



National Postal Mail Handlers Union

THE BREAKDOWN

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Postal Inspectors warn employees to avoid insurance scammers

Postal Inspectors are warning employees about a so-called "Employee Benefit Questionnaire" that a company operating under several names is distributing nationwide.

The scam questionnaire claims to help federal employees with "little knowledge of their benefits" by calculating retirement payments or obtaining passwords for their Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) and *PostalEASE* accounts. Employees should be on guard for "company representatives" who also may offer to help employees change TSP allotments. The company mails the surveys to postal work sites, giving employees the erroneous impression that USPS has endorsed them.

Employees who respond to the bogus survey are called by a salesperson who may falsely claim to be affiliated with the Postal Service. The salespeople also may appear at Post Offices, wearing IDs and sporting business cards that say they are from an insurance company.

Inspectors remind employees to report to their managers anyone on the workroom floor who lacks a proper postal ID badge. Managers also are reminded that, as noted in the *Administrative Support Manual*, 271.6, employees may not receive personal mail at worksites. Such mail must be returned to sender.

You can call the Employee Service Line at 877-477-3273 if you have questions on employee benefits. Select Option 5, the Shared Service Center, to talk to a Human Resources representative.

What does labor want? We want more schoolhouses and less jails; more books and less arsenals; more learning and less vice; more leisure and less greed; more justice and less revenge; in fact, more of the opportunities to cultivate our better natures, to make manhood more noble, womanhood more beautiful, and childhood more happy and bright. Samuel Gompers Co-founder and first president of the American Federation of Labor (AFL)

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Following his insightful remarks, Congressman Danny Davis (D-IL) receives a commemorative award for his participation at the conference. (pictured l-r) Local 306 (Illinois and Wisconsin) Treasurer Joe Boston, Local President and Central Region Vice President Hardy Williams, Congressman Davis, National President John Hegarty, and Local Vice President Jefferson Peppers.



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