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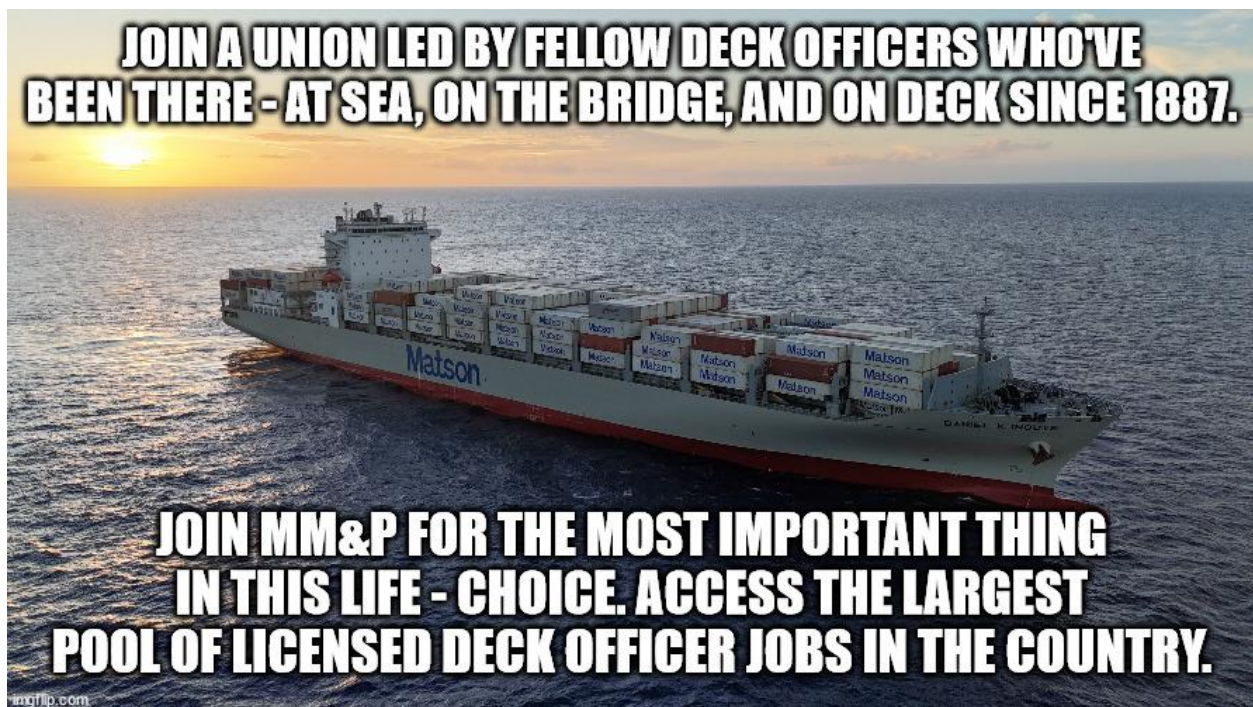
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OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET NEWSLETTER 55TH EDITION

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OSG AND ATC FLEET UPDATE



CHOICE

WITH ANY LUCK BY THE END OF THE MONTH WE SHOULD FINALLY GET A DECISION FROM THE NLRB ON THE OSG LDO ELECTION. THE ATC LDOs HAVE MADE THEIR DECISION AND SOON IT WILL BE YOUR TURN. DESPITE WHATEVER SCUTTLEBUTT YOU HAVE HEARD FROM THE COMPANY, YOUR SHIPMATES, OR EVEN OTHER UNIONS WE ALL MUST REMEMBER THAT WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME PROVERBIAL BOAT. WHETHER YOU ARE DEPARTING FROM ALYESKA OR PORT EVERGLADES, WE ALL TAKE THE DECK, SIGN THE DOI, AND KEEP OUR COUNTRY FUELED UP AND MOVING. WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER. THERE IS NOTHING THAT CAN DISPUTE THAT FACT.



