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# 51st annual Pacific Coast Pensioners convenes in Portland

**T**he Pacific Coast Pensioners Association (PCPA) held their 51st Annual Convention from September 16-19 in Portland, OR. A total of 154 people attended this year's meeting including 88 PCPA delegates who tackled issues ranging from Long Term Health Care Insurance to the importance of getting-out-the-vote for pro-union candidates in the November mid-term elections.

The convention was dedicated to the memory of pensioners who have passed since the last convention. Elected officers from the International and local unions included ILWU Secretary-Treasurer Willie Adams, Local 13 President Mark Mendoza, Local 63 President Joe Gasperov, Local 10 President Melvin Mackay, Local 10 Secretary-Treasurer Farless Daily, and Local 8 President Bruce Holte. Also attending were Vanetta Hamlin and Trevor McCoy from the Bay Area Longshoremen's Memorial Association (BALMA). Those unable to attend this year's event due to the ILWU Hawaii Convention included International President Robert McEllrath, Vice President (Mainland) Ray Familathe, Vice President (Hawaii) Wesley Furtado and Coast Committeemen Frank Ponce De Leon and Cam Williams who all sent their regards.

### Support for Dave Arian

PCPA President Greg Mitre began the proceedings with an announcement about Southern California Pensioner Dave Arian, who has been an active PCPA member since he retired from his waterfront career that included serving as ILWU International President and President of Local 13.

Mitre said Arian is fighting a rare form of thyroid cancer that prevented him from attending this year's convention. "Dave has a love for the ILWU that runs deeper than I have ever known. It probably hurts Dave more to be missing the convention than we miss having him here," Mitre said. On the convention's last day, Mitre used his phone to place a video call that allowed Arian to see and

hear the expressions of love and support coming to him from delegates and guests.

### Guest speakers

Mitre then introduced Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith who is running for a seat on the Portland City Council. Commissioner Smith spoke about the important role of pensioners in our political system and praised the work by labor unions to protect wages and working conditions of all workers. "Without you, there would be no America," Smith said.

ILWU Secretary-Treasurer Willie Adams was introduced and declared that he had attended each of the PCPA conventions during the past 14 years. "For me it all starts with the

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**Pensioner power trio:** (L-R) Canadian Pensioners Club President Tom Dufresne, PCPA President Greg Mitre and Local 142 Pensioner/Memorial Association Director Clayton Dela Cruz, each shared their views about the union's future.

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## Update on the International Union election

Results of the ILWU International election are proceeding in accordance with the union's Constitution. Ballots were mailed to members on July 23 and were due back on September 6. The counting of ballots then began that morning and continued until shortly before midnight. The count was conducted by officials from an independent outside agency and members of the International Balloting Committee. The counting was witnessed by several candidates and observers from various candidates. A September 10th report on the process and results of the vote count was issued by the International Balloting Committee and provided to all candidates, local unions and affiliates.

During the following 7 days, a total of 9 challenges were received from members and candidates. In addition, a fax was received that did not meet the requirements of a challenge. Notices of the challenges, copies of the challenges, and fax were provided to all parties, with responses to the challenges due by within seven (7) days of the notice being sent out. The International Election Procedures Committee will hold an informal hearing beginning on October 1, providing at least four (4) days advance notice of the time place and date of that hearing. The Election Procedures Committee then has until October 15 to issue a report with findings and recommendations concerning the challenges. Final determination of the challenges will be made by the International Executive Board, which is expected to meet on or about October 29 in San Francisco at the International Union headquarters. The Dispatcher will publish the results of that meeting and the election results in our November issue.



**Supporting pro-union candidates:** Presidents from four Southern California ILWU longshore locals attended a June 28 fundraiser to support pro-union candidates for Congress. (L-R) former Labor Secretary Tom Perez, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Local 63 President Joe Gasperov, President Barack Obama, Local 94 President Danny Miranda and Local 13 President Mark Mendoza. ILWU contributions to Congressional campaigns are from voluntary member donations, not union dues.



## Informe actualizado sobre las elecciones del Sindicato Internacional

Los resultados de las elecciones del sindicato Internacional ILWU se están procesando de conformidad con la Constitución del sindicato. Las boletas fueron enviadas por correo a los miembros el 23 de julio y tenían que devolverse a más tardar el 6 de septiembre. El recuento de los votos comenzó esa mañana y se prolongó hasta poco antes de la medianoche. Dicho recuento fue realizado por funcionarios de un organismo independiente externo y miembros del Comité Internacional de Votación. Además, fue atestiguado por varios candidatos y observadores de varios candidatos. El Comité Internacional de Votación publicó un informe del 10º de septiembre sobre el proceso y los resultados del recuento de votos, el cual se proporcionó a todos los candidatos, sindicatos locales y afiliados.

Durante los 7 días siguientes se recibieron 9 impugnaciones de los miembros y candidatos. Además, se recibió un fax que no cumplía los requisitos de una impugnación. Se enviaron a todas las partes notificaciones y copias de las impugnaciones, al igual que el fax, debiéndose recibir respuestas a dichas impugnaciones en un plazo de siete (7) días a partir del momento de la notificación. El Comité Internacional de Procedimientos Electorales celebrará una audiencia informal que comenzará el 1 de octubre, dándose el aviso de la hora, lugar y fecha de dicha audiencia con cuatro (4) días de antelación. El Comité de Procedimientos Electorales tiene hasta el 15 de octubre para emitir un informe con las conclusiones y recomendaciones relativas a las impugnaciones. La Junta Ejecutiva Internacional, que se espera que se reúna el 29 de octubre en San Francisco en la sede del Sindicato Internacional, deberá tomar una determinación definitiva sobre las impugnaciones. The Dispatcher publicará los resultados de esa reunión y los resultados de las votaciones en su número que se publicará en noviembre.

