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LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS



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## **BULLETIN – MARCH 2019**

**MEETINGS:** March 7, 2019 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (Hall)  
March 13, 2019 – Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. – So. Cal. District Council Mtg. (Ste.204)  
March 19, 2019 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste.204)  
March 19, 2019 – Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – ADA Meeting (Ste.204)  
March 20, 2019 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (Ste.204)  
March 20, 2019 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting (Ste.200)  
March 21, 2019 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste.200)  
March 26, 2019 – Tuesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste.204)

**APRIL 2019 CAUCUS CALL & RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE** – The Longshore Division Caucus will convene at 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 8, 2019, and continues through Friday, April 12, 2019, at the Holiday Inn Golden Gateway, 1500 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA. Please be advised that the deadline for Local 63 members to submit their completed caucus resolution forms to the Business Office for consideration by the membership is Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, by 5:00 p.m. You may pick up a resolution form in the Business Office or you may print out a copy from the Local 63 website, located under “Resources - Forms”. If you have questions regarding drafting a resolution, please contact one of the Officers for assistance.

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT** – The ILWU Coast Committee recently notified all Longshore Division Locals that they have reviewed the Coast Longshore Divisions’ current and projected expenditures for 2019, including the possibility that a jury will return a verdict awarding ICTSI money damages in the upcoming trial in March. After an evaluation of the financial condition of the Longshore Division and in order to maintain the stability required to cover anticipated expenses of the Longshore Division, the Coast Committee anticipates recommending a Special Assessment for all Class “A” Union Members and also for those Class “B” Members who are members in their local union. Any recommendation of the Coast Committee will be subject to review, approval, disapproval, or modification by the delegates at the upcoming April 2019 Longshore Division Caucus. This topic has been discussed at the Local 63 Membership Meetings in January and February. Another report will be given at the March Membership Meeting so please plan on attending so that you can understand the potential impact this may have on you.

**BUSINESS OFFICE CLOSED** – Please note, the Business Office will be closed for staff training on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and then closed for half a day on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> (open from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.) and Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> (open from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.) If you need immediate assistance during the times above that the office will be closed, please contact an Officer. We will be open during regular hours on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**PAID HOLIDAY - MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2019 - CESAR CHAVEZ BIRTHDAY** – Is an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours (1200 if age 60 or over in 2018). 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<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. *Remember: Only members who worked at least 800 hours in 2018 (700 if age 60 or over) are entitled to receive or file a holiday claim or receive holiday pay in 2019.*

**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 2018 must contact the Business Office to request that a claim be submitted on their behalf and provide a copy of your Vacation Notice. The first claim deadline for March Vacation payment was February 15<sup>th</sup> for an approved claim payment on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The second and final claim deadline is May 17<sup>th</sup> for approved claim payment on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Payment of vacation claims will be on your regular paycheck. No further claims will be paid in the 2019 calendar year. It is imperative that your Dr. notes submitted to the Business 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 Dr. notes must include the wording that you were "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. (Member's who were off work due to Workmen's Compensation must also provide a copy of their LS-208 from the Dept. of Labor). Please note: It is the member's responsibility to request that the Business Office file a Vacation Claim to be processed on their behalf.

**LOCAL 63 ONLINE DATA FORM** – We recently implemented a new membership data base and it is very important that we have all our members' most current information. To that end, Local 63 has launched a new online data form that is accessible through [www.ilwu63.net](http://www.ilwu63.net), or through the scanning of a "QR Code" that is posted in the Local 63 Dispatch Hall. This only takes a couple of minutes to complete and submit electronically. We ask that all members go online and complete the data form as soon as possible. Please note that Local 63's new electronic data form does not eliminate your responsibility to keep PMA updated with any address changes. *\*Any personal member information submitted through Local 63's Data Form is secured by Local 63 for internal use only.*

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR** – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**, 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.

**PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS** – The next monthly Promotions Committee meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**, at **12:00 noon**, in the Labor Room, Ste. 204. Please note this committee meets on a monthly basis only on the last Tuesday of every month. Always double-check the meeting dates listed at the top of the monthly bulletin or online to verify when committee meetings are taking place.

**TACO TRUCK WILL CATER NEXT 2 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS** – Back by popular demand! We have scheduled the Taco truck again to cater our next two Membership Meetings. They will begin serving after 5:00 p.m. Please join us at our Regular Membership Meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>, to be an informed member and to enjoy some delicious tacos with your Union brothers and sisters.