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BRANCH 2462 INSTALLS NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR NEW TERM

On Tuesday, June 6, 2023 the newly elected Officers of NALC Branch 2462 were installed in a ceremony conducted by California State Association of Letter Carriers President HARLD KELSO and witnessed by those in attendance. We thank Brother Kelso for taking the time out of his busy schedule to make this a truly celebratory evening for all.

The newly elected officers are:

CALVIN BROOKINS	PRESIDENT
MAYEN MACARAEG	VICE-PRESIDENT
STEVE SEYFRIED	RECORDING SECRETARY
TIA WILSON	TREASURER
TRACY MULLINAX	FINANACIAL SECRETARY
RODERICK GODDARD	SGT-AT-ARMS
ROBERT JOHNSON	TRUSTEE
LARRY DOLABSON	TRUSTEE
FRANCISCO VALENZUELA	TRUSTEE
JANETTE DOLABSON	HEALTH BENEFITS EPRESENTATTIVE
CARLOS VARGAS	MUTUAL BENETITS REPRESENTATIVE
JOHN BURTON	EDITOR

We wish these newly elected officers our best wishes for a successful term of office.

SPECIAL NOTICE
DUE TO THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY
THE BRANCH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY JULY 11, 2023
BEGINNING 6:30 PM

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ATTENDANCE CHART BRANCH MEETINGS

MONTH	J	F	M	A	M	J	A	S	O	N
MAIN OFFICE	4	3		6	0	4				
ENCINO	3	4		3	4	4				
PANORAMA CITY	1	5		4	3	6				
SHERMAN OAKS	1	5		5	5	8				
SUN VALLEY	0	0		0	0	0				
TARZANA	0	0		0	0	0				
RETIREE'S	7	5		8	6	10				
TOTAL	16	22		26	20	32				

**NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY
JULY
11th
2023
6:30 p.m.
BRANCH OFFICE**

**DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT
ISSUE OF "THE MAIL CALL" IS
July 17, 2023**

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"RETIREE CORNER" ATTENTION: !!!!

Our next Breakfast Meeting will be held at Denny's Restaurant, (Corner of Sherman Way & DeCelis). It will begin at 09:00 AM. Date will be JULY 22, 2023 (4th Saturday) So, please mark your calendar....We hope to see you there. Thank You

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wait for a decision from the DRT Team as to whether they will proceed and when. CERTIFIED MAIL is still coming in the DPS, since management is not willing or able to rectify this situation you, as Carriers, will have to TAKE THE TIME to separate these ACCOUNTABLE ITEMS and take them to the Registry Cage so that they can be properly be recorded and handled in the way they are supposed to be handled. Remember you get extra time in the office to prepare these items for delivery, and it certainly takes extra time on the street to make a delivery and get a signature. All protocols and Memorandum of Understandings regarding COVID have been discontinued as of May 11, 2023. Starting on July 9th "Ground Advantage" prices will be reduced. Thank you to the Branch for the past 8 years you have cooperated and supported me.

OLD BUSINESS—NONE

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION—Branch renew the CD at the Priority One Credit Union at the current rate for 6 months M/S/C

MOTION—Branch hold the Christmas party on December 2, 2023 at the Van Nuys Masonic Lodge M/S/C

UNDERLINED INDICATES UNANAMOUS VOTE

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The newly elected officers of the Branch were called to the front, introduced and sworn in for the new term of office (3 Years). The Installation Ceremonies were conducted by the President of the California State Association HAROLD KELSO.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Recent new member THOMAS HOFF was initiated into the Branch and presented with his NALC Membership Pin. Congratulations to Thomas. Newly installed President CALVIN BROOKINS spoke to thank all the members and said that the paramount issue is the representing of our members. A discussion was held regarding the proposed Casino trip.

NELSON WEBER

We are trying to locate retired Letter Carrier Nelson Weber. His mail has been returned to us as undeliverable. If anyone knows where he is or has any information that would help us out, we would really appreciate it. Thanks.