## LETTERS TO THE DISPATCHER

Dear Editor,

The September *Dispatcher* article about Herb Mills was right on. Herb was not only a longshore person, and later on a Marine Clerk, but he was also involved with many social issues concerning working people. He was opposed to the Mechanization and Modernization Agreement (M&M) becoming part of the Longshore and Clerk's contract because it allowed employers to hire steady workers of their choice – bypassing the hiring hall. The M&M with steady hiring did come to pass, and our union has become divided as a result.

Herb was the real deal.

**Lee Sandahl, Local 34 Pensioner  
Legislative Representative  
Northern CA District Council  
Occidental, CA**

Dear Editor,

How do I truly express in a letter the great loss my union has felt this month? On Friday, September 7, our brother Bob Ruiz died.

Bob joined ILWU Local 75 (Watchmen) in 1996. He worked steady on the Oakland side of the Bay at Hanjin's Berth H and Ports America terminals. He also worked as a sergeant for screeners at San Francisco's Jimmy Herman Cruise Ship Terminal. He followed in his father's footsteps to become a second generation ILWU member. During a long career on the waterfront, we watched his beautiful children Rachele Ruiz-Ortman and Robbie Ruiz, both grow up. My heart breaks for them.

We will never forget Bob's friendly smile that greeted everyone who came into the terminal or arrived on a cruise ship. We miss you Bob.

**Sally Bowden  
Pittsburgh, CA**

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1188 Franklin St., San Francisco, CA 94109-6800 or email to [editor@ilwu.org](mailto:editor@ilwu.org)

**Correction for Herb Mills obituary:** A photo caption for Herb Mills obituary on page 7 of the September issue mistakenly identified Becky Jenkins as Mill's former wife; she was a friend. His wife, Rebecca Mills, was recognized in the story but not pictured. We regret the error.

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# So Cal locals hold largest Labor Day in years

**T**hick clouds covering the harbor provided an unusually cool start for the 39th Annual Labor Day March and picnic that built to a record crowd. The annual event is organized by the Los Angeles Harbor Coalition, a network of union and community groups anchored in the working class town of Wilmington, CA.

An estimated 6,000 union workers representing more than 65 labor unions participated with family members and community supporters at this year's event. It was the largest Labor Day Marches in recent history and the largest Labor Day celebration on the West Coast. The energy, enthusiasm and solidarity on display contrasted

sharply with recent attacks on workers and unions.

The day began with a free breakfast sponsored by Southern California ILWU locals who provided huge quantities of pancakes, eggs, sausage, burritos, coffee and juice at the Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Memorial Hall. Over 2,000 breakfast burritos were distributed at no charge to the community.

Labor Day marks the traditional beginning of election season, so the ILWU welcomed candidates running for local, state and federal offices. Each candidate was limited to a few minutes on the mic at the Memorial Hall, delivering their remarks as their audience ate breakfast.

The annual parade started after breakfast on the corner of Broad and E Streets, just a few blocks from the



**Leading the way:** A truckload of Southern California Pensioners took their assigned place in front of the parade.

old Local 13 dispatch hall. The parade slowly made its way up Avalon Blvd., ending at Banning Park for an all-day barbeque and picnic. The parade was led by members of the Southern California ILWU Pensioners Group who rode in a flat-bed trailer and tossed candy to families that lined the streets with their children to watch the march.

ILWU members, nurses, teachers, Teamsters, Building Trades and other workers marched together and were joined by local high school marching bands, cheer squads, color guards, classic cars and motorcycle clubs to celebrate the working men and women who built this country, work around the ports and keep things running.

After arriving at Banning Park, families enjoyed free hot dogs, ham-

burgers, snow-cones, sodas and live music courtesy of the Los Angeles County Labor movement.

ILWU Local 13 member David Serrato spoke on behalf of the ILWU at the picnic, urging union members to work together in the face of coordinated attacks by employers and anti-union politicians.

ILWU pensioners Jerry Brady and Dave Arian were both honored with special commendations presented by Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis for their contributions to the labor movement. Days after the March, Arian left for further treatments at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.



**Marching for justice:** Local 56 Ship Scalars marched in the parade with matching t-shirts.

## Indoor heat kills & injures workers, so why isn't there a law to stop it?

**W**hen workers go to work during the summer months at Rite Aid's Distribution Center in the Mojave Desert, their million-square-foot steel building without air conditioning can sometimes feel like an oven.

### Danger is real

Laboring inside hot buildings has long been recognized by workers and medical experts as dangerous, but employers have successfully blocked state and federal laws to protect workers.

Local 26 President Luisa Gratz is trying to change that by working with a team of volunteers and medical experts – coordinated by the *Worksafe!* advocacy group – who are pressing Cal-OSHA to adopt a new “indoor heat standard.”

Gratz knows firsthand how dangerous a hot building can be for employees; she once worked in a facility where co-workers passed-out from the high heat.

### One death is too many

“A worker died a decade ago at the Rite Aid warehouse in Lancaster when it was hot,” she says. “It’s outrageous, but the history of health and safety laws in the U.S. seems to be based on the principle that workers have to die before protections can be passed.”

### Protections long overdue

Gratz is aware of workers in many other warehouses and offices who have experienced symptoms of heat stress and heat exhaustion that include passing out on the job. She says a law protecting employees against hazardous indoor heat is long overdue, recalling that when Rite Aid workers formed their union 10 years ago, they were motivated in part by the death of a co-worker believed to be the first victim of heat inside their warehouse. That tragedy sparked workers to organize and negotiate the first indoor heat contract language for warehouse workers in the nation. Their action forced management to install evaporative coolers and provide additional water breaks when indoor temperatures spiked.

“It was a good start, but with climate change creating hotter conditions, we need stronger protections,” said Gratz.

