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MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS



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PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – SEPTEMBER 2024



- September 5, 2024 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting (Dispatch Hall)
- September 17, 2024 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)
- September 18, 2024 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (Ste. 200)
- September 19, 2024 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)
- September 25, 2024 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)

**The Business Office will be closed Monday, September 2nd, 2024
in observance of the Labor Day Holiday**

PAID HOLIDAY – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd – LABOR DAY – Is a no work holiday. Members must be available for work two (2) of the four (4) days exclusive of the holiday (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, September 3rd, 4th, 5th, or 6th). Members off work due to disability must submit written medical documentation covering them for the holiday week and must request the Business Office staff to file a claim on their behalf. Members who are on vacation during the entire holiday week (Monday thru Friday), must notify the Records Clerk to file a claim on their behalf by Friday, September 6th in order to be paid for the holiday. *Reminder – only those members who worked at least 800 hours (700 if age 60 or over) in 2023 are entitled to receive or file for paid holidays in 2024.*

CWOG REMINDER – Due to the fact that Monday, September 2nd is a dead day, CWOG will be available for both the first and second shift on Saturday, August 31st for all Clerks who are checked in and available and do not receive a work opportunity.

LABOR DAY BREAKFAST, MARCH, AND RALLY – The ILWU Southern California Pensioners will be hosting the annual breakfast prior to the start of the Labor Day march on Monday, September 2nd. The event will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the ILWU Memorial Hall at 231 West “C” St. in Wilmington. The Pensioners are proud to provide these services to our brothers and sisters and ask that members and their families come out to enjoy. A shuttle will be transporting guests to the parade starting point from the Memorial Hall and back from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. The march, “Fighting for the future of Labor,” starts at Broad & E. St. in Wilmington. Assembly begins at 8:00 a.m. and the march departs at 10:00 a.m. ILWU Labor Day Rally at Banning Park at 12:00 p.m. featuring Speakers, Music, Shuttle Buses, Hot Dogs, Soft Drinks, & more!

ASSESSMENT – The first of three \$65 Caucus assessments has been charged on your September billing. For members on Dues Check-off, the payment will be made automatically with your dues. For members not on Dues Check-off, you must pay the charge separately when you pay your dues.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE -S-14 – A motion was passed at the August Executive Board Meeting to eliminate Rule S-14, Quit Job/30-Day Hall Duty which states - “If a member quits a preferred job, he must be in the hall for thirty (30) days before accepting another preferred job, with the exception of vessel planners.” These minutes will be read at the Membership Meeting, and if approved, would eliminate having to do 30 days in the hall after quitting a steady job and would go into effect immediately following the meeting.

HEARTS RESPOND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM - Tamiko Love, ILWU-PMA ADRP representative, is letting the ILWU Locals know about a new after-school program called "Hearts Respond" for Middle and High School students who will receive support with homework, tutoring, and other educational programming. Additionally, the program is seeking tutors in math, science, and language classes. Please see <https://www.freedomcommunity.com/> for more information.

MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS AGENTS – Safety - When working on the docks, safety is of paramount importance. To this end, your Business Agents have been doing a diligent job "red tagging" unsafe equipment. With your help and cooperation, we can work to maintain the safest workplace possible. Please remember to contact your Business Agent when you find unsafe equipment or other safety concerns.

HOOT SHIFTS – If you are on the Hoot Board and work a hoot shift, you carry 7 hours on your time card. If you are not on the Hoot Board and work a hoot shift, you carry 10 hours on your time card.

SICK DUES INCREASE - Please be advised that effective August 1st 2024 the sick dues rate has increased from \$105.80 to \$121.70 due to the Coast increase of \$15.90 per month for pro rata/per capita.

RADIO ETIQUETTE - RULE 420 & 660 OF THE SAFETY CODE PCMSC - “Radios are provided to pass essential information during operations. Communications on all radio channels shall be kept to an absolute minimum. Radio communications will be affirmed by all employees. Using a radio for personal communication is prohibited.”

DOUBLE BACKING – If you have a comeback, make sure to call your own replacement and don't rely on the Company, Supercargo, or Chief Supervisor to do it for you. Remember: **You are responsible for your own replacement.** For additional information refer to Rule GW-33. Please note the following: *A member must have a zero balance on their account with the Local in order to Double Back.* Local 63 has an online payment portal that may be reached by clicking “Payment Portal” on Local 63’s website. The Payment Portal allows you to view and pay your outstanding dues and fines online. The system is very easy to use, and the payment will immediately post to your account, and you will receive a receipt via email.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Wednesday, September 11th**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who need 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.*

MESSAGE FROM THE GRIEVANCE AND WORK CARD COMMITTEES – When filling out the work card, be sure to check hours for accuracy, completion of all columns/fields (front and back on physical work card) including daily totals. Also, MCA (Marine Clerk Average) must be shown *in the notes section* when applicable. If utilizing the Work Card App, you must hit ‘Submit’ when it’s complete for the Records Clerk to receive it. It’s always a good idea to log into the Local 63 Work Card Portal at www.local63workcard.com or by clicking on the “Work Card Portal” link on Local 63’s website, in order to confirm that your work card was received. If you have any questions about completing your work card, see the Records Clerk.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – The American Labor Movement has consistently demonstrated its devotion to the public interest. It is, and has been, good for all America.—*John F. Kennedy*

HAPPY
Labor Day