

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

AUGUST 10, 2017

Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.
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- MSC That Branch 343 sponsor a hole for \$50 to the Ballwin MDA Golf tournament held on September 10, 2017.

Highlights

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. The invocation and pledge of allegiance were led by Chet Drain and the minutes were read and accepted. National Business Agent Mike Birkett informed us that the tentative contract was approved by an impressive 16-1 margin. He commented about recent route inspections in the region and that it appears they are targeting auxiliary routes of four hours or less in hopes of eliminating them. Local Memorandum's of Understanding (LMOU) will be open October 16 - November 14. He imparted some words of wisdom for CCAs: Show up for work, don't steal mail, and don't throw mail away.

The meeting broke from its regular agenda to present MDA money. Paul Pitts presented \$300 from the MDA Basketball Tournament and Mike David presented \$885 from the Run, Ride & Roll to MDA Representative Beau Trussell, who then informed us that Branch 343 is the third highest fundraising branch in the country.

Mike Chenot informed us that we will be number two in the Labor Day Parade and for us to meet at 15th and Olive at 9 a.m. He also informed us that 350,000 signatures have already been received to get the right-to-work referendum on the ballot. Tom Schulte reminded us about the retirement seminar coming up on August 27. Mike Weir reported that the legislature is working hard to make federal employee workers "at will," getting rid of "union time," and continue to scrutinize the language of the right-to-work referendum.

Exec. VP Barry Linan reminded us that the 30th annual MDA Golf Tournament is October 8, 2017, and that Republicans are against unions. President Bill Lister reported his pleasure in the 94 percent vote for approval of the contract. He also reminded us that participation in the Labor Day parade would count in lieu of the stewards' meeting for September.

Respectfully Submitted,
 John "Johnny Mac" McLaughlin
 Recording Secretary

New Members

- Angelica N. Smith South County 07-15-17
 Michelle D. Epps Creve Coeur 07-15-17
 Anthony V. Cottone Southwest..... 07-15-17
 Walter R. Ladd..... Carrier Square..... 07-15-17
 Brittany N. Lewis Gravois..... 07-15-17
 Kelly R. Scott Jennings 07-15-17
 Stevonna D. Campbell ... Weathers 07-15-17
 Henry White..... Maryville Gardens.. 07-19-17
 Amanada M. Miller West County..... 07-19-17
 Shene' C. Bogan..... Creve Coeur 07-19-17
 Rashaad Johnson..... Oldham..... 07-19-17
 Ashley R. Wright..... Jennings 07-19-17
 Ronald E. Griffin Normandy 07-19-17
 Ariane C. Jones-Reddick.. Carrier Square..... 07-19-17
 Nicholas A. Maurath..... Fenton 07-19-17
 Lakeishia Hill West County..... 07-19-17
 Ikeisha Manuel Harriet Woods 07-19-17
 Malcolm Holman Sikeston..... 07-21-17
 Shakari Jones Des Peres..... 08-08-17
 Michael S. Payne Rolla 08-08-17
 Amanda M. Herman..... Olivette 07-25-17
 Emily K. Cunningham .. Chouteau..... 07-25-17
 David V. Hack..... Town & Country.... 07-25-17
 Aireon K. Davis..... Creve Coeur 07-25-17
 Marshay R. Davis Gaffney 07-25-17
 Kelwyn L. Mauldin Ferguson 07-25-17
 LaShonda M. Griffin..... Chouteau..... 07-25-17
 Alex M. Hayes Southwest..... 07-25-17
 Brandi E. Nickelberry.... Maryville Gardens.. 07-25-17
 Christopher A. Young.... Maplewood 07-25-17
 Adam T. Chambers Southwest..... 07-25-17

Recently Retired Members

- Mark A. Archer Rolla06-30-17
 John W. Miller Gaffney06-30-17
 Debora D. Whitt..... Oldham.....06-30-17
 Sam Burse Chouteau.....07-31-17
 Patricia Sowadski Sappington07-31-17

Deceased Member

- Francis J. Rakowiecki..... 60 Year 07-16-17