

INTERNATIONAL
LONGSHORE &
WAREHOUSE UNION



MARINE CLERKS ASSOCIATION
LOCAL 63 LOS ANGELES and LONG BEACH HARBORS

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PRESIDENT

BULLETIN – APRIL 2026

MEETINGS: April 2, 2026 – Thursday – 6:00 p.m. – Regular Membership Meeting, Dispatch Hall
 April 8, 2026 – Wednesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting, Suite 204
 April 15, 2026 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – LRC Committee Meeting, PMA
 April 16, 2026 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting, Suite 200
 April 29, 2026 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting, Ste. 204

NOMINATIONS OPEN APRIL 1st - MAY 1st – Nominations shall open at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 1st and close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1st for the following offices: Secretary/Business Agent (1), one-year term; Day Business Agent/Patrolman (1), one-year term; Dispatchers (4), one-year term; Grievance Committee (15) six-month term; Promotions Committee (5) six-month term; Memorial Association (7), one-year term.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES – A member filing for office must be in good standing, i.e. have dues paid up to the current month and owe *no more than \$100* in fines and assessments. You must also have 18 months of continuous membership in the Local and have attended six (6) Membership Meetings within the year preceding the regular election period for the June ballot. Any member desiring to be a candidate for any office/committee in the Local shall secure from the Business Office a nomination form(s) and must designate the position(s) to which he/she aspires and containing the signatures of 10 members in good standing. The Business Office staff will fill out the top portion to designate the office the member wishes to run for at the time the form is issued. The Business Office 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 request a separate nomination form for each potential office but may only submit one nomination form for each eligible office they ultimately choose to officially run for prior to the end of the nomination period. Under Article IV, Section 1 (F) of the Local 63 Constitution, members may only file for one (1) office, excluding the office of Convention and/or Caucus Delegate. However, members filing for Day Business Agent/Patrolman, Dispatcher, Grievance Committee or Promotions Committee may also file for the Memorial Association.

PAID HOLIDAY - TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026 - CESAR CHAVEZ BIRTHDAY - Although the State of California renamed this holiday to Farmworkers Day, it is still an automatic holiday for those members who worked at least 1300 hours (1200 if age 60 or over in 2025). Those members who worked at least 800 hours but less than 1300 must work two of the 4 days: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, March 30th, April 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, to qualify for the paid holiday. If out on disability during that week, members 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 2025 (700 if age 60 or over) are entitled to file a holiday claim or receive holiday pay in 2026.*

CLERK WORK OPPORTUNITY GUARANTEE (CWOOG) – Local 13 has called a Stop Work Meeting for this Thursday, April 2, however, Local 63 did not call a Stop Work and will just have a Regular Membership Meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday. Therefore, all night clerks who are checked in and do not receive a work opportunity are eligible to receive CWOOG on Thursday, April 2.

WELCOME NEW TRANSFERS –Please welcome our 11 New Transfers who transferred on March 28th. See the list of names posted in the glass case in the Dispatch Hall. Your patience and kindness to our new Local 63 Brothers and Sisters is sincerely appreciated.

LONGSHORE MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS – Voting will be held March 30, 31, April 1 from 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. & April 2 from 6:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. at the Longshore Memorial Hall in Wilmington.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTORS – Sam Alvarado or Robin Leake will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Wednesday, April 8th**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who need their 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.*

ILWU LONGSHORE DIVISION CAUCUS – Reminder, the Coast Longshore Division (CLD) Caucus will be called to order at 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 8, 2026, in the Emerald Ballroom of the Holiday Inn San Francisco Golden Gateway, 1500 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California and will continue through Friday, June 12, 2026. If you are interested in submitting a Resolution, you may print a Caucus Resolution Form at <https://ilwu63.net/> under “Resources – 2026 Longshore Division Caucus.” If you need assistance with drafting a resolution, reach out to one of the Officers. Resolutions must be submitted to the Business Office prior to the May Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2026. Please note, this is not a contract caucus, therefore, resolutions should address policy setting issues for the Longshore Division.

VACATION CLAIMS – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for all or part of their vacation payment due to disability status in 2025 **must contact the Business Office to request that a claim be submitted on their behalf** and provide a copy of their Vacation Notice. The second and final claim deadline is Friday, May 15th, for approved claim payment on Friday, June 12th. Payment of approved vacation claims will be on your regular paycheck. No further claims will be paid in the 2026 calendar year. It is imperative that your doctor’s note is submitted to the Business Office in a timely manner with NO lapses in dates. This documentation must be dated, on doctor’s letterhead and signed by the doctor. Your doctor’s note **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. Members who were off work due to Workmen’s Compensation must also provide a copy of their LS-208 from the Dept. of Labor.

WELFARE CLAIMS – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2026, will receive written notification from the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans that a Welfare Claim must be submitted. The Local will not automatically submit a claim for you. You **must** call the Business Office to request a claim be submitted. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary information and request that a Welfare Claim be processed on your behalf. To ensure that you do not lose coverage on July 1, 2026, the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans office must receive your completed claim no later than May 29, 2026. Please call the Business Office if you have any questions: (310) 521-6363.

WORK CARD FINES – If you incur a \$20 work card fine, it is your responsibility to ensure that month’s work card is turned in electronically or physically before the following month to avoid the GW-46 Rule maximum penalty of \$200. For example, if you see “Late Work Card for February 2026” on your statement in April, that means your February work card was received late or it was never received. This can be verified by calling the Records Clerk at (310) 831-7963 or by viewing the “Late Work Card List” on Local 63’s website www.ilwu63.net If your card was received late (after March 10th but by March 31st), that is simply a late work card and the \$20 fine applies. If your card is received anytime on or after April 1st, you are in violation of GW-46 and subsequently fined \$50 per day that you work up to a maximum of 4 days/\$200. In this case, you will also be placed on the Red-Line Dispatch list until that work card is received by the Records Clerk.