

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

OCTOBER 12, 2017

Summary of Branch Action

MSC To pay the branch bills.

MSC That Branch 343 say thank you to the United Way by making a \$500 donation for all their assistance during the Food Drive and throughout the year.

Highlights

The meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m. The invocation and pledge of allegiance were led by Chet Drain and the minutes were read and accepted.

NBA's Report: RWCA Dave Teegarden provided the report. New postal vehicles are being tested and pictures of them are on social media. Winter is coming soon and carriers should be careful of the cold and report any frostbite injuries to the NBA's office.

Retirees Report: Tom Schulte thanked the NBA's office for the food at the retirees' picnic. Field Secretary Cheryl Stout, who is retiring from the NBA's office, was a special guest at the picnic.

Labor Council Report: Pam Stepney reported no labor council meeting took place because of protestors. Voters need to be registered to prevent RTW in November 2018.

MBA Report: Saronda Sutherland reported that hospitalization for CCAs stayed the same.

Health Benefit Report: Chet Drain informed the CCAs they will be able to enroll in the US Postal Service health plan (United Health Care) until October 19. Health coverage will be effective from October 28. CCAs can file PS Form 3119 to pay health benefits on a pretax basis. Open enrollment is November 13 through December 8.

OWCP Report: Chet Drain advised carriers to read the occupational injury claim, CA-2, before seeing your doctors so that the carrier knows what is required before filing a claim. After one year on workers compensation, the post office will no longer pay health insurance premiums and the carrier must pay the premiums from their workers compensation pay. The carrier must make sure they are being charged the correct rate.

Mound City Carrier Report: Tom Schulte highlighted the Labor Day parade/125 anniversary pictures in the MCC.

Haake Scholarship Report: Applications for Haake and Coyle scholarship are in MCC.

Safety & Health Report: Richard Thurman reported 47 vehicle accidents have occurred in less than seven days. Carriers will be put off the clock for a vehicle accident. Do not use a cell phone while driving.

New Members

Shaunice M. Tunstall Oldham 09-20-17
 Charles K. Woods..... Coyle..... 09-20-17
 James M. Conway Sr. Creve Coeur..... 09-20-17
 Latoya A. Hanley..... Harriet Woods..... 09-26-17
 Benjamin L. Patterson Kirkwood 09-26-17
 Marcus K. Hunter Clayton..... 09-26-17
 Delores M. Palmer Maryville Gardens..... 09-27-17
 Angel D. Williams..... Chouteau..... 09-27-17
 Syntyoho V. Queen..... Creve Coeur..... 09-27-17
 Robert Gregory..... Carrier Square 09-27-17

Recently Retired Members

William R. Egelston O'Fallon 09-30-17
 Michael L. Chenot..... South County 09-29-17
 Joseph J. Wingbermuehle... South County 09-29-17
 Joseph W. Politte South County 09-30-17
 Gary L. Reece..... South County 09-29-17
 Randy L. Chaplin Coyle..... 09-29-17
 Dennis S. Stegman Coyle..... 09-29-17
 Darren G Mack..... Des Peres..... 09-29-17
 Walter K. Simpson Carrier Square 10-01-17
 Mark T. Ramsey Gravois 10-11-17

Deceased Members

Valerie J. Scott Retired..... 09-21-17
 Brian J. Turner..... Active-Park Hills..... Sept 2017