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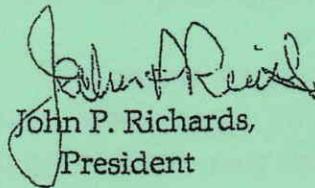
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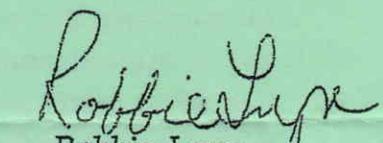
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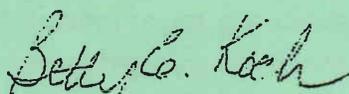


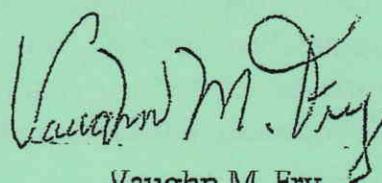
AT THIS
TIME OF
THE YEAR
WHEN WE
COUNT OUR
BLESSINGS, WE
HAVE SO MUCH
TO BE THANKFUL
FOR. WE HAVE LIFE,
FAMILY, AND A SECURE
RETIREMENT THANKS TO
OUR POST OFFICE CAREERS.
ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS
OF OUR RETIREE CHAPTER, WE
TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PAUSE
AND REFLECT ON OUR GOOD FORTUNE
AND GIVE THANKS FOR ALL OUR BLESSINGS
AND WISH
YOU AND
YOURS A
HAPPY
HOLIDAY


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2022, A YEAR OF DECISION

Next year, 2022, will be a year of a perfect synergy for our Chapter and the APWU! First and foremost will be the determination of the CBA. As this is written national negotiations are at a standstill, with the clock being "stopped" to allow negotiations to continue beyond the date of expiration of the current contract. Whether the Union can reach a negotiated settlement with the Postal Service, or not, and that would lead to interest arbitration, it is highly likely that a new CBA will emerge one way or another.

The Union Convention will finally be held later in the year after a couple years of Zoom meetings held on-line. In the scramble to locate a place where the conclave could be held, a complex in the Washington DC area was chosen. It was a departure from meeting in Las Vegas and/or various Locals throughout the country. One can only assume that delegates are looking forward to meeting "in the flesh" again. With such a long gap since the last in-person meeting, a lot of business will be up for debate and decision.

Of direct interest for our Chapter, next summer our Election Of Officers will be held. This is an early heads up so that due consideration can be given before the election. The offices of President, Vice President/Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and three Trustees will be decided. As we get closer to the election, full particulars will be given to comply with Department Of Labor regulations and policies. The term is for three years.

So there is a lot on our plate in the next several months. Despite the ongoing pandemic and discovery of mutants to the virus, getting back to a more normal course of events will be a relief from the last couple of years. We may never return to the good old says, but getting close will be welcomed.

CHAPTER GALA HOLIDAY PARTY 2021 PRELIMINARY REPORT

The Chapter Holiday Party at The Chadwick in Wexford on December 3 was a roaring success by any measure. First and foremost, the weather gods were kind to us with no snow and only the briefest light shower. As usual, the room was decorated with a Christmas Tree and gala holiday motif linens at the tables.

One hundred fifty seven members and guests were registered, the largest party in Chapter history. All but a very few attended. (We recognize that at our advance ages, despite a strong desire to attend events like Chapter parties, things occur beyond our control that can cause last minute cancellations. It is the reality that folks our ages and conditions of health are confronted with.)

This was the first Chapter get together since early December 2019. The members and guests that attended made it clear that they were more than ready for a gala event. More in next newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHAPTER MEMBER DUANE SCHULTE for his recent election as Councilman At Large in Homestead, PA. According to reports, Brother Schulte drew the highest number of votes in that election. As far as we know, his is the first partisan election victory from our Chapter. Well done Duane!

SHUT-IN LIST ~ Robert Gesk, Norbert Conway, Jeanne Mc Carthy, and Veronica Bujdos are on the shut-in list. Please keep a good thought for our shut-ins. There but for the grace of God..... (To be included on the shut-in list, call the Chapter at 724 947 9374.)

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