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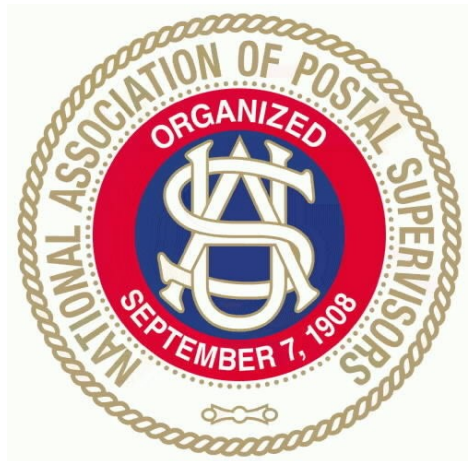
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Branch 16 President's Report:

A Message from Branch 16 President Terri Newcomb-Evans

Greetings Fellow NAPS Members,

Now that Peak Season is done, take a nice deep breath, look at your Team and give them a deep and sincere "THANK YOU"!

We all know the struggles we are dealing with from aging vehicles, rapidly growing routes, volume of parcels, and being short-staffed. I would like to THANK each and every one that has been out delivering parcels and entire routes these past few months and to those that are still covering routes due to being short-staffed.

This is the PERFECTION our District Manager, Tony Williams, has been discussing at the Kick-Off meetings that have been held for fiscal year 2020. Some of you are reading this and asking yourself how can all of the above be perfection?

According to Merriam-Webster dictionary:
Perfection

- 1: the quality or state of being perfect: such as
 - a : freedom from fault or defect : flawlessness
 - b : maturity
 - c : the quality or state of being saintly
- 2: a: an exemplification of supreme excellence
b: an unsurpassable degree of accuracy or excellence
- 3: the act or process of perfecting

We have shown PERFECTION with the quality and state of being perfect by the selflessness of our EAS delivering routes daily, this also shows maturity and, yes, the state of being saintly.

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All Members Welcome!

Next Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Elsie's Bowling Center

729 Marshall St. NE

Minneapolis, MN 55413

Social Hour: 6:00-7:00 PM

Meeting: 7:00-8:00 PM

NEXT MEETING REMINDER!

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729 Marshall St. NE
Minneapolis, MN 55413
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Future Meetings NAPS Branch 16:

6:00 PM Social Hour
7:00 PM Meeting
Elsie's Bowling Alley
729 Marshall St NE
Minneapolis, MN 55413

- ♦ **January 16, 2020**
- ♦ **March 19, 2020**
- ♦ **May 21, 2020**
- ♦ **June 12/13/14, 2020**
 - ♦ *Fair Hills Resort, Detroit Lakes*
- ♦ **July 16, 2020**
- ♦ **September 2020**
 - ♦ *Retiree Golf & Steak Fry*
- ♦ **November 19, 2020**



Planning for Fair Hills

June 12-13-14, 2020 @ Fair Hills Resort
24270 County Hwy 20, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501
Phone Number 1.218.847.7638 to reserve your cabin

Information About Fair Hills Resort

- ♦ Private Bathrooms
- ♦ Bed Linens
- ♦ Bathroom Towels
- ♦ Bar Soap
- ♦ Hangers
- ♦ Daily Housekeeping Service
- ♦ Table & Chairs

On the Resort Grounds

(equipment available to borrow for all activities)

- ♦ Outdoor Heated Swimming Pool
- ♦ Outdoor Heated Wading Kiddie Pool
- ♦ Outdoor Hot Tub
- ♦ 9-Hole Executive Par 3 Golf Course
- ♦ 4 Tennis Courts (2 of those are grass courts)
- ♦ Basketball Court
- ♦ Sand Volleyball Court
- ♦ 4 Shuffleboard Courts
- ♦ Norwegian Golf
- ♦ Playground
- ♦ Horseshoe Pits
- ♦ 9-Hole Frisbee Golf Course
- ♦ Geocaches & GPS devices
- ♦ Fire pit on the Beach
- ♦ Swings, Benches and Hammocks

On the Lake:

- ♦ Paddle Boats
- ♦ Kayaks
- ♦ Canoe
- ♦ Life Jackets
- ♦ Row Boats
- ♦ Sailboats
- ♦ Tubes, Ropes & Skis
- ♦ Water Mat, Jumping Tower and Floating Raft
- ♦ Bamboo Fishing Poles
- ♦ Sand Toys
- ♦ Wireless Internet
- ♦ Guest Computer



Watch for Future Details!

September 2020

Retiree Golf Outing & Steak Fry

12800 Bunker Prairie Road NW
Coon Rapids MN 55448

NAPS Board 2019

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NAPS members must attend three or more board meetings during the year in order to meet the qualification requirement for *Officer* and *Executive Board* nomination. Elections are held every January. All NAPS members are strongly encouraged to attend and take part in the decision-making process.

Have you checked-out NAPS Chat yet?



NAPS Chat is a weekly podcast intended to inform NAPS members about the latest legislative and political goings-on within our nation's capital. Hosted by NAPS Director of Legislative and Political Affairs Bob Levi.

Check out NAPS Chat!

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Branch 16 President's Report

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We have shown PERFECTION as we exemplify leadership to our carriers, clerks, and customers by working side-by-side and delivering/sorting our product with an unsurpassable degree of accuracy and excellence.

PERFECTION is everyone working together to get our product delivered to our customers with the dedication, drive, and determination that is the world-class service Northland is known for.

THANK YOU everyone for being Postal Proud.

In Solidarity,

Terri Newcomb-Evans

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Legislative Report

Curt O'Donnell
Legislative Representative



I want to apologize that I failed in my last column to inform our readers what each of the bills actually are. So I want to address this below. My hope is that more of these bills are addressed as our representatives are back to work after their holiday break.

H.R. 2553 - Postal Service Financial Improvement Act of 2019

Introduced in House - Allows the board to INVEST THE POSTAL SERVICE RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS FUND in a long-term fund like the TSP 2050 fund. "The Secretary shall ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that the investment replicates the performance of the longest-term target date asset allocation investment fund established by the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board".

H.R. 2517 - Referred to Committee 5/31/2019

Introduced in House - the legislation is a bipartisan bill to provide the Postal Service with the authority to mail alcoholic beverages.

H.R. 2382 Referred to Committee 4/31/2019

Introduced in House - the USPS Fairness Act, is a bipartisan bill to repeal the punitive provision in the 2006 Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act that requires the Postal Service to prefund its retiree health obligations.

S. Res. 99 Referred to Committee 3/7/2019

Introduced in Senate - A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should take all appropriate measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service remains an independent establishment of the Federal Government and is not subject to privatization.

H.R. 1 Passed the House

Passed/agreed to in House - Legislation to increase voter participation in elections (e.g., Vote By Mail), reduce influence of "big-money" in politics, and strengthen ethical rules for elected officials

Curt O'Donnell

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Objective

The objective of the Association shall be to promote, through appropriate and effective action, the welfare of its members, and to cooperate with the USPS and other agencies of the federal government in a continuing effort to improve the service, to raise the standard of efficiency, and to widen the field of opportunity for its members who make the Postal Service or the federal government their life work.