Note about the opening of bargaining

Formal negotiations for a new National Agreement are set to open on Feb. 19. Look for information about bargaining on nalc.org and in the April issue of *The Postal Record*.

Rolando appoints RAAs, HQ staff

ALC President Fredric Rolando has appointed Downers Grove, IL Branch 1870 President Bill Jackson as regional administrative assistant for NALC Region 3, which serves letter carriers in Illinois. Jackson replaces Ken Miller, who has retired. Jackson served as Branch 1870 president for 12 years and, at the time of his appointment, was chairman of the



Illinois State Association's executive board. Previously, he has served as Branch 1870's vice president, treasurer, Formal A representative and steward. Jackson also has served

the members of Region 3 as an arbitration advocate, as Dispute Resolution Team member, as leader of the District Evaluation and Adjustment Team (DEAT) for route adjustments, as a Carrier Academy instructor, as a New Delivery coordinator and on the district advisory committee for the Employee Assistance Program. He is a graduate of Leadership Academy Class 5.

President Rolando also has appointed Anita Lewallen as an RAA for Region 4, which serves letter carriers in Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and Wyoming. Lewallen replaces Ray Tillman, who has retired. Prior to this appointment, Lewallen served as



president of Conway, AR Branch 1592 since 2001 and as president of the Arkansas State Association since 2013. Additionally, she has served the region as an arbitra-

tion advocate, a route adjustment district lead, a primary Dispute Resolution Team member and a national Dispute Resolution Process facilitator. Lewallen is a graduate of Leadership Academy Class 6.

Both of these appointments were effective Jan. 4.

In addition, President Rolando has appointed former Region 9 RAA Paul Barner to serve as executive assistant to the president at NALC Headquarters in Washington, DC. Barner, a member of Roswell, GA Branch 4862, has held various positions in the branch as well

as on the Georgia State Association's executive board. He served as an arbitration advocate, local business agent and Dispute Resolution Team member. PR



Hotels for 2016 Los Angeles convention

ALC has made special arrangements with 10 hotels to accommodate letter carrier delegates attending the 2016 convention in Los Angeles, Aug. 15-19. All NALC-block hotels are within 1.4 miles of the convention center.

Two hotels from this list (The L.A. Hotel Downtown and The Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites) were mistakenly listed as non-union hotels in the December 2015 issue of The Postal Record.

Room rates are shown at right. The room rates have been set so branches can begin budgeting for the conven-



Los Angeles Convention Center



IW Marriott Los Angeles at L.A. Live * (Headquarters) - adjacent \$242 single; \$262 double



Residence Inn at L.A. Live * - 1 block \$226 single; \$246 double



Courtyard by Marriott at L.A. Live * - 1 block \$216 single; \$236 double



Luxe City Center Hotel * - 1 block \$234 single/double



O Hotel - 3 blocks \$189 single/double



Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel * - 4 blocks; \$162 single/double



The Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites * - 6 blocks; \$209 single/double



The L.A. Hotel Downtown (Hyatt Affiliate) * - 6 blocks; \$199 single; \$209 double



Hilton Checkers Los Angeles - 7 blocks \$189 single/double



Omni Los Angeles Hotel - 10 blocks \$219 single/\$229 double



