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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2016

MEETINGS: October 6, 2016 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (HALL)
October 12, 2016 – Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. – So Cal District Council Mtg (Ste. 204)
October 19, 2016 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting (Ste. 200)
October 20, 2016 – Thursday – 5:30 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)
No Grievance Committee Meeting for the month of October
October 18, 2016 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (PMA)
October 19, 2016 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (PMA)
October 25, 2016 – Tuesday – 5:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Mtg (Ste. 204)

NOMINATIONS OPEN – OCTOBER 3rd – NOVEMBER 1st – As per the Constitutional changes passed on the June 2016 Special Referendum Ballot nominations shall open at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, October 3rd and close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 1st for the following offices: President/BA; Vice President/BA; Night Business Agent (1); Dispatcher (4); Sgt-at-Arms; Labor Relations Committeeman; Grievance Committee (15); Executive Board, (12); Board of Trustees (3); Promotions Committee (5); and Caucus/Convention Delegates (10).

NOMINATION PROCEDURES: A member filing for office or committee must have dues paid up to the current month, owe less than \$100 in fines and show continuous membership in the Local. 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 contain the signatures of ten members **in good standing (owe less than \$100 in fines)**. 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 staff will fill out the top portion to designate the office the member wishes to seek 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. 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.

STEADY MEMBERS REMINDER – When preparing to take the day or night off following your normal work shift please confirm that your job function will be active and if so, call your own replacement in order to protect that job. Management is running jobs short-handed when Steadies inform them that they will not be available the following day or night.

PARKING LOT ISSUES – Please follow the parking directives within our lot. Do not park in areas marked “no parking” or spots marked for Business Agents, Dispatchers or handicapped (unless you carry an authorized placard for handicapped access). There are legitimate reasons why these spots are reserved as such and it is important to respect these rules.

PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS – Please note that the Promotions Committee meeting times have been modified to begin at 5:00 p.m. on a monthly basis rather than the prior announcement of alternating between Noon and evening meetings. Always double-check the meeting dates listed at the top of the monthly bulletin or online to verify when committees/meetings are taking place.

AGE 60 AND OVER MEETING EXEMPTION RULE REMINDER – As per the Local 63 Constitution, in order to be exempted from being fined for non-attendance of monthly membership meetings, a member must be aged 60 or over, have achieved 5-years in Local 63 and sign the required form in the Business Office; any missed meetings after the signing of the form will not be fined. **Please note, that this only exempts a member from being fined, it does not affect the required availability for check-in rule(s).*

ALEX'S LEMONADE STAND FOUNDATION'S 7TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER – Annual fundraising events are coming up in Port Hueneme and Los Angeles to raise money in the fight against childhood cancers. Local 46 in Port Hueneme will hold its annual ILWU Walk the Coast event on Saturday, October 1, 2016. The event is family-friendly and will include an ocean view walk which begins at 10:00 a.m. beginning at Dorrill B. Wright Cultural Center, Oceanview Pavilion, 575 Surfside Drive and ends at the historical lighthouse on the Promenade and will follow with a BBQ and live entertainment. Registration for the walk is a \$30 donation to the foundation and covers the walk, the BBQ, entertainment and event t-shirt. Registration/donation may be made at the event. For more details, contact Bro. Jesse Ramirez at 805-490-1678. On Saturday, October 22, beginning at 6:00 p.m., ILWU Walk the Coast Los Angeles will hold its annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament at the newly renovated Gardens Casino in Hawaiian Gardens. Pre-registration is encouraged and may be done by calling Gabe Padron at (310) 508-6224. Please go to www.ilwuwalkthecoast.org for more information and/or to make a donation to this worthy cause.

TWIC RENEWALS – TWIC renewals are fast approaching. In order to avoid delays in the renewal process, the US Coast Guard is recommending that members begin their process at least 90 days prior to their expiration date. There is an expected influx of renewals occurring between October 2016 and March 2017 which will result in a longer renewal process. Members who have allowed their TWIC cards to expire should check with the TWIC center PRIOR to showing up; requirements have become stricter for what is acceptable identification to renew. *Effective* February 1, 2015, the standard TWIC enrollment fee is **\$128.00**. All payment methods need to be made out for the *correct and exact* amount. Enrollment centers are *unable* to accept a payment for a different amount. Please call the center at (855) 347-8371, weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET, or check online at: <https://www.tsa.gov/for-industry/twic> so you will know what to bring with you and avoid any additional delays. For your convenience, renewal centers are currently located in Rancho Palos Verdes, Lakewood, Glendale, and Rancho Cucamonga.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on Thursday, October 13th and 27th 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, 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., Ste.202, in R.P.V., by directly calling him or his assistant Olivia, at: (310) 833-5144.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Brothers and Sisters, some of the employer groups are continuing to ignore our dispatch procedures and not order yard and rail planning jobs from the Hall; they are using you and putting you in the middle of controversy. We have a system in place that allows these jobs to be filled by jointly qualified 30% members; therefore, I am asking for your help - please stay in the position you were hired steady for and that is the job the Employer posted for. The Employer has refused training on all 30% jobs but wants to pick and choose its Steadies to train on the job. The result is that these jobs do not come to the Hall for a 30% jointly qualified person to take and is discriminatory to those members working from the Hall. Let's stand strong together and insist that the Employer live up to the agreement to train us fairly and with substance. Thank you.