INTERNATIONAL LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE UNION

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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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PRESIDENT

BULLETIN-October/November 2011

MEETINGS – November 3, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting

November 9, 2011 – 6:30 pm. – District Council Meeting

November 16, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting

November 17, 2011 – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting

November 23, 2011 – 12:00 p.m. - Promotions Committee Meeting

The Business Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

<u>NOMINATIONS OPEN OCTOBER 17TH – NOVEMBER 15TH, 2011</u> – for the following offices: President/BA; Vice President/BA; Night Business Agent; Dispatcher (4); Sergeant-at-Arms; Board of Trustees (3); Executive Board (11); Labor Relations Committee (1); Grievance Committee (20); Promotions Committee (3); Caucus/Convention Delegate (11).

*Caucus/Convention delegate numbers will be subject to review.

**Please note that nominations will open two (2) days later due to the 15th landing on a weekend!

NOMINATION PROCEDURES — a member filing for office must have dues paid up to the current month, and must show eighteen (18) months continuous membership in the Local. Any member desiring to be candidate for any office in the Local shall secure from the Business Office a printed form which shall be properly filled out designating the office to which he/she aspires and containing the signatures of ten (10) members in good standing. To be eligible to run for any office or committee, the candidate must have attended six (6) Membership Meetings within the year preceding the regular election period for the December ballot. The Business Office will fill out the top portion of the form to designate the office the member seeks to run for at the time the form is issued. A nomination form circulated and signed before the office is designated is not valid. Members who obtain signatures on blank nomination forms or who change the office sought for after the signatures have been obtained will be disqualified from running. The Business Office 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 complete a separate form for each potential office. However, under Article IV, Section (F) of the Constitution, members may only file for and run for one (1) office excluding the office of the Caucus/Convention Delegate. Further, a member filing for the office of President or Vice President may also file for Executive Board.

<u>ILWU CREDIT UNION</u> – representatives will be available in the Local 63 lobby during the November Regular Membership Meeting for any members who may want information on their services.

<u>PAID HOLIDAY – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH – VETERAN'S DAY –</u> 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 2010. For those who did not, you must be available to work at least two (2) of the four (4) days exclusive of the holiday date, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, November 7th, 8th, 9th, or 10th. Please note that only those members who worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2010 are eligible to receive or file for holiday claims.

PAID HOLIDAY – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH – THANKSGIVING DAY- is a no work holiday. Members must be available to work at least two (2) of the four (4) days, exclusive of the holiday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, November 21st, 22nd, 23rd, or 25th. Members who are off due to disability, must submit written medical documentation covering them for the week of the holiday in order to have the Business Office file a claim on their behalf. For those members who will be on vacation during that week, Monday through Friday, they must notify the Records Clerk prior to the end of the holiday week. Please note that only members who worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2010 are eligible to receive or file for holiday claims.

HARRY BRIDGES INSTITUTE 10TH ANNUAL WORKING CLASS WOMEN'S LUNCHEON – this year's event will be held on Sunday, November 13th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel in San Pedro. The Local 63 honoree for this year is Pat Monje. For tickets and more information, please call Stacey at the HBI at (310) 831-2397.

KAISER PERMANENTE & DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES — Ms. Marsha Fox will be available to any member who has questions, concerns, and/or problems with their coverage or their dependents' coverage, as well as Ms. Maria Escorsia representing Dental Health Services on Thursday, December 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Suite 204, Labor Room. *Please note that there will no representatives in attendance for the month of November, 2011.

14TH ANNUAL "FEED THE COMMUNITY DAY" - is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22nd from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 231 West "C" Street in Wilmington for preparation and distribution of the baskets. This year's event hopes to distribute 1500 turkey baskets with all the trimmings to help feed low-income families in our surrounding communities. The committee is asking for donations of \$25.00 per basket and/or volunteers to help prepare and distribute baskets. For more information, please call Lisa Tonson at (310) 266-9973. Checks are made payable to ILWU Local 13, with "Thanksgiving basket" in the memo area and may be left with Local 63 Records Clerk Pat Monje as well. Please help this worthy cause achieve their goal.

REMINDER

- Members cannot check in other members at membership meetings—NO EXCEPTIONS!
- ND-13 Union Meeting Square/Night Members Night Clerks who attend union meetings shall be allowed to use that meeting night as a free night for union business.

(Note: Members must attend the meeting and check in to be counted as a night of availability.)

WELFARE PROBLEMS – It has been brought to the Officers' attention that members are being denied medical services by the Union's Coastwise Indemnity Plan which were previously approved. Should you encounter any problems, contact the Area Benefits Director, Sam Alvarado immediately at (310)833-5144. Office: 28924 S. Western Ave. in RPV. If after speaking to the Benefits Director and satisfactory results are not met, please contact Local 63 so the Officers can investigate.

MOTIONS, ACTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS - from the Oct 20th E-Board mtg. – (1)Trustees' report – convention/caucus assessment and Local 63 budget (2)Trapac automation (3)Renewal of our legal insurance policy (4)Problems with Coastwise Claims office (5)Beat the Canal project (6)Support for "Occupy" (7)Tower scope of work(Miller arbitration) (8)Computerized dispatch (9)Exploding reefers (10)Review of Dispatch Rules.

<u>SUPERCARGO TRAINING</u> - Joint agreement was reached on the creation of a new Supercargo Training Program. Key qualified members who wish to participate may sign up on the list in the Dispatch Hall. Those members who have already signed up do not have to sign up again.