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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – APRIL 2019

MEETINGS: April 4, 2019 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (Hall)
 April 10, 2019 – Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. – So. Cal. District Council Meeting (Ste. 204)
 April 16, 2019 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)
 April 16, 2019 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (PMA)
 April 17, 2019 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (PMA)
 April 17, 2019 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees (Ste. 204)
 April 18, 2019 – Thursday – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)
 April 23, 2019 – Tuesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

Local 13 will hold a Stop-Work Membership Meeting on April 4th

NOMINATIONS OPEN APRIL 1st - MAY 1st – Nominations shall open at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 1st and close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1st for the following offices: Secretary/Business Agent; Day Business Agent/Patrolman; Dispatcher (4) one-year term; Board of Trustees (3) six-month term; Grievance Committee (16) six-month term; Memorial Association (7) one-year term; Promotions Committee (4) six-month term.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES – A member filing for office must have dues paid up to the current month and owe *no more than \$100* in fines and assessments. You must also have 18 months of continuous membership in the Local and must have attended six (6) Membership Meetings within the year preceding the regular election period for the June ballot. Any member desiring to be a candidate for any office/committee in the Local shall secure from the Business Office staff a printed form which shall be properly filled out designating the position to which he/she aspires and containing the signatures of ten members in good standing (dues paid to the current month and owe no more than \$100 in fines and assessments). The Business Office staff will fill out the top portion to designate the office the member wishes to run for at the time the form is issued. A nomination form circulated and signed before the office is designated is not valid. Members who obtain signatures on blank nomination forms or who change the office sought for after the signatures have been obtained will be disqualified from running. The Business Office staff will issue each potential candidate a separate nomination form for each office the member is considering running for. A member who is unsure of which office he/she plans to run for should complete a separate form for each potential office but may only submit the one nomination form they ultimately choose to officially run for prior to the end of the nomination period. However, under Article IV, Section (F) of the Local 63 Constitution, members may only file for one (1) office excluding the office of Caucus/Convention Delegate. Further, members filing for the office of President/BA or Vice President/BA may also file for Executive Board.

APRIL 2019 CAUCUS CALL & RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE – The Longshore Division Caucus will convene at 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 8, 2019, and continues through Friday, April 12, 2019, at the Holiday Inn Golden Gateway, 1500 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA. Please be advised that the deadline for Local 63 members to submit their completed caucus resolution forms to the Business Office for consideration by the membership is Friday, March 29th, by 5:00 p.m. You may pick up a resolution form in the Business Office or you may print out a copy from the Local 63 website, located under “Resources - Forms”. If you have questions regarding drafting a resolution, please contact one of the Officers for assistance.

VACATION CLAIMS – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for all or part of their vacation payment due to disability status in 2018 must contact the Business office to request a claim be submitted on their behalf. May 17, 2019 is the final deadline for an approved claim payment on June 7, 2019. Any questions regarding a denial of this claim must be directed to Betty Pleas at PMA’s Long Beach office.

CESAR CHAVEZ' BIRTHDAY - PAID HOLIDAY - OBSERVED MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2019 – Is an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours in 2018 (1200 if age 60). Those members who worked at least 800 hours but less than 1300 must work two (2) of the four (4) days that week exclusive of the holiday – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday April 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th, to qualify for the paid holiday, or if out on disability during that week, they must request that the Business office file a holiday claim on their behalf with the appropriate medical documentation covering them for that week. All work performed on this day will be paid at the overtime rate of pay. *Remember, only members who worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in the previous year, are entitled to file a holiday claim or receive holiday pay.*

“THAT’S RIGHT! SAFETY FIRST” MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT – Please join us for the 8th Annual Steve Saggiani Memorial Golf Tournament at the Costa Mesa Country Club on Friday, April 5th. Proceeds to benefit various Children’s Charities such as Miller Children’s Hospital, Alex’s Lemonade Stand, Boys and Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor, and ILWU families whom have lost a loved one to a fatal accident on the job. 4-Man Scramble - fee includes: Round of Golf, Range Balls, Golf Shirt, Goodie Bag, Lunch and Banquet Style Dinner included. Fun continues afterwards with drinks, awards and raffle prizes. 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start, Check-in starts at 11:00 a.m. (This event flyer is posted on our website - www.ilwu63.net)

WELFARE CLAIMS – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2019 will receive written notification from the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans that a Welfare Claim must be submitted. The Local will not automatically submit a claim for you. You must call or come into the Business Office to request a claim be submitted. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary information and request that a Welfare Claim be processed on your behalf. To ensure that you do not lose coverage on July 1, 2019, the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans office must receive your completed claim no later than May 31, 2019. Please call the Business Office if you have any questions: (310) 521-6363.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR – Sam Alvarado will be attending the Longshore Division Caucus and will not be coming to the Local 63 Business office this month. Any Local 63 members who need assistance with medical claims, retirement, etc. may still call and/or make appointments at his office located at: 28924 S. Western Ave., Suite 202, in R.P.V. Please call Sam, or his assistant, Olivia directly at: (310) 833-5144 for an appointment.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM RECORDS CLERK - GW-46 WORK CARD / SURRENDER RULE – This serves as serious reminder that the following Motion was approved by the Membership at the December 2010 Membership Meeting and became effective January 1, 2011 – “Any member including Steady Clerks failing to turn in their work card prior to the first day of the subsequent month shall not be allowed to work except as a redline dispatch until all work cards are surrendered. Additionally, they shall be assessed a fine up to \$200.00 for each card.” This Rule is strictly enforced and an automatic fine of \$50.00 per day up to 4 days will be applied.

PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS – The next monthly Promotions Committee meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 23rd, at 12:00 noon**, in the Labor Room, Ste. 204. Please note this committee meets on a monthly basis only on the last Tuesday of every month. Always double-check the meeting dates listed at the top of the monthly bulletin or online to verify when committee meetings are taking place.

FROM THE SECRETARY – Members going steady must check with the Business Office to make sure they are in good standing with the Local which means dues must be current and all fines must be paid prior to their start date. Members must also appear before the next Executive Board Committee for approval. Check with the Business Office for Executive Board dates and times.

FROM THE OFFICERS - There have been many employer complaints due to members parking their vehicles in the Fire Lanes at the end of their shifts. As per Section 9 of the Safety Code: There is no parking in Fire Lanes and windows must be rolled up at the end of each shift.

DOUBLE BACK – The following motion was passed at the Executive Board and will be voted upon at the Membership Meeting on April 4th - a member must have a zero balance on their account with the Local in order to Double Back. This changes it from the current rule of owing less than \$100.

TACO TRUCK WILL CATER OUR NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING – Back by popular demand! We have scheduled the Taco Truck again for our next Regular Membership Meeting held on Thursday, April 4th. They will begin serving after 5:00 p.m. Please join us to be an informed member and to enjoy some delicious tacos with your Union Brothers and Sisters.