### Searching for support in Sac

Gratz and other union supporters have spent years urging Cal-OSHA's Standards Board in Sacramento to pass regulations with teeth to protect workers from excessive indoor heat. Stronger regulations were passed by the legislature at one point, only to be vetoed by then-Governor Schwarzenegger at the request of business interests. The 7-member Board appointed by Gov-



**Cal-OSHA Standard Board:** Shown here in 2016, the Board is deciding whether to adopt an indoor heat standard to protect workers while employers try to kill or water-down any new rule.

ernor Brown now has two vacancies and is hampered by industry lobbyists who often slow progress to a crawl and undermine even the smallest reforms. The situation with OSHA in Washington, D.C. is even worse, with President Trump, now rolling-back workplace protections.

### Brown bows to business

Not long ago, the possibility of passing indoor heat protections in California looked promising after Governor Brown appointed Ellen Widess, a strong worker advocate, to head Cal-OSHA. But after several years, industry groups ganged-up against Widess, and eventually forced her to resign. The

shakeup further emboldened industry groups who won a more “business-friendly” approach to workplace safety at the expense of workers. Today, Cal-OSHA plods along with too few inspectors (far less per-capita than Oregon and Washington) and too little clout to punish employers who continue killing roughly 400 workers per year, a number that has held steady for most of the decade.

Gratz says the rule-making process is frustrating, but she and others remain determined to keep pushing for statewide indoor heat protections. Her work is part of a larger coalition

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# Northern California District Council Recommendations

**US Senate:** Kevin de León

**US House of Representatives**

- CD 1. Audrey Denney
- CD 2. Jared Huffman
- CD 3. John Garamendi
- CD 4. Jessica Morse
- CD 5. Mike Thompson
- CD 6. Doris Matsui
- CD 7. No Recommendation
- CD 8. Paul Cook
- CD 9. Jerry McNerney
- CD 10. Josh Harder
- CD 11. Mark DeSaulnier
- CD 12. Nancy Pelosi
- CD 13. Barbara Lee
- CD 14. Jackie Speier
- CD 15. Eric Swalwell
- CD 16. No Endorsement
- CD 17. Ro Khanna
- CD 18. Anna Eshoo
- CD 19. Zoe Lofgren
- CD 20. Jimmy Panetta
- CD 21. T.J. Cox
- CD 22. Andrew Janz
- CD 23. Tatiana Matta

**Governor:** Gavin Newsom

**Lieutenant Governor:** Ed Hernandez

**Secretary of State:** Alex Padilla

**Attorney General:** Xavier Becerra

**Controller:** Betty Yee

**Treasurer:** Fiona Ma **Insurance Commissioner:** Ricardo Lara

**Superintendent of Public Instruction:** Tony Thurmond

**Board of Equalization**

- District 1: Tom Hallinan (D)
- District 2: Refer to Executive Council
- District 3: Tony Vazquez (D)
- District 4: No Recommendation

**State Senate**

- SD 2. Mike McGuire
- SD 4. Phil Kim
- SD 6. Richard Pan
- SD 8. No Recommendation
- SD 10. No Recommendation
- SD 12. Anna Caballero
- SD 14. Melissa Hurtado
- SD 16. Ruth Musser-Lopez
- SD 18. Robert Hertzberg
- SD 20. Connie Leyva
- SD 22. Mike Eng
- SD 24. Maria Elena Durazo
- SD 26. Ben Allen
- SD 28. Joy Silver
- SD 30. Holly Mitchell
- SD 32. Bob Archuleta

**State Assembly**

- AD 1. No Recommendation
- AD 2. Jim Wood
- AD 3. DUAL: Jim Gallagher / Sonia Aery
- AD 4. Cecelia Aguiar-Curry
- AD 5. Carla Jean Neal
- AD 6. Jacalyn Smith
- AD 7. Kevin McCarty
- AD 8. Ken Cooley
- AD 9. Jim Cooper
- AD 10. Mark Levine
- AD 11. No Recommendation
- AD 12. Heath Flora
- AD 13. Susan Eggman
- AD 14. Tim Grayson
- AD 15. Jovanka Beckles
- AD 16. Rebecca Bauer-Kahan
- AD 17. David Chiu
- AD 18. Rob Bonta
- AD 19. Phil Ting
- AD 20. Bill Quirk
- AD 21. Adam Gray
- AD 22. Kevin Mullin
- AD 23. Aileen Rizo
- AD 24. Marc Berman
- AD 25. Kansen Chu
- AD 26. Jose Sigala
- AD 27. Ash Kalra
- AD 28. Evan Low
- AD 29. Mark Stone
- AD 30. Robert Rivas
- AD 31. Joaquin Arambula
- AD 32. Rudy Salas

**State Propositions**

- Proposition 1:** YES - Veterans and Affordable Housing Bonds
- Proposition 2:** YES - No Place Like Home Act of 2018.
- Proposition 3:** YES - Bonds for water supply
- Proposition 4:** - Bonds for private hospitals. No Recommendation
- Proposition 5:** NO - Changes for Home Owners to Transfer Property Tax.
- Proposition 6:** NO - Eliminates Road Repair and Transportation Funding.
- Proposition 7:** NO - Recommendation Daylight Savings
- Proposition 8:** YES - Regulate and limits fees at dialysis clinics.
- Proposition 10:** YES - Expands local authority to pass rent control on Property.
- Proposition 11:** NO - Requires private ambulance workers to be on-call during breaks.
- Proposition 12:** YES - New standards for confined farm animals.

