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## Saturday, May 8

### YOU CAN HELP!

**It's Easy:**

- Put some non-perishable food items in a bag and place it by your mailbox.
- Your letter carrier will pick it up and deliver to a local food bank or pantry!



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## PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I recently attended the Committee of Presidents meeting in Phoenix. Prior to arriving, I predicted the issues that were to be discussed; route adjustments (MIARAP), FSS, DOIS and NRP. I was right. But the main topic of discussion was the Five-Day work week. President Rolando spent as much time as needed to discuss the biggest issue to face letter carriers in your career as a Postal Employee. I am not going to discuss this important issue in this article. You will receive a separate mailing from me in the very near future regarding the five day workweek.

I recently received a call from a member concerning COLCPE. He stated he never understood what COLCPE was for and how he now realizes how important and effective it is. During the conversation he inquired on how to sign up. I explained the process and he committed to do his part. For those of you that are not concerned with the importance of COLCPE, now is the time to get onboard. For a few dollars each pay you can do your part and contribute. Whether you are an active member or retiree, you both could lose what our past co-workers have fought for. Affordable health care and a good wage and retiree benefits are no longer a given in today's workforce. Ask the employees of General Motors, or the West side company my uncle worked 35 years for and two weeks before he retired the company shut the doors and he walked away with nothing. We have to fight to keep what we have. COLCPE helps us fight that battle. I ask each and every one of you to donate 5 dollars per pay towards this cause. It will go to

help elect those who are letter carrier friendly and support letter carrier causes. Many in our ranks have taken issue with the Union's politics. This Union backs and supports those who support us. Personally, I am very concerned about my rights concerning gun control, the taxes I pay and job loss in this country. I drive American cars and I try and buy American products. It is not easy to do so anymore. It is just my little contribution towards the economy.

But I am also concerned about my employer and how lawmakers can change the status quo in the passing of a bill. That is why I donate to COLCPE. If not for the NALC, I assure you we would be working for less and doing more. Is COLCPE the answer to all our woes, absolutely not, but it is a starting point. I will not endorse a candidate that will not fight to preserve the rights of Letter Carriers. I voted for my representative in the 12<sup>th</sup> district who happens to be a republican. He has always taken the time to listen to my views and has co-signed bills in the past that preserves our rights as Letter Carriers. If he did not, he would not get my vote. The common denominator that all of us currently have is job security; which can change in a very swift pen stroke. We all need to get on board and fight the same battle.

On May 8, 2010, Letter Carriers will participate in the Letter Carrier Food Drive. We will have a kickoff at the main office on Friday the 7th. Angela Pace from channel 10 will be there to MC the event. Angela has always been a good friend of the Letter Carrier and is glad to help us out. With unemployment at an all



Rocco  
Evangelista

time high, the coffers of the food bank will run low this summer. Many of our neighbors are out of work and unfortunately have to turn to the food bank for help. We will do our part as Americans always do. I want to thank all of you in advance for your hard work for this good cause

Letter carriers have always stepped up to help their community whether it is MDA, One New Toy or the Food Drive. I thank you for all your efforts.

***Remember-keep  
fighting the good fight!***

# MILLER'S MUSINGS



**Yana Miller-Farney**

Spring is here and what a beautiful thing it is. I was slightly panicked when we went from

fifty to eighty in a day's time that lasted a week. I was crying about not needing summer so soon and the temps dropped back to a more normal range and we are experiencing a true spring, it has been gorgeous. You must take the bad with the good because the pollen counts have been off the chart but what a great time to be a carrier.

It never ceases to amaze me at the antics of management or their superiors. New ideas formulated in offices that affect the people doing a job without input from them seldom have good consequences. Has stated before one size does not fit all, not in pantyhose or routes; some have needs that others don't whether it be lighting, equipment, vehicles, etc. Nuff said on that!

