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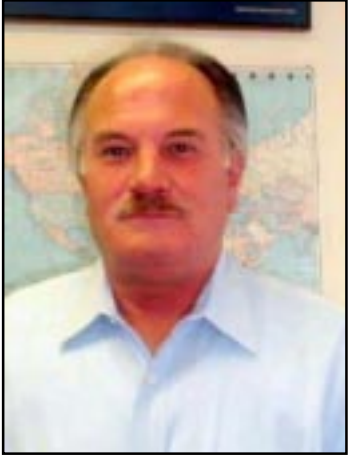
The election material on these pages is authorized by the SUP Constitution giving candidates the option of submitting photographs and statements for publication in the *West Coast Sailors*. It should be noted that not all candidates took advantage of this opportunity. Of the 19 candidates for regular office whose names appear on the ballot, 13 sent in photos and 14 submitted statements.

Candidates for SUP Office

for the 2006-2008 term

President/Secty.-Treas.

Gunnar Lundeberg



Recognizing that struggle is a permanent condition of our survival as an organization, the SUP has met the challenges of the past two years.

First and foremost our work in APL vessels was maintained. New ships went into service for Matson that provide work for this and the next generation of sailors.

Wages and benefits for active and retired members were improved under all contracts.

Our Union remains prepared to progress through the turbulent passages that lie ahead.

Re-elect DAVE CONNOLLY Vice President, MIKE FRENG Wilmington Branch Agent, and all other incumbents. VOTE YES on all Constitutional Amendments.

Vice President/Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Dave Connolly



As your Vice-President for the last five years, I've been at the frontline of all our battles—in negotiations with Matson, APL, Chevron, Foss, ASM and SF Bar Pilots. With Gunnar, I've fought outsourcing, unfair government contracting, and attacks on benefits. I've handled training, grievances, and Coast Guard reinstatements. This term we fought for and won another pension and retiree medical benefit increase. Representing the SUP at government/industry meetings everywhere, I defended the rights of sailors. We're making steady gains and strengthening our top reputation in the industry. I'm dedicated to progress and I work for the membership

Vern Johansen



A union is built on its members. The success of advancement is unity and to achieve unity there can be no division among its ranks. The union to fulfill its task, whereby its members can provide for their needs and the needs of their families, requires strength and participation of its members with their interests respected and protected by their representatives. As your Vice-President I will uphold whatever be the will of the membership and treat each members concerns with respect and to strive at providing favorable solutions.

Wilmington Branch Agent

Paul Calais



In these past years we have lost some of the respect that was won by our seniors. Our contract is being picked apart I will stop that and restore our respect. If you have sailed with me you have seen my integrity and perseverance in fighting for our contract. I have served on many committees and negotiations adding stronger language to our agreement. As your business agent I will add new methods to the way we fight for our contract.

Brothers its time for change not more of the same. Lets take it back. Thank you Jesus.

Michael Freng



If I am elected as Wilmington Branch Agent, I will perform to the best of my abilities to carry out the duties and responsibilities required of this position. Also, to be fair and have the understanding of the Shipping Rules and the Constitution.

Everyone I talk with that is working, I say: if there is a union, join it. We must keep organized labor strong to live and work for a decent wage.

Seattle Branch Agent

Vince O'Halloran



During my last two years, the Seattle Branch has been actively fighting the attacks on our livelihoods and our Union. Led by President Gunnar Lundeberg and Vice President Dave Connolly and the Branch Agents the SUP

has challenged the changing of U.S. citizenship requirements for Military Security Program operators; the erroneous awarding of Military Sealift Command management contracts to inferior operators; and the attempt by Congress to allow foreign seaman to ship as maintenance riders aboard U.S.-flag ships. This Branch will continue to serve the active and retired membership in Oregon, Washington and Alaska. Please VOTE FOR THE DUES INCREASE.

San Francisco Business Agent

William "Bill" Berger



After sailing in all types of ships during and after the war, I've been in a variety of capacities. Experience counts.

If re-elected San Francisco Business Agent, I will continue my open door policy to the members. Re-elect DAVE CONNOLLY Vice President and elect MIKE FRENG Wilmington Branch Agent. URGE A YES VOTE ON ALL BALLOT PROPOSITIONS.

Frank Portanier



My name is Frank Portanier. I am running for the office of San Francisco Business Agent. I have served on various committees at Headquarters and been delegate onboard ships. If elected, I will serve all members active and retired to the best of my ability. Please vote for a dues increase. Thank you.

Honolulu Branch Agent

Mike Duvall



The Sailors' Union of the Pacific has weathered the last two years and has come out triumphant with in-place contracts with APL and Matson. We still must remain vigilant in these turbulent times. A large vote turnout will show that we are a vibrant and cohesive membership united in our struggle against corporate greed and the Bush administration's antiunion agenda. All brothers and sisters, please vote!

