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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

KIMETRA LEWIS



The 74th biennial convention was held August 3-7, 2026, in Los Angeles, California. Forty-eight members plus several auxiliary members served as delegates to the convention. For the first time in NALC history, the convention was livestreamed for all members to view. On the opening day, National President Brian Renfroe announced he will not seek re-election. Following the announcement, the business of the union began.

The congregation of delegates discussed and voted on constitutional amendments, appeals, and proposed legislative resolutions that had been presented to the Executive Council for their consideration. I will briefly share some of the highlights.

- Tuesday – President Renfroe led a remembrance for the 2,400 members who lost their lives on duty. Among the 2,400 members was our own, Jacob Taylor.
- Wednesday – Guest speakers for the day were Jens Saverstam, International Secretary of SEKO (Union of Service and Communication Employees), who represents postal workers in Sweden, Don Maston, President of the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association (NRLCA); and Everett Kelley, President of the American Federation of Government Employees

(AFGE). Nominations for officers was also conducted on Wednesday. Three (3) members of Branch 132 names were placed into nominations, Kimetra Lewis (Vice-President), Shawn Boyd (Director of Safety & Health) and Trevor Haas (AFL-CIO Delegate).

- Thursday – The delegates debated and vote on appeals and legislative resolutions. Remarks were delivered by Sen. Gary Peters (D-MI), ranking member of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY), minority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives who each relayed a profound message to the delegation.
- Friday – President Renfroe announced the names of the candidates who were elected to serve NALC as the AFL-CIO delegates. Congratulations go out to our own Trevor Haas for being among the seven candidates elected.

The overall experience at this convention was different from the ones in the past. The convention considered a larger than usual number of constitutional amendments and resolutions. Debate was more contentious and prolonged than in past years; repeated challenges over vote calls led to a change in the order of business. As a result, several training classes were canceled – a first in my history of convention experience. Branch recognition (Food Drive, MDA, Letter Carrier Political Fund) and standing committee reports were not presented during the convention; those items will be published in the Postal Record. Full convention coverage and official reports will appear in the Postal Record and on the NALC website.

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Stewards meet 7:00 PM the first Thursday of each month in the Branch Office.

Executive Board meets 7:00 PM last Monday of each month.

AFL-CIO Council meets third Thursday of each month.

Branch meeting 7:30 PM first Tuesday of each month unless deferred by membership vote.

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NALC OFFICERS ELECTION NOTICE

On or about **September 28, 2026**, ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters. Official election instructions will be included with all ballots. To be eligible to vote, a person must be in a member of NALC in good standing as of June 1, 2026. Any member who does not receive a ballot by **October 7, 2026**, should contact the NALC Membership Department to request a replacement ballot. The Membership Department can be reached by telephone at 202-393-4695. The deadline to contact the Membership Department is 4 p.m. Eastern time on **October 9, 2026**. To be counted, ballots must be received by noon on **October 19, 2026**. The counting of ballots will begin that day or the next.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ron Stover

OFFICE TIME

Carriers have recently reported that management is requiring them to leave the office before their minimum office time standard. Offices with a morning break have a minimum office time of 43 minutes, while offices with two street breaks have a minimum of 33 minutes. Each foot of mail adds roughly 15 minutes to the minimum standard. For example, if you have two feet of mail and take an office break, your leave time should be approximately 1 hour and 13 minutes after you begin your tour. This includes time to case spurs and 5 minutes for personal needs. Complete all office duties each day, including checking your vehicle. If management gives you a leave time that is below your standard office time, file a grievance.

SICK & WELFARE REPORT

Beverly Hills – Lenora Salinas' father passed away.

Duncanville – Crystal Sanders is sick.

Lewisville – Claude Spillman's father passed away.

Pleasant Grove – Edward Shepherd's grandmother passed away.

Oak Lawn – Madilyn Mitchell's father passed away.

Retirees – Michael Childs is sick.



JANINE SINGLETON
FINANCIAL SECRETARY

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

JUNE 2026

National Dues	\$81,681.94
Retiree Dues	0.00
Active Dues	260.68
Lost Time Reimbursement	769.28
OWCP Dues	200.00
TSALC Rebate	535.20
Miscellaneous	617.46
Deposit Dividends	
TOTAL \$	\$84,064.56

JULY 2026

National Dues	\$82,027.22
Cash Deposit	1,621.00
Active Dues	223.44
Lost Time Reimbursement	0.00
OWCP Dues	427.10
IRS Refund	314.45
Insurance Refund	315.00
Deposit Dividends	
TOTAL \$	\$84,928.21



