

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.

- MSC That Branch 343 send our comp specialist Chet Drain to the NBA Regional OWCP training to be held in Kansas City on Sept. 17 thru 19, and pay expenses.

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. National Business Agent Mike Birkett informed us that we will begin local negotiations with some 220 locals throughout the four state region. Priority Sundays will begin taking off soon and we are looking to get more business. Prototype vehicles will be delivered next Monday and they are rumored to have a/c. He also remarked that he can no longer stay quiet about President Trump's outrageous comments comparing Robert E. Lee to George Washington. In closing, he thanked President Lister for his steady leadership and friendship over the past 39 years.

Tom Schulte thanked the 40+ retirees who showed up for the ole timers' picnic and invited President Lister to the next retirees' meeting. Pam Stepney thanked all of those who helped at the recent Labor Day parade and picnic but regretted that many CCAs had to work that day. Mike Chenot informed us that they have received 300,000 to 307,000 signatures, and counting, for the right-to-work petition. They also had a well-attended parade in Jefferson City to celebrate the petition. He thanked President Lister for his service. Chet Drain informed the CCAs they will not be able to enroll in the NALC Health Plan but will be able to join the USPS plan from now until October 19. He also asked that we always ask doctors if they take OWCP, and if they do, to call him at the hall and tell him. Tom Schulte reminded us about the rotating 2018 calendar in this month's issue of the MCC. Richard Thurman reported that St. Louis is number one in vehicle accidents and number three in dog bites. He asked us to talk to the CCAs at each of our stations. Mike Weir reported that postal reform is still out there and hopes that we are all signed up as e-Activists. The Congressional Budget Office is trying to change our retirement. Under a point of privilege, he thanked President Lister for all his work over the years.

President Lister then broke from the regular meeting to then begin the nomination process for state delegates, national delegates, and for branch officers. He then appointed Mike McClimans as the Election Committees chairperson. Mr. McClimans then named the rest of the committee.

Exec. VP Barry Linan reminded us about the 30th annual MDA Golf Tournament being held on October 8, 2017. He stated he was still looking for more gifts, hole sponsors and teams for the tournament. He referred all those who wish to volunteer at the event to Judith Bitzer. He reminded us that management is watching carriers on the street

New Members

- Bryah L. Davis-Wallace . Affton..... 09-08-17
- Shelly A. Tindall..... Cuba 08-31-17
- Danny L. Boley Sikeston..... 08-31-17
- Jeri L. Nichols Sikeston..... 08-31-17
- Stacey M. Lancaster O'Fallon 09-08-17
- Keionda S. Miller..... Maryville Gardens..08-29-17
- Ryan P. Pearson Town & Country.....08-29-17
- Mercedes S. Jones O'Fallon08-29-17
- Brian P. Dudley Affton.....08-22-17

Recently Retired Members

- Lynne Miller Rolla 07-22-17
- André Hayes Carrier Square..... 09-01-17
- Edward J. Roach Jr. Southwest..... 09-01-17

Deceased Members

- Jerome F. Allen Retired June 2017
- Thomas M. Greer Retired March 2017
- Stanley J. Taylor..... Retired August 2017
- Kevin J. Riefle..... Active09-07-17

and are putting them off the clock if they catch carriers with their doors open. He reported that at the Committee of Presidents meeting they learned the parties are considering another 'RAP' route adjustment process and that they have five vendors in mind for new postal vehicles. VP Rapisardo thanked BLU for the Kickball tournament and reminded us of the BBQ cook off. He then thanked President Lister for his contribution to the branch.

President Bill Lister remarked about his grandfather who was a carrier and his father who was a clerk. He reported of his decision to become a steward out in Fenton to take the heat off other carriers and place it on him. He recalled Charlie Coyle and John Haake put him on route inspections. He became vice president in 2003, then president of Branch 343 in 2009. He then announced he was retiring from the presidency as of that moment and was appointing Exec. VP Barry Linan to president of Branch 343. He handed the gavel to Mr. Linan and NBA Mike Birkett swore Mr. Linan into office. President Barry Linan thanked Bill Lister. He remarked about his continuous membership in the union from the day he started. He thanked John Haake, Keith Gentry, Ken Meyer, and Bill Lister for all they have done for him over the years. He then appointed Recording Secretary John McLaughlin to his position, executive vice president, and appointed Brian Litteken to the vacated recording secretary position.

Respectfully Submitted,
John "Johnny Mac" McLaughlin, Recording Secretary

BRANCH MEETING ATTENDANCE PRIZES

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| 1. Cards vs. Brewers | Saturday 9/30 @ 3:15 p.m. | Pamela Stepney, West County |
| 2. AMC Gift Card | \$25 | Kim Taylor, Kirkwood |
| 3. Lowes Gift Card | \$25 | Stuart East, Creve Coeur |
| 4. 50/50 winner | \$37 | Derrick Williams, West County |

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