



NPMHU Local 303 of San Diego, Ca.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you have heard by now or you have seen me at your Stand-Up Talks. I am assuming the role as your Branch President. I am not at liberty to discuss the reasons for the sudden retirement by Dwight Whitney. I assure you that I take this position as your Branch President extremely important.

I intend to rotate though all the tours on a regular basis, barring my requirement to attend various meeting on your, the Unions behalf.

If you have any issues, please come see when you can. I have an open-door policy. I understand that I work for you as your President. If I am doing something wrong, please tell me so that I can correct and fix the issue.

Tom Abbott

POSTAL NEWS

The Homeland Security Committee is considering the nomination of Mr. Ron Stroman, Mr. Anton Hajjar, and Ms. Amber McReynolds to the Board of Directors of the USPS. Both are nominees of the Joe Biden administration. They are now before the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. If you should want to contact the committee, go here <https://www.hsgac.senate.gov/>

A group of Congressmen introduced a bill in the House to prevent the changes that Postmaster General Louis DeJoy wants to bring to the service. This plan will slow down delivery of first-class mail and to stop the close of some locations.

Under the plan, seventy percent of first-class mail would take three days and thirty percent would take

five days. Moreover, President Joe Biden (D) nominated three people to the Postal Board of Governors, who potentially could fire DeJoy, a Trump administration holdover.

Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-ILL) has explicitly called for his firing in a letter to the board. She wrote: "[take] decisive action to stop PMG DeJoy from triggering a death spiral of plummeting service standards, plummeting customer satisfaction and plummeting revenue that will destroy the United States Postal Service."

FIGHTING COVID-19

As an African American male who was born and raised in Tuskegee Alabama, I had a relative that was part of the Tuskegee experiment. Most would think that I would be against the COVID-19 vaccination. This is far from the truth.



As Local President, for the last year I received an email list of all the postal employees that tested positive for Coronavirus in Southern California. At the high points it would be over a hundred employees a day for weeks at a time just in Southern California.

Many still are suffering from the symptoms of Coronavirus and too many did not make it.

I truly feel that the benefits outweigh the risk, so please get your vaccination when your turn comes.

Eddie Cowan
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