I have been annoyed by the fact that we are disappearing from the

landscape slowly but surely they are removing us from the public eye. First it was green relay boxes, which one made sense because we all got vehicles to take all our mail to the street, well almost all. Then came the elimination of collection boxes, there isn't a week that passes that someone comes up and asks me to take their mail because they can't find a collection box. I happily respond anytime you need us we are pleased to take it. That is one less person using online bill pay, first class postage, Yeah! Taking trips we always point out mailman, mail truck, Post Office, or USPS semi. It has become so obvious that there are a minimal number of semis compared to our competitors that saddens and frightens me. I am not ready to give that baby away.

This is a wake up call for all of us to start getting vocal about keeping our jobs and benefits. Every opportunity to drum up support for maintaining universal service should be seized. Tell your patrons, family, and friends; take every opportunity to urge people to contact their representatives in D.C. to vote to maintain six day delivery

and universal delivery mandates. This is serious people!

I maintain that the way to cut costs is to start with areas that do not touch the mail. Do not cut hours of retail stores. I see the competitors' trucks out later and later; they are gearing up to replace us. Are you going to let that happen?

*Submitted by*

*Yana F. Miller-Farney*



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# BR 78 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

TO BENEFIT  
MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

**JUNE 6, 2010**

ST. ALBANS GOLF COURSE

**SHOTGUN START - 7:30 AM**  
**GET YOUR FOURSOME SIGNED UP EARLY**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ACT. \_\_\_\_ RET. \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

- **\$70.00 per person for ACTIVE CARRIERS**

**FEE INCLUDES**  
**STEAK**  
**DINNER**



- **\$60.00 per person for RETIRED LETTER CARRIERS**

Send Payments to: **JASON FRY**  
**NALC**  
1029 Harrisburg Pike  
Columbus, Ohio  
43223-2524





# **ATTENTION RETIREES**



## **Pat Moran's Memorial Lunch – Retired Letter Carriers – Columbus, OH**

The Retirees Luncheon will be at the Florentine Restaurant. Please make plans to attend. It is a great way to visit with old friends and make new friends. See everyone there....

**When:** Tuesday, June 1, 2010

**Where:** Florentine Restaurant  
902 W. Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

**Time:** Noon

### **Attention All Members You're Invited**

## *Annual Retiree Dinner*

**When:** SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2010  
**Where:** VILLA MILANO BANQUET &  
CONFERENCE CENTER  
1630 SHROCK ROAD  
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43229

COME HONOR OUR NEWEST GOLD  
CARD RECIPIENTS  
HAVE A GREAT MEAL

Time: Cocktails 6:00-7:00 PM  
Dinner: 7:00 PM





## HELLO FROM YOUR HEALTH BENEFITS REP.

My name is Mark Beach and I'm the new NALC health Benefits coordinator for Branch 78. I would like to personally thank former branch president and health benefits coordinator Chuck Sharp for his many years of dedicated service to Branch 78. A little about me, I've been a letter carrier for ten years. I started my career at Central Point station, moved to the Hilltop station in 2006, and Lincoln Village station in 2009. During this time I served as a union steward at all three offices

and still currently hold this position at Lincoln Village. I have served as a MIARAP Lead team member, state delegate, and have taken classes on Cor, and route protection. I have a wonderful wife (Joann) of 11 years, a stepson (Cole 14), and my younger son (Trenton 8). I'm a 1995 graduate of Otterbein college with a degree in secondary education. We enjoy participating in outdoor activities (Hunting, fishing, and camping) and the boys are involved in sports (soccer,

basketball, and wrestling). I look forward to serving as your health benefits Representative and signing up as many of you as possible for our plan come November. I will soon be starting trips to some stations to discuss our health benefits plan with you the membership.

*Respectfully Yours,*

**Mark S. Beach**

## STATE CAMPAIGN TRAINING

The Ohio State Association of the National Association of Letter Carriers held a Campaign training conference at the Branch 78 Union Hall in Columbus Sunday April 18, 2010. Ohio State Association President John Dyce and Director of Education John Oross oversaw the training. The training was attended by over seventy brothers and sisters from all over the state. Branch 78 was well represented with 9 members and several officers in attendance. Branch President Rocco Evangelista, Director of Retirees Doug Gulley, Trustee Jacki Mitchell, State Legislative Liaison Brenda Barton, dedicated members Steve Bryant, Peter Trzcinski, Brenda Stidams, Ramon Lawson, and Ray Pugh were all in attendance. Congresswoman Mary Jo Kilroy from the 15<sup>th</sup> District spoke to the activists and expressed her support for HR 173 to continue six day delivery of mail. Region 11 National Business Agent Dan Toth gave an update on the current NALC response to the USPS five

