Openings available at Nalcrest

Looking for a retirement home in sunny Florida? NALC can help.

As reported in last month’s Postal Record, Nalcrest, which is NALC’s retirement village in Florida, has openings available for carriers ready to make a permanent or seasonal move.

Located in sunny Central Florida, Nalcrest is conveniently midway between the Gulf Coast and the Atlantic Coast, about an hour’s drive from Tampa and Orlando. Residents have access to the best of Florida, but away from the crowds.

“I talk to a lot of carriers who are getting ready to retire to a place in the sun,” President Fredric Rolando said. “Not many are aware of what’s available in Nalcrest. It’s like NALC’s own hidden paradise.”

Spanning 153 acres, Nalcrest sits next to 15-square-mile Lake Weohyakapka (“Lake Walk-In-The-Water”) and is a haven for boating and fishing enthusiasts. And there’s always something to do at Nalcrest, with an Olympic-size swimming pool as well as other recreation and exercise facilities, a small town center and a driving range.

The low rents make this carrier-only community the perfect location for either year-long residency or a getaway from the relentlessly cold winters in the North. One-bedroom apartments lease for only $395 a month and efficiencies for $365 a month, water and basic cable included.

A new brochure is available in the February issue of The Postal Record and at nalc.org/nalcrest. Branches are encouraged to help make their members aware of this unique benefit.

For more on the retirement community, go online to NALC’s website, nalc.org, or call 863-696-1121.

Television viewers in three cities are getting a first public look at a new TV commercial by the AFL-CIO that promotes work and its power to connect Americans.

The “Work Connects us All” spots have aired in Austin, TX; Portland, OR, and Pittsburgh since January. They feature union members from nearly every economic sector, including NALC’s own Carlos Cunningham of Chicago Branch 11. They are part of a broad campaign by the AFL-CIO to “fly above the tactics and controversies of the day” and encourage working people, whether they are represented by a union or not, to think more about how work matters to their lives and to the nation, according to AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Liz Shuler.

The campaign leverages an expanding awareness of wealth inequality brought to the forefront by activists who point to the divide between “the 99 percent” and the economically privileged.

AFL-CIO launches campaign to re-energize labor

“A work doesn’t separate; it’s what binds us together,” a narrator says in the ad, which also is running in Spanish. “I teach your kid, you fix my car, he builds my city, she keeps it safe. Work connects us all.”

The TV spot is complemented by social media messages, online ads and an interactive website, workconnectsusall.org, that invites users to add their names and jobs to a network of workers.

The AFL-CIO’s campaign is part of an effort to encourage the public—especially younger people—to look at labor in a new way, rejecting stereotypes and negative images generated by anti-worker forces and realizing that all working people have a stake in protecting workers’ rights and achieving better wages and working conditions.