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OSG FLEET & ATC FLEET NEWSLETTER 76TH EDITION

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OSG AND ATC FLEET UPDATE

11 DAYS UNTIL THE BALLOTS ARE COUNTED



SEA BUOY IN SIGHT!

AS WE MAKE OUR FINAL APPROACH THROUGH THE PERILOUS SEA OF UNCERTAINTY, THE BAR WILL SOON BE CROSSED. WE WILL SAIL INTO THE SAFE AND LONG-AWAITED HARBOR OF THE BALLOT COUNT. THE PAST MONTHS OF WAITING HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT WINNING THE RIGHT TO COLLECTIVELY BARGAIN TAKES PERSEVERANCE—BUT NOTHING WORTHWHILE COMES EASILY AND CALM SEAS DON'T MAKE GOOD SAILORS. AS LDOs KNOW, WHEN WE ARRIVE IN PORT, THAT'S WHEN THE WORK BEGINS.



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CHANGE IS ON THE HORIZON, AND WE WILL SOON STAND TOGETHER. COMMUNICATION, TRANSPARENCY, AND DETERMINATION WILL BE THE KEYS TO SECURING A SUCCESSFUL FIRST CONTRACT.

WHEN EVERYONE "BUYS IN" AND ENGAGES COLLECTIVELY AS A UNIFIED BARGAINING UNIT, IT STRENGTHENS OUR POWER AT THE NEGOTIATION TABLE. MM&P, HAS PLEDGED EVERY AVAILABLE RESOURCE TO SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. MM&P IS "ALL IN" AND IS COMMITTED TO A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME FOR ATC AND OSG LDOs. TOGETHER, THROUGH COLLABORATION AND SOLIDARITY, WE CAN ACHIEVE LASTING IMPROVEMENTS AND SET A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE.

YOU, THE OSG AND ATC LDOs, ARE THE ONES AT THE NOZZLE OF THE FIRE HOSE. WE, YOUR FELLOW LDOs, ARE RIGHT BEHIND YOU, LEANING IN, HELPING BEAR THE WEIGHT, AND READY TO SUPPORT YOU IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE. TOGETHER, WE WILL DELIVER!!!



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VOTE MM&P

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

OPERATIONS RESUME AT EAST AND GULF COAST PORTS AFTER STRIKE ENDS

PORTS ALONG THE EAST AND GULF COAST REOPENED THURSDAY NIGHT AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S ASSOCIATION REACHED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON THE WAGE PORTION OF THE MASTER CONTRACT WITH EMPLOYERS REPRESENTED BY THE US MARITIME ALLIANCE.

A NEW DEADLINE OF JAN. 15, 2025, HAS BEEN SET FOR NEGOTIATIONS ON AUTOMATION AND BENEFITS.

THE STRIKE, WHICH LASTED THREE DAYS, GARNERED SUPPORT FROM UNIONS IN THE US AND ABROAD.



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THE PRESIDENTS OF MM&P, AMO, SIU AND MEBA EXPRESSED THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH ILA MEMBERS, PLEDGING “TO SUPPORT THE ILA TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER U.S. LAW AND OUR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS.”

“MM&P HAS A LONG RECORD OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE ILA,” SAID MM&P PRESIDENT DON MARCUS.

“ON THE DOCKS AND ABOARD SHIP, UNDER COVER OF ‘AUTOMATION,’ THESE EMPLOYERS ARE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO REDUCE PERSONNEL AND INCREASE THE WORKLOAD FOR THOSE WHO REMAIN.”

“WE STAND TOGETHER WITH ILA MEMBERS IN SEEKING FAIR COMPENSATION AND SUSTAINABLE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT.”

WHEN THE STRIKE BEGAN AT MIDNIGHT ON OCT. 1, ILWU PRESIDENT-ELECT BOBBY OLVERA JR. STOOD BESIDE ILA PRESIDENT HAROLD DAGGETT AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT DENNIS DAGGETT.

JORDI ARAGUNDE, GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE ITF INTERNATIONAL DOCKWORKERS COUNCIL, ALSO JOINED THE ILA IN PERSON FOR THE START OF ITS STRIKE.

WHEN THE SETTLEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED, PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN AND ACTING SECRETARY OF LABOR JULIE SU BOTH ISSUED STATEMENTS UNDERLINING THE FACT THAT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BETWEEN THE UNION AND EMPLOYERS HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL.

THEY ALSO HIGHLIGHTED LONGSHORE WORKERS’ CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUNCTIONING OF SUPPLY LINES, AMERICA’S ECONOMY, AND WORLD TRADE.

“OCEAN CARRIERS HAVE MADE RECORD PROFITS SINCE THE PANDEMIC,” BIDEN SAID IN A STATEMENT RELEASED LAST WEEK.



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“EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION HAS GROWN IN LINE WITH THOSE PROFITS, AND PROFITS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO SHAREHOLDERS AT RECORD RATES.”

“IT’S ONLY FAIR THAT WORKERS—WHO PUT THEMSELVES AT RISK DURING THE PANDEMIC TO KEEP PORTS OPEN—SEE A MEANINGFUL INCREASE IN THEIR WAGES AS WELL.”

AN IMAGE FROM MM&P MEMBERS

A PICTURE OF THE BULBOUS BOW BY MM&P CAPTAIN RYAN SWEENEY





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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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