

## Guardians of the Flame<sup>®</sup> Miner's Lamp Escort



Again, this year there is an opportunity for your conference attendees to participate in the highly-acclaimed Guardians of the Flame<sup>®</sup> Miner's Lamp Escort featured in each of the six general sessions at this year's LETR International Conference in Nashville, Tennessee USA.

The International Conference Planning Committee (ICPC) requests LETR Programs attending the 2017 LETR International Conference, September 21 – 23, to select ONE deserving law enforcement attendee to participate in the Guardians of the Flame<sup>®</sup> Miner's Lamp Escort prior to and following each ballroom general session.

There are only 40 positions to fill. Our aim is to create a varied a representation of the global movement to include as many regions as possible and thus will review the confirmed positive responses and make the selections accordingly. Please do not submit the name of an attendee who has previously participated.

The only criteria that we would like to emphasize as you make your selection is that this is intended to be an opportunity for attendees in good standing, who may not have otherwise received significant recognition or awards from Council or their individual programs, such as Hall of Fame, Carion, Final Leg selection and the like. This is really an opportunity to engage your newest LETR member and or program's LETR "hot prospect" for whom you wish to create an international participation opportunity that may solidify their future involvement.

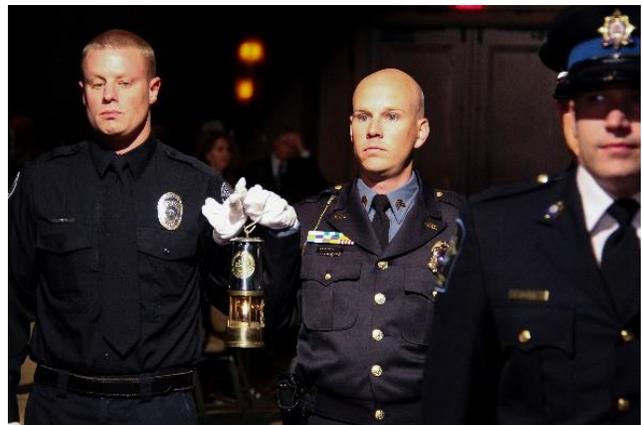
Further, we hope to instil not only in the participants of this processional, but also in the general body of attendees, the significance of being a Guardian of the Flame. While a relatively simple concept and ceremony, selected participants should be extremely honored to be involved.

Please provide ONE name of a confirmed conference attendee that meets the above criteria who would be willing to bring their dress uniform including hat (weapons not required) to the conference and wear it to at least one general session. Those selected to be in the Guardians of the Flame Miner's Lamp Escort will be sent further instructions on where and to whom to report at the conference.

Guardians of the Flame will carry the Miner's Lamp into all general sessions except Opening Ceremony (exit only). Each group of the Guardians of the Flame Miner's Lamp Escort will be comprised of four officers. To maximize this opportunity we have expanded the involvement of each of the Guardians and hope they will be excited by the opportunity to enter and exit with the Miners Lamp during their assigned session as well as participate in the Miners Lamp exit and Torch Exchange at Closing Ceremonies during the Hall of Fame Banquet.

Guardians assigned to the Honors Luncheon will also participate in the "In Remembrance" Tribute during the luncheon, to honor and pay tribute to the law enforcement men and women who were active in the Law Enforcement Torch Run<sup>®</sup> movement and have passed away since last year's conference.

All Guardians are also invited to wear their uniforms to the HOF Banquet and participate in the closing ceremony when the Torch is exchanged between the Tennessee and Nevada Program, our conference hosts for 2018. The increased number of uniforms during the ceremony should be impressive as well as rewarding for the participants.



Programs should begin consideration of their Program representative now and respond not later than July 28, 2017. Please include the name of the participant, their LETR program, and their e-mail address.

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