Maeo "Jay" Loe

No photo

My name is Maeo Loe also known as Jay Loe, a candidate for the office of Honolulu Branch Agent. I was well trained in dealing with difficult conditions and situations occurred in peoples' life. Worked as a Social Worker for almost a decade, in conjunction solving and minimizing problems is my feature. My experiences and background hereafter is suitable and well equipped for the position.

Therefore if given the opportunity, I pledge my aptitude skills and experiences to be used and employed by the Sailors Union of the Pacific which offered me and my family so much.

Mahalo Nui Loa

William John McAndrew



Thanks very much for the nomination for Branch Agent. If elected, I shall give the job 100% effort and keep the port running as smooth as always. I've been shipping from the Port of Honolulu for the last 20 years, and want to make sure that the SUP has many more to come. A union is only as strong as its members. That's why we will do as our motto says and "pull together".

Would like to help pensioners get an increase. It's scandalous that unemployment pays more than the pension.

See you when the wind shifts. SUP all the way. Aloha

James "Jim" Meador



I will try to bring the Honolulu hall to the standards set by Peter Oh.

SUP Building Corporation/SIUNA Convention Delegates

Norman Christianson



As a Trustee of the Building Corporation for the last eight years, I am running for another term to ensure that the Union's property is well-managed in the best interests of the membership.

Also recommend that Dave Connolly be re-elected Vice President.

Paul Fuentes



To ensure and follow the will of the membership.

SUP ELECTION INFORMATION

In accordance with the SUP Constitution, the entire secret mail-ballot and election shall be conducted by an Impartial Balloting Agent selected by the membership at Headquarters. The Committee on Election has recommended and the membership has concurred that Pacific Election Services, Inc. be selected as the Impartial Balloting Agent.

As per Article VIII of the SUP Constitution, members in good standing with Class "A" and "B" seniority may vote in all Union elections. Members with Class "C" seniority who have ninety (90) days seatime within the preceding year and have been in good standing for that year, shall be eligible to vote in all Union elections.

SUP members on pension are allowed to cast ballots for Union officers and proposed Constitutional Amendments except to vote on any dues raise and/or assessments. Pen-

sioners are not eligible to vote on proposed Shipping Rule changes.

If for any reason a member in good standing does not receive his/her ballot, he/she may make a written application to Pacific Election Services, Inc. The request shall include a statement that the member has neither received a ballot nor voted in the election and the address to which the ballot is to be sent. If you do not receive a ballot, write to:

Robbin A. Johnson
Pacific Election Services, Inc.
1650 Stanmore Drive
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

All hands are reminded to have a valid mailing address on file at Headquarters as ballots will NOT be mailed to a Union hall.

VOTE
It's your Union!

SUP Committee on Constitution

The proposed Constitutional amendments recommended by the Committee were approved by the SUP membership in the July/August 2005 meetings at Headquarters and the Branches and will be placed on the 2005-2006 ballot.

Report and Recommendations Committee on Constitution

**SUP Headquarters
San Francisco
June 27, 2005**

The Committee on Constitution convened as per Article XXVIII to review proposed amendments to the SUP Constitution and the Shipping Rules and to make recommendations to the membership. The Committee was comprised of three members from Headquarters and one from each of the Branches.

In attendance: Duane Hewitt, Chairman, Monte Kalama, Honolulu Branch representative; John Makaiwi, Wilmington Branch representative; Mike Dirksen, Seattle Branch representative; Terence O'Neill, Headquarters representative; Art Thanash, Headquarters representative; Gunnar Lundeberg, ex-officio member, and Dave Connolly, recording secretary.

The Committee considered each proposed amendment with regard to its consistency with the Constitution, its history in prior elections, its legal ramifications, its industry comparison and most of all its immediate and potential effect on the entire membership. Based on these and other criteria, the following are the proposed amendments:

