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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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PETER PEYTON
PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – MARCH/APRIL 2011

MEETINGS – April 7, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (HALL)
April 13, 2011 – 6:30 p.m. – District Council Meeting (LABOR ROOM)
April 20, 2011 – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (LABOR ROOM)
April 21, 2011 – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (EB ROOM)
April 20, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (LABOR ROOM)

NOMINATIONS OPEN – APRIL 15th – MAY 16th – for the following offices: Secretary/BA; Day Business Agent/Patrolman; Dispatcher (4); Board of Trustees (2) six-month term; Grievance Committee (19) six month term; Memorial Association (7). Election will be by mail ballot, mailed no later than May 25th; returned postmarked no later than Midnight, June 9th or in the Business Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 9th; results posted by 5:00 p.m. on **June 13th, 2011.**

CAUCUS RESOLUTIONS – Resolutions for consideration and possible adoption by the Membership must be submitted to the Business Office by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Thursday, April 7th in order to be read at the Membership Meeting that evening.

MEETING AT THE LOCAL 63 HALL: “REVIEWING ILWU LOCAL 63 PRIORITIES”
At the March 2011 Membership Meeting, President Peyton briefly reviewed big picture issues on the horizon. Because he will be attending the ILWU International Executive Board (IEB) Meeting during the week of our April Regular Membership meeting, President Peyton is welcoming all interested members to join him for a “Last Thursday” meeting on March 31st at 6:00 p.m. in the Dispatch Hall for an in-depth presentation on the issues facing the ILWU and the labor movement. The issues that we face run the gamut, including the upcoming 2012 Presidential and Senatorial races; the 2014 opening of the expanded Panama Canal and market share trends; jurisdiction/technology issues, and how they all inter-relate. The Officers strongly urge you to attend this meeting, and because many of the issues are applicable to the entire ILWU family, we are welcoming members of Local 13, Local 94, and the Pensioners to join us at this meeting.

DUES AND ASSESSMENTS – The total amount of dues paid in 2011 was \$2584.08 (\$286.80) per month until August 2010 and \$298.80 per month from September 2010 onward; total amount of Coast Pro Rata and International Per Capita paid in 2010 was \$905.52 (\$75.46 per month) for a total amount of \$3489.60. Additionally, there was a one-time Caucus assessment of \$50.00 for a grand total of \$3539.60. Any member who was off due to an excused disability on file in the Business Office should multiply the above amount(s) times the number of affected months they paid these figures to Local 63. Disability dues of \$75.46 are forwarded by the Local to the International for the International Per Capita and Coast Pro Rata as the Local is responsible for paying this amount to the International for each member whether it has received the monies from the member or not.

FINAL VACATION CLAIMS – Members who still need to file a claim for any additional paid vacation week(s) and have not provided all of the required documents must contact the Business Office prior to May 20th for the final payment adjustment on June 10th.

PARKING LOT VIOLATIONS – The Officers are aware of the difficulties our lack of parking spaces creates for our members on certain days during dispatch time. However, our building's tenants also have the right to the use of these spaces through their rent payments and lease agreements. Please refrain from double parking and blocking other vehicles from being able to leave their spaces. There is a public parking lot directly across the street from our building and is best for people who only need to visit the Hall for a short period.

KAISER PERMANENTE REPRESENTATIVE – Ms. Marsha Fox will be in attendance on Thursday, April 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Local 63 Labor Room (Suite 204) for our members who may have any questions or problems with their Kaiser coverage. An appointment is not necessary.

FIDELITY REPRESENTATIVE – The 401(k) representative will be here on April 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Labor Room (suite 204) for members who may have questions or wish to sign up. An appointment is not necessary.

REVLON RUN/WALK – Join a team of ILWU Local 63-13-94 members to raise money for breast cancer research. The team name is Commit Don't Sit – Team Unity. For information/registration to participate/donations by individuals go to www.revlonrunwalk.org. Contact Shirley Decker (562) 537-5391 for more information.

EARTHQUAKE/TSUNAMI/NUCLEAR CRISIS IN JAPAN – Just when we come to grips with the importance of maintaining our bargaining rights and right to a union a crisis of a magnitude that is unimaginable hits in northern Japan. Hundreds of thousands are homeless, without adequate shelter, food and water, separated from family, and mourning the death of thousands of friends, family, neighbors and countrymen. The images broadcast on the news and internet remind us of what our true priorities are and make us all want to reach out to those in this unthinkable crisis.

The ILWU International has set up a relief fund to aid the disaster recovery in Japan. You can contribute by sending a check made out to the ILWU with a memo notation of Japan Relief and sending it to the ILWU International at 1188 Franklin Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94109. The funds will be transferred to relief accounts set up by our brothers and sisters in the All Japan Dockworkers' Union and the All Japan Seamen's Union. Thank you for all your generous support.

MARCH 26th LOS ANGELES LABOR RALLY – Local 13 is arranging to get busses to the labor rally and march at the LA Convention Center (see additional info on flier). Contact Ray Pearson at (310) 834-7386 to sign up for a seat on the bus.

TEAMSTERS RAIDING OF ILWU – International President Robert McEllrath has notified us that Teamster officials have engaged in a successful secret campaign for over a year to recruit Local 17 to disaffiliate from the ILWU and merge with Teamsters Local 150 in Sacramento, California. They unsuccessfully attempted to do the same with ILWU Local 6 as well. IBT General President Jim Hoffa has failed to respond to letters from President McEllrath that demand a stop to the raiding and that they honor the long-standing ILWU-IBT solidarity agreements. The ILWU Titled Officers will keep us informed of any developments.