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SOLIDARITY IS NOT JUST A WORD. IT'S A RECOGNITION OF KINSHIP IN EACH OTHER. IT'S THE VERY ESSENCE OF BEING A GOOD SHIPMATE, WHICH IS THE HIGHEST COMPLIMENT ANY LDO CAN GIVE. THROUGH OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH YOU, WE HAVE WITNESSED SOLIDARITY. PEOPLE LOOKING AFTER PEOPLE. AT THE END OF THE DAY THAT'S WHAT IT COMES DOWN TO. WHAT BETTER PEOPLE TO PROTECT YOUR BACK THAN THOSE WHO HAVE SPENT THEIR CAREERS HONING THEIR SKILLS IN THE SAME CRAFT AS YOU? -- LICENSED DECK OFFICERS SERVING AND ADVANCING THE NEEDS OF LICENSED DECK OFFICERS IN A LICENSED DECK OFFICERS' UNION!



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TRANSPARENCY

AT MM&P WHETHER A MEMBER HAS A PERMANENT JOB OR SHIPS OUT OF OUR HIRING HALL “OFF THE SHIPPING BOARD,” THERE ARE NO SECRETS. MM&P HIRING HALL JOBS ARE FIRST CALLED IN THE LOCAL PORT OFFICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR SHIPPING RULES. IF THE JOB CAN’T BE FILLED IN THE LOCAL PORT THEN THE JOB IS POSTED “NATION WIDE”. ALONG WITH THE JOB BEING POSTED IN ALL OF OUR PORT OFFICES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, IT IS ALSO POSTED ON OUR MEMBERS’ WEBSITE. ANY MEMBER OR APPLICANT CAN COME INTO THE HALL AND BID ON ANY WORK BELOW. THE BOARD CHANGES DAILY AND CONTRACTS OR GROWS DEPENDING ON THE WORK AVAILABLE. JOB AVAILABILITY CAN BE EASILY AND TRANSPARENTLY TRACKED FROM YOUR HOME THROUGH OUR PORT COMPUTER SYSTEM. OUR ROSTERS OF PERMANENT COMPANY OFFICERS ARE NOT SECRET. ALL COMPANY PERMANENT ASSIGNMENTS AND PROMOTIONS ARE NOTED AND PROVIDED TO OUR PORT OFFICES.

OPEN JOB BOARD AS OF 5/17/2024

Open Offshore Jobs

These following jobs are now available to all Offshore members and applicants. If you are interested in any job listed, please visit your local union hall.

	Pay Starts	Port	Vessel	Rating	Posted	Job Type
+	05/20/2024 07:00	San Francisco	PAX	3RD MATE	05/03/2024 19:41	ROTARY
+	05/02/2024 05:00	Charleston	USNS PILILAAU-FOS	MASTER	03/28/2024 17:10	ROTARY
+	05/25/2024 05:00	Norfolk	USNS Red Cloud - FOS	3RD MATE	04/09/2024 14:48	ROTARY
+	06/15/2024 05:00	Norfolk	USNS Red Cloud - FOS	3RD MATE	04/09/2024 15:06	ROTARY
+	06/03/2024 05:00	Charleston	SODERMAN-FOS	3RD MATE	04/15/2024 18:45	RELIEF
+	06/06/2024 07:00	San Francisco	USNS Pomeroy - FOS	CHIEF MATE	04/16/2024 16:20	COMPANY
+	05/22/2024 05:00	NY/NJ	SODERMAN-FOS	CHIEF MATE	04/17/2024 20:20	RELIEF
+	06/09/2024 05:00	San Francisco	USNS Charlton - FOS	3RD MATE	04/18/2024 17:27	RELIEF
+	06/01/2024 07:00	San Francisco	MT ALLIED PACIFIC	3RD MATE	05/01/2024 22:36	ROTARY
+	05/16/2024 04:00	Houston	GREEN COVE	2ND MATE	05/03/2024 08:49	RELIEF
+	07/05/2024 05:00	San Francisco	USNS SEAY-FOS	3RD MATE	05/02/2024 16:33	ROTARY
+	07/12/2024 05:00	San Francisco	USNS SEAY-FOS	3RD MATE	05/02/2024 16:38	ROTARY
+	05/07/2024 05:00	Houston	CAPE TEXAS-ROS	CHIEF MATE	05/06/2024 18:43	RELIEF
+	05/23/2024 04:00	Houston	MAERSK KENSINGTON	CHIEF MATE	05/16/2024 10:51	RELIEF
+	05/25/2024 06:00	San Francisco	CAPE HORN-FOS	2ND MATE	05/08/2024 11:17	ROTARY



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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

BIPARTISAN GROUP OF LAWMAKERS RELEASE PLAN TO REVITALIZE MARITIME SECTOR

TWO SENATORS AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAVE JOINED TOGETHER TO RELEASE A WIDE-RANGING PLAN AIMED AT REVITALIZING THE NATION'S MARITIME INDUSTRY.

