

MAIL CALL

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Brothers and Sisters:

RETIREMENT – First off, I would like to congratulate NALC Branch 2902 President Frank Salazar who has decided to retire effective April 21, 2017. Frank represents many of the carriers in the San Fernando Valley. I mention this because I know many of you know Frank. He has been a strong advocate for letter carriers for a long time, as well as an ally to branches here in the Los Angeles area. Good Luck with your future endeavors, Frank, and **CONGRATULATIONS!!**

CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP – Back here at home there is a lot of movement at the top of the Sierra Coastal District as well as the Pacific Area. Dean Granholm, Pacific Area Vice President, has retired. His position is being filled on a temporary basis by Sierra Coastal District Manager Larry Munoz. His job is being temporarily filled by Hawaii District Manager Greg Wolney. I mention this just to let carriers know that there are new players at the top of the leadership teams that directly impact our lives as carriers. Only time will tell as to what impact this will have on us?

INJURY REPORTING – Closer to home, we are experiencing a huge amount of turnover, and replacement at the supervisor level in our stations. One of the biggest impacts I see, so far, is the improper handling of employee injury claims. This improper handling of claims can, and does, negatively impact our carriers going forward in the process. Some of the negative impacts that I am aware of are:

- 1) Claims not being processed in a timely manner thus delaying compensation to the carrier
- 2) Carriers being improperly charged with Annual Leave or Sick Leave
- 3) Carriers not being paid Continuation of Pay (COP), as is required for many injuries
- 4) Carriers not being scheduled for work when they should be working
- 5) Unwarranted discipline being handed out
- 6) Improper medical treatment issued to carriers
- 7) Carriers denied the right to see their own doctor(s)
- 8) Carriers being lied to about how to handle their injury claims

All of these things have a negative impact on our members' lives and those of their families. Once again, I urge you that anytime you are injured on the job, you need to report the injury immediately and then file a CA-1 (Traumatic Injury) with management as soon as the injury occurs. Then, as soon as practical, you need to call our office and speak with us about your rights. Waiting a couple of days to speak with the union is too long. Call our office at 626-798-6122 as soon as possible. If your injury is chronic pain that you suffer day after day, but you are unable to identify something you specifically did that caused this pain, AND you believe it is job related, you should request a CA-2 (Occupational Disease) from your supervisor. Once again, get the union involved immediately so that we can help you wade through the dense fog you might encounter when you report your injury to your supervisor.

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It works so much better when the Union is involved from the beginning instead of us starting in the middle or the end. Call our office for guidance as soon as practical. As a matter of fact anytime you have questions, concerns, opinions, or suggestions, feel free to call us anytime. We may not be available right away but we will get back to you as soon as possible. Always leave your phone number along with your message.

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – Once again, we have not been advised of anything new regarding a new contract agreement other than, they are still negotiating. In May, we will have been without a contract for a year, but are still governed by the old agreement. Both sides must feel there is progress being gained to be negotiating this long. Hopefully in the near future we will have something we can all look at and be willing to ratify.

SAFETY – The push for safety continues to march on. Management is taking a much stronger stance on unsafe work habits. Personally, I applaud the effort, but not the process? I want everybody, both craft employees and managers going home safe. This new emphasis has been going on for several months, yet we still continue to have carriers not working in a safe manner. Most of the incidents we hear about are observations of driving practices from craft employees. These employees are not trying to tattle on anyone. They are trying to be proactive and save some of our brothers and sisters from injuring themselves or others around them. On the other hand, if management is observing the safety violations, then we all know that a fact finding is coming, probably followed by discipline, up to the level of a removal. Yet, we continue to have carriers driving with the door open and seat belts not being worn properly. We also have carriers double parking in their delivery process. We have carriers wearing headphones, earbuds and blue tooth devices while driving. All of which are unsafe. We even have carriers leaving the engine running while getting out and delivering mail/parcels. Brothers and Sisters, these things have got to stop. And we are the only ones that can stop them. So please focus on keeping yourself safe.

Another safety issue on the horizon has to do with Heat Safety. Last year, there were reported to the NBA and/or NALC Headquarters, 101 heat safety events. Upon further investigation by our National Headquarters, they discovered an additional 203 cases of heat injury that were not reported to anyone. Many were for CCA's and many of those people voluntarily left or were separated during their probationary period, and thus were not able to apply for Continuation of Pay. We all need to put a stop to this type of management abuse. If anyone sees or hears about any type of heat related problem, please call our office and let us know. This must stop now. Please be safe, drink plenty of liquids, and wear the appropriate clothing to protect yourselves out there.

BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR SUMMER

By Mike Wyly

NALC APP – IPHONE or ANDROID – For updates on bargaining and other contractual news, make sure you've downloaded the NALC Member App to your iPhone or Android smartphone. When news breaks, it'll be announced there first through push notification, before appearing on nalc.org, in The Postal Record or in the NALC Bulletin. You can install the NALC Member App by going to your phone's app store and searching for "NALC Member App." Make sure you mark areas of interest so you can get push notifications tailored to you. If a negotiated agreement is reached, all active NALC members will receive detailed information on the proposed agreement and an extended description will appear in The Postal Record. The App has other member features, including an automatic rotating day off calendar.



MDA Muscle Walk – September 30, 2017

**Mark your calendar
Register for the Walk
Donate to the Cause**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

March 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Mike Wyly. The pledge of allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Ric Roldan and there was a moment of silence for recently departed brothers and sisters. The roll call was answered by ten officers and stewards in good standing. Artur Aghakhanyan introduced David Savillon from La Crescenta. Graham Cameron was reintroduced and welcomed to the meeting. Motion passed to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting, accepted as printed in the Mail Call (Burskey/Siechert). Motion passed to excuse H.T. Tran from the meeting (Costanzo/Kasenko).

Motion passed to accept and **welcome** the following applications for membership: Julio Alas, Fernan Angbengco, Ross Aragon Jr, Peter Arispe, Dustyn Benedict, Sherell Braddock, Orlando Briceno, Jonathan Calderon, Alejandro Coter, Thomas Do, Montrinique Evans, Melissa Garcia, Iskui Hazard, Francisco Hernandez, Luis Hernandez, Mayra Hernandez, Gerardo Jarquin, Erick Kuvituanga, Luis Lopez, Cuong Ly, Jim Mora, Rafaela Perdue, Danielle Porch, Miguel Ramirez, Samuel Salguero, Kristan Salomon, Ildefonso Sandoval, Edwin Shanjanian, James Shell, Amo Tsaturyan (Siechert/Trieu).

Vinh Trieu introduced long-time member David Ruiz to the membership. Serop Karchikyan introduced Artin Zargarians from Verdugo Viejo and retiree Frank Drake was welcomed to the meeting.

Bills were read and a motion was made to pay the bills with the exception of 32 hours pay submitted by Leroy Collier (Norman/Costanzo). The Chair was relinquished by President Wyly to Vice-President Karchikyan. Division called, motion failed – Aye: 7, No: 8. Motion was made and passed to pay the bills as read (Norman/Costanzo).

Glendale Main Office carriers (Luise Gautam, Jonathan Qua and Manny Ibarra) were welcomed to the meeting. Carolyn Zorn reported on upcoming MDA fundraising, including summer camp for kids. Sister Zorn also reported on legislative/lobbying trip to Washington, DC.

Motion passed to adjourn (Siechert/Kasenko) at 8:02 p.m.

Submitted by,



Nancy Norman
Secretary-Treasurer

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Mike Wyly. The pledge of allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Ric Roldan and there was a moment of silence for departed brothers and sisters since the last meeting. Ana Vartanian, bringing in pastries, was introduced by Artur Aghakhanyan and welcomed by the membership. The roll call was answered by twelve officers and stewards in good standing. Motion passed to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting, to be printed in the Mail Call (Costanzo/Temblador). Motion was made to excuse Victor Temblador from the February and March meetings.

Motion passed to accept applications for membership: Mayra Aguirre, Cody Alder, Joel Burgos, Richard Cruz, Martha Espinosa, Crystal Garcia, Samantha Gould, Bassem Habashy, Virgilio Ham, Gilbert Icaza, Tommy Lu, Kevin Meas, Melissa Medina, Cesar Mora, Michael Morales, Armand Nahabedian, Eduardo Pubill, Caitlyn Ramos, Wendy Vaysman (Collier/Costanzo). **Welcome!**

Walter Washington updated on NALC health benefits. Rob Burskey updated on Food Drive T-Shirts, posters and stand-ups. Carolyn Zorn reported on MDA Walk-a-Thon and July camp and also gave a legislative update on USPS standards, customer satisfaction and signing up for e-activist. Vinh Trieu reported on MBA Insurance owned by letter carriers. There was further discussion and reporting by President Wyly and Carolyn Zorn on safety issues, seatbelts, headphones disallowed, and defensive driving.

