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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Calvin Brookins

New memorandum of understanding on filling full-time regular opportunities

NALC and the Postal Service have agreed on the MOU *Re: Full-time Regular Opportunities in City Letter Carrier Craft* ([M-01834](#)), which extends the August 30, 2013 MOU *Re: Residual Vacancies in City Letter Carrier Craft* ([M-01824](#)) through May 31, 2014 and, effective June 1, 2014, incorporates changes to the process for filling full-time regular opportunities in the city letter carrier craft.

In the new process effective June 1, both residual vacancies and other full-time regular opportunities will be filled through the process defined in the MOU. In step 2 of the process, transfers will only be accepted from part-time flexible city letter carriers. Transfer requests from all other qualified employees may only be accepted under step 3 of the process along with CCA conversions to full-time status, and are subject to the 1 in 4 or 1 in 6 ratios, as applicable.

The previous MOU ([M-01824](#)) resulted in the granting of thousands of transfer requests that had been on hold in eReassign for several years in some cases, as well as thousands of CCA conversions to full-time career status. Now that many of those transfer requests have been processed, the negotiated changes are designed to fill full-time regular opportunities with a mix of transfers (when requested) and CCA conversions to full-time career status.

Some areas had and continue to have very long lists of transfer requests, which previously resulted in filling vacancies with all transfers and no CCA conversions in select areas. The changes address this issue while maintaining the ability of employees to transfer; only limiting it to the ratios contained in the transfer memo. This agreement is effective through March 31, 2015.

Cost-of-living adjustment news

FOURTH CONTRACT COLA: Following the April 15 release of the March Consumer Price Index (CPI), the accumulation toward the fourth cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) under the 2011-2016 National Agreement is **\$395**

annually. This COLA will be based on the increase in the CPI between January 2014 and July 2014 and will be effective in the second full pay period after the release of the July 2014 CPI.

Second Contract COLA

Following the Aug. 15 release of the July 2013 Consumer Price Index, the second cost-of-living adjustment for letter carriers under the 2011-2016 National Agreement was **\$541 annually.** This second cost-of-living adjustment was based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index between January 2013 and July 2013. It amounts to 26 cents per hour, the equivalent of \$20.80 per pay period or \$541 annually. Note that under the terms of the 2011-2016 agreement, payment of this second cost-of-living adjustment will be deferred for one year and will take effect in the second full pay period after the release of the July 2014 Consumer Price Index.

COLCPE Join now

Contributing to COLCPE is the easiest and most important way to support the candidates who will stand up for us. So for those of you who do not give to COLCPE I would encourage you to start because what you give today could very well play a role in saving your job in the future.

If you would like to give just \$5.00 per pay period through automatic payroll deductions please see your shop steward or call the Union office. We will be glad to assist you in signing up.

In Unionism

IN MEMORY OF
FLOYD QUARTMAN
RETIREE BRANCH 2462

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ATTENDANCE CHART BRANCH MEETINGS

MONTH J F M A M J J A S O N

MAIN OFFICE	4	4	8
ENCINO	2	3	4
PANORAMA CITY	2	1	7
SHERMAN OAKS	5	6	6
SUN VALLEY	2	4	1
TARZANA	3	2	1
RETIREE'S	4	5	6
TOTAL	22	25	33

MEETING PLACE OF BRANCH 2462, NALC
6910 HAYVENHURST AVE., SUITE 101
VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA

NEXT MEETING

*****6:30 PM*****

JUNE
3rd
"2014"

**DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT
ISSUE OF "THE MAIL CALL" IS**

June 3, 2014

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"RETIREE CORNER"

ATTENTION: !!!

Our Breakfast Meeting will be held at Denny's Restaurant, (Corner of Sherman Way & DeCels). It will begin at 09:00 AM. The next 2 dates will be May 24th, & June 28 2014 (4th Saturday) So, please mark your calendar.....We hope to see you there.

Thank You
Frank Brash

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E. I. Team Member
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11 Years as an Executive Board Member (Trustee)
Attended all Union Meetings 2010-2011
Have attended many Union Training Sessions
Winner of the 1st Annual (2007)
HARRY BRENNEMAN AWARD
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Elected Delegate to last 10 National & State Conventions
Elected Trustee last 11 years, last 9 as Lead Trustee
Executive Board member last 11 years
Food Drive Coordinator last 21 years, last 19 in Encino
Appointed Member of the Union Local Negotiating Team
2006 Ray Kreyer Award Winner
Financial Planning Degree from UCLA
Regularly attended union meetings last 21 years
Part of Budget Committee and Audit team last 11 years
Union Representative at Labor-Management Meetings

--2009 Shop Steward of the Year--
--Leadership Conference Attendee 2009 & 2010--
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TIA WILSON FOR TRUSTEE

I have been a letter carrier in Sun Valley for 29 years and a member of our branch for 27. I've been the food drive coordinator, in my office, for 20 years and the customer connect coordinator for 9 years. I attend the branch meetings on a regular basis and have been a delegate to the State and National conventions since 2000. I have been a Trustee for the past 6 years and look forward to serving another 3 year term. I hope I can count on your support.