CLUBBER TARGTON
TREASURER

TREASURER REPORT

JULY 2026

General Fund	\$351,012.30
Business Savings	25.67
High Yield Savings	319,092.90
Stewards Fund	132,218.81
Convention Fund	100,000.00
CPA/Legal Fund	4,415.00
Building Fund	6,120.17
Education Fund	31,979.75
MDA Fund	413.77
CD 18 Month	723,150.83
TOTAL \$	\$1,393,281.70

AUGUST 2026

General Fund	\$355,621.71
Business Savings	25.67
High Yield Savings	319,828.15
Stewards Fund	132,218.81
Convention Fund	0
CPA/Legal Fund	3,415.00
Building Fund	6,281.32
Education Fund	31,529.75
MDA Fund	413.77
CD 18 Month	725,445.25
TOTAL \$	\$1,401,334.55

BRANCH 132 WELCOMES OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Ashley Woods
Nieshia Edwards
Keomban Coleman
Querneicia Payton
David Mayhorn
Andrea Bedsole
DeMarkus Rector
Elizabeth Thedford
Jerrlmesha Williams
Mark Crawford
Alyssa West
Steven Struggs
Anthony Nesmith
Ebony Porter
Jorge Mendoza
Cherish Smith
Jada Jones
Chancehill Hill
Anton Sanford
Francheska Henderson
Charles Greenwood
Anthony Murphy
Drew Van Deventer
Compos Mejia
Damian Grays

Alegro Hart
Kintor Barber
Enocia Gardner
David McAllister
Prisilla Zuniga
Dawn Smith
Mizell McDonald
Ruth Velasquez
Jonmichael White
Aneshakerria Jefferson
Jobin Thomas
Ronordrick Hendrix
Alexander Henneberry
Michael Gibson
Shaniqua Williams
Billy King-Taylor
Chan Ha
James Simpson
Caleb Clay
Terry Taylor
Sam Daro
Edward Johnson
Michael Lehman
Marion Givens
Andrew Francis

Ayana Green
Max Gonzalez
David Abundis
Shakeema Hazel
Erica DuBose
Jivas Ashton
Dax Winston
Anthony Patterson
Daniel Lopez
Jose Reyes
Jasmine Lino
Brandon Thomas
Danielle Lacy
Nakeyia Pitts
Pamela Christopher
Kevon Scott
Markevin Jones
Zachariah Peters
Shaniqua Robinson
Curtis Griffin
Demetria Glaspie
Marguita Williams
Brandon Dunn
Julia Washington
Kashiara Marshall

Johnathan Dunn
Brandi Austin
Ashley McKinzie
Sophia Jackson
Shannon Weber
Koyna Williams
Chance Johnson
Collene Johnson
Kevin Abraham
Bria Jordan
Devin McCullough
Alec Goggans
Whitney Martin
Jwanaque Moore
Palmer Thomas
Adriann Tennyson
Kyle Dupont
Carlos Escobar
Chancee Woulard
Jonathan Barton
Raguel Patt
Ashley Williams
Washing Freeman
Darius Franklin
Kayla Cobb



VOTE ☒

NALC 2026 REFORM SLATE

HIGHER WAGES - FULL COLA'S FOR ALL - ALL CAREER WORKFORCE

Is your work life better today than four years ago?

VOTE CLC



James D. Henry
President



Corey Walton
Executive Vice President



Kimetra Simpson-Lewis
Vice President



Raquel "Rocky" Acasio
Secretary-Treasurer



Esteban Ramirez
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer



Christopher Jackson
Director of City Delivery



Rob Kosier
Director of Safety & Health



Anita Guzik
Director of Retirees



Phillip C. Rodriguez
Director of Life Insurance



David Grosskopf Jr.
National Trustee



Howard Komine
National Trustee



John A. Cruz
National Trustee



William Moody
National Business Agent Region 10

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VOTE KIMETRA *Simpson-Lewis*

★★★ NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT ★★

Make a wise choice!

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**STRONG.
PROVEN
COMMITTED
DEDICATED
LEADERSHIP**

CREDENTIALS:

- 10 Years Dallas, Texas
Lone Star Branch 132 President
- Bachelor's degree in Business
Administration with a minor in Accounting
- 24 years as a union advocate
- Leadership Academy Graduate
- Step B Certified
- Certified Arbitration Advocate
- Formal A Representative,
Step 2 Designee and Steward
- Branch Trustee
- NALC Certified
Secretary/Treasurer Training
- AFL/CIO Representative
- TSALC Vice-President



**A candidate of the
Concerned Letter Carriers reform slate**

HIGHER WAGES | FULL COLAs FOR ALL | ALL CAREER WORKFORCE



WILLIAM "BILL" MOODY for Business Agent

Region 10

Texas & New Mexico



Dedicated Union Member

- I began my career with the Postal Service in December of 1998 as a member of NALC Br. 1358, Tulsa, OK.
- In my career, I've had the pleasure to serve as a shop steward, Formal A Rep, Trustee, Treasurer & VP.
- In 2020, I was elected President of NALC Br. 181, Austin, TX where I still serve today.