**Oakland Mayor: (dual endorsement)** Cat Brooks/Pamela Price

**Oakland City Council District 6:** Desley Brooks

**Berkeley City Council District 1:** Igor Tregub

**City of Alameda:** Measure K: YES – rent control

**Richmond Water District:** Cheryl Suddeth

**San Francisco Board of Supervisors**

- District 2: Catherine Stefani, Schuyler Hudak (dual)
- District 4: Gordon Mar
- District 6: Matt Haney
- District 8: Rafael Mandelman
- District 10: Shamann Walton

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**BART Board District 8**

- Johnathan Lyens

**San Francisco Ballot Measures**

- Prop A:** YES Embarcadero earthquake bond
- Prop B:** NO City privacy guidelines
- Prop C:** YES Business taxes for homeless services
- Prop D:** YES Tax cannabis like other businesses
- Prop E:** YES Use part of hotel tax for arts & culture

## ELECTION GUIDE

## Oregon Area District Council Recommendations:

**Portland City Council:** Jo Ann Hardesty

**Washington County Commission:** Kathryn Harrington

**Columbia County Sheriff:** Dave Brown

**House District 10:** David Gomberg

**House District 42:** Rob Nosse

**House District 44:** Tina Kotek

**House District 54:** Amanda La Bell

**Senate District 20:** Charles Gallia

*Note: These recommendations were provided when The Dispatcher went to press; additional recommendations may be available after October 1st.*

*Please check for an updated list at your local union office.*



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**TONY THURMOND**  
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (District 3)  
**SCOTT SVONKIN**

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (District 4)  
**NO ENDORSEMENT**

## US CONGRESS

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District 26 **JULIA BROWNLEY**  
District 27 **JUDY CHU**  
District 28 **ADAM SCHIFF**  
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District 52 **SCOTT PETERS**  
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## CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE

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District 34 **TOM UMBERG**  
District 36 **MARGGIE CASTELLANO**  
District 38 **JEFF GRIFFITH**  
District 40 **BEN HUESO**

## STATE BALLOT MEASURES

**PROPOSITION 1 ..... YES**  
**PROPOSITION 2 ..... YES**  
**PROPOSITION 3 ..... YES**  
**PROPOSITION 5 ..... NO**  
**PROPOSITION 6 ..... NO**  
**PROPOSITION 8 ..... YES**  
**PROPOSITION 10 ..... YES**  
**PROPOSITION 11 ..... NO**  
**PROPOSITION 12 ..... YES**

## SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

VENTURA **CALEB DONNER**  
LOS ANGELES **ALFRED COLETTA**

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**FRANCES MARQUEZ**

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Election Recommendations  
for the  
November 6th Election  
ILWU Southern California District Council

## ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM LOCAL 13



LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF  
**JIM MCDONNELL & ALEX VILLANUEVA**  
(dual endorsement)

VENTURA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE, AREA 1  
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CARSON CITY COUNCIL  
**JIM DEAR**

LOMITA CITY COUNCIL  
**JIM GAZLEY**

# 2018 Washington State PSDC Endorsements

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LD 1 Pos. 2 Shelley Kloba  
LD 3 Pos. 1 Marcus Riccelli  
LD 3 Pos. 2 Timm Ormsby  
LD 5 Pos. 1 Bill Ramos  
LD 5 Pos. 2 Lisa Callan  
LD 6 Senator Jessa Lewis  
LD 6 Pos. 2 Dave Wilson  
LD 7 Senator Karen Hardy  
LD 9 Pos. 2 Matthew Sutherland  
LD 10 Pos. 2 Dave Paul  
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LD 11 Pos. 2 Steve Berquist  
LD 13 Pos. 1 Tom Dent  
LD 14 Pos 1 Sasha Bently  
LD 14 Pos. 2 Liz Hallock  
LD 15 Senator Jim Honeyford  
LD 15 Pos. 1 Bruce Chandler  
LD 17 Pos. 1 Tanisha Harris  
LD 17 Pos. 2 Damion Jiles Sr.  
LD 18 Pos. 2 Kathy Gillespie  
LD 19 Pos 2. Brian Blake  
LD 21 Senator Marco Liias  
LD 21 Pos. 1 Strom Peterson  
LD 21 Pos. 2 Lillian Ortiz-Self  
LD 22 Pos. 1 Laurie Dolan

LD 22 Pos. 2 Beth Doglio  
LD 23 Pos. 1 Sherry Appleton  
LD 23 Pos. 2 Drew Hansen  
LD 24 Pos. 1 Mike Chapman  
LD 25 Pos. 1 Jamie Smith  
LD 25 Pos. 2 Brian Duthie  
LD 26 Senator Emily Randall  
LD 26 Pos. 1 Connie Fitzpatrick  
LD 26 Pos. 2 Joy Stanford  
LD 27 Pos. 1 Laurie Jinkins  
LD 27 Pos. 2 Jake Fey  
LD 28 Pos. 1 Mary Leavitt  
LD 28 Pos 2. Christine Kilduff  
LD 29 Senator Steve Conway  
LD 29 Pos. 1 Melanie Morgan  
LD 29 Pos. 2 Steve Kirby  
LD 30 Pos. 1 Mike Pellicotti  
LD 30 Pos. 2 Kristine Reeves  
LD 32 Senator Maralyn Chase  
LD 32 Pos. 1 Cindy Ryu  
LD 32 Pos. 2 Lauren Davis  
LD 33 Senator Karen Kaiser  
LD 33 Pos. 1 Tina Orwall  
LD 34 Senator Shannon Braddock  
LD 34 Pos. 1 Eileen Cody  
LD 34 Pos. 2 Joe Fitzgibbon

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LD 35 Pos. 2 David Dagget  
LD 36 Senator Reuven Carlyle  
LD 36 Pos. 1 Noel Frame  
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LD 42 Senator Pinky Vargas  
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LD 42 Pos. 2 Sharon Shewmake  
LD 43 Senator Jamie Peterson  
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LD 43 Pos. 2 Frank Chopp  
LD 44 Senator Steve Hobbs  
LD 44 Pos. 1 John Lovick  
LD 44 Pos. 2 Jared Mead

