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NOTICE



OFFICIAL NOTICE OF NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES NOMINATIONS

In accordance with Article 5 of the National Constitution and Article 4 of the Branch 1477 Bylaws, official notice is hereby given that the **Nomination for Delegates to the 2022 National Convention to be held in Chicago, IL will be taken during the regular order of business at the November 18th Regular Branch Meeting at the Hall and on the Electronic Membership Meeting via Zoom. The link for this meeting will be posted on the branch website at: Branch1477nalc.org**. In accordance with Article 5 of the National Constitution and Article 4 of Branch 1477 Bylaws, official notice is hereby given.

In accordance with the will of the 1988 National Convention, all members being nominated must signify they have not served, nor applied for a supervisory position for the past twenty-four (24) months. Candidates must accept the nomination at the time made or, if absent he/she must signify, in writing, his/her desire to be placed in nomination. **Said letter, must be received in the Branch Business Office prior to the time of the nominations on November 18, 2021***. (see page 2 of this newsletter or obtain form from the office)*

ELECTIONS

In accordance with Branch By-Laws amended February 26, 2016, the election of officers and delegates shall be held by Mail Balloting in accordance with the NALC Constitution and NALC Regulations governing Branch Election Procedures. The Election Date (by which all ballot must be received will be the Regular Branch Meeting date on **December 9, 2021**. Ballots will be mailed to the home address of eligible members no later than **November 19, 2021**. Ballots must be mailed back to the Election Committee, PO Box 737, Pinellas Park Florida, 33780 and be received by 11 AM on December 9, 2021. The Election Committee will collect the ballots, bring them to the hall and begin the tally at that time.

NEXT BRANCH MEETING AT THE HALL AND VIA ZOOM: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021

Branch 1477,
Ken Grasso, Financial/Recording Secretary
5369 Park Blvd
Pinellas Park, Florida 33781

Please place my name in nomination for delegate to the 2022 National Convention to be held in Chicago, Illinois, August 8 through 12, 2022.¹

By signing I attest I have not applied for or served in a Management position for the last twenty-four (24) months

*Print name as it would appear on
the ballot.*

Signature/Date

¹This must be received in the Branch Business Office prior to the time of the nominations on November 18, 2021.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By President Joe Henschen

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The Branch Local Memorandum of Understanding (LMOU) 2019-2023 Contract years was revisited upon the signing of the National Agreement.

With few date differences in the beginning of the choice period, the manner in which leave is taken is similar.

The LMOUs explain in Item #4 the formulation of the local leave program.

The sign-up period for the New Year to determine the period(s) for Annual Leave shall begin on November 10th.

The number of all Carriers on Annual Leave during the Choice Vacation period at any given time will not exceed fourteen (14%) percent as defined in Item # 9.1 (rounded to the next higher number for any fraction over .5)

Before November 10th, a copy of the vacation picklist (a chart showing all employees names by seniority and the available leave "slots") will be posted in the delivery unit.

The Charts will list the Carriers assigned to each 5-digit delivery unit in the following order: Full-time Regulars, Part-time Flexibles, Part-time Regulars and City Carrier Assistants in order of Seniority for each classification. The Relative Standing of the City Carrier Assistants will be referred to as "seniority" throughout this agreement.

The Chart will list the Carriers in groups of 14%, in the following order: Full-time Regulars, Part-time Flexibles, Part-time Regulars and City Carrier Assistants in order of seniority for each classification. For this agreement, the relative standing of the City Carrier Assistants will be referred to as "seniority" throughout this agreement.

Here's how it works:

Before November 10, a list of all employees will be arranged in order of seniority by classification in the following order:

Full-time Regulars by seniority, Part-time Flexibles by seniority, Part-time Regulars by seniority, and finally City Carrier Assistants by seniority.

The period for Choice Vacation for all units in the St. Petersburg Post

Office is the entire leave year, BEGINNING ON THE FIRST FULL PAY PERIOD OF THE CALENDAR YEAR. This is important as many Carriers roll over some leave from one Leave Year to the next. Although The Choice Period has been negotiated to plan ahead for Annual Leave in the next Leave Year, "Other Leave" may be taken at any time, in accordance with the LMOU's provisions.