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Amendment #1

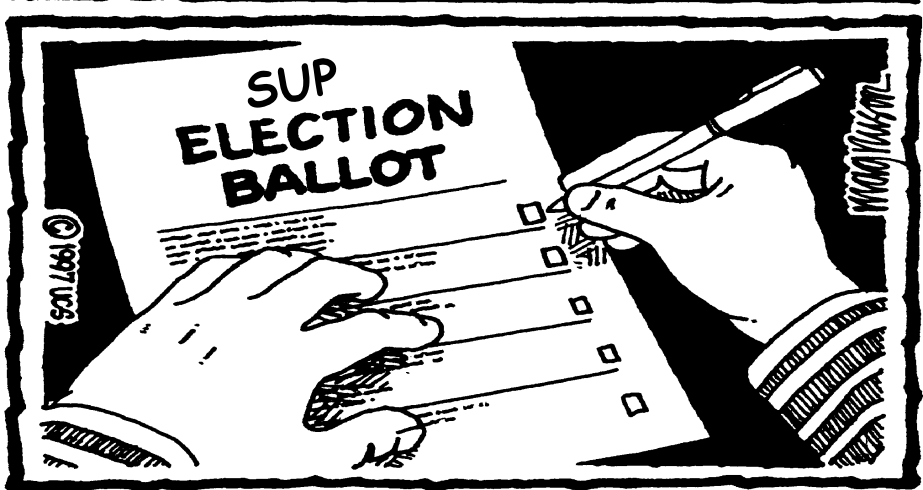
Article VI, Section 1. Dues and Initiation Fee
Are you in favor of setting Union dues at \$150 per quarter?

Amendment #2

Article XXVIII, Section 1. Amendments
Are you in favor of changing the two-thirds majority vote on Constitutional amendments to a simple majority vote applying only to proposed dues increases effective January 1, 2006?

Amendment #3

Article XV, Section 1(g) Salaries of Officer
Are you in favor of amending Article XV Section 1 adding (g) to read: "With \$100.00 weekly as a car allowance for SUP officials and appointed representatives."



SUP Sample Ballot

The copy of the SUP ballot for the biennial election of officers for the 2006-2008 term of office and Constitutional Amendments printed below is a **SAMPLE BALLOT ONLY**. Do not mark this ballot; mark only the official ballot you receive from the Pacific Election Services, Inc. Please note also that this sample ballot is a copy of the ballot being sent to active members. Pensioners will receive a ballot without the propositions dealing with the dues increase (Constitutional Amendment #1) since the SUP Constitution precludes pensioners from voting on these matters.

All members are urged to vote so that the ballot results will be representative of the wishes of the entire membership.



OFFICIAL BALLOT
SAILORS' UNION OF THE PACIFIC
GENERAL ELECTION
DECEMBER 1, 2005 TO
JANUARY 31, 2006

Voter, please remove this stub before returning your ballot.

PRESIDENT/ SECRETARY-TREASURER	Vote for One	38
GUNNAR LUNDEBERG	+	37
	+	36
VICE PRESIDENT/ASSISTANT SECRETARY-TREASURER	Vote for One	35
DAVID J. CONNOLLY	+	34
VERNESS H. JOHANSEN	+	33
	+	32
	+	31
	+	30
SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS AGENT	Vote for One	29
WILLIAM BERGER	+	28
FRANK PORTANIER	+	27
	+	26
	+	25
SEATTLE BRANCH AGENT	Vote for One	24
VINCENT O'HALLORAN	+	23
	+	22
	+	21
WILMINGTON BRANCH AGENT	Vote for One	20
PAUL CALAIS	+	19
MICHAEL FRENG	+	18
HARRY NAEOLE	+	17
	+	16
	+	15
HONOLULU BRANCH AGENT	Vote for One	14
MICHAEL DUVALL	+	13
MAEA LOE	+	12
WILLIAM McANDREW	+	11
JAMES MEADOR	+	10
TREVELYAN MOTLOW	+	9
PATRICK WEISBARTH	+	8
	+	7
	+	6
	+	5
	+	4
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SUP BUILDING CORPORATION TRUSTEES	Vote for Five	76
WILLIAM BERGER	+	75
PAUL CALAIS	+	74
NORMAN CHRISTIANSON	+	73
DAVID J. CONNOLLY	+	72
PAUL FUENTES	+	71
GUNNAR LUNDEBERG	+	70
TREVELYAN MOTLOW	+	69
	+	68
	+	67
	+	66
	+	65
	+	64
	+	63
SIUNA CONVENTION DELEGATES	Vote for Three	62
WILLIAM BERGER	+	61
NORMAN CHRISTIANSON	+	60
DAVID J. CONNOLLY	+	59
GUNNAR LUNDEBERG	+	58
BURRWOOD YOST	+	57
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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #1	YES +	52
	NO +	51
<u>Article VI, Section 1. Dues and Initiation Fee.</u> Are you in favor of setting Union dues at \$150 per quarter?		50
		49
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #2	YES +	48
	NO +	47
<u>Article XXVIII, Section 1. Amendments.</u> Are you in favor of changing the two-thirds majority vote on Constitutional amendments to a simple majority vote applying <u>only</u> to proposed dues increases? Effective January 1, 2006.		46
		45
		44
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #3	YES +	43
	NO +	42
<u>Article XV, Section 1(g). Salaries of Officer.</u> Are you in favor of amending Article XV Section 1 adding (g) to read: "With \$100.00 weekly as a car allowance for SUP officials and appointed representatives."		41
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