day delivery plan. Dan stressed the need for carriers to participate in programs like COLCPE and carrier corp. Dan stressed the importance of securing our jobs and protecting our future by contributing to COLCPE. The carrier corp. is a program for carriers to volunteer 10 hours toward electing a labor friendly Congress this November. Ohio AFL-CIO President Joe Rugola also spoke at the training. NALC Central Regional Field Coordinator Casey Yoder gave

presentations on NALC's Labor walks, phone banks, and recruiting activists. Congress is the only agency that can change the frequency of delivery from six days to five. We need to ensure that we elect representatives that support a strong Postal Service and six day delivery.

**Todd Hornyak**







# BRANCH 78 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*Applicant, fill out required information below.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check One:

- Son \_\_\_\_\_
- Daughter \_\_\_\_\_
- Stepson\* \_\_\_\_\_
- Stepdaughter\* \_\_\_\_\_
- Grandson\* \_\_\_\_\_
- Granddaughter\* \_\_\_\_\_

of an: active \_\_\_\_\_ retired \_\_\_\_\_ deceased \_\_\_\_\_

Name of member: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch 78 Officer : \_\_\_\_\_

Station Steward: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Eligibility***

Applicant must be the son, daughter or legally adopted child of a NALC letter carrier member in good standing — active, retired or deceased.

Applicant's parent must be a NALC member in good standing for at least 12 consecutive months prior to making application. NALC member must also be in good standing at time of award.

Applicant may not be a relative of any member of the scholarship judges.

Applicant must be a graduating high school senior for the 2009-2010 school year when making application. The form must be submitted and signed by the NALC member, and a Officer of Branch 78 or Station Steward. This form must be returned to Branch 78 by August 1, 2010.

# BRANCH 78 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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## ***Requirements***

All applicants must take the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT) in either their junior or senior year, and a copy of the original printout of the scores from the administering organization must be received at Branch 78 headquarters with application by midnight, August 1, 2010

All biographical questionnaires and secondary school reports must be received at Branch 78 by midnight, August 1, 2010.

Please submit the following:

1. Application
2. Official copy of ACT/SAT scores
3. Official High School Transcript for all 4 (four) High School Years.
4. Date of Graduation.
5. A Introductory letter (1 page minimum) talking about:
  - Background (personal and academic), future plans
  - Extracurricular activities involved in (if any)
  - Community/Volunteer work (if any)
  - Awards/Recognition (if any)
  - Work Experience (if any)
  - Leadership Positions (if any)

## ***Regulations***

Scholarship is to be used toward pursuing undergraduate degree at an accredited college of recipient's choice.

Winners may accept other college scholarship assistance in addition to the Branch 78 award.

If winner suffers certified serious illness, scholarship will be held in abeyance for not more than one year (12 months).

If unusual conditions are going to require an interruption in schooling, recipient must state reason(s) in writing to the Scholarship Committee and request that the scholarship be held in abeyance. Request(s) will be reviewed by the Committee and a decision rendered.

If the NALC member is suspended by Branch 78 or enters supervision, scholarship will be canceled.  
Terms of awards

The official scholarship judges will award two scholarships (one male winner, one female winner).  
Decisions of the judges will be final.

Branch 78 Scholarship awards will be a one time \$500 scholarship. Award money will be deposited with the college. It will be credited to the winner's account to be drawn upon under the rules and regulations which the college has established for handling scholarship funds. Award money is to be used for required books, college fees, including room and board and transportation fees.

\*Stepchildren and grandchildren are eligible if they live with the letter carrier in a regular parent-child relationship.

Other important information

Address scholarship packet to: Branch 78 Scholarship  
1029 Harrisburg Pike  
Columbus Ohio, 43223

Any application that is incomplete will be invalid and not considered for award.



# Buckeye Branch 78

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