

INTERNATIONAL  
LONGSHORE &  
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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION  
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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## **BULLETIN – AUGUST 2022**

**MEETINGS:** August 4, 2022 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (Warner Grand)  
August 16, 2022 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)  
August 17, 2022 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (Ste. 204)  
August 18, 2022 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)  
August 30, 2022 – Tuesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

**ILWU LOCAL 13 STOP WORK MEETING** – Please be advised that Local 13 has called for a Stop Work Meeting on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> for the second shift.

**UPDATE ON CONTRACT TALKS** – The ILWU and the PMA announced on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> that a tentative agreement has been reached on health benefits, subject to agreement on the other issues in the negotiations. The Local 63 Officers will keep the membership updated as information becomes available.

**PAID HOLIDAY, THURSDAY, JULY 28<sup>th</sup> - HARRY BRIDGES BIRTHDAY** – Is a normal work day and an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours (1200 if age 60 or over) in 2021. For those members who did not meet the automatic holiday requirements, they must be available for work at least two (2) of the four (4) days exclusive of the holiday (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday: July 25<sup>th</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup>, July 27<sup>th</sup>, or July 29<sup>th</sup>).

If a member worked less than 1300 hours but **at least** 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2021 and is on disability during the holiday week, he/she must request the Business Office to file a claim on their behalf with the appropriate medical documentation covering them for that week, or if on vacation during the holiday week, notify the Records Clerk. *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.*

**SICK DUES** – Per the results of the 2022 June Election, Article X, Section 1D of the Constitution has been amended to state that if you work one (1) or more days a month, you must pay full dues. Members who are off work for an entire calendar month and provide medical documentation to the Business Office Staff will pay adjusted dues reduced from \$343.92 to \$105.80. This change took effect July 1, 2022.

**COVID NOTIFICATION NUMBER** – If you suspect you have COVID-19 or have a confirmed case or have been exposed, the contact number for reporting to PMA is **(562) 495-7697**. If you reach a recording, leave your name, Registration #, and a call back number. PMA will call you back and start the electronic process to receive your COVID Related Leave Pay. *If you need help with the PMA Dockworker Self-Service portal, call the Business Office Staff and we will assist you.*

**MEMBERS GOING STEADY** – The Executive Board has resumed having members appear before the Board who are going steady. The Executive Board meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at noon.



**NEW ILWU LOCAL 63 COFFEE MUGS** – available for sale at the Business Office for \$15. Limited supply – Grab one while supplies last!

**LOCAL 63 DISPATCH HALL PARKING REMINDER** – Please do not park in Local 63 Officer and Dispatcher-designated parking spots and please do not block driveways at the Local 63 Dispatch Hall.

**WELFARE CLAIMS** – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2022, 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. Please call the Local 63 Business Office if you have any questions: (310) 521-6363.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR** – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Tuesday, August 9th**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who need his services. Please call the Local 63 Business office ahead of time to schedule your appointment. *\*Appointment times fill up quickly, scheduling in advance is recommended.*

**TWIC CARD** – Clerks are reminded to check their expiration dates and renew their TWIC cards *before* they lapse. You must have a valid TWIC card or receipt to enter the terminal. To schedule your renewal, visit <https://www.tsa.gov/for-industry/twic> or call **(855) 347-8371**.

**WORK CARD FINES** – If you incur a \$20 work card fine, it is your responsibility to ensure that month's work card is turned in electronically or physically before the following month to avoid the GW-46 Rule maximum penalty of \$200. For example, if you see "Late Work Card for June 2022" on your statement in July, that means your June work card was received late or it was never received. This can be verified by calling the Records Clerk at (310) 831-7963 or by viewing the "Late Work Card List" on Local 63's website [www.ilwu63.net](http://www.ilwu63.net). If your card was received late (after July 10<sup>th</sup> but before July 31<sup>st</sup>), that is simply a late work card and the \$20 fine applies. If your June work card is received any time after August 1<sup>st</sup>, you are in violation of GW-46 and subsequently fined \$50 per day that you work up to a maximum of 4 days/\$200. In this case, you will also be placed on the Red-Line Dispatch list until that work card is received by the Records Clerk.

**ONLINE GST & CA SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION CLASSES** – Once you receive your notice with the links and sign-on information, it is your responsibility to complete both modules. If you choose to take the online courses at the Wilmington Training Center, email [socalgsthelp@pmanet.org](mailto:socalgsthelp@pmanet.org) to schedule a time slot to use their computers. You must schedule this in advance as space is limited – **Do not wait until you are on non-dispatch, you will not be given preference.** Once both courses are completed, a notification will be sent to PMA, and you will be paid. (Note: Do not complete the GST course while you are on Disability or on a CWOG day). As the letter explains, failure to complete these courses will result in being placed on non-dispatch. Working while on non-dispatch, whether Steady or Hall, will result in an Employer Complaint.

**DOUBLE BACKING** – If you have a comeback, make sure to call your own replacement and don't rely on the Company, Supercargo, or Chief Supervisor to do it for you. Remember: **You are responsible for your own replacement.** For additional information refer to Rule GW-33. Please note the following: *A member must have a zero balance on their account with the Local in order to Double Back.* Local 63 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, and you will receive a receipt via email.