Chapter shall be vested in the Executive Board. Reasonable expenses incurred as a result of association business may be reimbursed by the Executive Board, provided funds are available. At least three members of the Executive Board must agree to actions taken by the Board. Actions taken by the Executive Board shall be reported at the next general membership meeting.

**Southwest Chapter By-Laws cont.**

**ARTICLE V - Nominations and Elections**

**Section 1: Qualifications**

Elected officers of IALEP, Southwest Chapter, must be Representative Members in good standing. No member shall be elected to more than one office at a time.

**Section 2: Chapter Election**

Elections for Chapter officers of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be held by mail prior to the fall meeting. A nominee shall be elected by a simple majority consisting of only those eligible members casting votes.

**A.** When one candidate only is nominated for a particular office, the membership may, upon a motion properly initiated, seconded, and approved by a majority of voting members, cast a single unanimous ballot.

**B.** When two or more candidates are nominated for the same office, the vote shall be by written ballot under such safeguards as the presiding officer may deem necessary. The votes shall be tabulated by not less than three tellers appointed by the presiding officer. The presiding officer's vote shall be held by the tellers and shall not be tabulated except in the case of a tie.

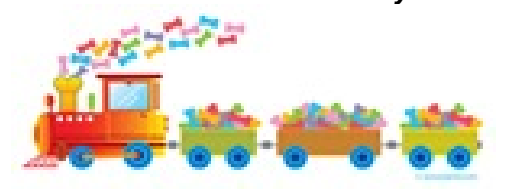
**C.** When three or more persons are nominated for any particular office, the person receiving a plurality of votes shall be elected.

**D.** A period of not less than 30 days shall be allowed to return the ballots for an election by mail.

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*The above information was taken from the IALEP Southwest Chapter By-Laws. For a complete version of the By-Laws go to our website [www.ialepsw.com](http://www.ialepsw.com)*

**Farewell Steve,  
You will be truly missed!**



*I received an email from Gary Smith in June with the following note to share.....*

*Not even Steve Gendler's 1988 "Staff Skills" class prepared me for the shock of a new career direction as I transitioned from 24-years as a sworn officer to an admin position.*

*I still remember with vivid color my trepidation some nine years ago when I attended my first IALEP meeting. I walked through the door a newly retired street cop into a room full of planners; you know those brain-i-ack types!!!*

*I was touched by the encouragement, friendliness, and professionalism that was extended to me.*

*Now it is time to take yet another direction-out the door and into a full retirement. Please know that I leave you having learned much from each of you.*

*I'll see down the road.  
Gary Smith  
Sierra Vista, Arizona*



*Also, we will be losing Steve Gendler to retirement, his last meeting was to be the August 11 meeting, however he will be unable to attend. We wish him well.*

**"Never negotiate out of fear but never fear to negotiate."**

**- John F. Kennedy**

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***"The attitude you have right now is the one you are choosing.***

***Is it the one you want?"***

***~ Fish Tales***

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**"I cannot teach anyone anything; I can only make them think."**

**- Socrates**

**"Wise men speak because they have something to say;**

**Fools because they have to say something."**

**- Plato**

**Have you read a book you'd like to share?**

*In keeping with our K9 theme, try this one.*

**BADGE ON MY COLLAR  
A Chronicle of Courageous Canines**

This book took twenty years to write. It contains touching stories and real life encounters, both funny and serious. It chronicles life threatening tragedies in far away places as well as memorable tales experienced closer to home.

Marilyn Jeffers Walton captures and defines, as only and experience author can, the inseparable bond between the K-9 and handler.

This book examines the role of the dog entering into an established partnership with his human handler and reveals the strong emotional bond between the two that results.

It is a book that you will read and reread.

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**Have you seen Kindle?**

No, it's not a new band and no you don't start fires with it.

Kindle is a convenient, portable reading device with the ability to wirelessly download books, blogs, magazines, and newspapers. Made by Amazon, Kindle is lighter and thinner than typical paperbacks, weighs a mere 10. ounces, and fits easily in one hand. Its built-in memory stores hundreds of titles and with an additional SD memory card it will hold even more.



Kindle's paperback size and expandable memory let you travel light with your library. With the freedom to download what you want, when you want, you'll never again find yourself stuck without a great read.

***Just for fun.....***

A marine biologist developed a species of genetically engineered dolphins that could live forever if they were fed a steady diet of seagulls.

One day his supply of the birds ran out, so he had to go out and trap some more. On the way back, he spied two lions asleep on the road. Afraid to wake them, he gingerly stepped over them.

Immediately, he was arrested and charged with transporting gulls across sedate lions for immortal porpoises.

**Mottos for the Working Dog**

**Give blood...tease a K9**

**Fighting crime one bite at a time**

**K9 - more bite to the fight**

**Burglars, breakfast of champions**

**K9 - Say hello to my little friend**

**In God we trust, in dogs we bust**

**So you want to meet my dog?**

**"To Detect and Protect"**

**"When people get scared, they call the police... When the police get scared, they call K-9"**

**"No one said it wouldn't hurt"**

**"My Dog can arrest YOU and your Dog"**

**"K9 Police Dogs are LEOs without Guns"**

**First In - Last Out**

**"Tried and True Just for you"**

**When I say "stop" you'd better, 'cause my dog can't wait for me to say "go"**

**TSGB - Talk S--, Get Bit**

**Jaws with Paws Enforcing Laws**

**"I've got 42 teeth with an Attitude on a leash, would you like to meet him?"**

**Websites for working dogs and animal lovers.**

[www.petjoyonline.com](http://www.petjoyonline.com)

[www.awomansview.com](http://www.awomansview.com)

[www.Pets911.com](http://www.Pets911.com)

[www.bestfriends.org](http://www.bestfriends.org)