Motion passed to excuse Victor Temblador from February and March meeting and Vinh Trieu from the September meeting (Burskey/Temblador).

Motion passed to accept the following recommendation from the Executive Board: That the Branch send the president and health benefits representative to the Health Benefit Seminar in October 2017, to include the Branch payment of travel, lodging, registration, per diem and the payment for 32 hrs. at \$20 per hour to the health benefits representative.

Motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. (Temblador/Burskey).

Submitted by,



Nancy Norman
Secretary-Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT MAR/APR 2017

INCOME	MAR	APR
NALC Active Rebate	24,054.25	24,337.81
NALC Retiree Rebate	277.55	0.00
Direct Dues	294.69	830.49
Interest-Dividend	218.88	207.65
Other Income	0.00	100.50
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,845.37	\$25,476.45
EXPENSES	MAR	APR
Building Repairs/Improvements	0.00	0.00
Car Allowance	400.00	400.00
COP Meeting	0.00	880.05
Food Drive	-6.09	0.00
Gardening	0.00	0.00
Insurance	1,612.00	0.00
Internet	114.62	114.62
Mail Call	115.31	111.01
Mileage	494.87	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
National Convention	0.00	0.00
Office Expenses	66.91	713.94
Office Supplies	53.15	631.85
Officer Benefits	1,959.20	2,099.91
Officer/Steward Salary	15,024.08	13,234.57
Payroll Taxes/Filing	1,294.85	1,050.88
Per Capita Tax	27.50	27.50
Postage	111.74	47.99
Professional Fees	0.00	0.00
Property Taxes	0.00	1,082.24
Retiree Bonus	50.00	150.00
Seminars & Education	249.15	0.00
State Convention	250.00	0.00
Telephone	186.64	186.88
Utilities	197.95	22.02
Website	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$22,201.88	\$20,753.46
NET INCOME	\$2,643.49	\$4,722.99



ACCOUNT BALANCES	
4/30/2017	
General Checking	\$114,480.72
Mikita Scholarship	\$5,873.16
Building Fund	\$249,326.91
Convention Fund	\$37,201.75
TOTAL ACCOUNTS	\$406,882.54

