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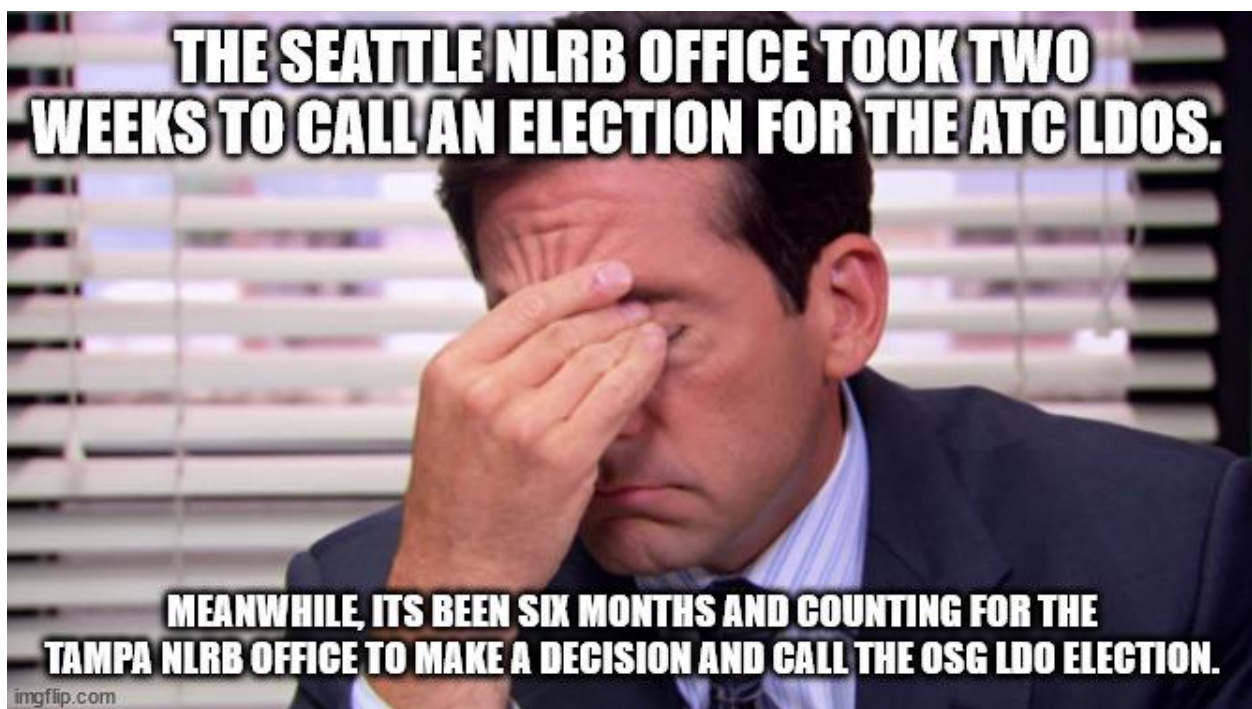
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OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET NEWSLETTER 53RD EDITION

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ATC & OSG FLEET UPDATE



Top 5 Most Asked Questions about MM&P

1. Q: YOU MENTIONED IN A PAST NEWSLETTER THAT ALL OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET LDOs WHO ARE EMPLOYED AT THE TIME OF A RATIFICATION OF A FIRST CONTRACT AND APPLY TO JOIN MM&P WOULD RECEIVE A "A" BOOK. DOES THIS "A" BOOK ONLY COUNT TOWARDS TANKERS?

A: NO, THIS IS A FULL "A" BOOK MEMBERSHIP IN OUR ORGANIZATION. THERE ARE NO TIME COMMITMENTS OR STRINGS ATTACHED.



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2. Q: I LIVE FAR FROM A UNION HALL. WILL I HAVE TO TRAVEL TO CLEAR THROUGH THE HALL PRIOR TO REJOINING AN OSG VESSEL OR ATC VESSEL?

A: NO, WE WILL ELECTRONICALLY CLEAR YOU THROUGH THE HALL WHEN YOU REJOIN YOUR VESSEL AT THE OSG FLEET OR ATC FLEET.

3. Q: ARE THERE ANY SEA TIME REQUIREMENTS FOR KEEPING YOUR BOOK STATUS?

A: NO, ONCE YOU GET YOUR BOOK, YOU KEEP YOUR BOOK REGARDLESS OF HOW MUCH TIME YOU HAVE SAILED.

4. Q: HOW MANY DEEP-SEA LICENSED DECK OFFICER JOBS DOES MM&P HAVE?

A: THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 666 JOBS OR 333 BILLETS THAT THE MEMBERS/APPLICANTS WORK ON. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE OUR MANY INLAND AND GREAT LAKES CONTRACTS ON BULKERS, TUGS AND FERRIES.

5. Q: WHAT IS PORT RELIEF OFFICER (PRO) OR "NIGHT MATE"?

A: A PRO IS A LICENSED DECK OFFICER (LDO) WHO IS DISPATCHED FROM MM&P AND TAKES OVER THE CARGO WATCH OF A LDO SAILING ON BOARD SO HE/SHE CAN GET SOME COMPENSATORY REST OR GET ASHORE TO SEE THEIR FAMILY OR FRIENDS. CLICK THE [LINK](#) FOR A SHORT VIDEO ON A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A PRO.