Some Branch 1477 Cities may have shorter Leave Years due to the size of the compliment.

The Groups are determined as follows: 20 City Carrier *Craft* Employees creates 3 leave slots, 25 - 4, 33 - 5,

40 - 6, 47 - 7. Leave will not be denied on the speculation that Sick Leave might be required.

The 14% will include the City Carrier Assistant Break in Service. In circumstances that a "slot" is held, and the "Break in Service" is impacted by conversion or separation, the leave slot will be made available throughout the year for "Other Leave" and its release will be communicated to the unit.

As the CCA Break in Service is 5 days in duration and does not begin at the beginning of a leave week, remaining open days in the leave week will be made available in "Other Leave".

Attendance at Union Conventions shall be charged to the Choice Vacation period in the units that are impacted by the election of delegates.

The first group will pick Choice Leave November 10th-13th, the second group will pick November 14th-17th and so on.

If a Carrier misses the window to make a leave pick, they will have to wait until the second round to make a selection.

PTFs and CCAs are not advanced leave. These employees select periods of leave during the choice period when it is projected, they will have sufficient leave. If, for example a 10-day block is taken, and the period arrives, the CCA/PTF must have a sufficient 5 or 10-day balance. If the balance is insufficient the CCA will be allowed to cancel a portion of the Choice selection.

Before November 10th City Carriers and Part-time Flexible Carriers should sit down and determine when they will have accrued 5 or 10 days of leave. Each PTF and CCA should know the approximate date they can select a 5-day choice and a 10-day choice. Consideration is given to the CCA Break in Service and the "start over" period for accruing leave. CCAs only need to look at their enter on duty date. Earning 4 hours for every pay period working 80 hours it takes about 5 months to bank 5 days of leave.

As you review these provisions you will note that there is nothing in the provisions that include Sick Leave applications in the 14% for medical appointments. If you have the need to attend a medical appointment, Article 10 of the National Agreement ensures that right.

Article 10 contains the National Agreement's general provisions concerning the leave program. Article 10 guarantees continuation of the leave program, outlines the national program for the use of annual leave through vacation planning, provides for sick leave, and states certain additional leave rules concerning minimum leave charges and leave without pay (LWOP).

That's it in a nutshell, those of you new to the process of selecting Choice Leave should look at the calendar showing the dates you can select and see your steward, OJI trainer or ask any other carrier to advise you.

Then plan your time off and enjoy it when it comes.

Joe



Hubble's Troubles

*By Executive Vice President,
Chris Hubble*

Veterans Day.... It's a holiday honoring men and women who have served in the U.S. armed forces for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

Duane France, a Combat Veteran & Clinical Mental Health Counselor said *"Veterans would like to be recognized and appreciated for their service but at times feel uncomfortable when thanked for their service"*.

It's odd, prior to being deployed to Afghanistan in 2004, I didn't mind so much being recognized as a Veteran. After my return though, I felt uncomfortable.

Now I find myself taken off guard when veterans are asked to stand at times. I'm uneasy, but I see the people around me who know that I had served and stand diffidently. Don't get me wrong, I'm humbled and grateful when recognized as a Veteran. The men and woman in the military don't really need applause. They just need their fellow countrymen just to understand who they are and why they served on their behalf. Rather than saying thank you, ask them where they served and what job they had. Veterans have a sense of pride and dignity for serving.

I wouldn't change a thing about enlisting. I've served with some awesome people from all over our Nation and we're still friends. On Veterans Day, I most look forward to spending the day on the Golf Course with my buddy, drinking some cold beverages, and sharing stories about our time in the military.



Scan this code to view the
Veterans of Branch 1477

* If you do not see your name, please contact the hall so that we can update our Veterans list.



