



Seafarers Ministry of the Golden Gate

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Pacific Transportation Association, Inc.
c/o Mr. Monte W. Boscovich
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Dear Monte,

On behalf of all of us, I want to thank you for your contribution of \$500.00 to the work of seafarers in the Bay Area. There are four agencies located in the International Maritime Center, Apostleship of the Sea, Bay Areas Seafarers Services, Seafarers Mission of the San Francisco Bay and Seafarers Ministry of the Golden Gate. I have assumed that this has been given to support all and therefore I will make sure it gets divided between all of the organizations.

All four of our agencies work together to make sure we can give the best care to seafarers without duplicating efforts. Bay Area Seafarers Service's main focus is to maintain the Center for seafarers and provide space for all of us to work in serving seafarers. The other three agencies concentrate mainly on ship visiting and transportation. However, Bay Area Seafarers Service does visit ships and all of us help run and staff the center.

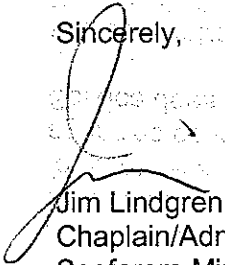
We concentrate mainly on the Port of Oakland but also visit ships in Richmond, San Francisco, Redwood City, Rodeo, Shelby and Crockett. All of us are tax exempt 503 (c) 3 organizations.

The International Maritime Center provides a place for seafarers to come for recreation, phone calls and the internet. We provide transportation to seafarers for shopping and sightseeing. Though our services are for all seafarers, we provide religious services and materials as appropriate.

In addition, we do advocacy work for the seafarers. We work together with the Center for Seafarers Rights and other agencies around the country to work for the betterment of seafarers when they are not treated fairly. One of our most important concern at the present time is the restrictions (often unfairly) placed on shore leave for seafarers.

I invite you and others from the Pacific Transportation Association to visit the International Maritime Center and learn more about what we do.

Sincerely,


Jim Lindgren
Chaplain/Administrator
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