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OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET NEWSLETTER 68TH EDITION

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OSG AND ATC FLEET UPDATE

67 DAYS UNTIL THE BALLOTS ARE COUNTED

FAQ

COMPANIES: THERE IS A MARINER SHORTAGE.

LDOS: "SCARCITY INCREASES VALUE."

COMPANIES:



QUESTION: WHAT HAPPENS IF I WORK LESS OR STEP AWAY FROM THE INDUSTRY AS A MM&P MEMBER? CAN I COME BACK ANYTIME OR DO I NEED TO WORK A SPECIFIED NUMBER OF DAYS PER YEAR?

ANSWER: THERE ARE NO SEA TIME REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN YOUR BOOK STATUS IN MM&P. YOU CAN MAINTAIN YOUR SENIORITY STATUS AS LONG AS YOU REMAIN IN GOOD STANDING.

QUESTION: CAN I ELECT TO NOT RECEIVE A VACATION CHECK AND JUST COLLECT MY FULL PAY WHILE ABOARD?



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ANSWER: VACATION BENEFITS WILL BE NEGOTIATED AS PART OF THE INITIAL CONTRACT. INCLUDING VACATION PAY AS PART OF YOUR OVERALL COMPENSATION WOULD DEPEND ON THE BARGAINING COMMITTEE'S DECISIONS. THE ADVANTAGE OF HAVING A SEPARATE PAID VACATION BENEFIT IS THAT IT BECOMES AN ADDITIONAL WAGE ITEM, WHICH CAN BE NEGOTIATED ALONG WITH YOUR OTHER WAGES, AND, IF DESIRED, "BANKED" FOR USE IN THE FUTURE. MOREOVER, HAVING VACATION PAY PROVIDES FLEXIBILITY—IF THE COMPANY REQUESTS YOUR RETURN WHILE YOU'RE STILL ON PAID VACATION, YOU RETAIN THE CHOICE TO EITHER CONTINUE YOUR TIME OFF OR RETURN TO WORK EARLIER.

MEETING ON MONDAY

WE INVITE ALL LDOS FROM OSG AND ATC TO JOIN US FOR AN OPEN VIRTUAL MEETING ON AUGUST 19, 2024, AT 1300 EDT. THIS IS A CHANCE TO CONNECT FACE-TO-FACE, ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS, CLEAR UP ANY RUMORS, AND GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER. PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW OR CLICK THE LINK TO REGISTER. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS YOU'D LIKE ADDRESSED BEFORE THE MEETING, PLEASE EMAIL US AT MMPINFO@BRIDGEDECK.ORG.



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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

NAVY CHRISTENS USNS POINT LOMA

USNS POINT LOMA, THE SECOND OF THE NAVY'S FLIGHT II EXPEDITIONARY FAST TRANSPORT VESSELS, WAS CHRISTENED ON SATURDAY AT AUSTAL USA SHIPYARD IN MOBILE, ALA.

EPFs ARE HIGH-SPEED TRANSPORT SHIPS CAPABLE OF OPERATING IN SHALLOW WATERWAYS. FLIGHT II EPFs HAVE ADDED MEDICAL MISSION AFLOAT CAPABILITIES.

THE NAVY ACCEPTED DELIVERY OF THE FIRST FLIGHT II EPF, USNS CODY, IN JANUARY.

MEDICAL PERSONNEL DEPLOYED ABOARD FLIGHT II EPFs CAN PROVIDE BASIC SECONDARY HEALTH CARE AROUND PRIMARY SURGERY, ALONG WITH LIMITED X-RAY, LAB, AND DENTAL SUPPORT.



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THEY HAVE WARD BEDS AS WELL AS AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT, AND CAN SUPPORT TWO OPERATING ROOMS, APPROXIMATELY 41 PATIENTS, AND 147 EMBARKED FORCES.

THE NAVY SAYS THE CATAMARAN DESIGN PROVIDES INHERENT STABILITY TO ALLOW SURGEONS TO PERFORM MEDICAL PROCEDURES IN THE ON-BOARD OPERATING SUITE WHILE UNDERWAY.

EPFs CAN TRANSPORT APPROXIMATELY 419 SHORT TONS AND TRAVEL 1,200 NAUTICAL MILES AT AN AVERAGE SPEED OF 33 KNOTS.

THEY HAVE A FLIGHT DECK TO SUPPORT DAY AND NIGHT AIRCRAFT LAUNCH AND RECOVERY OPERATIONS AND CAN LOAD HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES.

THE EPFs ARE CREWED BY CIVILIAN MARINERS, INCLUDING LICENSED DECK OFFICERS REPRESENTED BY THE MM&P FEDERAL EMPLOYEES MEMBERSHIP GROUP.

USNS POINT LOMA IS NAMED AFTER THE SAN DIEGO SEASIDE COMMUNITY WITH A LONG-STANDING NAVAL PRESENCE.

POINT LOMA, BORDERED BY THE PACIFIC OCEAN, SAN DIEGO BAY AND THE SAN DIEGO RIVER, IS HOME TO NAVAL BASE POINT LOMA, WHICH PROVIDES SUPPORT TO 70 U.S. PACIFIC FLEET AFLOAT AND SHORE-BASED COMMANDS.



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AN IMAGE FROM MM&P MEMBERS

The MM&P-crewed tanker ALLIED PACIFIC is participating in Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercises for the first time since being flagged into the U.S. fleet in October 2023. RIMPAC is a multinational naval exercise designed to foster and sustain cooperative relationships critical to ensuring the safety of sea lanes and security in support of a free and open Indo-Pacific region.



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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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