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Dear Convention Delegate:

Let us first congratulate you on your election as a delegate to the NPMHU 2020 National Convention. The convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colorado. We look forward to seeing you there, and working with you to set our Union's agenda for the coming four years, and to discussing with you issues of importance to all Mail Handlers. The theme for our 2020 National Convention is "NPMHU – Believe and Achieve!" This theme reflects on the importance of our craft, our faith in the value of the work we do and the many triumphs of our organization. Mail Handlers are united in our economic, political, and workplace struggles. Together, in unity, we can overcome adversities: we must Believe and Achieve.



We have re-assembled our top-notch Convention Planning Team from among our National Union staff members, and they are very busy coordinating the logistics to ensure a fun and productive week. Likewise, with the convention approximately three months away, we know that you are busy coordinating your personal plans to allow your attendance at the convention. As you finalize those plans, we thought it would be useful to provide the following details regarding the convention and other information on events surrounding the proceedings.

The convention will take place at the Hyatt Regency Convention Center & Hotel beginning on the morning of Tuesday, August 11th, and concluding with a closing banquet on the evening of Saturday, August 15th. The hotel is located at 650 15th Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Our National Convention will essentially take over a substantial portion of that property's convention facilities for the entire week of our convention. We are happy to report that the workers at the Denver Hyatt Regency are proudly represented by Local 23 of UNITE-HERE.

This letter will provide some of the details regarding the hotel accommodations, as well as an overview of some of the scheduled functions, transportation options, and other practical information that you might find useful.

Guest Registration Form (VERY IMPORTANT)

It is essential to our planning process that you promptly provide our Convention Planning Team with information about any guest that may be accompanying you to the convention; this information will assist our team in finalizing contracts and logistics related to various functions over the course of convention week. **So, please take a moment to fully complete and return the attached Guest Registration Form (which is included as the final page of this packet). We really do need this information from you as soon as possible, so we ask that you turn your attention to this request immediately – and that you kindly return the completed form no later than May 29.** To help expedite this collection process, you may also fax the completed form back to Bobby Blum at (202) 833-0008, or send it as a pdf or photo attachment via e-mail to rblum@npmhu.org. Thank you very much for your anticipated prompt attention to this request.

Sleeping Room Reservations for Delegates

We have negotiated a block of sleeping rooms at a very favorable group rate of \$195 per night for this event, which you will find is a considerable discount from rates that are available through other sources.

Under separate cover, we have advised all Local Union Presidents of the procedures necessary to confirm hotel reservations for sleeping rooms for delegates. As indicated in that correspondence, to help ensure that all delegates are afforded the discounted room rates in our group block of rooms, the National Office already has provided the Denver Hyatt Regency Hotel with the names of all convention delegates; each Local President will then be contacted by Bobby Blum of the National Office to confirm payment arrangements for all members of their Local Union delegation.

Additional Sleeping Rooms

Anticipating that there may be requests from delegates or other members for additional self-pay sleeping rooms at the Denver Hyatt Regency, we have made provisions along those lines. It is our intention to first ensure that all delegates, National Union staff members, production crew, and guest speakers are provided sleeping rooms within our contracted block of rooms. Any additional sleeping rooms in our room block will be made available on a first-come, first-serve basis in early June. All Local Presidents will be notified when the room block is released for incidental reservations. In addition, a notification will be posted on the NPMHU Convention website at <http://convention.npmhu.org/>. Please remember that these remaining rooms will not be released until all delegates, National Union staff members, production crew, and guest speakers are accommodated. **Once these remaining rooms are released,** delegates and members may call Denver Regency Hyatt reservations at (303) 436-1234 and reference the NPMHU National Convention to secure additional rooms. Please note that calls to that number prior to our release

of the additional rooms will simply result in the caller being directed to contact Bobby Blum. If you have any questions with regard to sleeping room reservations, please contact Bobby Blum at the National Office.