Please vote for TIA WILSON

VOTE FOR ANDY GOACHER FOR TRUSTEE

My name is ANDY GOACHER; I am running for Trustee for Branch 2462. I have been a Mail Carrier for 8 years and a Shop Steward for the past 5 years. If you want change, vote for me !!! If elected as Trustee I will bring a fresh new start and will be committed to administer our finances and be the watch dog over our Branch. I will perform my job as Trustee with due diligence in return and as gratitude for earning your vote.

JOHN BURTON

FOR TRUSTEE

My name is John Burton and I am running for Trustee for branch 2462 . I have been a shop steward for the civic center and main offices for over ten years now and have learned a lot during those years . I am the local contact for the jrap adjustments for main office as well as a formal A grievance designee . I have also served on the sergeant of arms committee for our state convention held in April of 2011. I am looking to move up in our union and that is why I am running for Trustee . So I am asking for your support and to vote for me in this upcoming election.

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ELIA VIVEROS FOR SGT-AT-ARMS

She survived wrongful termination by the USPS
She won a Federal lawsuit against the USPS to be reinstated

She fought for her job !

She'll fight for you !

ELIA VIVEROS for BRANCH 2462 SGT-AT-ARMS

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Branch Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2014

By
Steve Seyfried, Secretary

The Meeting was held at the Branch 2462 Union Hall 6910 Hayvenhurst Ave, Van Nuys California. It was called to order by PRESIDENT BROOKINS at 6:45 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by SGT-AT-ARMS ROGER ASKEW

MOMENT OF SILENCE—Retired member FLOYD QUARTMAN

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT--BROOKINS, J. DOLABSON, SEYFRIED, JOHNSON, MULLINAX, JACKSON, WILSON, ASKEW, L. DOLABSON, ENZ

MINUTES ACCEPTED AS PRINTED IN MAIL CALL

CORRESPONDENCE READ

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

FROYLAN MARIN, DON PERRY, JOSHUA McCLAIN, XAVIER CARRILLO

TRUSTEES Since National Convention is in July, audit will be postponed till August

SAFETY & HEALTH Parking points are being looked at to help prevent rear end loading accidents.

RETIREEES--BRASH 5 attending tonight, and there were 14 who attended the breakfast.

MBA--ENZ Good response from CCA's signing up for various offerings.

HBR--L. DOLABSON If you need blood work done, be sure to use Lab Corp or Quest as it will be free.

MDA FUND--ASKEW \$ 1948.00 in the fund.

LEGISLATION REPORT--ASKEW Issa has introduced new bill in the house, it would eliminate 6 day delivery and end door to door delivery. Contact your Representatives and tell them to vote no.

FINANCIAL/TREASURERS REPORT READ by JOHNSON

MOTION--Accept report as read
M/S/C

ELECTION--SEYFRIED Election committee is STEVE SEYFRIED (Chairman), JANETTE DOLABSON, LARRY DOLABSON, ROGER ASKEW, BOB JOHNSON, BOB ENZ & ART BOCEK (Alt) Panorama City will be the only station a shop steward election, dates and time will be posted.

VICE PRESIDENT DOLABSON Food media event started on Monday with KTLA (5) kicking off the week. It was a great success and we collected 1600 pounds of food. Tuesday was second media day with celebrities EDWARD JAMES OLMOS, ANTHONY ANDERSON and State Senator ALEX PADILLA's wife attending and all spoke in support of the Food Drive.

PRESIDENT BROOKINS Gave his report on the latest important items which he will cover in his article in the Mailcall.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES READ

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION--Branch send 3 members to the CSALC Campaign School from May 16 – 18 in Pasadena. Cost not to exceed \$ 2000.00
M/S/C

MOTION--Branch pay the unsecured property Tax for the next year. Cost to the Branch \$ 190.36
M/S/C

UNDERLINED= UNANOMOUS VOTE

OLD BUSINESS

BY-LAWS

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

President Brookins thanked outgoing SGT-AT-ARMS ROGER ASKEW for his 40 years of serving as an officer of the Branch. Thank you Roger for all your service and hard work.

MDA DRAWING

\$ 3 TIA WILSON--SUN VALLEY
\$ 5 MIGUEL MALDONADO--MAIN OFFICE--DONATED
\$ 10 JEFF JACKSON--SHERMAN OAKS--DONATED

ADJOURNED 7:47 pm

