

INTERNATIONAL
LONGSHORE &
WAREHOUSE UNION



MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS



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PAUL K. TRANI
PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2017

MEETINGS: December 7, 2016 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (HALL)
 December 19, 2016 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (PMA)
 December 19, 2016 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)
 December 19, 2016 – Tuesday – 5:30 p.m. – Promotions Committee Mtg. (Ste. 204)
 December 20, 2016 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (PMA)
 December 20, 2016 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting (Ste. 200)
 December 21, 2016 – Thursday – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)

THE BUSINESS OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES / TIMES:

Friday, December 1st – Close at 12:00 p.m. – Pensioners' Annual Appreciation Party
Monday & Tuesday, December 25th & 26th – Christmas Holiday
Monday & Tuesday, January 1st & 2nd – New Year's Holiday

ELECTION INFORMATION – Ballots for the December Election were mailed out on November 8th to all active members who are in good standing (owe less than \$100). Once completed, ballots **MUST** be received either in the Local 63 designated Business Office Lobby Ballot Box or in Local 63's designated P.O. Box on the ballot envelope by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 29th with election results to be posted by 5:00 p.m. that day.

PAID HOLIDAY – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2017 – THANKSGIVING DAY- Is a *No Work Holiday*. Members must be available for work at least two (2) of the four (4) days, exclusive of the holiday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday, November 20th, 21st, 22nd or 24th. Members who are off on disability during the holiday week must submit written medical documentation covering them for the holiday week and request the Business Office staff to file a claim on their behalf. Members who will be on vacation during the holiday week (Monday – Friday) must notify the Records Clerk prior to the end of the holiday week. Note, only members who **worked** at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2016 are eligible to receive or file for holiday claims in 2017. *Please note that it is the member's responsibility to request that a holiday claim be filed on their behalf.*

LOCAL 63 ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON – This year's event will take place on Friday, December 15th from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Dispatch Hall and will be catered by Raffaello's Restaurant. Please come to enjoy some holiday cheer with our union brothers and sisters.

ILWU ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE – Please help by donating a newly unwrapped toy for underprivileged children within our community. For your convenience, a large holiday decorative toy bin will be located inside the Dispatch Hall and in the Business Office beginning Monday, November 27th. Our toy drive will be on-going until the day of the Children's Christmas party which will be held on Monday, December 18th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Memorial Hall located at 231 West "C" Street in Wilmington. By contributing a new toy to this year's ILWU Toy Drive you are ensuring that each child receives a thoughtful gift at the event. Any toy donations are welcomed so please consider dropping off a toy(s). Spread the word and let's make this holiday a happy one for the children!

DECK THE HALLS AND TRIM THE TREE - In the spirit of the holidays, please come out and help us decorate the Local 63 Christmas Tree on Tuesday, December 12th at 6 p.m. in the Dispatch Hall. Everyone is encouraged to bring an ornament to help trim the tree. We will be serving hot cocoa, coffee and treats. We hope to see you all there!

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HARRY BRIDGES INSTITUTE 16TH ANNUAL WORKING CLASS WOMEN'S LUNCHEON – was held on Sunday, November 19th at the Hilton Doubletree Hotel in San Pedro. It was a great time to honor the contributions of outstanding women in the rank and file. Congratulations to Judy Ardron, our Local 63 honoree for this year.

ILWU ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY – A time for good cheer, a time for friends & coworkers during this special time of year! The Longshore Memorial Association invites you to join us **Saturday, December 16, 2017 at the Memorial Hall - 231st St. Wilmington.** Doors open 6 pm. VIP Tickets \$60 per person includes dinner and table seating. General Admission Tickets \$20 per person (no dinner, standing room only and entry after 8:30 PM) Ticket Sales begin November 27, Monday - Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Memorial Hall. For more information call the Memorial Hall 310-830-3591, Patricia Aguirre 310-210-6774, Lynn Hay 562-400-3805 or Nacho Sanchez 310-293-1503.

**PAID HOLIDAYS – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH - CHRISTMAS EVE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH - CHRISTMAS DAY**

To be eligible for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day holiday pay, members must be available for work at least two (2) of the four (4) days, Tuesday through Friday, December 26th – 29th. Members who are on vacation must notify the Records Clerk no later than December 30th for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day holiday pay.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST – NEW YEAR'S EVE
MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST – NEW YEAR'S DAY**

To be eligible for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day holiday pay, members must be available for work at least two (2) of the four (4) days, Tuesday through Friday, January 2nd – 5th. Members who are on vacation must notify the Records Clerk no later than January 5th for holiday pay.

*Members who are on disability for any or all of the two (2) sets of holidays, must submit medical documentation to the Business Office covering the appropriate time and **must request the Business Office staff to file a holiday claim on their behalf** with the current medical documentation which excuses them for the holiday week. To be eligible to file a claim and be paid for any holidays, members must have **worked** at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2016 to receive or file holiday claims, so members who were on disability during 2016 should be aware of their actual hours worked during that year to know how their 2017 holidays are affected.*

END OF PAYROLL YEAR – The last day for payroll and 2017 vacations is Friday, December 22, 2017.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Tuesday, December 12th**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who are in need of his services. Please call the Local 63 Business office ahead of time to schedule your appointment. ***Appointment times fill up quickly so scheduling in advance is recommended.** Local 63 Members who are unable to meet with him on this date may still call and/or make appointments at his office located at: 28924 S. Western Ave., Ste.202, in R.P.V., via his assistant Olivia at: (310) 833-5144.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

A very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year to you and your families. It has been an honor and a privilege to have been elected and to serve as President for this great Local. I want to thank all those who assisted me during these two years in office. An honest heartfelt thank you to all past Officers, the Executive Board, Trustees, current and past Business Agents, LRC Representatives, Dispatchers, our Staff, and all those who served on committees in assisting myself in these two years. I appreciate all those who have taken ownership of the committees in which you served on. I hope you continue to serve and volunteer your precious time for this great Union, for it is your participation which makes it great. I also want to thank past and current Officers of Local 13 along with their staff, and Local 94 past and current Officers. I am very proud of our accomplishments in Sacramento, and the countless round table discussions we participated in representing the Southern California Ports. I especially want to thank Joe Gasperov and Maureen Gutierrez. I am very fortunate to have served this Local alongside them. The dignity, knowledge and sacrifice they have given to this local and to myself is beyond what I could ask for.

A Christmas Thought: STRESSED is just DESSERTS spelled backwards.

In Solidarity,
Paul Trani

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE OFFICERS AND STAFF OF LOCAL 63:
Paul, Joe, Maureen, Cathy, Anthony, Angela, Beth, Gina, Lori & Robert**