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BULLETIN

OCTOBER 2012

STOP WORK MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY OCTOBER 4, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the cruise terminal.

VOTE NO ON PROP 32:

We would like to thank the members that volunteered with the phone bank and voter registration but we need more help. On **Tuesdays at Local 13 between 2 PM and 8 PM** and on **Thursdays at Local 63 between 2 PM and 8 PM** volunteers are needed, also high school students are being credited for their service hours for help with the phone banks. Please contact the office to find out what you may do to help in our battle to defeat Proposition 32. If every registered union member and their families throughout California were to vote this measure down we would win, but we are currently losing by a 52% margin. Please contact all family members and inform them of the importance of their vote this November and remind them if they are going to be out of town that they may request an absentee ballot.

Please visit www.ilwulocal94.org or www.stopspecialexemptions.org for more information.

WE MUST VOTE THIS MEASURE DOWN, NO ON PROP 32

ILWU – PMA Prescription Drug Program Identification (ID) Cards: Prescription Solutions has changed its name to **OptumRX** and will be issuing new identification cards to all PPO plan eligible members. Your new card should arrive via the mail to your home between **October 1 and October 15, 2012** and once you receive your new cards please destroy your old cards. There is no need to do anything else other than that, all your information remains the same. If you should have any questions you can contact our Southern California area Welfare Director Sam Alvarado at 1-310-833-5144

Safety Speeches: Please be very thorough with the information you include regarding any safety issues and evacuation plans should an emergency occur. It has been reported to us that Top handlers have been involved in an increased number of accidents lately so please remind the operators to be aware of their surroundings at all times. Also remind all Longshoemen that cell phones and other electronic devices are prohibited on the job and the use of such devices will lead to their termination.

PPE's: Foremen must always set example by wearing your hardhats and safety vests.

Coast Longshore Division Caucus: The Officers will attend a caucus in San Francisco on **October 24 thru 26 2012**. Items to be discussed will be Northwest grain negotiations, PMA member company ICTSI, and entry level criteria. As per our Constitution and By-Laws Article II section 1. (D) Any cost to the Local for a Convention and or Caucus shall be assessed to the membership on a Pro Rata basis. The Trustees are recommending an assessment to be withdrawn from your October 19, 2012 pay check. The amount will be discussed at the **October 4, 2012** Stop Work Meeting. Any overage or shortages will come from or be deposited into the General Checking Account.

Checking in: If you are leaving a message on our Dispatch recording, please speak slowly and clearly regarding your hours and what shift it is you are making yourself available for especially if you are checking in to travel.

Personal Information: It is your responsibility to keep this office up to date with phone numbers and addresses. A missed phone call because of a wrong phone number may cost you a work opportunity.

In Solidarity;

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