Four carriers appointed to NALC positions

Marc T. Ashmon was appointed a legislative and political organizer (LPO). A second-generation postal worker, Ashmon began working as a letter carrier in Linden, NJ, as a part-time flexible (PTF) in 1995 and joined Linden Branch 2876. He was elected branch trustee in 1999, branch vice president in 2003 and branch president in 2011, a position he held until his appointment as LPO. Ashmon graduated from the Leadership Academy in 2013. He also has served NALC in other ways, including on the route evaluation and adjustment team and as New Jersey state food drive coordinator.

President Rolando appointed Eileen Ford of Roswell, GA Branch 4862 as an LPO. Ford began working as a PTF in Roswell in 1996. After serving as a trustee, branch secretary, treasurer, steward and vice president for her branch, she took office as branch president in 2015. She has also served the union as a letter carrier congressional liaison (LCCL), city carrier assistant (CCA) organizer, local business agent, route adjustment district lead, Georgia state food drive coordinator and state executive board member. Ford graduated from the Leadership Academy in 2014.

Greater East Bay, CA Branch 1111 member Colleen Karnthong was appointed as a regional grievance assistant (RGA). Karnthong began her postal career in Walnut Creek, CA, as a PTF in 2006. She became a shop steward in 2008 and was activated as a Formal A designee and chief steward in 2009. After completing advanced OWCP training in 2011, she represented Branch 1111 members in compensation and related issues. Karnthong served on the dispute resolution team from 2013 to 2015. Since 2015, she has served as a full-time officer in the capacity of third, then second vice president, and has served the union as an LCCL and as an arbitration advocate for Region 1.

President Rolando also appointed Arturo “A.G” Ramirez of Houston, TX Branch 283 as an RGA. Ramirez began carrying mail in Houston in 1998. His many activities on behalf of NALC include serving as a Step B representative and local business agent for Region 10. Ramirez also has served the union as an organizer, route inspection team leader, food drive coordinator, steward trainer and member of the Texas State Association executive board. He graduated from the Leadership Academy in 2013.

Updated Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive results

Below is a list of updated branch results from the 2019 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive, which brought the grand total to 75,676,069 pounds:

- Alberta, AL Branch 6118: 2,750 lbs.
- Derby, CT Branch 109: 30,000 lbs.
- Wilmington, DE Branch 191: 71,088 lbs.
- Lewiston, ID Branch 1192: 26,354 lbs.
- Helena, MT Branch 220: 202,488 lbs.
- Bellevue, NE Branch 4128: 7,248 lbs.
- Long Island Merged, NY Branch 6000: 520,014 lbs.
- Alliance, OH Branch 297: 6,992 lbs.
- Lancaster, SC Branch 2533: 19,000 lbs.
- Aberdeen, SD Branch 502: 25,450 lbs.
- Lewis Co., WA Branch 490: 21,065 lbs.
- Puyallup/Sumner Merged, WA Branch 1484: 25,606 lbs.
- Racine, WI Branch 436: 65,915 lbs.
- Missoula, MT Branch 701: 152,500 lbs.
- Aiea-Pearl City, HI Branch 4682: 145,966 lbs.
- St. Augustine, FL Branch 689: 122,342 lbs.
- Central Oregon Branch 1937: 102,160 lbs.
- Rutland, VT Branch 495: 83,000 lbs.

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- Ocala, FL Branch 1103: 202,902 lbs.
- Helena, MT Branch 220: 202,488 lbs.
- Butte, MT Branch 621: 161,395 lbs.
- Missoula, MT Branch 701: 152,500 lbs.
- Aiea-Pearl City, HI Branch 4682: 145,966 lbs.
- St. Augustine, FL Branch 689: 122,342 lbs.
- Central Oregon Branch 1937: 102,160 lbs.
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