

SCRIBE ARTICLE FOR THE JULY 2011 POSTAL RECORD

I want to congratulate Jim Rademacher on receiving the 70 year NALC pin. Jim was our national Union president from 1968 through 1977 and served our Union during the great Postal Strike of 1970. For those of you fortunate to hear him speak, you know that Jim is still a dynamic speaker. We truly appreciate all his hard work and dedication to the NALC and making the lives of Letter Carriers better.

On the local scene, we did not collect nearly as much for the Food Drive as in the past. In some offices, not only did management fail to support the Food Drive, management sabotaged it! At the Rockville Main Office, Carriers were threatened with discipline if they requested time to deliver the Food Drive cards. Rockville Main Office management said, "It's the NALC Food Drive, not USPS NALC Food Drive. Therefore, you will get no cooperation from management!!!!" On the day of the Food Drive, the Rockville Main Office Carriers were threatened with discipline if they were to call back asking for more time because of the collection of food. Faced with all this harassment, many Carriers chose not to participate. Who could blame them? I hope Fred Rolando takes this up with L'Enfant Plaza. After all, the USPS gets millions of dollars of free and positive news coverage all across the United States on our Food Drive day.

Please visit our web site set up by Union Brother Chuck Clark at (WWW.NALC3825.COM). We have added important Step B decisions, Formal A settlements as well as arbitration decisions and some contentions. You can see how much money each supervisor in the nation makes. You can also see the number of stops on each route, and detailed colored maps for every route in the country!

IN THE STRUGGLE,

Kenneth Lerch
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