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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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BULLETIN-JULY/AUGUST 2010

MEETINGS - August 5, 2010 - 6:00 p.m. - Regular Membership Meeting

August 11, 2010 - 6:30 p.m. - District Council Meeting

August 12, 2010 - 6:00 p.m. - President Peyton Educational Meeting

August 18, 2010 – 12:00 Noon – Promotions Committee Meeting

August 19, 2010 – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting

<u>PAID HOLIDAY – WEDNESDAY – JULY 28, 2010 – HARRY BRIDGES BIRTHDAY</u> – is an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours (1200 if age 60 or over) or more in 2009. For those who did not meet the automatic holiday hours requirement, you must be available for work at least two of the four days, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, July 26th, 27th, 29th or 30th. Only those members who worked at least the minimum 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2009 are entitled to receive or file for paid holiday claims.

<u>NO WORK PAID HOLIDAY – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2010 – LABOR DAY</u> – To be eligible for holiday pay, you must be available for work at least two of the four days, Tuesday through Friday, September $7^{th} - 10^{th}$. If you are off work due to illness or injury, you must submit written medical documentation to the Business Office covering you for this period. If you are on vacation, you must notify the Records Clerk no later than September 10^{th} . To be eligible to receive or file a claim for any holiday, you must have worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2009.

<u>31ST ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE</u> – The Labor Solidarity March will be held on Monday, September 6th. Assembly for the march will begin at 8:00 a.m. at Broad and E Street in Wilmington and will depart at 10:00 a.m. followed by a rally at 12:00 Noon at Banning Park. Speakers, music, hotdogs, soft drinks will be available. Bring the entire family for fun and to show your solidarity for all labor.

<u>CREDIT UNION EMPLOYEE SAVINGS DISCOUNTS</u> – Members who are interested in discounts at various theme parks etal. should contact the ILWU Credit Union and request information on the Employee Savings Program.

<u>ILWU – LOCAL 505's 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION</u> - A Labor Day weekend celebration is planned with various events scheduled throughout the weekend, including a march, rally and picnic on Labor Day in Prince Rupert, British Columbia. All Union members are invited to mark this special anniversary. Members who are interested in traveling to this event at their own expense may call the Business Office for more information.

<u>SUPERCARGO TRAINING</u> — Currently 30 members have signed up for Supercargo qualifying. A meeting has been set with the PMA to review the past qualifying process and how we jointly can improve upon the next round of training. If you <u>have not</u> signed up and would like to qualify, please complete the sign-up sheet in Dispatch. Suggestions from prior qualification participants may contact the Officers.

OCU NEGOTIATIONS – As we are all aware, the Office Clerical Unit contract expired on Wednesday, June 30th at Midnight. The primary issue has been and continues to be the Employers' attempts to downsize the Bargaining Unit through outsourcing. The Employer groups continue to strip California of the local jobs that fuel the tax base which built the ports that these foreign-operated companies profit from. The families of the harbor areas are willing to tolerate a degree of air pollution, congestion and degradation of our waterways, *but*, if now these global companies feel that they don't have a responsibility to the area in which they perform their businesses and make their profits, we as workers, families and the communities of the harbor area all have a serious problem.

<u>WHERE HIS-TORY MEETS HER-STORY</u> — The ILWU's 1st Women's Leadership Conference will be held on Monday, September 27th at the Doubletree Hotel in San Pedro. Subject to approval of the next Regular Membership Meeting, the Local has purchased 20 tickets for this event and will distribute them to the first 20 members who sign-up in the Business Office. For more information, please contact Patricia Aguirre in Dispatch.

<u>TACO GUY</u> – After much heated debate as to whether the next Membership meeting should have "Taco Guy" or "Pizza Man", let this serve as notification that "Taco Guy" won out with a large majority of the Membership's vote and will be the caterer of our fine dining at the August Meeting.

<u>LESS THAN HONEST MEMBERS</u> – Investigation requests by members placing an anonymous note in the blue work card inquiries box have unfortunately turned up members who are chiseling. These members and any future members found chiseling will be dealt with through the most severe penalties available to the Local.

<u>RADIO COMMUNICATION</u> — There are no exceptions....Marine Clerks are the only people on a radio who should be calling out yard locations, container numbers or any other job functions that fall under Section 1 of the PCCCD. It was agreed to in a Tri-Party Executive Board meeting that all people on a radio would identify themselves to ensure superintendents were not involved in PCCCD and PCLCD jurisdiction.

<u>NO CONTRACT</u> – Local 13 Allied Division members working at the Tesoro plant have not been given a new contract. Local 13 has created a food drive for these members and has asked that Local 63 participate by donating to the food bins which will be placed in our Dispatch Hall. Please consider helping our brothers and sisters during this difficult time.

<u>DUES INCREASE</u> – Per the 2008 contract language, every member working under the longshore contract will receive a one-dollar per hour raise. As of September 1, 2010, per the Constitution, Article X, Section 1, the monthly dues of the Local will increase to \$298.80.

<u>PRESIDENT PEYTON EDUCATIONAL MEETING</u> – The 2nd Thursday Educational Meeting will be held on August 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Local 63 Dispatch Hall. The meeting will continue the discussion of maintaining market share with an emphasis on what it means not only to our Union but also to the harbor community as a whole. More time will be spent on questions and answers than in previous meetings. Members who wish to discuss big picture issues that are offered at the Regular Membership meetings but time does not allow to be discussed in detail, please come and participate.