



# NALC REGION 5



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The Region 5 Rap Session held in Overland Park, KS recently was a great success solely because of all the volunteers who gave freely of their time and effort. While I can't thank them all in this short report, please know that Charlie, Stephanie and I deeply appreciate what they do for this region and us. Special thanks to President Rolando for his presentation and for spending time with the membership on Friday evening at the reception.

**MDA:** In 1952 the NALC joined a fledgling new charitable organization as its first corporate sponsor. Who would have thought that 63 years later we would still be fighting those diseases that fall under the MDA's umbrella. Great strides have been made in recent years in identifying the causes and treating the symptoms of many of these muscular diseases while at the same time, the MDA has helped family after family, whether through donations of medical equipment or sponsoring campers at their summer camps. I've been blessed to attend a number of these summer camps, representing you and would urge you to attend given the opportunity. I'm challenging each and every branch, to hold one more event, raise one more dollar this year.

**CCA's:** Any CCA who is injured on the job and released by the postal service, even if you are within your 90/120, should notify their branch president and this office immediately. You have rights by law and we can assist you with pursuing your return to work. There are time restraints, so don't hesitate...314.872.0227

**Legislation:** Representative Sam Graves R-MO6, has sponsored and introduced H.Res.12 - Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service should take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of its six-day mail delivery service. In this region only 7 of our representatives are supporting us. Besides Graves, they are: David Loeb sack D-IA2, Lynn Jenkins R-KS2, Kevin Yoder R-KS3, Blaine Luetkemeyer R-MO3, Emanuel Cleaver D-MO5, Brad Ashford R-NE2. If your representative is listed, call him/her and



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thank them for their support, if not, call your representative, find out why not and ask them to sign up to be a co-sponsor.

You can contact your Representative at: <http://www.usa.gov/Contact/US-Congress.shtml>

Representative Susan Davis D-CA53, has sponsored and introduced H.Res.28 - Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service should take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of door delivery for all business and residential customers. As of today, only Dave Loebsack, D-IA2 has cosponsored this measure. Once again, call your representative and ask that they support H.Res.28.

**COLCPE:** The NALC is offering a job insurance program, COLCPE. For just \$5.00 per pay period for active members, \$5.00 per month for retiree's, the NALC will: Support candidates who support issues important to letter carriers, provide letter carriers with the opportunity to build electoral and legislative power, release letter carriers to work with the AFL-CIO on specific races around the country. Remember, no dues money is used for political contributions. Go to <http://www.nalc.org/government-affairs/political-activity> to learn more and to sign up. The job you may be saving may be your own.

**Important Dates:** Nebraska State Training – April 17/19, 2015 in North Platte, NE; Kansas State Training May 1/2, 2015 in Manhattan, KS; Iowa State Convention May 3/5, 2015 in Davenport, IA; Missouri State Training June 5/7, 2015 in the Lake of the Ozarks; National Rap Session July 17/19, 2015 in Houston, TX; Nebraska Fall Training October 3/4, 2015 in Grand Island, NE ; Iowa Fall Training October 25/27, 2015 in Iowa City, IA.

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