

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.
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- MSC That the branch sponsors one hole at \$100 for the Kansas City Branch 30 annual Bob Shaw Memorial MDA Golf Tournament.
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- MSC That the branch sponsors one hole at \$100 for the Missouri State Association 28th Annual Golf Tournament for MDA.
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- MSC That the branch sponsors one hole at \$100 for the Jefferson City Branch 127 annual Golf Tournament.

Recently Retired Members

- Tommie Austin III Creve Coeur 8/31/2023
 Dale E. Ethridge South County 8/31/2023
 Thesis R. Franks II South County 8/09/2023
 Carolyn Hunter-Drake . Des Peres 8/31/2023
 Gregory Stelfox Carrier Square 8/31/2023

Deceased Members


- Dick Leong Gold Card 8/3/2023
 Willaim Foley Gold Card 8/27/2023
 Brittani Crump Active 8/16/2023
 Andrew McKim Active 8/22/2023

New Members

- Latoya Boyd Harriet Woods 8/4/2023
 Norita Brooks Chouteau 8/12/2023
 Da'Mon Brown Gaffney 8/19/2023
 David Connors Mackenzie Pointe... 8/19/2023
 Dorrean Cunningham.. Normandy 7/22/2023
 Jeremy Gilkey Oldham 8/12/2023
 Angel Harris Normandy 8/19/2023
 Nicole Helms Park Hills 8/25/2023
 Antwaine Horton Maryville Gardens... 8/4/2023
 Alicia Hughes Washington 8/12/2023
 Chaquita Johnson-Moore.. Southwest 8/19/2023
 Charlese Knox Chouteau 7/29/2023
 Alexander Leonard Sappington 8/12/2023
 Darryl Moore Southwest 8/25/2023
 Demetrius Moore Affton 8/19/2023
 Christopher Naunheim Sappington 7/29/2023
 Noelle Robinson Ferguson 7/29/2023
 Paul Schmidt Kirkwood 8/19/2023
 Michael Stewart Normandy 8/25/2023
 Amara Times Mackenzie Pointe... 8/25/2023
 Nathaniel Vance Park Hills 7/22/2023
 Richard Volpe Park Hills 8/12/2023
 Adrienne Washington .. Ferguson 7/22/2023
 Cadisha Washington Normandy 8/25/2023
 Lisa Williams Weathers 8/25/2023

BRANCH MEETING ATTENDANCE PRIZES

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| 1. Blues vs Arizona Coyotes | Sept 23 | Tim Morgan, Sappington |
| 2. Cardinals vs Philadelphia Phillies | Sept 17 | Barry Linan, Retired |
| 3. Cardinals vs Milwaukee Brewers | Sept 18 | Charles Sexton, So Co. NBA |
| 4. Cardinals vs Cincinnati Reds | Sept 29 | Richard Vannoy, Gaffney |
|  | \$48 | Laura Keim, Retired |

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.

Nominations of Branch 343 officers, delegates to the Labor Council, delegates to the state and national conventions were taken.

NBA's Report, Dave Teegarden: Dave reported that the NBA's office has developed training for the TIAREAP route evaluation process and encouraged carriers to please take advantage of this training.

Legislative Report, Mike Weir: A short term funding bill was proposed in the House of Representatives to keep the government running until October 31, 2023.

Retirees Report, Tom Schulte: Tom sent greetings from the retirees and reported that their last lunch had 26 members in attendance.

Labor Council Report, Pam Stepney: Pam reminded everyone that the boycott on Bud Light does not only affect sales, but also the labor movement used to brew and transport the beer.

MBA Report, Saronda Sutherland: No Report

Health Benefit Report, Barry Linan: Barry provided the CDC recommendations for the updated COVID-19 vaccine for the fall/winter virus season.

Mound City Carrier Report, Tom Schulte: Tom reminded members that the September centerfold featured the 2024 rotating day calendar.

Haake Scholarship Report, Pam Stepney: Pam reported that the branch received two thank you cards from 2023 John H. Haake scholarship winners.

Safety and Health Report, Richard Thurman: Richard reported that if you see safety concerns in your building, to please report those immediately.

OWCP Report, Barry Linan: Barry reported that by setting up an ECOMP account, carriers can monitor all documents put in for claims.

Trustees Report, Frank Enlow: The books were audited and found to be in good order.

Political Action Committee Report, Mike Weir: Mike read the names of contributors and reported that the COLA for retirees stands at 3.3%.

Executive Vice President/Treasurer Report, Brian Litteken: Brian reported the UAW is planning bottle-neck strikes, striking only at targeted plants.

Vice President/Financial Secretary Report, Marvin Booker: Read the financial report for August and reminded first time attendees that their first drink was on him.

President's Comments, John McLaughlin: President McLaughlin reported that the new postmaster has discovered that supervisors and managers are the problem at stations and branches.

Great employees quit because of poor management, low pay, and a toxic environment, NOT because they can't handle the work.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tina M. Hunt, Recording Secretary