MDA DRAWING

- \$ 5 KAREN AGUILAR—RETIREE—DONATED
- \$ 5 MIGUEL MALDONADO--DONATED
- \$ 9 FRANCO RICARDO—RETIREE—DONATED

Meeting Adjourned 8:32 PM

Special note of thanks to Brother PAUL JEFFREY for take the minutes of tonight's meeting in my absence.

Thanks
Steve Seyfried
Recording Secretary

Pictured below are newly elected offices being sworn in for next term



L to R: CALVIN BROOKINS, MAYEN MACARAEG, TIA WILSON, TRACY MULLINAX, PAUL JEFFREY (seated)
HAROLD KELSO, CARLOS VARGAS, ROD GODDARD, FRANCISCO VALENZUELA, JANETTE DOLABSON
LARRY DOLABSON, ROBERT JOHNSON, JOHN BURTON (Photo RAFAEL PEREZ)

H B R REPORT JANETTE DOLABSON

COVID Update

Earlier this year, the White House announced that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency would end on May 11, 2023. As described below, this may affect some of your benefits under the Plan.

COVID-19 SERVICES AFTER THE END OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

During the Public Health Emergency, the Plan covered COVID-19 testing expenses, preventive services and vaccinations without any participant cost-sharing in- and out-of-network.

COVID-19 Tests

After May 11, 2023, the Plan will no longer cover items and services related to COVID-19 testing without participant cost-sharing (i.e., deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance), prior authorization or other medical management requirements. Services rendered to participants *prior to* May 11, 2023 will not be subject to these changes.

Until further notice, however, the Plan will **continue to cover the cost of four (4) over-the-counter COVID-19 tests per covered member or dependent per month if purchased at a participating pharmacy.** For a list of participating pharmacies near you, please use our [Online Pharmacy Locator](#). Make sure the pharmacy has your insurance information and processes the purchase through the Plan. If you purchase an over-the-counter COVID-19 test at a non-participating pharmacy, you may submit a claim for reimbursement for up

to \$12.00 per test through [caremark.com](https://www.caremark.com) for up to four tests per covered member or dependent per month.

COVID-19 Vaccines and Preventive Services

After May 11, 2023, the Plan will no longer cover out-of-network vaccines and preventive treatment for COVID-19 without normal cost-sharing. Coverage for *in-network* vaccines and preventive treatment for COVID-19 will continue without any participant cost-sharing.

Telehealth Visits

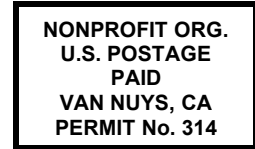
After May 11, 2023, the Plan will no longer cover without cost sharing telehealth visits for the treatment and diagnosis of medical health services, including COVID-19. If the telehealth provider is *in-network*, coverage will be provided as any other in-network, in-person office visit. If the telehealth provider is *out-of-network*, coverage will be provided at the Plan's maximum out-of-network allowance, and all out-of-network requirements, including participant cost-sharing, will apply.

Food Drive Sun Valley by **Tia Wilson**

I would like to thank all the carriers for their hard work getting the cards delivered and then picking up the food. I have a special thank you to retired carriers, Leslie Cordaro, Jesse Greenfield and Willie Estrada for helping out again this year, and to Norma Aguilar (Sr & Jr) and their volunteers from Holy Rosary Church that were more than grateful to receive the food. You all helped to make things go a lot smoother. Our volume of food was low this year because of the lack of bags; hopefully next year will be better.

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Branch Meeting Minutes June 6, 2023

By
Steve Seyfried, Secretary

The Meeting was held at the Branch 2462 Union Hall 6910 Hayvenhurst Ave, #104 Van Nuys California. It was called to order by PRESIDENT J. DOLABSON at 6:45 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by ROD GODDARD
MOMENT OF SILENCE--In Memory of ALL LETTER CARRIERS that have passed in 2023.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT--J. DOLABSON, MACARAEG, WILSON, MULLINAX, JEFFREY, BURTON, JOHNSON, L. DOLABSON, VALENZUELA

ABSENT--SEYFRIED, POWERS, DUENEZ

MINUTES ACCEPTED AS PRINTED IN MAIL CALL

CORRESPONDENCE READ

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP--There were several read and they will be published in the August MailCall.

