

# BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

OCTOBER 14, 2021

## Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.
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- MSC That the branch set aside the bylaws of Branch 343 so that the members present at this meeting can discuss Article 13 Nominations and Elections, Section 2 (b) and Section 9 (b) concerning the number of paid delegates Branch 343 will be taking to the national and state conventions in 2022 and 2023
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- MSC That the branch designate all delegates who have properly accepted nomination and will qualify to be paid delegates to the national and state convention be taken as paid delegates to the national convention in 2022 and the state convention.

## Recently Retired Members

Myron Davis ..... Creve Coeur .....09/30/21

## Deceased Members

Peter "Pete" Maniscalco ..Gold Card ..... 10/1/21



**Happy  
Thanksgiving  
from the staff of the MCC**

## New Members

- Anthony Amber ..... Weathers .....8/28/2021  
 Sherrell Aron ..... Maryville Gardens...8/28/2021  
 Trenton Campbell ..... Rolla ..... 9/21/2021  
 Deanna Delancy ..... Weathers ..... 8/13/2021  
 David Elias ..... Arnold ..... 9/3/2021  
 James Foggie ..... Mackenzie Pointe.... 9/10/2021  
 Cody Henry ..... Kirkwood.....8/13/2021  
 Nicholas Isgriggs ..... Washington ..... 8/21/2021  
 Roger Jacques..... West County.....8/21/2021  
 Demondtrez James ..... Kirkwood.....8/21/2021  
 Cevin Johnson ..... Weathers ..... 9/17/2021  
 Billy Joyce Jr ..... Ferguson .....8/28/2021  
 Kayla Key ..... Maryville Gardens....9/4/2021  
 Cory Kuenzel ..... O'Fallon .....8/28/2021  
 Corel Luster ..... Mackenzie Pointe.....9/4/2021  
 Shawna Mahnken..... Mexico ..... 8/26/2021  
 Tyler McGill..... Maryville Gardens....9/3/2021  
 Jasmine McGraw ..... Jennings ..... 9/16/2021  
 Mack McGuire..... Coyle .....8/28/2021  
 Vincent Moore..... Mackenzie Pointe.... 9/17/2021  
 Paul Mosley..... Ferguson ..... 9/17/2021  
 Rosie Nixon..... Mackenzie Pointe.... 8/13/2021  
 Armond Paige..... Ferguson .....8/28/2021  
 Kelly Palasky..... Park Hills ..... 9/30/2021  
 Thomas Parish..... North County..... 8/21/2021  
 Kaleb Pointer ..... Town & Country ..... 8/21/2021  
 Kayla Price ..... Park Hills..... 9/14/2021  
 Jason Reed..... Clayton..... 8/21/2021  
 Nicholas Roddy ..... Mackenzie Pointe.... 9/14/2021  
 Shareese Scott-Wynn ..... Olivette.....8/28/2021  
 Klay Smith ..... Ste. Genevieve ..... 9/1/2021  
 Ro'nise Smith ..... Veto Reid.....8/28/2021  
 Estefany Stokes ..... Rolla .....8/25/2021  
 Rebecca Umfleet ..... Park Hills..... 9/10/2021  
 Chad Wilhite ..... Maryville Gardens...8/28/2021  
 Katrina Woodard ..... Affton..... 8/21/2021  
 Zachary Woods ..... Mexico .....8/26/2021  
 Brandi Wright..... Carrier Square..... 8/21/2021

## Highlights

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. The invocation and pledge of allegiance were led by Chet Drain and the minutes were read and accepted.

**NBA's Report:** No report

**Legislative Report, Mike Weir:** Mike read the name of the PAC donors. Mike announced that the 2022 Social Security COLA would increase by 5.9%. This would also cause an increase in Medicare Part B.

**Retiree's Report, Tom Schulte:** Tom sent greetings from the 34 members who attended the last retirees meeting. Awards for 50-, 60- and 70-year members will be given out at the November 3 retirees meeting.

**Labor Council Report, Pam Stepney:** St. Louis City Mayor Tishaura Jones spoke at the October Labor Council meeting. Mayor Jones reported that it is her goal to bring labor jobs to the city.

**MBA Report, Saronda Sutherland:** Saronda had available pamphlets explaining the MBA Family Retirement Savings Plan as well as the CCA Retirement Savings Plan. For information on either, contact MBA Rep. Saronda Sutherland.

**Health Benefit Report, Barry Linan:** Barry reported that Open Season for health benefits is November 8 – December 13. New plan brochures should be available closer to Open Season. Barry encouraged all to consider the NALC Health Benefit Plan.

**Mound City Carrier Report, Tom Schulte:** Tom reminded everyone that the November regular branch meeting will be moved to **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**.

**Haake Scholarship Report, Pam Stepney:** Three applications have been received so far. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2021. Pam reminded everyone that there is a trade school scholarship available.

**Safety and Health Report, Richard Thurman:** Richard reminded all carriers to begin to prep for winter. Make sure your vehicle has good tires for snow and that you have all your winter gear.

**OWCP Report, Barry Linan:** Barry reported that he had just completed a \$250 grievance award for an injured employee whose OWCP forms were not sent in.

**Trustee's Report, Frank Enlow:** The books were audited and found to be in good order.

**Legislative Report, Mike Weir:** President Biden's infrastructure bill has been agreed upon by both Democrats and Republicans.

**Executive Vice President/Treasurer Report, Brian Litteken:** Brian reported that he is still actively getting quotes for a security system to be installed in the hall. A contract was signed with a new computer service company. Brian thanked everyone for their help with this year's golf tournament.

**Vice President/Financial Secretary Report, Marvin Booker:** Read financial report for September. With the recent acts of violence on postal workers, Marvin reminded everyone to be safe and watch for unusual behavior in other co-workers.

**President's Comments, John McLaughlin:** Out of the \$570 million EFEL money available, the USPS used 86% of that money or \$160 million. President McLaughlin reminded everyone to fill out a COVID-19 CA1 if you are diagnosed with the virus.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Tina M. Hunt, Recording Secretary*