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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION  
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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**BULLETIN – OCTOBER 2020**

**MEETINGS:** October 15, 2020 - Thursday – 12:00 p.m. - Executive Board Meeting *VIA ZOOM*  
October 20, 2020 - Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)  
October 21, 2020 - Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks' LRC Meeting (PMA)  
October 27, 2020 - Tuesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Mtg. (Ste. 204)



**\*\*\*Informational October Membership Meeting *VIA ZOOM* – Date and Time TBD\*\*\***  
Staff will email membership a link prior to Zoom meeting

**NOMINATIONS OPEN – OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> – NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>** – As per the Constitution, nominations shall open at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> and close at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> for the following offices: President/BA; Vice President/BA; Night Business Agent; Dispatcher (4); Sgt-at-Arms; Labor Relations Committee person; Grievance Committee (20); Executive Board (11); Board of Trustees (3); Promotions Committee (6); and Caucus/Convention Delegates (10), Memorial Association (4) – 6 month term.

**NOMINATION PROCEDURES** – Due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19, the Executive Board has approved modifications to the nomination procedure. This modified procedure is temporary and will only be applied for the December Ballot. The notable changes are that the requirement of attending six (6) Regular Membership Meetings within the year preceding the election and the requirement of obtaining signatures of ten (10) members in good standing under Local 63's Constitution, Article IV, Section 1(D) have been waived and all nomination forms must be requested and returned via email and sent to [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net).

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 within the year preceding the regular election period for the December ballot. Any member desiring to be a candidate for any office/committee in the Local shall request *via email* from the Business Office staff a nomination form(s) and must designate the position(s) to which he/she aspires. 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 and email it back. 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 request 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. Under Article IV, Section (F) of the Local 63 Constitution, members may only file for one (1) office. However, members filing for Dispatcher, Sergeant-at-Arms, Grievance Committee or Promotions Committee may also file for the Memorial Association.

**LONGSHORE TO CLERK TRANSFERS** - On September 3, 2020, the Joint Coast Labor Relations Committee (JCLRC) met to review and discuss Longshore and Marine Clerks manpower and registration, coastwise, pursuant to PCL&CA Supplement I-A and II. For the Ports of Los Angeles/Long Beach, the JCLRC agreed that the transfer of twenty-four (24) Longshore to Marine Clerks at a rate of eight (8) per month and sixty (60) Identified Casuals to Class B Longshore at a rate of twenty (20) per month is warranted at this time.

**SUPERCARGO CLASS SIGN-UPS** – The Joint Clerks Labor Relations Committee has agreed to conduct a Supercargo class and are close to completing the curriculum. We are still discussing dates, class size and the number of classes but we wanted to start a new sign up list for interested members. There are two ways to get on the list. As always, there will be a sign-up list placed down in dispatch. As an alternative, you may simply email us at [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net) and put "Supercargo Class" in the email Subject line and in the body of the email include your full name and work number. We will merge this into one list by seniority in the local and if there is a tie, seniority in the ILWU. The deadline to express your interest in attending the Supercargo Class via Sign-Up Sheet or email is Friday, October 30 at 4:30 p.m. As soon as the Local 63 Officers have more information about the class, interested members will be notified.



**PAID HOLIDAY CLAIM REMINDER – LABOR DAY** was not an automatic paid holiday. Members off work due to disability must submit written medical documentation covering them for the holiday week and must request the Business Office staff to file a claim on their behalf before the October 23<sup>rd</sup> deadline. *Please note – only those members who worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2019 are entitled to receive or file for paid holidays in 2020.*

**ILWU WALK THE COAST 2020** – Since 2012, the ILWU Walk the Coast Committee has pulled together the International Longshore and Warehouse Union, industry Employers, and the community in a collaborative effort to help save children's lives by fundraising for childhood cancer research on behalf of Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. However, due to this year's COVID-19 pandemic, the Committee was unable to hold any public fundraising events due to restrictions on public gatherings. Because cancer does not take a break for pandemics, the Committee has announced that it will carry out online fundraising efforts during the months of October through December 2020 with the hopes of returning to public fundraising events, including the Annual ILWU Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament, in 2021. Please visit [www.ILWUWalktheCoast.org](http://www.ILWUWalktheCoast.org) to view a heart-warming video from Liz Scott, founder of Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, thanking the ILWU for our longstanding support. Members interested in supporting the ILWU fight against childhood cancer may make a donation in any amount by clicking the "Southern California" link and the "Donate" button and may also post a message, if desired. Members are also welcome to post messages of support (text and/or video) on the Committee's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ILWUWalkTheCoast/>.

**23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL FEED THE COMMUNITY DAY AND ANNUAL TOY DRIVE** – As you know, Thanksgiving and Christmas are times that we choose to celebrate our blessings with the less fortunate and the COVID pandemic has made the community's needs even greater. As information becomes available for this year's events, the membership will be notified.

#### **BUSINESS OFFICE PROCEDURE DURING COVID**

Please see below for an update to temporary member services during this pandemic.

Thank you in advance for your patience, understanding and compliance with these precautionary measures.

***DOCTOR NOTES*** – Email an electronic copy of the doctors note to [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net). You can also fax the doctors note to (310)521-6343. If you have a smart phone, there is an easy way to create a PDF and then email it. We have posted tutorial videos on the Local 63 website under "Resources." Members are responsible for providing PMA via email their doctor note: [socaldocuments@pmanet.org](mailto:socaldocuments@pmanet.org)

***SDI STATEMENTS FOR SUPPLEMENT*** – Email to [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net) or fax (310)521-6343 to Business office.

***PROMOTION LETTERS*** – Email to [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net) or fax (310)521-6343 to Business office.

***STEADY APPLICATION*** – Email posting number, terminal and job title to [staff@ilwu63.net](mailto:staff@ilwu63.net) or call (310)521-6363 requesting the application and staff will email it to you. Once completed, submit it directly to the terminal.

**In the event these electronic options do not work for you, please see below for temporary procedures.**

**The lobby door will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

***DROPPING SOMETHING OFF*** - Inside the lobby we have a drop box marked "Paperwork Drop Box" so that you can submit your doctor's note, SDI paperwork, payment, etc. Please note, if you are making a cash payment, staff cannot issue change so please have the exact amount or the balance will be applied to your account as a credit. You are urged to place payment, documents, etc. in a sealed envelope with your name and work number on it. To avoid person to person contact, the staff will not take a credit card in person so plan on paying by check or cash. If you wish to use a debit or credit card, please use the online payment portal.

***PICKING SOMETHING UP*** – Inside the lobby we have placed a rack to hold documents. If there is something you need, please call the Business Office and let the staff know what you need to pick up. Whatever it is, the staff will place it in an envelope with your name and work number for you to pick up. Please allow time for staff to prepare and place in the rack the documents you requested and confirm with staff that your envelope is ready prior to showing up at the office.

**QUOTE OF THE MONTH** – Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you. - Ruth Bader Ginsburg