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# Season's Greetings Happy New Year!

## News from ASAE Inroads...

IRS standard mileage rate to be 50.5 cents effective 1/1/08. Driving for charitable purposes 14 cents.

**NEW TRAVEL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BEGINNING JAN. 31:** The State Department and Homeland Security Department put out a reminder this week that as of Jan. 31, 2008, all adult travelers will be required to present proof of citizenship, such as a passport or birth certificate, and proof of identity, such as a drivers license, when entering the U.S. at a land or sea point of entry.

New Form 990 Draft on IRS Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Go to Charities & Non-Profits tab. No sign yet of the new 990-N form which my sources tell me will be required by all non profits with gross receipts of \$25,000 or less beginning in 2008.

## And, for 2007... we leave you with:

1. What did the light bulb say to the generator? "I really get a charge out of you!"
2. How do you pick out a dead battery from a pile of good ones? ***It's got no spark!***
3. A man with a hearing problem walked into a power plant for a tour. He arrived late and had to join the rest of the group already on the tour. The man was reviewing what he had just told the group. He told the group that they wouldn't move on until they answered this one question: "What is the unit of power equal to one joule per second called?" The man with the hearing problem hadn't heard the question very well, so he raised his hand and asked ***"What?"***
4. Why do transformers hum? ***They don't know the words.***
5. What did the light bulb say to the electric generator? ***"You spark up my life!"***
6. What did the baby light bulb say to the mommy light bulb? ***"I love you watts and watts!"***
7. Why was the free electron so sad? ***It had nothing to be positive about!***
8. What did Godzilla say when he ate the nuclear power plant? ***"Shocking!"***
9. Why did the lights go out? ***Because they liked each other!***
10. Two atoms were walking down the street one day, when one of them exclaimed, "Oh, no I've lost an electron!" "Are you sure?" the other one asked. "Yes," replied the first one, ***"I'm positive."***

## President's Message...

As we near the end of 2007 you will notice many positive changes at the ILEA. With the support of ILEA Executive Director, Chuck Eckert, we have a new look to our website. We see ongoing correspondence between ILEA members through email questions, surveys, and regular ILEA News. The Association has become stronger and more prominent with these changes. I for one look forward to the newsletter to see what my comrades are doing across North America. If you have news, an event recap, or a press release, feel free to submit them to Chuck so we can share your success!



In January 2008 the ILEA Board will be meeting in Chicago to start planning for the 2008 Conference in San Francisco. I encourage all our members to submit ideas and suggestions to Chuck prior to January 18, 2008. This is "YOUR" conference; therefore, we need to know what is important to you and your association. Is it education ideas, association management tools, trade show/conference tips and tricks, or simply member recruitment and retention? What 'take aways' do you want from the conference? Let us know.

Mark your calendars and don't miss a conference that's sure to help your Association grow!

2008 ILEA Conference  
 Holiday Inn Golden Gate Hotel  
 San Francisco, CA  
 July 23 – 26, 2008

Wishing all of you a wonderful Holiday Season and Happy New Year!

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 President, ILEA

Membership Renewal Time  
 Invoices were sent out [mostly via email] on 12/13.  
 Please let me know if you didn't receive it.