INTERNATIONAL LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE UNION



MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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BULLETIN-NOVEMBER 2020

MEETINGS: November 17, 2020 - TBD - Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

November 18, 2020 - Wednesday - 9:30 a.m. - Regular Clerks' LRC Meeting (Ste. 204)

November 19, 2020 - Thursday - 12:00 p.m. - Executive Board Meeting VIA ZOOM

November 24, 2020 - Tuesday - 12:00 p.m. - Promotions Committee Mtg. (Ste. 204)

Informational November Membership Meeting VIA ZOOM – Thursday, November 5th at 12:00 p.m.

Staff will email membership a link prior to Zoom meeting

~In observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday ~ The Business Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th

TUESDAY, NOV. 3RD - BUSINESS OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 4:00 PM TO ALLOW OFFICERS & STAFF TO VOTE!

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

<u>NOMINATION PROCEDURES</u> – 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.

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.

NOVEMBER ELECTION INFORMATION – Official ballots shall be mailed out no later than Friday, November 6th. Ballots must be received at Local 63's P.O. Box or in the ballot box located in the Local 63 Dispatch Hall by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, November 30th in order to be counted. Ballots shall be counted by the Local 63 Balloting Committee in accordance with the Local 63 election policy, rules and procedures with results posted by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 30th.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTORS for upcoming Basic, Tower and Supercargo classes. Please submit your interest via email to staff@ilwu63.net.

FROM THE DISPATCHERS - A reminder to all Night Steadies who check in to volunteer at the Hall: You have until 1:00 P.M. to let Dispatch know if you are working at your own dock (OD). If you fail to notify dispatch BY 1:00 P.M., you belong to the Hall and must either take a job or flop.

23rd 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.

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. The first 8 transfers (of 24) from Local 13 will start early November please welcome our new Brothers and Sisters into our family.

ILWU WALK THE COAST 2020 - Since 2012, the ILWU Walk the Coast Committee has pulled together the ILWU, 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. The Committee invites members, family, and friends to visit 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. You will also see supportive video messages from the ILWU International and Coast Officers. Funds raised will be used for cancer research and family support. Please click on "donate", "Southern California," making a donation in any amount, and post a message of your choosing, for example, "in memory of' a loved one. ILWU members and its sponsors can be quite proud as our annual events have now raised over \$600,000 for the fight against childhood cancer, making ILWU Walk the Coast a top 20 fundraiser for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, nationwide! On the "ILWUWalkTheCoast" Facebook page, you can read more information and "like" the page for more updates. Donors are invited and encouraged to post a video on the Facebook page, stating name, local, what they do in the port, and why they support the fight against childhood cancer. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Robert at rmaynez@ilwu63.net.

BUSINESS OFFICE PROCDURE DURING COVID

Thank you in advance for your patience, understanding and compliance with these precautionary measures: **DUES OR FINES** – we now have an online portal for members to view what they owe and make a payment online. Simply set up your account (instructions can be found on the Local 63 website). The payment will immediately post to your account and you will receive a receipt via email.

DOCTOR NOTES – Email an electronic copy of the doctors note to <u>staff@ilwu63.net</u>. 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. Members are responsible for providing PMA via email their doctor note: <u>socaldocuments@pmanet.org</u>

SDI STATEMENTS FOR SUPPLEMENT – Email to <u>staff@ilwu63.net</u> or fax (310)521-6343 to Business office. **STEADY APPLICATION** – Email posting number, terminal and job title to <u>staff@ilwu63.net</u> 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." **PICKING SOMETHING UP** – Inside the lobby we have placed a rack to hold documents that you've requested.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH – "No fundamental social change occurs merely because government acts. It's because civil society, the conscience of a country, begins to rise up and demand - demand change. " - *Joe Biden*

Wishing you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving
From the Local 63 Officers and Staff