

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The NIA provides information to its members via two resources. The first is “Drip Points,” the Association’s official publication. Second, is the NIA web site [www.nia.org](http://www.nia.org).

### **Drip Points**

NIA members have the option of receiving Drip Points (DP) in printed form by mail or in digital form by email. Drip Points’ distribution schedule is as follows:

*Spring Issue #3* mails March 1. Submission deadline is February 10.

*Summer Issue #4* mails June 1. Submission deadline is May 10.

*Fall Issue #1* mails September 1. Submission deadline is August 10.

*Winter Issue*, mails December 1. Submission deadline is November 10.

(Note: As shown above issues are numbered according to the NIA’s fiscal year. Additionally, all listings described below must be received by the DP editorial staff at least 30 days prior to the issue’s upcoming distribution date.

Any submissions that are found to exceed the maximum word count guidelines may be modified at the editor’s discretion.)

### **Events Calendar**

A black and white “Calendar of Events” contains listings made available free to active NIA members and member-clubs. The Calendar only includes events hosted by active NIA members and member-clubs. Event listings are published in the first issue following timely receipt of event notification and continue to appear in the Calendar until the last issue preceding the event. Event listings should not exceed 75 words.

### **Classified Ads**

Free ad space, printed in black and white, is provided to active members.

Listings will be kept confidential until published.

Each active member may submit one (1) “Wanted” and one (1) “For Sale” listing per year in accordance with the guidelines below:

- Listings must include the member’s NIA number in the contact information.
- “Wanted” or “For Trade” listings are limited to 60 words.
- “For Sale” listings are limited to 100 words.
- “For Sale” items must be offered for at least \$15 not including shipping and insurance.

### **Future Options**

The NIA plans to include pre-paid, printer-ready, color, graphic advertisements of various sizes in future issues of Drip Points. When available, the base-rates for these listings will be published in DP and posted on the NIA website. These listings will very likely require more than 30 days lead time and the size and complexity of each advertisement will almost certainly affect the final listing fee. Advertisements must meet all postal regulations that govern publications mailed at Non-Profit Standard Mail prices of postage.

## **WWW.NIA.ORG**

This website is dedicated to insulator collectors and is intended to support National Insulator Association members with an on-line presence. It is also a repository of historical information on Insulators as well as information on past NIA sponsored shows. Member input on this site and ideas on ways it can be improved are always welcome. Contact the webmaster at [webmaster@nia.org](mailto:webmaster@nia.org)

This site was started in October 1998 when the NIA obtained its own URL. Since then content has been continually updated. The NIA would like to see this site grow to further serve our hobby! This site is designed to complement other currently existing web sites such as [www.insulators.info](http://www.insulators.info) and Crown Jewels of the Wire. Web site ([www.cjow.com](http://www.cjow.com)) and will hopefully avoid redundancy. This site is owned by the NIA and can only grow with the help of NIA members.