

Activist MENU

Suggestions: Below are a selection of possible activities you and your Local can conduct. They should not entail too much cost. Get your most pro-active union people/members to get one or two more of their friends to lend you a hand and GET IT DONE!



Reference Raffle— during break time at work, go in and make an announcement on the Contract Update. Also, let those in the room know why we need a contract and that the CBA is an agreement over working conditions, wages and hours. Bring some giveaways (e.g., shirts, badge holders, movie coupons, etc.). Ask a general CBA question:

“What Article of the CBA covers OT rules?” If a member calls out Art 8 give him/her a prize or raffle ticket. Then say a few words about Article 8. *“What CBA article attempts to limit sub-contracting?”* Then say why Article 32 is critical. And so on. Try not to make questions too hard. The intent is to engage the members, educate them, make it fun and talk contract! **Any questions or ideas please let the Region know.**



Sock It to ‘Em Day—This is a fun way in which to embellish “wear your t-shirt” Thursdays. Announce “Crazy Sock Day or Sock It To ‘Em Day’. Ask members to wear their craziest sock to work (make sure they wear the proper

shoes) and have a steward or officer make the rounds and give a raffle ticket to persons who have their T-shirt on, or their crazy socks on ONE raffle ticket. Take the person’s name for inventory control. If the member has BOTH a Union T-shirt AND crazy socks he/she gets TWO raffle tickets. (Union items, Gift cards, small gift bags etc. can be proffered). Distribute a flyer on how Privatizers and Naysayers are trying to sock it to postal workers blaming them for the supposed troubles of the postal service. And why and our Union is fighting in Congress, at the NLRB, in arbitration and in the media to preserve the postal service and protect decent postal jobs. **If you need a flyer to be developed or have other suggestions or questions please contact the Regional Coordinator at ogonzalez@apwu.org**

PICK A PLANT— this one is simple. Get together with a sister local and pick a plant to picket. Do a one on one effort to contact members to participate and why it is necessary to let the public know WE ARE FIGHTING TO

PRESERVE THE POSTAL SERVICE. Get the members to realize what a picket is and offer to pick them up. Invite their family, kids, friends. Have water and signage as necessary. Have cards for the public, have music and flags and noise makers. Have chants ready. The intent is to have a public event but the one on one gives you a reason and chance to talk to members about the importance of our struggle to not only get a contract but to promote and preserve our country’s national treasure the USPS!



FIGHT ‘EM @ DA FAIR - this is the time of year for County Fairs. Find out what it costs for a table, tent or booth. Let us know the particulars and we will see if HQ will fund the booth and you provide the members. We will educate

the public on our issues, our FIGHT against privatization and have them sign our cards.

SITE & SEEN - most of our members are not geared towards visiting our website. Propose a project for your members to find information on our website in Events, Issues, Resources, Benefits etc. Announce the project and the prize (make it good so it serves as an incentive). Give it a time period. The first 10 members who come up with the information wins a prize. Announce the winners BIG TIME and do it again within 2 weeks!



NOTE: More ideas to follow. Your Local will be contacted to determine what activity you will conduct. If you have ideas please forward to me at ogonzalez@apwu.org or call the Region.