

INTERNATIONAL
LONGSHORE &
WAREHOUSE UNION



MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

350 WEST 5TH STREET, SUITE 200

SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA 90731

MICHAEL A. PODUE
PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – JUNE 2020

MEETINGS: **CANCELLED – Regular Membership Meeting (Hall)**
***Date to be Announced – Possible Local 63 Member Update via “Zoom”**

June 9, 2020 – CANCELLED – 6:30 p.m. – So. Cal. District Council Mtg (Ste. 204)
June 16, 2020 – TBD – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)
June 17, 2020 – CANCELLED – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (Ste. 204)
June 17, 2020 – TBD – 12:00 noon – Board of Trustees (Ste. 204)
June 18, 2020 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (via Zoom)
June 29, 2020 – TBD – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

JUNE ELECTION – By now you should have received your mail ballot for the Local 63 mid-year election. Article IV, Section 2.H of the Local 63 Constitution states only active dues paying members in good standing, as defined in Section 2.K shall be eligible to vote on ballots prepared by the titled officers on behalf of the Local and/or various units within the Local. In order to be considered in good standing per our Constitution, you must have dues paid up to the current month and owe no more than \$100 in fines and assessments. Therefore, to be eligible to receive a ballot from the Business Office, a member must be in good standing with the Local. If you have not received a ballot, it is most likely due to the fact that you are not in good standing, so please check with the Business Office. The deadline for members to pay their outstanding balances to the Business Office is on Friday, May 29th by 5:00 p.m. to be eligible to vote. All ballots must be received at Local 63's P.O. Box or Local 63's Business Office Ballot Box (currently located in the Local 63 Dispatch Hall) by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 1st to be counted.

WORK CARD APP – As we reported last month, members now can fill out and submit their work cards online. If you do not already use the “My TimeBook” app, you will need to download it on your smart phone (search for “My TimeBook” in the App Store for iPhones and “Play Store” for Android phone). Whether you currently use it or not, you will need to update your profile to allow you to electronically submit it to the local. There is an instructional video posted on our website (www.ilwu63.net) that walks you through the process. There is also an iPad in the Records Clerk office with the app installed and you can fill out and submit your card electronically from there. We had close to 400 members use the app to submit their April cards. If you need help setting up the app or using it call the Records Clerk, Nadine Sestich, at 310-831-7963.

MEMBER PAYMENT PORTAL SERVICE – As reported in previous Bulletins, Local 63 now has an online payment portal that may be reached by clicking “Payment Portal” on Local 63's website. The Payment Portal allows you to view and pay your outstanding dues and fines online. The system is very easy to use, and the payment will immediately post to your account. Once you create your account (instructions on our website under “Resources”) you can view your balance and make a payment. While the system will not allow a partial payment of what is owed, you do have the ability to make a pre-payment or pay more than what is owed both of which will result in a credit on your account. In addition, you can view and verify your contact information that we have on file to ensure it is correct.

WELFARE CLAIMS – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2020, 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, 2020, the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans office must receive your completed claim no later than May 29, 2020. Please call the Local 63 Business Office if you have any questions: (310) 521-6363.

DISPATCH RULE DD-10 REMINDER – For Dayside Clerks, “Any clerk taking more than one day off Monday thru Friday shall, if his/[her] hours are lower than average must check-in on average hours...”

CWOG DISPATCH PROCEDURE REMINDER – Any Clerk checking-in for Dispatch, dayside or nightside, and receiving CWOG, shall carry ten (10) hours and re-check-in for the next dispatch opportunity.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB 15th ANNUAL ILWU/PMA FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON - Each year, the ILWU and PMA come together to raise money to support the Boys and Girls Clubs of Los Angeles Harbor. Thus far, we have raised nearly \$900,000 in support of the Clubs and their youth with this annual event. The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Los Angeles Harbor does an outstanding job serving over 9,500 at-risk youth annually with the most comprehensive child development programming possible. This non-profit must fundraise all the money needed to operate 13 sites in the Harbor area and sponsor such successful programs as “College Bound,” which provided daily college pathway support services to over 2,200 harbor youth this past year. However, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, this year’s luncheon has been cancelled, but the ILWU Locals and PMA are still intending to continue to support the Club this year as the Club and its staff are currently providing daily meals to hundreds of its needy youth stuck at home under Safer at Home orders and continuing its educational programs through online technologies.

MESSAGE FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR – The Benefit Plans Office and the Coastwise Claims Office in San Francisco have closed on a temporary basis due to COVID-19 requirements. However, they have set up their staff to work remotely from home. Most, if not all, normal activities will continue through this period. Pension Checks will go out as normal, CSDI supplement checks will go out, and Claims will be processed. Those of you receiving Paid Family Leave or unemployment are not eligible for this supplement. If anything changes with this contractual protocol, I will be sure to let you all know via your Local’s websites and staff members. Effective immediately, our building on Western Ave. will not allow any outside traffic. All members needing service must use the following methods: Scan and email, fax, mail or call. When you call our office, you **MUST** leave a message. We will get back to everyone who leaves a message. Email: salvarado@benefitplans.org and lholtan@benefitplans.org. Fax: 310-833-0735 Phone: 310-833-5144 Mailing address: 28924 S. Western Ave., Suite 202 Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275. In Solidarity, Sam Alvarado, M.S.W.

BLOODY THURSDAY EVENTS CANCELLED: Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, all Bloody Thursday events have been cancelled, including:

- Bloody Thursday Picnic - Cancelled
- Bloody Thursday - 37TH Annual Horseshoe Tournament - Cancelled
- Bloody Thursday Golf Tournament - Cancelled

QUOTE OF THE MONTH – “Unions did in fact build the middle class. And here’s what that did. That built the United States of America as we know it.” Joe Biden