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### **ILWU 75th Anniversary Celebration**

March 27<sup>th</sup> The Pacific Northwest Labor History Association (PNLHA) is sponsoring a celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ILWU. Ian Ruskin will perform *From Wharf Rats to Lords of the Dock*, his famed one-man play on the life and times of Harry Bridges, as part of the Organization of American Historians National Conference.

**From Wharf Rats to Lords of the Docks:** The Life and Times of Harry Bridges

Location: WA State Convention & Trade Center, 800 Convention Pl, downtown Seattle

Time: 4:00pm FREE

Followed by a reception with free snacks and a no-host bar. Co-sponsored by the Labor and Working-Class History Association and the Pacific Northwest Labor History Association. For more information, call (206) 543-7946, or e-mail [pcls@u.washington.edu](mailto:pcls@u.washington.edu).

### **TWIC CARD**

You must have a TWIC card by March 27<sup>th</sup> as the Coast Guard will not let anyone on the terminals without one. If you are having trouble getting your card let your Steward or BA know. If your application has been denied then you need to sign your name on the sign up sheet posted in the hall. The Local needs to know who has not obtained their cards. You can see the business office for the number to the Lawyer firm the International has retained to help members.

### **SAFETY**

#### **Delashing**

Do not delash containers next to any open hatch or any ledge where there are no railings.

#### **General Safety Training**

GST has been reinstated. The security section has been taken out. So if you get a letter you must attend.

#### **Safety Talks**

If the foreman or employer uses the pre-shift safety talk for purposes other than safety, call your BA immediately. They are not to use the safety talk to harass or intimidate the workers.

### **SAFETY**

#### **Semi drivers**

Make sure that nobody drives in between the crane legs. Go all the way to the bow of ship before turning into the yard.

Stop at all stop bars!

Do not drive in between the stacks!



## **CONTAINER WORK**

### **T-18**

SSA will be paving parts of the yard. Be alert to this construction.

### **CGA-CGM**

They have not yet signed an agreement. We found out that what they signed was an extension of the current agreement. There is still hope that they will sign one soon.

## **CRUISE SHIP WORK**

### **Cruise ships**

The first cruise ship will berth at T-91 on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Cruise Terminal ID Badge**

You will need to get a cruise terminal badge in addition to the TWIC card for access to the cruise ships. The reason for this is that you will need to surrender the cruise ship badge when boarding the ship. You are to never surrender your TWIC card. They have said that they are looking at adding a symbol on the cruise ship badge indicating that you have your TWIC card.

### **Cruise ship sweeper**

There is a sign up sheet posted in the hall for cruise ship sweepers.

## **DISPATCHING**

### **Hoot owl replacements**

Be sure to give the Night BA plenty of time to get you a replacement for a Hoot if you plan to check out. Please don't check out at 2 am or later, They need more than an hour to find you a replacement.

## **WEBSITES**

[www.ilwu19.com](http://www.ilwu19.com)

[www.rustyhook.org](http://www.rustyhook.org)

For access to members only area contact the Shop Steward.

## **BUSINESS AGENTS**

The BA's are asking the membership for support as they are dealing with the many problems on the waterfront.

Listen to and follow the BA's direction.

## **SOCIAL CLUBS**

Join the pensioners club! Show your support for your Union and for those who came before us. Applications can be found on the Rusty Hook website. [www.rustyhook.org](http://www.rustyhook.org). Or you can visit the pensioners in person. The Pensioners office is open from 8:30am till 12:30pm, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. It is located in the back of the Executive board room.

I also encourage all members' wives, daughters, mothers and aunts to join the ILWU women's auxiliary. The Auxiliary is the support arm of the union. Inquiries can be made at the Pensioners office.

## **MEETINGS**

### **First Monday of the Month**

**Social hour;** at 8:30am

**Pensioners;** at 10:am

**Auxiliary #3;** at 11am

**Social hour;** at 2pm

**Shop Steward;** at 3pm

**Executive;** Tuesday before Stop Work and the second Tuesday after first meeting of month. Both meetings start at 5:30.

**Stop Work;** Second Thursday at 5:50pm

## **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Day BA	206-898-9960
Night BA	206-679-4416
Night pager	206-995-3286
Shop Steward	206-920-0759
Business office	206-623-7461
Pay office	206-625-0785
Pensioners Office	206-623-7461 Ext 7106
Tape	206-625-0795