Education

- I graduated from Oklahoma State University with my Bachelors of Science in Sociology.
- I am also a graduate of the NALC's Formal-A & Beyond program.



Proud to Serve



- *I am proud to have served my country in the United States Army*
- *I continue to serve my community as a Trustee with the Austin AFL CIO Central Labor Council & have done so since 2016*



**Bill Moody is a candidate of the
Concerned Letter Carriers reform slate**

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TO THE MEMBERS OF LONE STAR BRANCH 132

STRONGER WORKFORCE. SAFER WORKPLACES. BRIGHTER FUTURES.

Thank you for all your support over the years as your RAA and National Business Agent!

I ask for your
support once
again. Vote
SHAWN BOYD
for Director of
Safety and
Health!



We Are Better Together!

SAFETY IS PERSONAL.

A lasting voice for safer
workplaces and healthier lives.

EXPERIENCE. DEDICATED. TRUSTED.

Years of service and a proven
commitment to our members.

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER.

Stand for integrity, fairness,
and a stronger future.

Elect Karrie Blough

for Region 10 National Business Agent | Rhine-Peralta Ticket *We Are Better Together*



Proven NALC Leader and Fighter — Ready on Day One

I am running for Region 10 National Business Agent (NBA) because Region 10 deserves an experienced and principled leader who is accessible, accountable, and committed to strengthening NALC while fighting for every letter carrier we represent.

Ready NOW: Current Region 10 RAA Leadership

Since 2017, I have served as a Region 10 Regional Administrative Assistant (RAA). I already perform critical functions required of our NBA, so I am ready to work on Day One...no learning curve needed! My current skills and responsibilities include:

- **Dispute Resolution and Arbitration**
 - Extensive experience and understanding of adjudicating grievances at all levels
 - Oversee Region 10 Dispute Resolution Process (DRP) Teams, who hold only 5% of the pending cases nationwide
 - With our NBA, implement initiatives to reduce the pending numbers at Step B in a more expedient manner
 - Participated in dozens of arbitration hearings by way of advocating, technical assisting, or helping to develop newer advocates during arbitration proceedings
- **Contract Administration and Office of Workers' Compensation (OWCP) Support**
 - Enforce USPS handbooks and manuals, applicable laws, and regulations
 - Assist with timely claims processing, Continuation of Pay, and limited duty offers
 - Guide local stewards on necessary grievances and assist with any processing needs
- **Regional Training**
 - Provide training on important workplace topics including, but not limited to:
 - Grievance process
 - Defenses to discipline
 - Contract training (for a multitude of possible violations)
 - OWCP
 - Workplace harassment
- **Membership Outreach and Retention**
 - Organize, recruit, and document new members
 - Strategize membership retention



I am running because Region 10 deserves experienced, accountable, and committed leadership for a strong NALC now...and the future

Proven NALC Fighter With Decades of Service

I have been a USPS city carrier since January 2000. Before starting full-time with NALC in 2011, I provided first-class customer service as a city letter carrier at Northcross, South Congress, and Westlake Stations, respectively, in Austin. I currently hold an assignment at Spring Klein Station under Houston Branch 283. I have never taken my full-time role with NALC for granted, so I always maintain a route assignment close to where I call home, and my membership transfers with me. My NALC leadership experience also includes:

- **National DRP Facilitator (2016-2024):** Certify union and management Step B representatives for the country | Lead DRP Facilitator coordinating training and overseeing class content from 2022-2024
- **Dispute Resolution (2011-2017):** Rio Grande District Dispute Resolution Representative | Active San Antonio Branch 421 member
- **Austin Branch 181 (2005-2013):** Secretary, Vice President | COLCPE (now LCPF), Food Drive, and MDA committees | Joint Route Inspection/Evaluation Representative | Alternate Steward, Steward, and Chief Steward
- **Leadership Academy:** Mentor | 2008 graduate of Leadership Academy (Class 6)

