



Southern California Pensioner Group

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PRESIDENT -	Greg Mitre	YEARLY DUES -	\$20.00
1ST V.P. -	Jerry Garretson	RECORDING SEC. -	Herman Moreno
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Presidents Report-

Happy Holidays-From myself and all the officers we wish you and your families a safe, happy holiday season and look forward to seeing you next year!!!

It is with a heavy heart I compose this months report. I have only been a part of the ILWU Pensioners for five years. In this time I have served on Executive Board, Vice President, and now President. In this time I have relied on the help, guidance and hard work of the other officers and board members. We as a group are only as good as the people who commit to volunteer to keep this great union of ours strong.

With that being said, I am sad to announce that our Financial Secretary, Tina Spittle is stepping down. Tina has served the Pensioners for almost twenty (20)!!!! consecutive years in her position, serving under some of the most respected men and women this union has ever known. In this time she has given us her heart and soul for a great union her Father and Husband both are proud members of. As I look back and discuss the impact Tina has had on our group, it is hard to describe or quantify how really important a role she has played in this organization. People like Lou Loveridge, an icon in the ILWU who served long before I was around describes how Tina came in and organized our financial affairs and has served the members for many years. Those of you who come in and pay your dues know that EVERY first Wednesday of the month Tina will be sitting at her desk ready to take care of any of your needs and also have a little chocolate surprise waiting for you in the bowl on her desk. Our semi annual audits are a work of art, with every item we ask for provided and answers to all the tough questions we throw at her.

As selfish as I would like to be, I do understand the reason for Tina's departure, having raised three fantastic boys it is time for her to be a grandmother, and with that comes the joy of baby sitting and helping raise your children's children. I can only hope Tina will come visit us and continue to keep us in her thoughts and life. I as well as all the other officers wish her only the best.

On a much happier note, we have a new Financial Secretary who I would love for you to meet. Her name is Lynn Hay, she is a long time ILWU member, and has a long history here on the waterfront. Many of you knew her father or brother, and her wonderful sister Louise, all proud members of the ILWU family.

They say things happen for a reason, and Tina's departure is an opportunity for us to be lucky enough to have a person like Lynn join the officers and members of the pensioners. Lynn has been working with the ILWU Memorial Assoc. for some time and I have seen first hand her dedication and loyalty to the ILWU and everything we stand for. I have no doubt she will make a great Financial Secretary and I'm sure you will too.

Please come in and say hello to Lynn and pay your dues for 2016 before any of our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month.

Pensioners Election-

At the November membership meeting nominations for office were conducted. Due to the fact that all officers are running un-opposed and we have the correct amount to serve on the Executive Board and as Trustees we will not have to conduct an election at the December meeting. The following candidates will be sworn in at the January meeting:

**President- Greg Mitre, First V.P.- Jerry Garretson, 2nd V.P.- Dave Arian,
Recording Secretary- Herman Moreno, Financial Secretary- Lynn Hay**

**Executive Board: Rudy Rubio, Mike Karmelich, Lou Loveridge, Mike Puliselich,
Jerry Brady, Phil Negrete, Bob Negrete, Norm Tuck, Ron Costa, Helena Jones, Dave
Beeman, Ron Sandate, Marion Rafkin, John Vlaic**

Trustees:

Rudy Rubio, Phil Negrete, Norm Tuck, Marty Demott, Helena Jones, Malcom Morris

Once again I reiterate, we are only as strong and successful as those who volunteer and work to keep our great union, the ILWU strong and relevant . In todays labor climate, we are under attack daily as the last great powerful union that stands for workers rights and justice.

Have a Happy and safe Holiday Season!!!!

Greg Mitre - President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

NEW MEMBERS Mike Martinez

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF:

- Dave Beeman in memory of ED LOWE, JOE KEAWE & STEVE BUSH
- Carmen "Nuch" Curci in memory of GINO DONATONI, CHI LO BOSCO, HENRY MELUSI, & NEWTIE ROWELL
- Louise & Lynn Hay in memory of JESS NAVARRO, BUZZ "BOATS" HAY
- Tony Meraz in memory of GUADALUPE MERAZ, FELIX MERAZ, SR., FELIX MERAZ, JR. JULIA CARRANZA
- Lou Loveridge in memory of CHICK LOVERIDGE, CHICK DILLON, PETE GRASSI, REUBEN NEGRETE, JOE ROWELL, ED THAYNE
- Eddie Gomez in memory of ERNESTO RIVERA, JOHN RAMIREZ "SHARPO", MARCOS GUTTIEREZ "MIDGET," STEVE BUSH, SAM ANDRADE "SAMBO"
- Ray Maynez in memory of RICHARD MONJE

CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS:

**LOCAL 13: Robert Castorena #37209, Mario Yanez #36569, Kelley L. Hugh Sr. #33628,
Larry L. Delph #133691, Gustavo Hurtado Jr. #33509, Dale E. Douvia #36821
Eugene Hernandez #37990**

LOCAL 63: Charles Sands, #40308, John Moreno, #35291, Leonard Pavlov, #40584

LOCAL 94: Delaware Boone #33415

Farewell and Thanks for all the wonderful years, Tina Spittle, Financial Secretary