Retiree Update

*By Director of Retiree Affairs,
O.D. Elliott*

WHAT DAY SHOULD I RETIRE

A frequently asked question by Carriers considering **optional** retirement is, "when does my annuity begin?". The answer is different for carriers under CSRS (Civil Service Retirement System) from those under FERS (Federal Employee Retirement System).

Those carriers under FERS should retire as near the last day of the month as possible, since their annuity will begin the 1st day of the month following the effective date of their retirement.

CSRS Carriers should retire on the last of a month or on the first 3 days of the month so that their annuity will begin the following day after the effective date of retirement. However, if the Carrier retires on the fourth day of the month or later, his/her annuity will begin the first of the following month.

The above refers to optional retirement. The annuity for disability retirement for both CSRS and FERS Carriers begins the day after separation or the day after the Carrier's pay status terminated and the Carrier has met the disability service requirements.

Are you ready ??????

Retirement Seminar **Hosted by the NBA Office**

**** When: Sunday,
November 21, 2021**

**** Where: Branch 599
Letter Carriers Hall
3003 W. Cypress St.
Tampa, FL 33609**

**** Time: 10:00am -2:00pm**

**Questions ?
Concerns ?
Uncertainty ?**

**Class intended for those
who are eligible and for
those who are close to
retirement !!!!**



NALC

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U.S. Department of Labor

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs
Washington, D.C. 20210



Dear NALC Branch President,

During the course of the coronavirus pandemic, over 16,000 letter carriers have tested positive for COVID-19. At this time, approximately 1,000 of those letter carriers have filed claims with the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, OWCP.

We are sending you this letter to let you know of important changes to the way claims for COVID-19 are being processed by OWCP and why your branch members who have had a positive COVID-19 diagnosis should consider filing a claim.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that President Biden signed on March 11, 2021, makes it much easier for federal and postal employees diagnosed with COVID-19 to have a claim accepted under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA).

If a letter carrier (who comes in contact with coworkers or members of the public) was previously diagnosed with COVID-19, or even if they believe they just had a mild case of COVID-19, they should consider filing a COVID-19 FECA claim now - even if they have fully recovered and/or had an asymptomatic infection.

The long-term effects of COVID-19 are relatively unknown-- getting a claim accepted will protect your members who may suffer medical and financial impacts in the future. In the event they develop a consequential injury, impairment or condition later as a result of their coronavirus infection, timely filing a claim now will facilitate the processing of any future claim for any such consequential condition or impairment.

The attached flyer is available on the NALC website. The NALC and OWCP are ready to assist any NALC members who are ready to file a claim.

Sincerely,

Fredric V. Rolando
President, National Association
Letter Carriers

Antonio A. Rios
Director, Federal Employees, Longshore
and Harbor Workers' Compensation | OWCP

Did you hear it's Easier to File a FECA Claim for COVID-19 now?

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that President Biden signed on March 11, 2021, makes it **much easier** for federal workers diagnosed with COVID-19 to establish coverage under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act. To establish a COVID-19 claim, you simply need to establish that you are a "covered employee," meaning that:

1. **You were diagnosed with COVID-19.** Specifically, you were diagnosed with COVID-19 while employed in the Federal service at any time during the period of January 27, 2020 to January 27, 2023; and,
2. **Your duties include any risk of exposure.** Specifically, within 21 days of your diagnosis of COVID-19, you carried out duties that—
 - a. required contact with patients, members of the public, or co-workers; or
 - b. Included a risk of exposure to the novel coronavirus.



What Does the Change in the Law Mean?

1. **You are only required to establish that your duties Included a risk of exposure to COVID-19.** You do not have to prove you were engaged in high-risk employment; that you were actually exposed to the virus; or that you were exposed to someone who had the virus while performing your duties.
2. **If you establish that you are a "covered employee," any diagnosed COVID-19 will be deemed to have been proximately caused by your Federal employment.** You no longer have to establish a causal link between your employment and your COVID-19 diagnosis.



