
Organizational/Education Director's Report . . . by Don Eggers

— Moving Forward —

As a member of the previous administration, I want to let the members know how impressed I am with the majority of the new administration.

Our newly elected President, Keith Pullen, is doing a fantastic job thus far! I am highly impressed with his dedication and his work ethics. Keith has done things which needed to be done long ago, and I'm sure he will keep doing the great job he has done up to this point. Yes, he has a position which takes up a lot of his time. Most members have no idea of the issues and information which he must be kept up on and made aware of.

When I ran for the office of President, I knew that changes needed to be made. I thought that I was the best person for the position. I told Keith before the election that no matter what the outcome, I was still going to be counted on to help this Local move on. I have done that and always will help

this Local in anyway that I can.

I have always been so impressed with the way which our Secretary Treasurer has performed in her position. Most members have no idea of all that she does. She keeps the financial records to a T. She has to file reports for IRS, pay bills, and make sure all spending is legal per our Constitution. She has done an awesome job since she has had this position. Ms. Atchley spends many tiring hours at the office making sure our Local stays financially in good standing.

The new Clerk Craft Director, Jim Schmidt, is also doing a great job thus far. Jim has a very hard and time-consuming position. He has shown the kind of leadership this Local need. He is the type of guy that knows what is right for this Local and he will fight for it. Sometimes he has to deal with members of management who try to bully, but Jim will bully right back. He is learning and is doing a great job!

The new Assistant Directors, Joe Jolley and Hanson Howard are also doing bang up jobs. These positions for both of them are new to them. They are learning and have no problem asking for help.

We the American Postal Workers Union, Local #5, are going through many issues these days with the way management is trying to make changes. I have the highest regard for the way our new administration is handling things up to this point and I know in my heart this will continue. We need to keep our Local strong in our fight with managements regarding the Contract. However the administration needs Us, we the members are in this fight. I for one can promise that I will continue to be in this fight! I would love to see more members step up and do the same. We all have to fight for what is right for this Local and this Union!

In Solidarity.

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someone not involved in the situation, to get a clear perspective.

I'd like to end by saying that I think we have a good leadership team in place and I hope that our members are happy with the direction we are taking this local. If you agree, let us know. A little support from our members goes a long way. Stewards and officers deal not only with the stress of our job, but we take on the stress of others as well. I am not complaining, and actually feel honored

that so many people have trusted me with that responsibility. While I can't speak for the others, my guess is they feel the same. If you are not pleased with your current

representation, let us know that too. We're fairly thick skinned when it comes to criticism and we can only improve the shortcomings we are aware of.

Protecting Our Rights In The Midst Of The Chaos

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cluded instructions by various compensation experts from the Department of Labor, Sue Carney our national Human Relations Director, and National Business Agent Bob Romanows-

ki. Sue did a great job making the long days informative while keeping it interesting. I will pass the information I obtained to our executive board so we can protect those of us that get injured on the job.