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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION  
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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**BULLETIN – JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2017**

**MEETINGS:** February 2, 2017 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (HALL)  
February 8, 2017 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting (Ste. 200)  
February 16, 2017 – Thursday – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)  
February 21, 2017 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (PMA)  
February 21, 2017 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)  
February 15, 2017 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (PMA)  
February 21, 2017 – Tuesday – 5:30 p.m. – Promotions Committee Mtg. (Ste. 204)  
**\*Only Local 13's Membership Meeting will be Stop Work on Feb. 2nd**

***THE BUSINESS OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup>  
IN OBSERVANCE OF THE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY***

**DUES AND ASSESSMENTS** – The total amount of Dues paid in 2016 was \$3873.60. 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 & should multiply the amount(s) times the number of months they paid these figures to Local 63 for their individual total. 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.

**PMA IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 8.34 FOR CLERKS' NON-AVAILABILITY** – PMA is actively pursuing members who do not meet the necessary criteria for this section of the PCCCD regarding availability. Members who do not provide PMA with written medical documentation or request an official Leave of Absence, (including extended vacations), and not approved through the JPLRC for their time away from the industry may risk possible deregistration. Members may fax documentation to (562) 436-8252 Attn: Phil Tabyanan; mail it to the Labor Relations Department – PO Box 21618, Long Beach, CA. 90801-4443 or in person at their physical address – 300 Oceangate, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Long Beach, CA.

**SPECIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT** – Enclosed with this bulletin is a special referendum ballot to elect one (1) additional Dispatcher for a one (1) year term due to a recent retirement mid-election. As is noted on this ballot, it must be received at the Local 63 P.O. Box or in the Local 63's business office lobby's designated ballot box by 10:00 a.m. on February 7<sup>th</sup> to be counted.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017 – LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY** – Is NOT a paid holiday – and is a normal work day; however, per the PCCCD work performed on Monday will be at the overtime rate.

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**VACATION CLAIMS** – Members who did not work the required amounts of hours to qualify for all or part of their vacation payment due to disability status in 2016 must contact the Business Office to request that a claim be submitted on their behalf. The first claim deadline is February 17 for an approved claim payment on March 10, and a final claim deadline on May 19 for approved claim payment on June 9. It is imperative that your Dr. notes submitted to our office are received in a timely manner with **NO** lapses in dates. This documentation must be dated, on doctor's letterhead and signed by the doctor. Your note must include the wording that you are "unable to work" or TTD (temporarily totally disabled) from the first date of the disability to a projected or actual date of return. Disability status includes continuous absence due to Workmen's Compensation, State Disability, or any other illness or injury.

**VACATION/PENSION/WELFARE/HOLIDAY REQUIREMENTS**- Please be aware that each of these benefits have very distinct criteria. Receiving one (1) or more of these benefits by having a claim approved **DOES NOT** necessarily ensure that any of the other benefits will be attained. *The Business Office Staff makes every effort to file claims for any benefits that a member may be in jeopardy of losing due to not meeting the individual requirements but ultimately it is the member's responsibility to request that a claim be processed.* If a member is uncertain of the requirements for any of the above, they should request information in the Business Office or by contacting the appropriate office (i.e. PMA or the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans Office).

**GW – 46 WORK CARD / SURRENDER RULE** - This serves as a 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 will now be strictly enforced and a fine will be applied automatically.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR** – Effective in January 2017, Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** of every month **ONLY** from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for any Local 63 member who is in need of his services; therefore, he will be in attendance at Local 63 on **Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**. 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.

**HEALTH BENEFITS WORKSHOPS** – Local 13 will be holding workshops to assist members who have had medical claims denied and whose arbitration continues; they will be assisted in completing and submitting a rebuttal statement. The workshops will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. & Friday, February 10, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.; an ILWU attorney will be in attendance to assist. **It is important to bring ALL the EOB's or supporting documents to the workshop(s).**

**LABOR ORGANIZER JOE HILL MEMORIAL** – A plaque dedication ceremony marking the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Joe Hill's death has been **rescheduled** for 10:00 a.m. on January 28, 2017 at the Liberty Hill Plaza located at 100 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street in San Pedro. Joe was a prominent labor organizer and songwriter of labor songs and San Pedro played a prominent role in his work. Guest speakers, music, light refreshments and free parking will be provided; come to celebrate and learn more about this important historical figure.

**GRAND OPENING OF THE HARRY BRIDGES INSTITUTE**– The Harry Bridges Institute has moved to the ILWU Memorial Hall at 231 West "C" St. in Wilmington. (310) 831-2397. Everyone is invited to the Grand Opening on Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. Learn about their New Direction partnerships with Harbor Area organizations that struggle for better working conditions, a cleaner environment and improved schools. All members are welcome to bring family and friends. Refreshments will be served.