Schedule of Events

For your planning purposes, the main delegate registration will take place on Monday, August 10th, with the convention officially called to order on the morning of Tuesday, August 11th. The convention activities are scheduled to run through the evening of Saturday, August 15th. The National Union will be sponsoring a continental breakfast for delegates and guests most mornings during the five days of the convention. Additional details and a tentative schedule will be provided in a future correspondence.

While event planning and logistics have not yet been finalized, we can advise that the National Union also intends to sponsor a series of evening functions for delegates and their guests over the course of the convention, including: a dinner reception at the Denver Hyatt beginning at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, August 11th; an off-site dinner reception at the Iron Works/Mile High on Thursday, August 13th; and the final convention event, which will be a closing banquet in the beautiful Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency on the evening of Saturday, August 15th.

Airport Transportation

There is one airport that services the Denver area. Denver International Airport is approximately 25 miles northeast of the Hyatt Regency hotel. Taxi, commuter train and shared shuttle services are readily available. You likely will be receiving additional guidance from your Local Union President with regard to how your Local Union will be handling its transportation needs, and other convention expenses.

Although our Convention Planning Team is still putting together the agenda for convention week -- to include the times and dates of all planned business sessions and group social events -- we have prepared the attached Tentative Schedule of Events for your review. You may find this attachment helpful as you consider your plans for possibly visiting some of the many Denver area attractions during convention week. Please keep in mind that this draft agenda is subject to change, and ultimately the business sessions must be approved by the delegates during consideration of the Report of the Rules Committee on the opening day of the convention.

We have developed a special website dedicated to the NPMHU 2020 National Convention, which will help you plan for your attendance at this event, and also will provide current convention information and updates over the course of the convention dates. That website may be accessed at <http://convention.npmhu.org/>.

Please feel free to call on us if you have any questions with regard to planning and logistics for this event. We very much look forward to joining you for a successful and productive 2020 National Convention.

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National President



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cc: National Executive Board
National Office Convention Planning Team

**National Postal Mail Handlers Union
2020 National Convention
Tentative Schedule of Events**

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020

11:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. Delegate and Guest Registration

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020

8:00 – 10:00 A.M. Delegate and Guest Registration
8:30 – 10:00 A.M. Continental Breakfast
10:00 A.M. Convention Business
Recess for afternoon for Election Committee balloting
6:30 – 10:30 P.M. Group Dinner Function – Hyatt Regency

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

7:30 – 9:00 A.M. Continental Breakfast
9:00 A.M. Convention Reconvenes – business session for remainder of the day
No scheduled evening function

THURSSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2020

On own for breakfast
8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. Election Balloting
2:00 P.M. Convention Reconvenes – business session for remainder of the day
6:30 – 9:30 P.M. Group Dinner Function – Ironworks/Mile High Station (Buses provided)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2020

7:30 – 9:00 A.M. Continental Breakfast
9:00 A.M. Convention Reconvenes -- business session for remainder of the day
No scheduled evening function

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020

7:30 – 9:00 A.M. Continental Breakfast
9:00 A.M. Convention Reconvenes – business session for remainder of morning
12:00 P.M. Convention Adjourns
6:00 P.M.– 10:30 P.M. Reception and Closing Banquet – Denver Hyatt Regency



GUEST REGISTRATION FORM

Please **print or type** the name and Local Union of the **delegate** who is bringing the guest(s):

Name of delegate: _____ Local Union No.: _____

GUEST(S)

Please **print or type** the name(s) as it/they should be printed on the Guest Badge

NPMHU member?

Age of Child(ren)
(If under 18 years)

Food Allergies? Y/N
If yes, provide details

NAME: _____ Y/N _____ _____

Please complete and return this form NO LATER THAN MAY 29, 2020.

You may mail the form to Ponise Shields at:
NPMHU Headquarters
815 16th St, NW, Suite 5100
Washington, DC 20006.

To help expedite this collection process, you may also fax the completed form back to Ponise Shields at (202) 833-0008 or send it as a PDF attachment via e-mail to pshields@npmhu.org. Thank you very much for your anticipated prompt attention to this request.