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LD 47 Pos. 1 Debra Entenman  
LD 47 Pos. 2 Pat Sullivan  
LD 48 Senator Patty Kuderer  
LD 48 Pos. 1 Vandana Slatter  
LD 48 Pos. 2. Amy Walen  
LD 49 Pos. 1 Sharon Wylie  
LD 49 Pos. 2 Monica Stonier  
Judicial, Pos. 2 Susan Owens  
Judicial, Pos. 8 Steve Gonzales  
Judicial, Pos. 9 Sheryl McCloud  
I-1631 Vote NO

**Puget Sound District Council recommendations to ILWU International**

**US Senator:** Maria Cantwell

CD 1: Suzan DelDene  
CD 2: Rick Larson  
CD 3: Carolyn Long  
CD 4: Christine Brown  
CD 5: Lisa Brown  
CD 6: Derek Kilmer  
CD 7: Pramila Jayapal  
CD 8: Kim Schrier  
CD 9: Adam Smith  
CD 10 Denny Heck

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PCPA and I wanted to come and pay my respects for all that you have done for us," Adams said.

Oregon Senator Jeff Merkley was unable to attend the convention in person, but sent a video message thanking the pensioners for their decades of work as active ILWU members, and congratulating them for securing good wages and pensions. "You recognize the critical role that labor plays in our society," Merkley said, noting the role played by union members in passing social security, unemployment insurance, Medicare and Medicaid. He warned that "powerful and privileged forces are now trying to undermine workers' rights and workers' pay," he said. Merkley expressed concern about Trump's trade wars, saying it could slow down the economy by 3-4 percent and reduce work on the waterfront. "Our country is at a crossroads," he said. "Will we continue to provide a foundation built by workers and the labor movement, or do we allow the powerful and privileged to stack the deck and rig the system against working Americans?"

Local 13 President Mark Mendoza was asked to say a few words by Mitre. He spoke about the registration of new longshore workers in Southern California, criticizing employers for how long it takes "causals" to become registered longshore workers. "The average age of newly registered workers was 43 years old," Mendoza said. He also spoke about Local 13's political action efforts, explaining they have been very active and are trying to use the Local's influence to help ILWU members and other workers. He closed by thanking pensioners for their work: "I appreciate what you have done to make my life better."

## PCPA President's report

Mitre began his President's report by recapping the ILWU General Convention held this past June, and noting the coming change in ILWU leadership. "For the first time in many years, we will have three new Titled Officers," said Mitre, highlighting a few of the important resolutions passed at the ILWU convention, including one allowing Panama Canal Division members to vote in the recent ILWU International elections. He also called attention to a resolution passed by ILWU's Longshore Caucus which approved a \$100,000 donation to create a fellowship at the University of Washington in honor of Local 19 member, Frank Jenkins Jr. (see September 2018 issue of the Dispatcher).

Mitre said the ILWU has been fortunate in recent years because cargo has been flowing freely and trade is booming. He reported that the ports of LA and Long Beach will move more containers this year than since 2007 on the eve of the Great Recession. One reason, he said, for today's high cargo volumes is the effort to avoid the new trade tariffs being levied by the Trump

Administration. "We're at a crossroads in global trade," Mitre said. "Right now the administration has put tariffs on about 25 percent of goods flowing through LA and Long Beach, but they're proposing to hit 50 percent of goods in the next round." Mitre said that if these tariffs go into effect, it might impact cargo from Canada to San Diego. "I'm not just talking containers, I'm talking about apples, forestry products, automobiles, all break bulk, steel—everything that we touch, coming in and going out, will be effected."

Mitre said pensioners should be helping active members by tackling the tariff issue – which is best done by voting themselves and getting other to vote in the midterms. "We need a Congress willing to be a check on Trump's disastrous trade policies," he said.

Mitre also noted the unfortunate decline in the number of members who participate in union meetings. Like the tariff issue, he said pensioners can play a helpful role by educating active members and casuals about the need to participate in democratic union meeting – especially the need to reach members who don't come from union backgrounds. "It's a big problem, but we're in a position to help with that problem," he said.

## Labor Day march

Mitre reported that this year's Labor Day celebration in Wilmington, CA., was a huge success with over 6,000 people – making it the largest parade on the West Coast. The Southern California Pensioners Group sponsored a pre-parade breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausages and burritos at the Longshoremen's Memorial Hall. They served 2,000 people, with Mitre making a point that "Some of the people we served were ILWU members, some were not. Some were union members, and some were not. But we opened our doors to the entire community." He said everyone was also welcome at the huge picnic that followed the march.

## Vice President's Report

PCPA Vice President Lawrence Thibeaux spoke about this year's Bloody Thursday celebration held at the Longshoremen's Memorial Hall in San Francisco. His talk covered the history and meaning behind Bloody Thursday – including the ultimate sacrifices made in 1934 by seven waterfront strikers killed in Wilmington, San Francisco, Seattle, and Hong Kong. "What makes our union strong is the strength of the rank-and-file," Thibeaux said. He went on to criticize what he sees as a growing problem of greed among some ILWU workers who are eroding union solidarity. Thibeaux singled-out the practice of "doubling" in which a worker takes two shifts instead of sharing the work with fellow union sisters and brothers. "The hiring hall was created to equalize work and end abuse – and both were fundamental principles of the 1934 strike," he said.



**Stranahan Award winner:** Barbara Lewis is the first woman to be recognized for "going above and beyond the call of duty" in her efforts to help PCPA members. She chaired this year's Host Committee and was honored at the PCPA banquet in memory of Jesse and Louis Stranahan.

## PCPA Poet Laureate Jerry Brady

The convention's second day started with a poem from Southern California pensioner Jerry Brady, the official Poet Laureate of the PCPA. The poem, "Lest We Forget" was an homage to longshore workers and the hard work required of them on the waterfront.

## ILWU Hawaii Pensioner Clayton Dela Cruz

The first speaker of the morning was ILWU Local 142 pensioner Clayton Dela Cruz who serves as Director of the ILWU Memorial Association in Hawaii and Secretary-Treasurer of the Kekaha Sugar Pensioners Club.