BILLS READ--MOTION TO PAY

M/S/C

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT & BUDGET--TRUSTEES The next audit is scheduled for Thursday July 13th at the Union Office.

SAFETY & HEALTH

Same problems with some Carriers not following rules regarding Seat belts, doors open, use of phones and ear devices while driving. Also remember that you must follow the rules even when you are in the Post Office parking lot. Many are being observed driving through parking lot with no seat belts, etc. Remember you are responsible for obeying the rules at all times when operating your vehicle or delivering the mail. Don't bring unnecessary disciplinary action on yourself, work in a safe and responsible manner at all times. There have been a number of mail thefts reported again, remember to always secure your mail in the rear of your vehicle, behind the locked access doors. If you are approached by someone demanding your mail, do not resist, give them what they ask for and do not attempt to restrain or fight with them. Take as much note of their appearance as you can so as to be able to help identify the robbers. Remember your personal safety is more important than the mail, always cooperate.

RETIREEES

10 Retiree's present tonight. We held our first Breakfast since the pandemic, and it was a major success. Over 25 attended and we had a great time catching up. The next one will be on Saturday July 22nd. We are still meeting at Denny's on Sherman Way and they are now providing us with a separate room, so we are not crammed into the regular restaurant area. All Retiree's and Active Carriers (On your Day Off) are invited to come and enjoy. We are currently looking into planning a Bus Trip to one of the Casino's in the near future so if you think you would like to participate call the Union Office and leave your name.

MDA FUND--POWERS

\$ 615.00 in the fund

HBR--L. DOLABSON

There is a new free app available to monitor your Blood Pressure. It is available under the app name HelloHeart

MDA--MACARAEG

Summer camp will be on June 22th at Lake Hughes Camp, if you would like to attend on that day contact me. Jamba Cards are still 4 sale, summer will be heating up soon, these are great as gifts also.. We will be holding an MDA YARD SALE on July 15 -16, contact the Union Office for exact times and location.

POLITICAL--BURTON

HR-82, the Windfall

Elimination Act, now has more than enough votes to pass in the house and we are still 14 votes short in the Senate. No more movement on the CCA backpay plan and they are working on a new bill that would provide 12 weeks of paid leave. Not sure exactly what is happening with this we will have to wait for more clarification as it is new.

EDITOR--VALENZUELA

MailCall was sent out to all members on time..

FINANCE REPORT--MULLINAX Membership Pins have been given out or sent to everyone qualifying. We are waiting for the final Food Drive receipts from Main Office and Sherman Oaks, please get those in to the office.

TREASURERS REPORT--WILSON Financial Reports were read by the Treasurer.

MOTION Accept the reports as read

M/S/C

VICE-PRESIDENT MACARAEG 110 grievances have been filed so far this year. Congratulations to ALEXANDER COBOS who was promoted to full time Letter Carrier status. Members are waiting too long to file their CA 1 form for OWCP. Your COP will not begin until this form has been filed. If you are involved in an accident report it IMMEDIATELY, do not wait until the end of shift or the next day. Any delay can cause your claim to be disallowed and you could be subject to disciplinary action.

PRESIDENT J. DOLABSON

The Food Drive was held and here are the Totals from the Stations.

PAN CITY	1,725 lb
SHERMAN OAKS	6,400 lb
MAIN OFFICE	8,324 lb
ENCINO	6,886 lb
TARZANA	4,650 lb
SUN VALLEY	1,873 lb

The total amount that was collected was 29,870 lb

This was 23,000 lbs less than last year, however we did not have any bags this year, which no doubt caused most of this decline. We are currently in discussion with KTLA regarding getting bag sponsors and planning events and PSA airings for next year. The opting in period for route inspections is over. Both zones of ENCINO were submitted and we will have to

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