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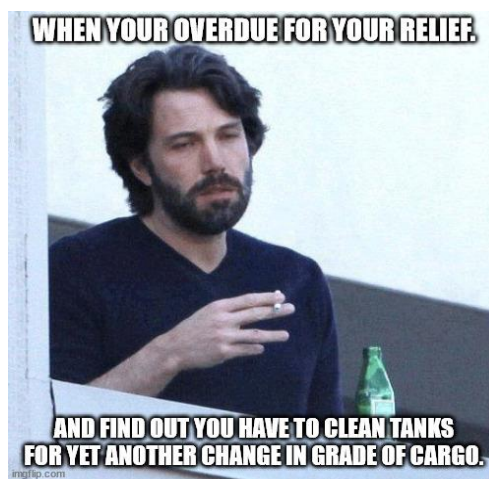
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OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET NEWSLETTER 60TH EDITION

JUNE 21, 2024

OSG FLEET UPDATE



123 DAYS UNTIL THE BALLOTS ARE COUNTED

THE BALLOTS ARE OUT. YOUR FUTURE IS IN YOUR HANDS. WE THANK THOSE WHO HAVE MADE THEIR STAND AND CAST THEIR VOTE TO JOIN US AND THE ATC LDOs ON OUR VOYAGE FOR A FIRST RATE CONTRACT.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT RESPECT IS EARNED, NOT GIVEN. BETTER WAGES, BENEFITS, WORKING CONDITIONS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT GIVEN EITHER. IT WILL BE EARNED AT THE BARGAINING TABLE WHEN OSG MANAGEMENT MUST BARGAIN WITH THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSED DECK OFFICERS WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFE OPERATION OF THEIR VESSELS AND THEIR PROFITS. THIS IS NOT A SHORT COASTWISE TRIP. TOGETHER, WE ARE ON AN OCEAN CROSSING. BRINGING THIS VESSEL INTO PORT WITH A FIRST CONTRACT STARTS WITH A PASSAGE PLAN AND A VOTE FOR MM&P.

VOTE FOR YOUR FUTURE WITH MM&P.



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I DIDN'T GET A BALLOT. HOW DO I REQUEST ONE?

ANYONE WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A MAIL BALLOT KIT AT THEIR HOME MAY REQUEST A DUPLICATE MAIL BALLOT KIT DIRECTLY BY PHONE AT (813) 228-2470 OR (813) 228-2238, OR BY SENDING AN EMAIL TO:

CHASTITY.PABON-LOCKLEY@NLRB.GOV

INCLUDE YOUR FULL NAME AND THE COMPLETE ADDRESS TO WHICH YOU WANT THE DUPLICATE MAIL BALLOT KIT SENT.



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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

NTSB URGES COAST GUARD TO MANDATE PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICES FOR MARINERS

DURING AN EMERGENCY AT SEA, A MARINER'S CHANCE OF SURVIVAL DECREASES IF SEARCH AND RESCUE CANNOT QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY IDENTIFY THEIR LOCATION.

ALTHOUGH MANY COMMERCIAL VESSELS ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY EMERGENCY POSITION-INDICATING RADIO BEACONS, EPIRBs DO NOT PROVIDE THE PRECISE LOCATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE IN THE WATER AND DRIFTING AWAY FROM THE VESSEL.

FOR THIS REASON, THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD IS URGING VESSEL OWNERS AND OPERATORS TO PROVIDE EACH CREWMEMBER WITH A PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICE AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO CARRY IT ABOARD THE VESSEL.

THE NTSB BEGAN RECOMMENDING THAT THE COAST GUARD REQUIRE PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS (PLBs) FOR MARINERS IN 2017 AND HAS SINCE REITERATED THE RECOMMENDATION THREE TIMES.



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THE LATEST NTSB CALL FOR THE USE OF DEVICES SUCH AS PLBS OR SATELLITE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION DEVICES (SENDS) WAS ISSUED AT THE BEGINNING OF 2024.

NTSB INVESTIGATORS HAVE FOUND THAT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS—WHEN ACTIVATED—PROVIDE A LOCATION ACCURACY OF ABOUT 300 FEET AND A NEARLY INSTANT SEARCH AND RESCUE NOTIFICATION.

THE NTSB ADVISES SHIP OPERATORS AND OWNERS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING WHEN SELECTING AND IMPLEMENTING PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICES:

-- DETERMINE THE BEST TYPE OF PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICE FOR YOUR CREW—SOME DEVICES TRANSMIT VIA SATELLITE, WHILE OTHERS TRANSMIT ON TERRESTRIAL FREQUENCIES, AND NOT ALL DEVICES NOTIFY THE COAST GUARD DIRECTLY;

-- PROVIDE EACH CREWMEMBER WITH A PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICE AND ENSURE THEY CARRY IT; THE DEVICE CAN BE WORN IN A ZIPPED CLOTHING POCKET, OR A BAG ATTACHED TO A BELT, OR A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE;

-- REGISTER EACH CREWMEMBER'S DEVICE WITH THE APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATION—PLBS MUST BE REGISTERED THROUGH THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION; SENDS AND OTHER SIMILAR DEVICES SHOULD BE REGISTERED THROUGH THE MANUFACTURER OR OPERATING COMPANY.

-- ENSURE CREWMEMBERS ARE AWARE OF THE CAPABILITIES AND LIMITATIONS OF THEIR PERSONAL LOCATOR DEVICES AND UNDERSTAND HOW TO OPERATE THEM, AS WELL AS HOW EACH TYPE TRANSMITS LOCATION INFORMATION.



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AN IMAGE FROM MM&P MEMBERS



MM&P LDOs WORKING ABOARD THE MATSON VESSEL M/V KAMOKUIKI



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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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