Dela Cruz spoke about the history, structure and funding of the pensioner clubs in Hawaii. He said the ILWU pensioner programs go back 60 years in Hawaii, with the ILWU Memorial Association helping to fund 20 pensioner clubs statewide. The groups gather every two years and have held 29 bi-annual conferences to date in Hawaii. "We rotate our meetings among the islands with funding help from the Memorial Association," said Dela Cruz, who noted that some of the clubs are connected to county senior programs which allow the groups to use county resources for meeting sites and activities.

Like their counterparts on the mainland, club meetings in Hawaii feature topical speakers, social activities, excursions, participation in picket lines and political action including voter mobilization, education, phone banking and other "Get Out The Vote" efforts. Hawaii pensioners' clubs are also affiliated with Hawaii's Alliance of Retired Americans, a network of retired of union members that enables them to work together for a stronger political voice.

## Benefits Specialist & ADRP reps

ILWU Coast Benefits Specialist John Castanho joined with Benefit Plan Area Directors and coordinators for the Alcohol and Drug Recovery Program (ADRP) to provide delegates with news from each program. Also present were representatives from the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans Office (BPO). These experts gave short presentations and

made themselves available to answer questions and provide updates about health and pension plans.

Pensioners were reminded to update the Benefits Plan Office whenever they move or switch bank accounts to prevent any delays in getting checks or disrupting direct deposits. The Puget Sound Area Director Andrea Stevenson also encouraged pensioners to get their paperwork in order for illness and end of life concerns – including a will, power of attorney and advance care directive – and submit copies to the Benefits Plans Office so they can have those documents on file and easily accessible. She said having that paperwork at the BPO makes it much easier on family members in case someone becomes incapacitated.

The Convention bid farewell to Tyler Gorton, Area Welfare Director for the Columbia River and Oregon Coast Area, who is retiring in October. They welcomed Martha Hendricks who will serve as the new Area Welfare Director for that region.

## ILWU Canada Report

Tom Dufresne, former President of ILWU Canada and current President of the Canadian Pensioners Club, gave a brief report about their activities during the past year. He said pensioners had successfully replaced a plaque commemorating the 1945 explosion aboard the S.S. Green Hill Park in Vancouver harbor that killed two seamen and six longshore workers. The original plaque had been removed and lost during a recent construction project.

Dufresne also spoke about their annual ceremony honoring the Battle of Ballantyne Pier, site of a famous dockworkers strike in Vancouver, BC, in June 1935. Dufresne said that shortly before this year's ceremony, the monument commissioned by the ILWU to commemorate the strike was vandalized with a sledge hammer. He said the resulting publicity about the attack sparked interest from a local arts group to write a play about the Battle of Ballantyne that will be performed in 2019. "This act of vandalism has made a new generation aware of our history," Dufresne said.

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He closed by explaining that pensioners have been working with other retirees and community groups to tackle issues including homelessness and better access to healthcare and dental coverage for all Canadians.

## Oral History Committee

The convention heard a report presented by Connor Casey, Director of the University of Washington's Labor Archives, who was joined by and ILWU historians Harvey Schwartz and Ron Magden. The trio serve on the PCPA's Oral History Committee. Casey spoke about the ongoing efforts to preserve records and provide access to the history of West Coast longshore workers and the ILWU. The effort is made possible with support from the University of Washington, the ILWU, the Coast Longshore Division and PCPA.

Magden and Schwartz spoke about the Oral History Committee's work to record life and work histories of ILWU pensioners. The project began in 2013 and has collected over 40 videotaped interviews. The interviews cover a diverse range of locals, regions, and occupations from a racially diverse group made up of male and female ILWU members.

Casey said that 21 of the interviews have been transcribed and are currently available online, with an additional 13 available soon. These oral histories can be accessed at: [tinyurl.com/law-pcpa](http://tinyurl.com/law-pcpa).

## Long Term Care Committee

The Tuesday afternoon session was devoted to extensive presentations on 401(k) management and retirement planning along with a report by the Long Term Care Committee. The Committee has been researching options for a Long Term Health Care Insurance benefit. Long term health care insurance would help cover the costs of care for chronic medical conditions or disabilities that many seniors face in their later years. The committee is chaired by Bay Area Pensioner George Romero and has been meeting weekly via conference calls. The group has researched options for a Long Term Health Care benefit and worked closely with insurance experts and consultants to address this difficult problem. The information will be shared with the Coast Pension and Welfare Committee.

## Resolutions

The convention passed several resolutions including a proposal requesting a change to Article XXII



**Strong advocate:** Ty Gorden was thanked for his service as Area Welfare Director for the Columbia River and Oregon Coast. His role will be assumed by Martha Hendricks beginning this month.

of the ILWU Constitution that would require materials using the ILWU logo to be made or printed by union labor. Another resolution requested the ILWU International Executive Board to develop a policy based on the Election Rules of the ILWU Constitution to prohibit anyone from conducting union business on social media. This resolution, if acted on by the International Executive Board, could be considered by delegates to the 2021 Convention. Another resolution recommended that the ILWU study ways to increase attendance at membership meetings and provide educational materials to implement the recommendations. Delegated also acted on a motion for the PCPA to fund a pensioner from Panama to attend next year's PCPA Convention.

Finally, the convention adopted a proposal calling for the creation of a PCPA Education Committee to help bridge efforts by the International and local union to educate members about union history, parliamentary procedures, how to participate in union meetings.

"We feel a need to educate both members and the casual workforce," said Mitre. "It's difficult for locals to

educate casuals because they are not registered workers or union members. It's much easier for the pensioners because we are not part of the active workforce," said Mitre.

