



Bulletin #06-08

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MESSAGE FROM THE DISPATCHERS

Class “A” Dispatch Rule #17 – Replacements states: - *“If any Longshoreman calls a replacement on the initial start of a job, and wishes to be dispatched again, he/she will be dispatched after the flops in low board rotation. The Longshoreman, however, must remain on the job until his/her replacement arrives, and the six hour flop penalty shall prevail (no individual will be dispatched again until his/her replacement has been filled)”*. Members are calling reaps on the initial start but are not showing up at the job. Replacements/casuals are showing up with reaps but the Foremen do not know who they are replacing. Companies are going to start issuing complaints for “failure to show.”

LONGSHOREMEN’S MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Annual Longshoremen’s Memorial Association meeting will take place at **12:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 21, 2008** at the ILWU Memorial Hall, 231 W. “C” Street, Wilmington. Nominations will take place for the fifteen (15) seats available for the 2008 Board of Directors.

“ON THE GLOBAL WATERFRONT” BOOK & TALK RECEPTION

There will be a book signing and discussion with longshoreman and ILW Local 1422 President, Ken Riley and author Suzan Erem for the launch of *“On the Global Waterfront: The Fight to Free the Charleston 5.”* This compelling narrative of a local struggle, a transformed union leader, and a newly energized workers’ movement highlights the resounding importance of an international labor movement that is not only still vital, but still capable of stopping commerce on a dime. The signing will take place at Harry Bridges Institute, 350 W. 5th Street, Suite 209, San Pedro, CA 90731 - **Monday, February 4, 2008 @ 12:00 noon. Refreshments will be served – Free Parking**

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE CLASS

Through a special arrangement with L.A. Trade Tech College, the ILWU is offering a one-of-a-kind college course open to all members. Utilizing ILWU curriculum and examples this full-credit class will offer a fast paced, step by step approach to understanding this essential contract enforcement tool. Topics will include, ILWU Grievance Procedures, The Duty of Fair Representation, Weingarten Rights, Roles of Union and Management and the Overview of the Arbitration Process. Class will be held on:

Four (4) Thursdays starting on
February 7 ~ March 6 ~ April 3 ~ May 1

ILWU Local 63
350 W. 5th Street – Labor Room
San Pedro, CA 90731
11:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Fee is \$20.00 per person

You may sign up in class on Thursday, February 7, 2008. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Aguirre at (310) 210-6774 or ilwupa.aol.com

DO YOU HAVE A LOVED ONE SERVING IN IRAQ?

If so, the ILWU Women's Auxiliary #8 would like your help in sending care packages to our service men and women. They are running out of addresses and they need your help to get more. Please, if you have a loved one serving in Iraq, a friend or maybe your friend has a family member that is serving in the armed forces we would love to send them a package. The boxes are filled with items like, shampoo, conditioner, lotions, lip balm, books, cards, etc. It really brightens up their day to receive a package they can share with everyone and they really appreciate it. It's a great way to give back and all it takes is a phone call to Maureen Montoya at (310) 327-8455 or Virginia Harrison at (310) 548-4747. Thanks in advance for all of your support.

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