

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.
- MSC That Branch 343 send a floral arrangement to Stephanie Anderson's funeral on Friday, September 26.
- MSC That the branch donates a pair of Br. 343 Cardinal season baseball tickets to accompany a basket along with other items for their silent action/raffle.
- MSC That Branch 343 sponsor a hole at VFW Post 3944 Golf Tournament. The cost is \$100.
- MSC That the branch send up to four of its officers or stewards selected by the president to the National Rap Session to be held November 21-23 in Cleveland, Ohio, and pay their expenses.
- MSC That the branch send the branch health benefits rep to the 37th National Health Benefits Plan Seminar Nov. 2-5 in Orlando Florida, and pay registration fee, union time for three days of training, airfare, and out of pocket expenses to attend the event.



New Members

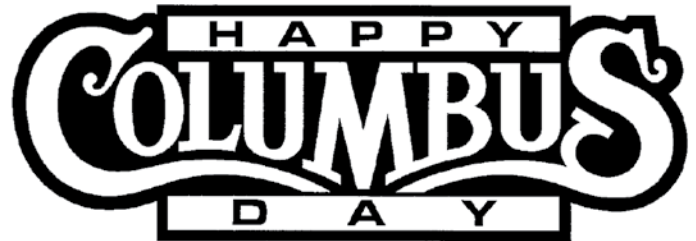
Steven CanadaTown & Country.....8/23/2025
 Quinten CookFenton 8/9/2025
 Michael Cutler.....Fenton8/23/2025
 Tyler Francis.....Maryville Gardens8/23/2025
 Chad Hiatt.....O'Fallon.....8/23/2025
 RiAndre JacksonHarriet Woods..... 8/9/2025
 Natalie Kwiatkowski Weathers8/23/2025
 Shantay Little.....Clayton..... 8/9/2025
 Oscar Martinez-Gavina ..Town & Country.....8/23/2025
 Angelet Mosely.....Carrier Square 8/15/2025
 Joshua PattersonPark Hills8/23/2025
 Ronne TolliverMaryville Gardens8/23/2025

Recently Retired Members

Michael Allen.....Fenton8/30/2025
 Norman GerickeArnold 8/31/2025
 Vallary Hunt.....Normandy8/29/2025
 Darlene TateClayton.....4/30/2025

Deceased Members

Benjamin Ashmore.....Retired9/04/2025
 Leroy FosterGold Card9/05/2025



BRANCH MEETING ATTENDANCE PRIZES

1. Cardinals vs Cincinnati Sept. 15
2. Cardinals vs Milwaukee Sept. 19
3. Cardinals vs Milwaukee Sept. 21
4. Blues vs Blackhawks Sept. 27
5. Blues vs Ottawa Senators Oct. 2



\$59.50

Shonna Randle, Carrier Square
 Germaine Anderson, Maryville Gardens
 Pamela Stepney, Retired
 Jyron Johnson, Weathers
 Mike Weir, Retired

 Lucille Snow, Retired

Highlights

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Pam Stepney and the minutes were read by Sergeant at Arms Frank Enlow and accepted.

NBAs Report, Charlie Sexton: Spoke on the 12/60 rule and how the pay is not being input automatically. Those that are reaching 60 hours, are not being paid correctly. They are bringing in 30 rank and file people to discuss contract issues. You can now cash out 80 hours of annual leave at the end of the year, if you are at 440 hours and have used less than 75 hours of sick leave. This year penalty exclusionary period is November 29 – December 26. If you work over 12/60, you still get 2½ times pay during the exclusion period. National Rap Session is in Cleveland, November 21-23. Deadline for hotel registration is October 30, \$189 per night. The Region 5 Rap Session for 2026 will be February 28 - March 2 (Sat.-Mon.).

Retirees Report, Tom Schulte: They had 31 in attendance. Tom reminded us that the annual retiree picnic is October 1 at Creve Coeur Park at the Tremayne Shelter.

Labor Council Report, Pam Stepney: Pam thanked everyone who came and participated in the Labor Celebration Parade and advised us to make plans to be there next year. Boeing has a tentative agreement to get 45% pay increase and \$4,000 bonus.

MBA Report, Saronda Sutherland: Saronda reminded everyone to check their insurance policies for beneficiaries.

Health Benefit Report, Barry Linan: Asked everyone to pay attention the Mound City Carrier every month. Barry reminded us that PSHB open season is

November 10 - December 8. It is your opportunity to get into the NALC plan. If you have self plus one (\$266.08), it would be cheaper to get self and family (\$238.40).

Mound City Carrier Report, Tom Schulte: Tom reminded us that the Shop Steward Banquet is Saturday October 11, and the MDA Golf Tournament is October 12 (still looking for volunteers). He spoke on the OIG audit report and how Ann Wagner believes all management should be fired. Take the rotating day calendar out of the MCC from September.

Haake Scholarship Report, Pam Stepney: The application for the John H. Haake scholarships is in the MCC. High school seniors must apply by December 31, 2025.

Safety and Health Report, Pam Stepney: Richard Thurman spoke to the postmaster and safety captains will be released and trained. All facility deficiencies will be outlined and abated within 14-21 days. All animal hazards and code violations must be identified by law. All the aggressive behavior in the facilities are being reported to the district manager. Safety teams are out watching carriers and taking pictures, take the time to be safe on your route.

OWCP Report, Barry Linan: Barry spoke on "short form closure," which deals with your claim and not going over \$1,500. If you go over that amount, because the claim is not closed, you need to contact them to advise that you want your claim adjudicated.

Trustees Report, La'Tecse Litteken: Books audited and found in good standing.

Political Action Committee Report, Mike Weir: Mike read the name of the most recent contributor.

Legislative Report, Mike Weir: The projected COLA is 2.8 %. Inflation is trending up and 25% of Americans don't believe they improve their standard of living. Missouri is trying to move forward to get rid of the 5th District, but the state constitution says you can't redistrict without current census data. Senate Bill 152 says any donation of \$2,000 or more, must sign an affirmation receipt saying money is not coming from a foreign national. We can no longer do 50/50 for the Pac Fund.

Executive Vice President/Treasurer Report, Brian Litteken: Be sure to complete a PS 1767 if you feel you are being harassed by management and file a grievance. The Golf Tournament is Sunday, October 12, it starts at 8 a.m. The fee is \$85 per person, and we will have the same caterer as last year.

Vice President/Financial Secretary Report, Marvin Booker: Marvin read his financial report for August 2025. Be sure to read the MCC articles because management fails to comply with the contract. They are putting carriers off the clock then bringing them back shortly after.

President's Comments, John McLaughlin: John spoke against health benefit representative going to Ohio for training. Custodian (Dontey Hardy) is the person whose house blew up in Florissant. He spoke about the softball tournament (Southwest won). We had 30 people show up for the Labor Parade. Dave Teegarden offered to grill at next parade.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Brown, Recording Secretary