What to Do:

You can quickly and easily file a **CA-1** Claim for COVID-19 through the Employees' Compensation Operations and Management Portal (ECOMP). You can access ECOMP at ecomp.dol.gov. If you have never used ECOMP, you can [view this instructional video](#) to learn how to register for an ECOMP account, [and this video](#) to learn how to file a COVID-19 claim. If you don't have access to a computer, contact your supervisor.



Why File Now? What if I Think I Am OK?

If you were previously diagnosed with COVID-19 or even if you believe you just have a mild case of COVID-19, you should consider filing a COVID-19 FECA claim **now** even if you have fully recovered and/or had an asymptomatic infection.

- In the event you develop a consequential injury, impairment or illness later as a result of your COVID-19 diagnosis, timely filing your claim **now** will facilitate the processing of any future claim for any such consequential condition or impairment.
- If you wait until you experience a consequential injury or illness to file your COVID-19 claim, your claim may be subject to time limitation and you will have to establish both the initial COVID-19 claim and the consequential condition claim before benefits can begin.



OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR



Director of Insurance

Tom Phillips

2022 Premiums

The charts provide information on biweekly and monthly premiums, including the total premiums, the amount the government pays, and the change in the enrollee's portion of the premium compared to last year. All FEHB plans offer Self Only, Self Plus One, and Self and Family enrollment types.

Notice for USPS employees: In 2022, the employer contribution rate for FEHB plans is the same across all Postal labor unions and management associations, except for USPS non-career employees or where specified otherwise in a collective bargaining agreement. There will no longer be a difference among Non-Postal, Postal Premium Category 1, and Category 2 contributions. As such, FEHB-eligible career USPS employees will fall under the same rate category for 2022 called "Premium Rate." These premiums do not apply to USPS non-career employees, to USPS annuitants, or where specified otherwise in a collective bargaining agreement. If you are a Postal service employee and have questions or require assistance, please contact USPS Human Resources Shared Service Center: 877-477-3273, option 5, Federal Relay Service 800-877-8339.

Disclaimer: In some cases, the enrollee share of premiums for the Self Plus One enrollment type will be higher than for the Self and Family enrollment type. Enrollees who wish to cover one eligible family member are free to elect either the Self and Family or Self Plus One enrollment type. Check premiums on our website at www.opm.gov/fehbpremiums

Federal Employees Health Benefits Open Season

Active career only / 2022 Biweekly Rates				
NALC Union Plan	High Option	Increase amount	NALC CDHP	Increase amount
Self	\$98.28	+\$6.81	\$54.64	\$2.19
Self +1	\$234.35	+\$14.90	\$120.54	\$0
Family	\$202.02	+\$11.14	\$128.18	\$1.27
NOTE: NALC ONLY.....Family is Cheaper than self + 1				
Blue Cross Blue Shield	High Option	Increase amount	Basic Option	Increase amount
Self	\$127.47	+\$7.38	\$80.18	+\$4.72
Self +1	\$289.61	+\$15.99	\$196.13	+\$14.15
Family	\$314.11	+\$21.80	\$212.29	+\$18.83



To learn about the different benefits with the different health plans visit <https://opm.gov/healthcare-insurance>

To learn about Dental and Vision coverage available go to <https://benefeds.com>

For changes to your health insurance employee should call HRSSC 1-877-477-3273

or Go to <https://liteblue.usps.gov> and go through the "Postal Ease" portal

OPEN SEASON FOR CHANGES IN
HEALTH BENEFITS FOR 2022
NOVEMBER 08 – DECEMBER 13, 2021



Federal Employees Health Benefits Open Season



Retirees / 2022 Monthly Rates				
NALC Union Plan	High option	Increase amount	NALC CDHP	Increase amount
Self	\$212.94	+\$7.47	\$118.38	\$0
Self +1	\$507.76	+\$16.70	\$261.17	\$0
Family	\$437.71	+\$7.22	\$277.13	\$2.15
NOTE: NALC ONLY.....Family is Cheaper than self + 1				
Blue Cross Blue Shield	High option	Increase amount	Basic Option	Increase amount
Self	\$276.19	+\$8.71	\$173.73	+\$3.42
Self +1	\$627.49	+\$19.06	\$424.95	+\$15.08
Family	\$680.57	+\$30.31	\$459.96	+\$23.88