JUNE 2026 BRANCH MEETING MINUTES

- A quorum of members of Lone Star Branch 132 met on June 2, 2026.
- Invocation by Brother Eugene Johnson. President Lewis led the pledge.
- No Resolutions of Sympathy.
- A guest addressed the membership about the services they can provide to the members through massage therapy.
- Carl Sands spoke about the financial services that he can offer the membership.
- Branch 132 Scholarship Deadline was May 31, 2026.
- TSALC Scholarship Deadline was also May 31, 2026.
- Sister Wilder gave an update on the NALC Food Drive that was held May 9, 2026. Very few stations received the food drive cards. President Lewis said that the procedure for next year food drive will be changed to prevent this from happening again in the future.
- Brother Eugene Johnson spoke about the retiree banquet that was held Saturday May 23, 2026.
- Brother Johnson also gave an update on the Retiree's trip. The trip will be June 16-17-18, 2026.
- The Retiree Brunch will be at the Golden Corral on June 25, 2026, at 1:15 pm.
- NALC Convention will be August 3 – August 7, 2026.
- Branch Financial reports will be posted in the next Metro Letter Carrier.

Respectfully submitted

Danny Hilliard, Recording Secretary

JULY 2026 BRANCH MEETING MINUTES

- A quorum of members of Lone Star Branch 132 met on July 7, 2026.
- Invocation by Brother Eugene Johnson. President Lewis led the pledge.
- No Resolutions of Sympathy.
- Guests addressed the membership about the services they can provide to the members.
- Branch 132 Scholarship winners were Jenesie Borque, Niya Siby Maliyil, Eriya Nicole Goodwin, Martha Barraza and Zaria Combs.
- TSALC Scholarship Deadline was also May 31, 2026. Zaria Combs was also a recipient of one of the TSALC Scholarships.
- Brother Johnson also gave an update on the Retiree's trip. The trip was well attended and everyone had a great time at Little Rock.
- NALC Convention will be August 3 – August 7, 2026.
- Delegate cards were handed out to the members that will attend the convention.
- Branch Financial reports will be posted in the next Metro Letter Carrier.

Respectfully submitted

Danny Hilliard, Recording Secretary

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



MARTHA BARRAZA

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

DAUGHTER OF KENIA BARRAZA (GRAND PRAIRIE MPO)



ZARIA COMBS

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

DAUGHTER OF TARIK COMBS (LANCASTER MPO)



ERIYA NICOLE GOODWIN

COLLIN COLLEGE

DAUGHTER OF NICHOLAS SMITH (DALLAS OAKLAWN STATION)



NIYA SIBY MALIYIL

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS @ ARLINGTON

DAUGHTER OF SIBY KURINKOS MALIYIL (FARMERS BRANCH STATION)

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



JENESIE BORQUE

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

DAUGHTER OF OMAR BORQUE ARIAS (DALLAS NORTHWEST STATION)



BRIAN WHITE, JR.

TEXAS COLLEGE - TYLER

SON OF LATANYA SCRUGGS (DALLAS UNIVERSITY STATION)

LAST PUNCH BUNCH



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JULIE PHILIP

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The branch meetings and steward training are being held at the union hall and being simultaneously broadcast over Zoom. Beginning in September 2023 for stewards to receive compensation for attendance at the monthly branch and steward meetings, the steward will be required to attend the meetings **in person** if you live or work within a 50-mile radius of the union Hall.

Keep up with the latest information on the branch's Facebook page at "***Lone Star Branch 132 of the National Association of Letter Carriers***" or check the website at: "***nalclonestarbranch132.org***".

September 1 – 7:30 p.m. – Monthly Branch Meeting – Union Hall

September 3 – 7:00 p.m. – Steward Training – Union Hall

September 7 – **Postal Holiday - Labor Day**

September 17 – 1:15 p.m. – Retirees' Luncheon – Golden Corral. 1902 Towne Centre Dr., Mesquite, TX

September 28 – 7:00 pm – Executive Board Meeting – Union Hall

October 1 – 7:00 p.m. – Steward Training – Union Hall

October 6 – 7:30 p.m. – Monthly Branch Meeting – Union Hall

October 12 – **Postal Holiday - Columbus Day**

October 18 – 9:00 a.m. – NBA Small Batch Steward Training – 2001 Lakeside Pkwy., Flower Mound, TX 75028

October 26 – 7:00 pm – Executive Board Meeting – Union Hall

November 1 – **Daylight Savings Time Ends**

November 3 – **Election Day**

November 3 – 7:30 pm – Monthly Branch Meeting – Union Hall

November 5 – 7:00 pm – Steward Training – Union Hall

November 11 – **Postal Holiday - Veterans Day**

November 26 – **Postal Holiday - Thanksgiving Day**

November 30 – 7:00 pm – Executive Board Meeting – Union Hall