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FOR ALL ATC LDOs WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR THE MM&P LICENSE ADVANCEMENT FELLOWSHIP PLEASE FOLLOW THE BELOW CHECKLIST:

MM&P LICENSE ADVANCEMENT FELLOWSHIP CHECKLIST

- STEP 1: APPLY FOR MM&P MEMBERSHIP BY EMAILING BOTH AVICTORIO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG AND MMPINFO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG. WE WILL SEND YOU AN APPLICATION AND WILL REQUEST ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION AS NEEDED TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION.
- UPON APPLICATION, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY THE ADJUSTED BALANCE OF THE REGULAR QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP DUES AND REMAIN CURRENT THEREAFTER AT \$125.00 PER QUARTER. AS PROMISED, THERE IS NO OBLIGATION FOR INITIATION FEES.
- AS YOU ARE A PERMANENT EMPLOYEES WITH ATC, YOU WILL BE REGISTERED AS A COMPANY EMPLOYEE (CE). YOUR SENIORITY STATUS WILL BE “APPLICANT” UNTIL A FIRST CONTRACT IS RATIFIED. AFTER RATIFICATION YOU WILL BE UPGRADED TO A “A” BOOK AND THE DEFERRED INITIATION FEE WILL BE WAIVED.
- AS A COMPANY EMPLOYEE APPLICANT, YOU CAN BID ON OPEN PORT RELIEF OFFICER (PRO) JOBS SUBJECT TO OUR SHIPPING RULES.
- STEP 2: SUBMIT YOUR TUITION/BOARD RECEIPTS FROM THE CHIEF MATE/MASTER UPGRADE COURSES YOU TOOK AT EITHER MITAGS EAST OR MITAGS WEST TO COMPROLLER@BRIDGEDECK.ORG AND MMPINFO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG.
- STEP 3: WE WILL REIMBURSE YOU VIA CHECK FOR THE QUALIFYING COURSES TAKEN AT MMP’S SCHOOL.



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IN THE NEWS

MAERSK KINLOSS HELPS DOZENS OF PEOPLE DRIFTING IN INFLATABLE BOAT OFF MOROCCO

THE CREW OF MAERSK KINLOSS HELPED A LARGE GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO WERE DRIFTING IN AN INFLATABLE BOAT OFF THE COAST OF MOROCCO ON APRIL 19.

ABOARD KINLOSS AT THE TIME WERE MASTER VITALY KUZNETSOFF, CHIEF MATE MITCHELL CHISHOLM, SECOND MATE BENEDICT CHOI, AND THIRD MATE BENJAMIN ENGEL.

THE CREW OF THE CONTAINERSHIP RECEIVED THE DISTRESS CALL FROM LAS PALMAS SEARCH AND RESCUE AT AROUND 0530, WHEN KINLOSS WAS APPROXIMATELY 15 NM FROM THE BOAT, WHICH WAS STRANDED ABOUT 120 NM FROM THE CANARY ISLANDS AND 35 NM OFF MOROCCO.

KINLOSS DIVERTED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE SINCE THE RESCUE BOAT AL MANAR, WHICH HAD BEEN DISPATCHED FROM MOROCCO, WOULD TAKE AT LEAST FOUR HOURS TO ARRIVE.

ONCE KINLOSS WAS ON SITE, THE CREW PASSED A LINE TO THE SMALLER BOAT TO KEEP IT ALONGSIDE. MORE LINES WERE LATER PASSED.



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THE 20-FOOT INFLATABLE BOAT HAD AN OUTBOARD ENGINE AND WAS OVERCROWDED: ONBOARD THERE WERE AT LEAST 50 PEOPLE, INCLUDING SEVERAL CHILDREN.

“WHILE WAITING FOR THE RESCUE BOAT TO ARRIVE, OUR CREW PROVIDED BLANKETS, WATER, FRUITS AND SANDWICHES FOR THE PEOPLE INSIDE THE BOAT,” KUZNETSOFF SAID.

“FORTUNATELY, THE WEATHER WAS CALM, WHICH MADE THE OPERATION THAT MUCH BETTER.”

THE RESCUE BOAT ARRIVED, AND TRANSFER WAS COMPLETED BY 1146.

“ALL REFUGEES SAFELY ONBOARD THE RESCUE BOAT,” THE CAPTAIN SAID. “MISSION COMPLETED!”

AN IMAGE FROM MM&P MEMBERS



MM&P DECK OFFICERS ON THE MAERSK KINLOSS HELPED A LARGE GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO WERE DRIFTING IN AN INFLATABLE BOAT OFF THE COAST OF MOROCCO



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THE LICENSED DECK OFFICERS' UNION

MM&P IS HERE TO LISTEN

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU CAN REACH CAPTAIN SHAWN TUCY OR CAPTAIN TOM LARKIN AT [MMPINFO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG](mailto:mmpinfo@bridgedeck.org) OR CALL 410-582-7046

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