

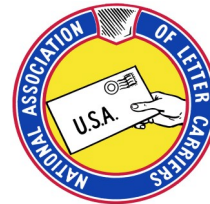


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## BRANCH 11 - BULLETIN

### THE VINE



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Mack Julion—President

### BRANCH 11 LEADS STATE ASSOCIATION WITH \$30,000 TO IPALC

Branch 11 was recognized at this year's State Convention as the top contributor to our Illinois Political Action Committee. The \$30,000 contribution was the most ever by Branch 11 or any branch in the Illinois State Association. Delegates at this year's convention were provided with gold (\$500) or silver (\$250) badges to acknowledge their level of contribution. A total of 68 members Branch 11 contributed at least \$250. Also during the annual convention, James E. Worsham carrier Denon Oglesby was the recipient of this year's Bybee Award; Claretha Jenkins was inducted to the Illinois State Carriers Hall of Fame; Branch 11 Officers Ronald Morgan and Jesse Reed were newly elected to the State Board while William Bean (Treasurer), William Dangerfield (Asst. Director of Retirees), Antoine Thigpen (Executive Board) and Montago T. McCraney (Sergeant-at-Arms) were elected by acclamation to the State Board.



### CONTRACT TALKS BEGIN/ COLA increase \$624 Annually!!

Negotiations for our next collective bargaining agreement officially began on June 26th at Postal Headquarters in Washington, D. C. National President Fred Rolando's opening statement strongly emphasized the need for an improved work environment and a wage increase equivalent to the hard work of City Letter Carriers. Meanwhile, the seventh and last cost of living adjustment (COLA) under the current agreement was announced at \$624 *annually*, and will be reflected on the September 20 pay day. The 2016-2019 agreement expires at midnight on that same day.

### Retirees Dinner September 29th

Come out and celebrate our Retirees and honor our latest Gold Card members (50 years) at our annual Retirees Dinner. The program begins at 2PM at our Union Hall, the James E. Worsham Building, 3850 S. Wabash Ave. Dinner will be served and there will be live entertainment. Retirees planning to attend should contact Recording Secretary Peter J. Skrypczynski. Secretary Treasurer Nicole Rhine will be the resident National Officer in attendance.

### Sister Kierra Coles still missing



There has been no new revelation in the search for Branch 11 member Kierra Coles. The Charles Hayes CCA has been missing since October 2, 2018. The reward for any information leading to the whereabouts of Sister Coles remains at \$47,500. The Branch is planning another vigil in October.



### NALC RETIREMENT SEMINAR



CSRS EMPLOYEES

**\*COME GET THE INFORMATION YOU NEED TO SUCCESSFULLY "PLAN" YOUR RETIREMENT!!**

FERS EMPLOYEES



**IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING!!**

HOSTED BY BRANCH 11  
WHEN- SUNDAY SEPT. 15, 2019-2:30PM TO 5:00PM

WHERE- JAMES E. WORSHAM BLDG.  
3850 S. WABASH-CHGO. IL 60653

**\*\* UNION MEMBERS ONLY \*\***

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