



Chapter 211 News

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Chapter 211 meeting announcement

Dear Pass Member,

Recently, your Chapter officers requested to step down due to increased workloads. Two persons volunteered to fill these positions, and at our most recent meeting via telcon, W. Kevin Farmer and Juan Reyes were elected to the office of Chapter Chair, and Vice Chair, respectively.

There is much to do here in the Chapter 211. We have no bylaws. We have no committees. We have yet to realize our purpose, our reasons for paying dues. Many of you have paid your dues for YEARS, and have never had any reason to step forward. Some of you are relatively new to the union, yet nobody has ever asked you for a contribution aside from cash.

Your new Chapter leadership plans to work diligently on your behalf. There are things going on within the union that the National Office has worked hard to implement. Yet, I doubt that many of you are aware of some of these items like; The National Convention, held June 16 – 18 in San Diego, Ca., and the PASS Sheriff program, wherein, the National Office is paying \$100 for information on why the contracting out process won't work (attend meeting for details).

Locally, we have decided to hold a meeting at a neutral site. Our chapter contains members from Key West, Florida, to West Palm Beach, Florida. A chapter with this much terrain should never be expected to be all in one place at one time. You have a life that you work hard to maintain, and far be it from the union to ask you to travel on your off-duty hours. The agency already asks you to travel too much. This is why we decided that our inaugural meeting will be held at Dave and Busters, 1 Oakwood Blvd, Hollywood, on April 15, 2003 at 7PM. One of the committees we plan to establish is the Meeting committee – who would provide details on possible locations and meeting places. Sometimes – we will resort to using the employer provided telephone, but hopefully, those instances will be far and few in between.

I look forward to meeting with you at Dave and Busters. The meeting will conclude not later than 9PM. Some of us may have to work the next day!

Fraternally,

W. Kevin Farmer
Chapter 211 Chairperson