THEY ARE SEN. MARK KELLY, REP. MIKE WALZ, SEN. MARCO RUBIO, AND REP. JOHN GARAMENDI.

THEIR PLAN, WHICH IS SUBTITLED REVERSING THE DECLINE OF AMERICA'S MARITIME POWER, SETS OUT A SERIES OF STRATEGIES, OBJECTIVES, AND ACTIONABLE STEPS TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES THE INDUSTRY FACES.

"DECADES OF NEGLECT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE INDUSTRY HAVE WEAKENED OUR SHIPBUILDING CAPACITY AND MARITIME WORKFORCE," IT BEGINS, "CONTRIBUTING TO A DECLINING U.S.-FLAG SHIPPING FLEET TO BRING



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AMERICAN GOODS TO MARKET AND SUPPORT THE U.S. MILITARY DURING WARTIME.”

THEY NOTE THAT CHINA NOW BOASTS “230 TIMES MORE COMMERCIAL SHIPBUILDING CAPACITY THAN THE UNITED STATES.”

“AMERICAN SHIPYARDS AND MARINERS ARE READY, WILLING, AND ABLE TO DO THE JOB BUT CAN NO LONGER BE EXPECTED TO COMPETE AGAINST HEAVILY SUBSIDIZED FOREIGN COMPETITORS IN MAINLAND CHINA AND ELSEWHERE,” SAYS CALIFORNIA DEMOCRAT GARAMENDI.

“CONGRESS AND THE U.S. MILITARY MUST REBUILD OUR DOMESTIC COMMERCIAL SHIPBUILDING AND MARITIME INDUSTRIAL BASE SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO PROJECT AMERICAN SEA POWER ABROAD DURING PEACETIME OR WAR.”

THE KEY, THE LAWMAKERS ASSERT, IS A “LONG-TERM NATIONAL MARITIME STRATEGY” THAT:

- GUARANTEES THE PEACETIME FLOW TO U.S. SHIPS OF U.S.-GOVERNMENT CARGO;
- PROVIDES FOR MULTI-YEAR AUTHORIZATIONS OF CRITICAL MARITIME PROGRAMS; AND
- INCLUDES NEW PROGRAMS THAT LEVERAGE TAX INCENTIVES, ENHANCED CARGO PREFERENCE, OPERATIONAL SUBSIDIZATION, AND FEDERAL FINANCING TO INCENTIVIZE COMPANIES TO SHIP THEIR PRODUCTS ON U.S.-FLAG SHIPS.

MM&P, OTHER MARITIME LABOR UNIONS, AND U.S. SECRETARY OF THE NAVY CARLOS DEL TORO ARE AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE CALLED REPEATEDLY FOR A NATIONAL MARITIME STRATEGY.



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AMONG MANY EMERGING CHALLENGES, DEL TORO LISTS COMPETITION OVER THE INDUSTRIALIZATION OF THE OCEANS, THE NEED TO “RE-DEFINE TERRITORIAL WATERS AND ECONOMIC EXCLUSIVE ZONES AS SEA LEVELS RISE,” AND CHINA’S RAPID EXPANSION.

“WE MUST RENEW OUR COMMITMENT TO RECAPITALIZING NATIONAL MARITIME POWER,” DEL TORO SAYS.

WALZ, REPUBLICAN OF FLORIDA AND ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WHO DEVELOPED THE BIPARTISAN PLAN, AGREES.

“WE MUST ACT NOW, BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE,” HE SAYS, “AND MAKE A ONCE IN A GENERATION INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF AMERICA’S MARITIME POWER.”

“IT WON’T BE EASY, BUT AMERICA HAS ALWAYS BEEN A MARITIME NATION—AND THE STAKES ARE TOO HIGH FOR US TO FAIL,” SAYS ARIZONA DEMOCRAT MARK KELLY.

AN IMAGE FROM MM&P MEMBERS



MM&P LDOs WORK ON BOARD VESSELS SHAVER TUG CASCADES AND USNS MERCY.



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THE LICENSED DECK OFFICERS' UNION

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU CAN REACH CAPTAIN SHAWN TUCY OR CAPTAIN TOM LARKIN AT MMPINFO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG OR CALL 410-582-7046

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