## Election of Officers

The PCPA held their election of officers for the coming year, choosing Greg Mitre to continue as PCPA President, Lawrence Thibeaux as Vice President and Christine Gordon as Treasurer. Yolanda Nuhi was elected as Recording Secretary. Nuhi replaced Kenzie Mullen, who announced she was stepping down – and being thanked by Convention delegates for her service.

## Stranahan Award

This year's awards banquet saw the Jesse and Lois Stranahan Award presented to Barbara Lewis who chaired this year's Host Committee. The Stranahan Award is given to an individual who represents the values of the ILWU and goes beyond the call of duty. Lewis is the first woman to receive the award.

Next year's PCPA Convention will be held in Vancouver, B.C. in September of 2019.



**Calling-out greed:** PCPA Vice President and longtime Local 10 leader Lawrence Thibeaux criticized the practice of taking double shifts instead of sharing the work.

# Indoor heat kills & injures workers, so why isn't there a law to stop it?

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effort that includes unions and safety advocates operating under the banner of "Worksafe!" – a statewide network that includes the ILWU. Gratz and others sent a letter to Cal-OSHA this past June, detailing the criteria for a good indoor heat standard:

- The trigger for worker protection should be based on a "heat-index" that combines temperature and humidity. Industry opposes the index in favor of a weaker standard based only on "dry bulb" temperature. Gratz says a "wet bulb" temperature test that includes humidity provides a more accurate measurement and is crucial to protect workers.
- The trigger heat-index should be set at 80 degrees, the number originally proposed by Cal-OSHA experts. Industry lobbyists raised it to 85 degrees, a move Gratz and others described as a "step backward" that

contributes to heat exhaustion, heat stress, other illness and death.

- They stated workers who labor outside are already covered by a state law requiring mandatory shade breaks for temperatures over 80 degrees, so indoor workers should have the same protection.
- Industry wants indoor heat protections for only a narrow list of named industries – excluding workers not specifically mentioned. Gratz and others want a standard covering all indoor workplaces, including offices and freight containers.
- Workers operating inside hot structures and offices should be guaranteed hourly "cool-down" breaks, but the California Chamber of Commerce and other groups oppose these protections.
- The proposed standard would guarantee that workers shall be able to choose a representative of their

choice to monitor employer compliance with these protections. This proposed Cal-OSHA standard would help workers with and without unions.

Details of these and many other parts of the proposed Indoor Heat Rules are still being debated by the Cal-OSHA Standards Board – and sandbagged by industry lobbyists. The challenge is something Gratz has met before, but continues to fight for worker health and safety.

"Meaningful change for workers only happens when there's pressure from below," she says. "Top management gets to make their decisions from air conditioned offices while folks on the floor are sweating to meet their production quotas. Changing that kind of injustice requires people to be organized, united and speak-up."

## Progress with outdoor protection

In 2005, four farmworkers died while working outside in California's productive but often brutally hot agricultural fields. Organizing pressure from the United Farmworkers Union resulted in the first meaningful law being passed in the U.S. to protect outdoor workers from high heat. But two years later a young woman who was two-months pregnant, died after a hot day at work. When her father went public about the incident, he was fired for speaking out. The resulting controversy – and organizing by the union – forced Cal-OSHA to increase inspections and enforcement, which helped. Despite those improvements, two more farmworkers died while working outside in high heat between 2014-2016 – confirming the need for aggressive enforcement and stronger protection.



## Ah Quon McElrath Fund for Economic and Social Justice

A Fund of the **Hawai'i Labor Heritage Council**

September 14, 2018

### Request for Proposals:

The Ah Quon McElrath Fund for Economic and Social Justice, a fund of the Hawaii Labor Heritage Council, is seeking proposals from non-profit organizations to develop educational programs for rank and file members and leaders of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) and other community and labor activists.

### About the Fund:

The Ah Quon McElrath Fund for Economic and Social Justice (FESJ) was established in February 2009 after A.Q.'s death on December 11, 2008. Through the generous contributions of her friends, family members and organizations—including those who did not always agree with her—the FESJ reflects A.Q.'s wishes to establish a program whose purpose is to "educate members (of the ILWU), leaders and others in the areas of political action, economic structural changes, globalization, equality, and democracy and how they are affected by employers with whom they negotiate and by occurrences throughout the world." Implicit in A.Q.'s wishes was the need to combine educational objectives with action programs.

The FESJ is a fund of The Hawaii Labor Heritage Council (HLHC). The HLHC serves as fiscal agent for similar funds. The FESJ Advisory Board is composed of a representative of the ILWU Local 142, the Center for Labor Education and Research at the University of Hawaii (CLEAR), the HLHC, a family member, and others who were close to A.Q. in work and in her personal life. The Fund will award annual grants of up to \$5,000.

### Criteria for Proposals:

The Fund will review submissions based on the following criteria:

- Does the proposal address issues related to political action, economic structural changes, globalization, equality and democracy and how they are affected by employers with whom unions negotiate and by occurrences throughout the world?
- Does the proposal focus on members and leaders of the ILWU, or the broader labor community?
- Does the proposal include a specific action program?
- Are the results identifiable and measurable? If so, how?
- Submission of the organization's annual budget, including funding sources.
- Submission of the project budget and an explanation of how the project will be funded if the grant award is less than 100% of costs.

## Ah Quon McElrath Fund for Economic and Social Justice

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### Eligible:

Not-for-profit organizations and individuals who are supported by a non-profit fiscal sponsor.

### Deadline:

Proposals are due on Friday, October 19, 2018 and may be submitted by e-mail or ground mail postmarked no later than October 19, 2018.

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### Format:

- No more than 1,000 words;
- Electronic documents must be submitted in Microsoft Word 1997-2003 compatible format; and
- Include: description of organization; description of project; goals and objectives; action steps; timeline; project budget and budget narrative; and evaluation criteria.