NON-MEMBER ROSTER - BRANCH 2200

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POST OFFICE	PL	REG/CCA	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POST OFFICE	PL	REG/CCA
Choi	Mong	Altadena	10	R	Galen	Joe	Pasadena	8	R
Gonzalez	Heather	Altadena	10	R	Garcia	Johnny	Pasadena	4	R
Ragay	Edwin	Altadena	10	R	Germann	Daniel	Pasadena	3	R
Syavong	Norkham	Altadena	0	R	Ho	Raymond	Pasadena	7	R
					Kim	Sung	Pasadena	3	R
Banh	Kelly	Glendale	121	R	Lam	Tung	Pasadena	8	R
Bilemjian	Ara	Glendale	161	R	Lennick	William	Pasadena	999	R
Diep	Cuong	Glendale	104	R	Manju	Mohammed	Pasadena	6	R
Duran	Maria	Glendale	161	R	Mejia	Gerald	Pasadena	5	R
Esguerra	Benito	Glendale	141	R	Monell	Westley	Pasadena	6	R
Garcia	Raymond	Glendale	104	R	Moreno	Jose	Pasadena	4	R
Gasparian	Meridjan	Glendale	151	R	Nguyen	Minh	Pasadena	6	R
Hovhannesian	Azad	Glendale	104	R	Phan	Johnny	Pasadena	5	R
Isajani	Derik	Glendale	161	R	Trac	Tam	Pasadena	1	R
Jung	Eddie	Glendale	121	R	Valdez	Ruby	Pasadena	7	R
Khuu	David	Glendale	141	R	Victorio	Rodel	Pasadena	5	R
Nguyen	Hung	Glendale	107	R	Wang	David	Pasadena	1	R
Nilluang	Noppadol	Glendale	141	R	Xu	Bing	Pasadena	7	R
Phung	Phan	Glendale	161	R					
Rodriguez	Linda	Glendale	161	R	Amado	Christopher	Santa Clarita	740	R
Sanchez	Andrea	Glendale	141	R	Bohleen	Chelsea	Santa Clarita	320	R
Soldatenko	George	Glendale	104	R	Davinroy	Andrew	Santa Clarita	320	R
Suh	Uk Sun	Glendale	141	R	Dominguez	Rocky	Santa Clarita	0	R
Sung	Peilang	Glendale	161	R	Frasca, Jr.	Carmine	Santa Clarita	320	R
Tang	Danny	Glendale	161	R	Froerer	Michael	Santa Clarita	120	R
Tisuthiwongse	Somsak	Glendale	141	R	Heath, Jr.	Howard	Santa Clarita	320	R
Wen	Raymond	Glendale	104	R	Lartigue	Kim	Santa Clarita	120	R
					Lartigue	Peter	Santa Clarita	120	R
Trang	Chinh	La Canada	101	R	Navarro	Junzky	Santa Clarita	120	R
					Safarians	Alvat	Santa Clarita	620	R
Arvizo	Aurora	Pasadena	4	R	Smith	Susan	Santa Clarita	120	R
Asuncion	Joel	Pasadena	6	R	Spasoff	Carl	Santa Clarita	620	R
Barsamian	Razmik	Pasadena	6	R	Velasquez	Monica	Santa Clarita	621	R
Chau	Sy	Pasadena	3	R	Wieczorek	Paul	Santa Clarita	520	R
Chavez	Anthony	Pasadena	10	R	Ybarra	Jose	Santa Clarita	120	R
Chen	Juo Luen	Pasadena	7	R					
Frigillana	Abraham	Pasadena	0	R	Helstrom	Paula	Sunland	320	R
					Srirathu	Rawat	Sunland	320	R

Branch 2200 will pay \$100 to the first member (President not eligible) to sign up a non-member in a pay status on this list, with a completed, signed Form 1187. Payment processed upon completion of probation and first successful deduction. See your shop steward for forms or contact the Branch office at 626-798-6122. Our goal is 100% Membership!!

**Meeting Attendance
March/April 2017**

Officers:

President Mike Wyly - P/P
Vice President Serop Karchikyan - P/P
Secy-Treas Nancy Norman - P/P
Financial Secy Frank Costanzo - P/P
Sergeant at Arms Ric Roldan - P/P
Health Benefits Rep Walter Washington - P/P
Trustee Carolyn Zorn - P/P
Trustee Leroy Collier - P/P
Trustee H.T. Tran - E/P
MBA Representative Vinh Trieu - P/P

Stewards:

Verdugo Viejo - Serop Karchikyan - P/P
Raymond Annex 01: Kevin Nguyen - A/A
Raymond Annex 06: H.T. Tran - E/P
Jackie Robinson 03/04: Carolyn Zorn - P/P
Tujunga: Rob Burskey - P/P
South Pasadena: Vinh Trieu - P/P
La Canada/Montrose: Tina Giancanelli - A/P
Canyon Country: Chuck Sheets - A/A

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

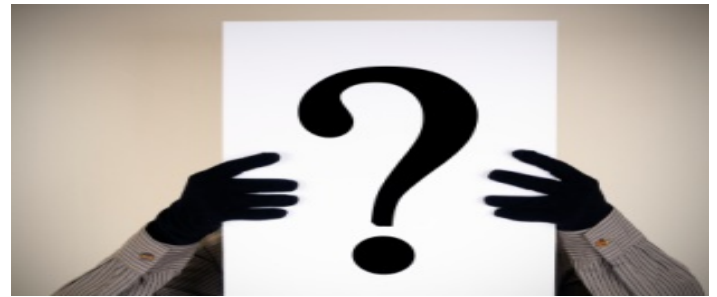
Tuesday, May 9th
7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 13th
7:00 p.m.
Union Office
1310 N Oxford Ave
in Pasadena

The Food Drive is here!!

Saturday, May 13th

**Thank you to all who contribute
year in and year out.**

Letter Carriers are AWESOME!!



There will be a long overdue mystery announcement to be made at our next membership meeting! It will also be posted in the next edition of the Mail Call. Can you guess?

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