

INTERNATIONAL  
LONGSHORE &  
WAREHOUSE UNION



MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION  
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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## BULLETIN – APRIL 2018

**MEETINGS:** April 5, 2018 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (Hall)  
 April 11, 2018 – Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. – So. Cal. District Council Meeting (Ste. 204)  
 April 17, 2018 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)  
 April 17, 2018 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (PMA)  
 April 18, 2018 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (PMA)  
 April 18, 2018 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees (Ste. 204)  
 April 19, 2018 – Thursday – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)  
 April 24, 2018 – Tuesday – 5:30 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

*\*Locals 13 & 94 will hold a Stop-Work Membership Meeting on April 5<sup>th</sup>*

**NOMINATIONS OPEN APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> - MAY 1<sup>st</sup>** – Nominations shall open at 8 a.m. on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and close at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> for the following offices: Secretary/Business Agent; Day Business Agent/Patrolman; Dispatcher (4); Board of Trustees (3) six-month term; Grievance Committee (16) six-month term; Memorial Association (7); Promotions Committee (6) six-month term.

**NOMINATION PROCEDURES** – 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 and must have attended six (6) Membership Meetings within the year preceding the regular election period for the June ballot. Any member desiring to be a candidate for any office/committee in the Local shall secure from the Business Office staff a printed form which shall be properly filled out designating the position to which he/she aspires and containing the signatures of ten members in good standing (dues paid to the current month and owe no more than \$100 in fines and assessments). 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. 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 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 complete 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. However, under Article IV, Section (F) of the Local 63 Constitution, members may only file for one (1) office excluding the office of Caucus/Convention Delegate. Further, members filing for the office of President/BA or Vice President/BA may also file for Executive Board.

**DUES AND ASSESSMENTS** – The total amount of Dues paid in 2017 was **\$3,873.60**. Any member who was off work due to an excused disability on file in the Business Office paid only their Coast Pro Rata and Per Capita which were \$83.87 per month and should multiply the amount(s) times the number of months they paid these figures to Local 63 for their individual total. (A member must be off work with Dr. notes for a minimum of 20 days within a month to have their dues reduced). Any member who was not part of Local 63 for the entire year should multiply the above amount(s) times the number of months they were in the Local to have their actual amount paid.

**NEW TRANSFERS** – The list to transfer to Local 63 has been closed and testing for applicants is nearing completion. We anticipate getting our first group of 20 seniority picks sometime in April and the process will continue in groups of 20 until we complete the entire group of 80.

**CESAR CHAVEZ' BIRTHDAY - PAID HOLIDAY - OBSERVED MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2018** – Is an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours (1200 if age 60 or over in 2017). Those members who worked at least 800 hours but less than 1300 must work two (2) of the four (4) days that week exclusive of the holiday – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, or 6<sup>th</sup> to qualify for the paid holiday, or if out on disability during that week, they must request that the Business office file a holiday claim on their behalf with the appropriate medical documentation covering them for that week. All work performed on this day will be paid at the overtime rate of pay. *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.*

**JUNE 2018 CAUCUS CALL RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE** – Any member wishing to submit a resolution must do so prior to the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting so that the resolution may be read and voted upon by the Local. If you need assistance in drafting a resolution, please contact one of the Officers. You may pick up a resolution form in the Dispatch Hall at the April 6<sup>th</sup> Membership meeting or you may print out a copy from the Local 63 Website, located under 'Forms'.

**24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CESAR CHAVEZ LABOR TRIBUTE BANQUET** – The Harry Bridges Institute presents this year's event which will take place on Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at the San Pedro Marina Hilton Doubletree Hotel. The Local 63 Honoree is (Int'l. President Emeritus and past Local 63 President) James "Spinner" Spinoso. Congratulations Jim! For ticket information, please contact Stacey at the Harry Bridges Institute at: (310) 831-2397.

**"THAT'S RIGHT! SAFETY FIRST" MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT** – Please join us for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Steve Saggiani Memorial Golf Tournament at the Costa Mesa Country Club on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Proceeds to benefit various Children's Charities such as Miller Children's Hospital, Alex's Lemonade Stand, Boys and Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor, and the ILWU families who have lost a loved one to a fatal accident on the job. For more information, contact Larry Manzo at: (562) 221-5685, or Dave Stanovich at: (562) 822-3937.

**VACATION CLAIMS** – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for all or part of their vacation payment due to disability status in 2017 must contact the Business office to request a claim be submitted on their behalf. May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018, is the final deadline for an approved claim payment on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Any questions regarding a denial of this claim must be directed to Betty Pleas at PMA's Long Beach office.

**WELFARE CLAIMS** – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2018 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. To ensure that you do not lose coverage on July 1, 2018, the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans office must receive your completed claim no later than May 31, 2018. Please call the 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, April 10<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who need assistance with medical claims, retirement, etc. Please call the Local 63 Business office to schedule your appointment. *\*Appointment times fill up quickly, scheduling in advance is recommended.* Local 63 Members who are unable to meet with him on these dates may still call and/or make appointments at his office located at: 28924 S. Western Ave., Suite 202, in R.P.V. Please call Sam, or his assistant, Olivia directly at: (310) 833-5144 for an appointment.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM RECORDS CLERK - GW-46 WORK CARD / SURRENDER RULE** – This serves as serious reminder that the following Motion was approved by the Membership at the December 2010 Membership Meeting and became effective January 1, 2011 – "Any member including Steady Clerks failing to turn in their work card prior to the first day of the subsequent month shall not be allowed to work except as a redline dispatch until all work cards are surrendered. Additionally, they shall be assessed a fine up to \$200.00 for each card." This Rule is strictly enforced and an automatic fine of \$50.00 per day up to 4 days will be applied.

**RESPECT ON THE JOB** – All Local 63 members shall be treated fairly and equally on the Job. There is NO difference between a steady clerk and a hall clerk working out of the Local 63 Dispatch Hall when it comes to the way a Marine Clerk should be treated and the way breaks are fairly distributed amongst Local 63 clerks. If you have a concern with the way you are being treated on the job, please contact your Business Agent.