### Documentation:

Please submit as attachments the organization's IRS determination of non-profit status (or that of your fiscal sponsor). If applying as an individual, also include a letter of support for the proposal from the executive officer(s) or board of directors of your sponsoring organization.

### Announcement of Awards:

November 16, 2018.

### Project Period:

December 1, 2018—November 30, 2019.

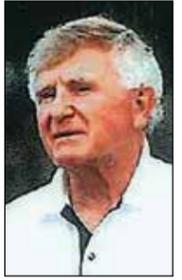
### Final Report:

Due within 60 days of the completion of the project.



## IN MEMORIAM

### Richard "Dick" Wise: Portland longshore leader



"Pound for pound, Dick Wise was the toughest guy I've ever known," declared Local 8 pensioner Art Ronne, who became a longshoreman in the early 1950's shortly before Wise arrived on the docks.

Richard Clayton Wise was a native of Portland who was born in the City of Roses in 1933 and remained there where he became a rank-and-file member, then elected officer of Local 8, and eventually played leadership roles in the ILWU at the regional and International level.

Wise was remembered by Ronne and other co-workers as a thoughtful leader, who was "extremely competent and knowledgeable; someone who really thought things out and was very methodical in his thinking."

After graduating from Beaverton High School where Wise is said to have played "every sport with a ball in it," he moved on to attend Portland State University and played football for the Vikings. He shocked his mother Thelma by joining the Army and training to become a paratrooper so he could fight in the Korean War. Fortunately, the armistice was signed and fighting ceased on the Korean peninsula before he was deployed. Following his military stint, Wise settled into working on the waterfront where he became increasingly active in the ILWU.

"Next to his wife, Dick loved the ILWU as much as anybody and was a real union superstar," said former co-worker and current pensioner, Jerry Bitz.

"He wasn't afraid to piss-off the employers, and ruled in favor of the union as an arbitrator, but he always used the contract to back up everything he said, so there wasn't much they could do about it," said Bitz, who added that Wise applied those same union principles to office staff at Local 8, by seeing to it that they also worked under a union contract.

Wise eventually served as a Coast Committeeman for the ILWU's Longshore Division, a role that required him to relocate to San Francisco for several years. He also travelled to help dockworkers in other countries where he brought ILWU solidarity and organizing skills. At home he was tapped to serve as a Commissioner for the Port of Portland. After retiring in 1998, he served as a relief Oregon Area Arbitrator and loved to play golf.

Wise died in Portland on September 14, 2018. A memorial service was held on September 22. His Grandson, Nick Tufford, now serves as a Dispatcher at Local 8, and his son, Richard Wise, is an active member of Local 23 in Tacoma.

## BOOK FORUM: SUMMARY EXECUTION, THE ASSASSINATION OF DOMINGO AND VIERNES

with book author Michael Withey



NOVEMBER 13, 2018 | 6-7:30 PM  
LABOR CENTER | 2521 CHANNING WAY, BERKELEY

**Silme Domingo** and **Gene Viernes** were Filipino American labor activists and officers of ILWU Local 37 who were murdered in their Seattle union office in 1981. **Mike Withey**, lead attorney on the case, demonstrates in his book the legal twists and turns of citing the Philippine government as the culprit. In the recent months, a petition has been circulated demanding that the case be reopened to investigate the role of the FBI in their deaths.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit: [laborcenter.berkeley.edu](http://laborcenter.berkeley.edu).

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## TRANSITIONS

### NEW PENSIONERS:

**Local 8:** William C. Mayhew; **Local 10:** Edgar H. Casillas; Bobby D. Flanagan; **Local 13:** Ronald W. Reese; Robert L. Brown; Adrian I. Cardona; Paul C. Michaelis; Dragan Spanjol; Anthony J. Desanto; Robert J. Haight; **Local 19:** Randall L. Latta; Robert E. Wessley; John G. Cutter; Phillip A. Joost; **Local 21:** Tyler J. Gorton; Johnny A. Beck; Kent C. Taylor; Michael E. Senecal; **Local 24:** John W. Brusha; **Local 34:** Darrell A. Washington;

Jacqueline E. Hart-Mayorga; Robert D. Hill; **Local 54:** Thomas H. Trunnell; **Local 63:** Robert T. Huggins; Johnny Pesic; Gilbert Lopez; Stephen T. Brunt; **Local 92:** Gregory R. Nemyre; **Local 94:** Victor E. Gallardo; Louis E. Cruz; Mark S. Grgas

### DECEASED PENSIONERS:

**Local 4:** James D. Albinson; **Local 8:** Harold Sowersby; Richard C. Wise; Robert W. Christner; **Local 10:** Willie Roan; Farless Dailey, Sr.; Ernest G. Escort; Sam J. Mc Gilberry; Manuel Catao; **Local 12:** Richard

L. Buchanan; **Local 13:** Albert Royal; Larry G. Lofthus; Vince Kordich; Ernest M. Sedano; Benjamin Gonzalez; George R. Bradshaw; David J. Harrison; Richard P. Salkeld; Jack S. Williams; **Local 19:** Robert E. Hardin; **Local 21:** W. R. Johnstun; **Local 34:** Washington A. Tort; **Local 40:** Evert H. Roberts; **Local 50:** Lloyd E. Goodrich; **Local 52:** Victor F. Gross; **Local 63:** Gerald E. Petersen; John M. Carranza; **Local 92:** Elias P. Sousa; **Local 94:** Donald Puliselich; **Local 98:** Kristi A. Hagen

### DECEASED SURVIVORS:

**Local 8:** Loretta A. Schmit; **Local 10:** Stella Jamerson; Douglas M. Stopforth; **Local 21:** Darlene Derrick; **Local 23:** Rita J. Maitrejean; **Local 34:** Betty J. Mattea; Gladys L. Cartwright; **Local 40:** June L. Overberg; **Local 63:** John M. Carranza; **Local 92:** Peggy L. Champagne