To learn about the different benefits with the different health plans visit <https://opm.gov/healthcare-insurance>

To learn about Dental and Vision coverage available go to <https://benefeds.com>

For changes to your health insurance Retirees should call OPM at 1-888-767-6738
Call the automated Express # 1-800-332-9798
Or go to <https://retireefehb.opm.gov/annuitant/home/default>

OPEN SEASON FOR CHANGES IN
HEALTH BENEFITS FOR 2022
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Auxiliary 181 News

By Dottie Tutt-Hutchinson

We were busy at our October 6 meeting filling folders with supplies for the holiday baskets raffle to be held December 9th at the Union meeting. Each shop steward and the Union Hall will have the \$1 tickets. Please bring your basket donations to the November 3rd Auxiliary meeting, at noon, at Joyce Keller's with Sandy Hart hosting. Our holiday party is on December 12th, 4:00 at Joyce's.

If you know of any Carrier's having financial difficulties, please tell Joyce Keller, shop stewards, Joe Henschen, or any Union officers. Auxiliary 181 will try to help.

Congratulations to Kara, Sally Madden's grand for graduating from UF with a Graphic Arts degree; to Megan, Alice Wannike's grand for furthering her education in Scotland; to Joyce's sorority for winning best in state and to Dawn, her daughter for beginning her new career as a flight attendant for Frontier Airlines.

Happy November 14th birthday to Sue Elliott. Have a memorable Thanksgiving to all.

Minutes of October 14, 2021 Membership Meeting



**Recording/Financial
Secretary**
Ken Grasso

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joe Henschen.

Invocation by: O.D. Elliott.

Pledge of Allegiance: led by President Joe Henschen.

Branch by the Numbers: As of PP 20 the Dues Roster has 765 Active Members with 733 paying dues. We have 32 members with no deductions, 5

are on Military Leave. 4 paying direct, 4 other OWCP accepted claims were sent letters, with 19 on LWOP. Retirees 543 (85 Gold Cards). 1300 Total Members.

I would like to welcome Kelly Bins from Absolute Quality Interpreting Services LLC.

Treasurer: Chuck Cavicchio—No Report.

Director of Retiree Affairs: O.D. Elliott Retiree—Cola for next year to be between 5.9% and same for Social Security. For those under FERS yours will be 4.9%.

Director of Insurance: Tom Phillips—Open Season coming up soon for Health Insurance, November 2nd through December 10, NALC Health Plan has a small increase for 2022.

Political District 13 Liaison: Tom Phillips—Don't forget to vote in St. Pete.

Trustee Report: Brian Andrews—Books for July and August are done and meeting to do Septembers books.

Sergeant at Arms: Clay Hansen—No Report.

Editor/Webmaster: Judy Dorris—Need to know about next month's meeting date so I can get it on my calendar.

Vice President Report: Zulma Betancourt—No Report.

Executive Vice President: Chris Hubble—Judy is helping me update my Veterans list on the Web Page. Asking Stewards in offices to go around to ask who are Veterans and what branch of the Service they served.

Welfare Reports:

Sad:

- Ron Massey, Retiree Largo—Passed Away.
- Destre Smith, Open Air—Mother is ill.
- Ed Kruz, Gulfwinds—Underwent surgery.
- Heather Vincent-Gates, Crossroads—Mother passed away.

Glad:

- Jackie Davenport, Crossroads—Granddaughter Nyambrey Joseph enlisted in the U.S. Army.
- Heather Vincent-Gates, Crossroads—New granddaughter born 10/7/21.

Presidents Report:

November Contractual Increases occur on 11/20/21 which will be a 1.3% increase for all Regular City Carriers and an additional 1% for all CCAs.

Several Covid Memorandums have been extended until 12/30/21. Memorandum for temporary leave for CCA Carriers is back in effect for an additional 60 days for those Carriers.

