



DETROIT LODGE NO. 7

INTERNATIONAL SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

December 16, 2009

TO: Members of Detroit Lodge No. 7

Enclosed is the official lodge ballot for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Each ballot has been embossed with the lodge seal and should be returned in the envelope provided. The ballots can be hand carried to the lodge meeting on Saturday, January 2, 2010 or sent in via U.S. Mail. Be mindful that the post office does not deliver mail on New Years Day, January 1, 2010. If you plan to mail your ballot to the lodge, be sure to get it into the mail early enough so that it will arrive in my mailbox no later than Thursday, December 31, 2009. The ballots will remain sealed until opened by the Election Committee at the lodge's annual meeting.

It is with deep regret that I report on the death of Oscar Rosso. Oscar passed away on December 10, 2009 at the age of 81. Cause of death was congestive heart failure. He was an ISMA member for over 46 years, having joined Detroit Lodge No. 7 on March 26, 1963. His pennant number was A-1257. Funeral services were conducted at Most Holy Trinity Church in Detroit's Corktown on December 14, 2009 with numerous uniformed lodge members in attendance.

There will be a meeting of the lodge's Board of Governors at 10:30 AM on Saturday, January 2, 2010 at the J.W. Westcott Co. The lodge luncheon on that date will be at 12:00 noon. The Annual Meeting of Detroit Lodge No. 7 will begin at 1:00 PM. During the Annual Meeting, the Audit Committee will report on its examination of the lodge's financial records, the Secretary/Treasurer will give an analysis of the lodge's revenues and expenses during the past year, and the Election Committee will announce the results of the lodge election.

You will notice in the lodge schedule that on Tuesday, January 12, there will be a potluck dinner meeting at the Island Cove Marina in Harrison Township. Lodge members are encouraged to bring their spouses and/or guests. A social hour will start at 6:00 PM with dinner to follow. The lodge will provide beverages and the main meat course. Everyone attending is asked to bring a dish to pass. An entertainment program is being arranged for after dinner. More details will be sent out in early January.

Season's Greetings and a Happy New Year to one and all.

Fraternally yours,

Paul M. Jagenow
Secretary-Treasurer