

## FOREMEN'S UNION

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## Adhering to the Local, State and Federal restricted gathering guidelines, our Monthly Membership Meetings are cancelled until further notice.

**Executive Board**: We will have this month's meeting by a phone conference call, on Wednesday, April 29, 2020. Executive Board members and trustees will be provided a call-in number.

Office/Dispatch: It was reported to the officers that our office and building had an individual test positive for COVID-19 and is under care. We will be dispatching remotely from out of the office until the building has been cleared to return. Please DO NOT visit our office building. If you need any information or documentation, please call us at dispatch. You can check-in for work by leaving it on the tape only if you hear one of the officer's voices on the recording or calling dispatch during normal business hours. For your job assignment we will be calling you with your assigned job, this makes it more efficient with our phone system. After normal business hours our recording will outline the hours of the next member up for a job and the emergency phone number of the officer on duty and for late job orders.

As a reminder Hall Foremen on their primary shift who do not get out will be carried over on the board for the next day/night. Any member who checks in for a job on the dayside must be available until 7:30 am and any member who checks in for a job on the night side must be available until 5:30 pm (dispatch rule #6). You must accept your job assignment or you will flop, and must add the appropriate hours.

<u>Area Welfare Office/Coast Benefits Plan office (BPO)</u>: Both offices are working remotely, if you need any assistance you can still call the Area Welfare Director Sam Alvarado and leave a message Office 310-833-5144, Fax 310-833-0735, or email him at <a href="mailto:salvardo@benefitplans.org">salvardo@benefitplans.org</a>, or Liv Holton at <a href="mailto:holton@benefitplans.org">holton@benefitplans.org</a>.



The BPO office can be reached at Office 415-673-8500, Fax 415-749-1400 or email Tina Chow tchow@benefitplans.org. Any documents that you fax or email the BPO will require the original documents mailed. ILWU-PMA Benefits Plans 1188 Franklin Ave, Suite 300, San Francisco, Ca. 94109. Please call the office/dispatch if you have any questions or need help contacting either office.

Coronavirus (COVID-19): Information is available on our website <a href="https://www.il.wul.ccal.94.org">www.il.wul.ccal.94.org</a>
and will be updated as information becomes available. We are all required to follow all county public health department guidelines and recommendations. Please protect yourself and all others working around you. As a reminder please make yourself and all workers aware of the recommended safety precautions i.e. handwashing for at least 20 seconds or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer and mandate the proper social distancing (Minimum of 6' feet). It is required to divide and separate your labor into smaller groups to provide them their safety talks and jobrelated information. Face coverings will be available to pick up on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at the PMA training center in Wilmington starting at 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and then Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm for all Hall Foremen. Steady Foremen will be given their face covering by their Steady Employer. The State and County are requiring that you wear a face covering while at work.

The U.S. Coast Guard informed us that vessel operators have the authority to require temperature checks when boarding their vessel. We have been requested by the Longshore Locals that a Foremen would take the temperature of all Longshore personal including Foremen boarding the vessel. If you are the Foremen taking the temperatures have management provide you with the proper P.P.E. If you feel sick, please stay home or if you see a longshore worker or any person working on the terminal or facility who you believe is sick please notify the office and management immediately.

**PGP**: if you qualify for PGP which is \$2,459.60 per week you will receive a letter in the mail that will explain the steps you must take to receive the benefit. You will need to fill out part of that form and either call the unemployment office or visit them personally to complete the application. Failure to follow the instructions, will result in delayed benefits. Section 6 of the PCWB&FA explains the benefit in detail. If your weekly gross income is below \$2,459.60 you will receive the difference in your paycheck in the week following your normal pay date. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

<u>Steady Job Posting</u>: All steady job postings will be posted on our web site. Please follow the instructions on the job posting. The date of the posting, and the date the posting expires is stated on the job posting. Please do not sign your name on the line intended where management is required to sign. Call the office prior to submitting your application. The Local needs a copy of the application for our records.

<u>Steady Foremen Work Schedule:</u> All steady foremen are required to receive their 5-day schedule from their steady employer by 3 pm on Fridays. No revisions will be accepted after this 3 pm Friday deadline. If you do not receive your schedule call your employer and demand one. If a steady foreman is unavailable to work on a scheduled day/night they are required to call a replacement with the dispatch hall. If you do not receive a schedule, please call the office.

<u>Safety Shoe Voucher Reminder:</u> Longshore workers looking to redeem their ILWU-PMA Safety Shoe certificate have several options before the June 30, 2020 deadline: Urban Feet in San Pedro is currently open (limiting the number of customers in the store at one time). Please call 310-832-9364 for an appointment, or;

- Use the store locator at www.redwingsafety.com/storelocator. Call your local store for curbside pickup or shipping. Each store has their own website and that will provide information on ordering options, or;
- Workers can also call 1-800-RED-WING (1-800-733-9464) to complete their purchase. Red Wing Shoe Company customer service representatives will be available Monday—Friday 6:00-4:00 PM PDT, Saturdays 7:00-2:00 PM PDT and Sundays 10:00-3:00 PM PDT. Inform the representative you are calling to redeem a voucher.

Please have your Safety Shoe certificate available as the certificate number will be required.

In Solidarity:

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