

Political Fund issue

The February issue of *The Postal Record* will be a special edition recognizing the contributions of NALC members who donated to the Letter Carrier Political Fund in 2015. There will be no Branch Items, State Summaries or Retiree Reports in that issue.

Update on cyber attacks

The recent cyber attacks against Office of Personnel Management and U.S. Postal Service data systems remain under investigation.

NALC President Rolando has received a letter from OPM's acting director advising that postal employees and retirees were affected by the OPM incident. According to OPM, it is highly likely that NALC members were affected if they underwent a background investigation through OPM in 2000 or afterward (which occurs through the submission of forms SF 86, SF 85, or SF 85P). Individuals who submitted this information prior to 2000 may be affected, but it is less likely.

OPM has started notifying impacted individuals beginning in late September and such notifications will continue on a rolling basis.

NALC members are encouraged to review available resources on OPM's cyber website at <https://www.opm.gov/cybersecurity/>. Individuals may sign up for cyber security updates directly on this website.

Meanwhile, NALC and the other major postal unions are continuing to negotiate over issues arising from the earlier cyber attack on the Postal Service. Such negotiations are required by the settlement of the unfair labor practice charge against the Postal Service filed by NALC. **PR**

Executive Council meets at Headquarters



Members of the NALC Executive Council traveled to NALC Headquarters in Washington, DC, in December to discuss important issues letter carriers face. Some of the items the council addressed included upcoming contract negotiations, the CCA conference, other NALC training sessions, the 2016 national convention and several contractual issues. The council also discussed key legislative items and the presidential election.

President Emeritus Rademacher dies

James H. Rademacher, national president of the NALC from 1968 to 1977, died on Dec. 15 of natural causes in Roanoke, VA. He was 94 years old.

“Jim spent his working life in the service of letter carriers, even through his retirement years,” NALC President Fredric Rolando said. “We will long remember his efforts and we offer our condolences to his family and friends.”

Rademacher, a member of Detroit Branch 1, was president during the Great Postal Strike of 1970 and through the transformation of the cabinet-level Post



Office Department into the modern United States Postal Service following the passage of the Postal Reorganization Act of 1970. He oversaw the first collective-bargaining agreement with USPS and the successful defeat in 1976 of the so-called “Kokomo Plan” of work and time standards that postal management had attempted to unilaterally impose.

The son of a letter carrier, Rademacher joined the Post Office in 1941, when he became a temporary substitute

carrier in Detroit. He became a station representative in 1946 after two years in the U.S. Navy. He was elected secretary of Branch 1 in 1948 and president in 1950, where he served until he became national assistant secretary-treasurer in 1960. In 1962 he was elected vice president and became editor of *The Postal Record*; he served as vice president until he was elected president by acclamation at the 1968 convention in Boston.

Rademacher is survived by his second wife, Ellen; his daughter, Linda; his son, Charles; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. News of his death reached *The Postal Record* as this issue was going to press. More information about Rademacher and his legacy will be posted on nalc.org and published in the February issue of *The Postal Record*. **PR**

FEMA looking to hire retired carriers

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is inviting retired NALC members to join its disaster response team as FEMA reservists.

FEMA coordinates the nation’s response and recovery efforts to support survivors of natural and man-made disasters, and FEMA reservists lead this charge.

Reservists are temporary employees who use their professional skills to assist survivors and first responders in their greatest time of need. This unique team of professionals is vital

to the agency’s disaster operations. FEMA approached NALC to help recruit retired letter carriers as reservists because the agency understands that they have the skills and experience needed for the job.

As a FEMA reservist, you would serve your country by using your experience in customer service and relationship-building to assist citizens and their communities recovering from disasters. You can use your experience working in the community and enjoy opportunities to travel and receive ongoing training while providing support

for Americans in need.

To see current reservist vacancies, visit these links:

- usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/418769200 (applicant services program specialist) or
- usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/418826700 (disaster survivor assistance specialist)

For more information on the FEMA Reservist program and how you can help, call FEMA at 866-896-8003 or e-mail FEMA-HC-ServiceDesk@fema.dhs.gov. **PR**

Rolando names standing committees

The following standing committees were appointed to serve through the end of 2016 Los Angeles Convention:

Public Relations Committee

Dan Garhofer, Br. 28
Larrissa Parde, Br. 8
Paul Glavin Jr., Br. 4

Band Fund Committee

Ernest Phillips, Br. 40
Rich Acord, Br. 2420
John Robles, Br. 5996

Convention Site Committee

Howard Komine, Br. 860
James Korolowicz, Br. 4374
Glenn Norton, Br. 2502

Nalcrest Trustees

Matthew Rose, Br. 1071
Don Southern, Br. 1779
Tom Young, Br. 1100

Uniform Committee

Stafford Price Jr., Br. 11
Gina Mendoza-Telck, Br. 226
Greg Klopfer, Br. 562

Scholarship Committee

Jacqueline White, Br. 24
Sandra Laemmel, Br. 1
Larry Kania, Br. 3

Retirement Committee

Ron Brown, Br. 3126
Douglas Gulley, Br. 78
John Walsh, Br. 29

Special Review Committee

Larry Brown Jr., Br. 24
Paul Gillie, Br. 256
Mack Julion, Br. 11
Jim Langlois, Br. 55
Phillip Rodriguez, Br. 111