Another extended one is for all Carriers for Sick Leave for Dependent Care and is also for additional 60 days.

A Regional Rap session was presented via WebEx and was held on Sunday, October 1st. National Executive Vice President Brian Renfroe addressed those in attendance. We held it here at the hall. We listened to several National Officers speak.

Retention: A joint pilot program between NALC and USPS was started to improve the experience of newly hired Letter Carriers and to encourage them to stick with the job. Various topics have been identified.

A video about failures in the Grievance Procedure was shown and the PMG says that contract compliance is an organizational priority.

President Henschen called on Finance Committee Chairperson Brian Andrews to give information about the National Convention in Chicago in 2022. They are recommending sending 20 paid delegates who qualify. Total cost to Branch would be \$44,560. Motion by O.D. Elliott, seconded by Clay Hansen. Discussion followed.

Judy Dorris asked question how they came up with that number of delegates (20) when we have \$78,000 in the Convention Fund. Without hearing a report, I don't know they came to that conclusion.

President Henschen then stated the Executive Board discussed this last meeting and had a break down of costs. Consensus was we did not want to spend all the money with Boston coming up next time. EVP Chris Hubble asked about the cost of having an election. Treasurer Chuck Cavicchio answered with the cost about \$2,000 near the cost of a delegate. Question was called and the motion to send 20 paid delegates passed.

Choice Leave picks begin next month so be prepared for this. Before November 10th a list by seniority shall be posted.

Sandra Pagan MDA Coordinator had some raffles during the State Convention of assorted baskets of different wines and craft beers. Over \$1,000 was raised for MDA.

Committee of Presidents being held in St. Petersburg for the first time and Presidents from all over the United States will be attending here at the St. Pete Hilton Downtown. The Hilton is filled for this. Our responsibility is for registration and to monitor the attendees. We are having 6 National Officers here. Next Thursday at the Steward's Meeting we will be stuffing bags for the registration. We need your help if you can assist us.

MDA Raffle will take place also, so anyone wanting to donate some wine or have some business's willing to donate get with Sandra Pagan. She would like any donations early in order to sort and put in baskets.

President Henschen has 2 Arbitrations in November so will be having Executive Vice President Hubble come up and work at the hall.

Old Business: A/C is in and working and trees have been trimmed. Waiting on another bid for roof for hall, getting materials could slow it.

Next month General Membership is on Veterans Day, do we need to have another day picked for that? Chris Hubble made motion to move to the 18th seconded by Jim Bumbul. Motion passes.

If nominated to be a delegate, you are to attest and sign a form you have not been in a Supervisory position the prior 2 years.

Ladies Auxiliary 181 having another raffle of baskets and have packets for the Stewards to sell tickets.

Steward Meeting Attendees

October 21st:

Tom Phillips, Cheryl Anderson, Ben Hamilton, A.J. Pollard, Eric Short, Anne Winkelbauer, Chris Kotonski, Patrick Jacques, Tonya Lee, Tiffany Naughton, Harry Nieves, Sheldon Jones, Jim Grazioso, Donny DeMilta.

The following stuffed "Welcome Bags" for the upcoming COP Meeting: Sandra Pagan, Anthony Roger, Scott Holderbaum, Brian Andrews, Shiela Bradley, O.D. Elliott, Chuck Cavicchio, Chris Hubble, Joe Henschen.

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Englewood	Josh LaGrew	(763) 232-8954
Alt	Kris Beal	(813) 500-0841
Indian Rocks Bch	Denise Clark	(407) 474-9038
Largo 70/71	Jennifer Cohill	(727) 742-6161
Largo 73/78	Eric Short	(727) 251-9846
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Pinellas Park 81/82	Alicia Gary	(973) 981-2174
Punta Gorda	Chris Kotonski	(330) 212-1777
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Seminole 76/77	Donny DeMilta	(727) 430-4413

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November, 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Executive Board	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12	13
14	15	16	17	** 18 General/Stewards Membership (at the Hall)	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28	29	30				