

Port Director and Union Sign Collective Labor Agreement (CAO)

Following extensive negotiations, Aruba Ports Authority N.V. and the Sindicato di Trahadornan Arubano (STA) have reached an agreement on a new Collective Agreement for the port's clerical and managerial employees for the period starting August 2011 and terminating July 2014.

The new Collective Agreement was signed by the port Director Alfonso Boekhoudt and the President of STA Diego de Cuba. The agreement provides for wage increases over the term of the deal as well as increases in allowances.

Aruba Ports Authority and the union expressed their satisfaction at signing the new agreement and augured that these will help to continue to improve the employees' conditions and rewards whilst sustaining the port's performance. In addition to a Dutch edition the Collective Labor Agreement (CAO), for the first time, a version in Papiamentu was also signed.





Bonbini AIDALuna!

AIDALuna is a Sphinx class cruise ship, owned by US based Carnival Corp and built by Meyer Werft shipyards in Papenburg, Germany. She is the third ship in her class, preceded by AIDAdiva and AIDAbella, and followed by AIDAblu, and AIDAsol. The ship has a capacity of 2,100 passengers and has a gross tonnage (GT) of 69,203 tons. AIDALuna was initially deployed in the Baltic Sea for the 2009 summer season. In the winter of 2009, she was redeployed to the Canary Islands.

She is the sister ship of AIDAdiva, AIDAbella, AIDAblu, and AIDAsol. The ship has 1,025 staterooms; 666 of which are outside (65% have balconies), and 359 are inside. AIDALuna has a 25,000-ft² spa facility, 7 restaurants, 1 of which is multi-cultural, and 11 bars. The focal point in the ship is the Theatrium, a three-level complex, which can be transformed into a Theater. An onboard 4-D Cinema is fitted with moving chairs.

In 2011, AIDALuna was redeployed to the Caribbean and is offering 14-day cruises, with an additional 6 to 8-day sailings. On her way to the Caribbean, AIDALuna sails the East Coast, calling in New York. AIDALuna will visit Aruba in November and December 2011, January, February, March, November, and December 2012.

According to AAPA: Container and Cruise Data Validate Aruba's Economic Stability

According to Rex Sherman from AAPA (American Association of Port Authorities), Aruba is doing very well in terms of container and cruise traffic – better than some, not as well as others.

The association, of which APA N.V. is a member, says that the data compiled monthly suggests that the Aruban economy is holding up very well despite global economic uncertainty, especially in North America and Europe. The upswing in imports is evidence that demand for goods and services by the island population and tourist industry is strong and growing. It also underscores the critical importance of the port to the economy and well being of Aruba.





Over 70,000 Cruise Visitors Arrive at Our Shores in November 2011

A total of 73,091 (seventy three thousand ninety one) passengers visited Aruba in November of this year, bringing the total cruise visitors to 496,625 (four hundred ninety six thousand six hundred and twenty five) passengers. This is a 2% growth over the same period in 2010, when a total of 486,676 (four hundred and eighty six thousand six hundred and seventy six) cruise visitors arrived on the island. The average amount of passengers per ship in 2011 is 1,741 (at an average occupation level of 95%).

The amount of crew members that arrived in November 2011 was 30,202 (thirty thousand two hundred and two) crew members, bringing the 2011 total to 209,902 (two hundred and nine thousand nine hundred and two) crew members. 2011 shows an increase of nearly 3.98% crew members compared to the same period in 2010.

Schedule December 2011

THU 01 **EMERALD PRINCESS**
08.00 – 19.00

THU 01 **ADVENTURE OF THE SEAS**
08.00 – 20.00

FRI 02 **ISLAND PRINCESS**
07.00 – 12.30

FRI 02 **ZUIDERDAM**
07.00 – 14.00

SAT 03 **CORAL PRINCESS**
13.00 – 19.00

MON 05 **HORIZON**
07.00 – 20.00

TUE 06 **CARIBBEAN PRINCESS**
08.00 – 18.00

TUE 06 **Celebrity CONSTELLATION**
08.00 – 20.00

WED 07 **CROWN PRINCESS**
08.00 – 17.00

WED 07 **GRANDEUR OF THE SEAS**
08.00 – 21.00

THU 08 **SILVER CLOUD**
08.00 – 13.00

THU 08 **AIDA**luna
08.00 – 18.00

THU 08 **ZUIDERDAM**
13.00 – 23.00

FRI 09 **CORAL PRINCESS**
07.00 – 12.30

FRI 09 **NOORDAM**
07.00 – 17.00

FRI 09 **QUEEN VICTORIA**
08.00 – 18.00

MON 12 **ISLAND PRINCESS**
07.00 – 12.30

MON 12 **HORIZON**
07.00 – 20.00

MON 12 **STATENDAM**
10.00 – 18.00



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Schedule December cont. 2011

TUE 13 AZURA 08.00 – 18.00	SAT 24 ZUIDERDAM 07.00 – 17.00
WED 14 GRAND PRINCESS 08.00 – 17.00	SAT 24 CARIBBEAN PRINCESS 07.00 – 17.00
WED 14 WESTERDAM 13.00 – 23.00	SAT 24 OLA ESMERALDA (1ST CALL) 08.00 – 20.00(SUN 25)
THU 15 ADVENTURE OF THE SEAS 08.00 – 20.00	SAT 24 GRANDEUR OF THE SEAS 08.00 – 18.00
FRI 16 GRANDEUR OF THE SEAS 08.00 – 18.00	SUN 25 EMERALD PRINCESS 07.00 – 17.00
FRI 16 CARNIVAL MIRACLE 12.00 – 22.00	MON 26 HORIZON 07.00 – 20.00
SAT 17 AMSTERDAM 08.00 – 23.00	TUE 27 AZURA 08.00 – 18.00
SUN 18 PRINSENDAM 08.00 – 16.00	WED 28 OLA ESMERALDA 08.00 – 20.00(THU 29)
MON 19 HORIZON 07.00 – 20.00	WED 28 GRAND PRINCESS 08.00 – 17.00
TUE 20 GRAND PRINCESS 08.00 – 17.00	WED 28 SEA CLOUD II 08.00 – 13.30
TUE 20 Celebrity CONSTELLATION 08.00 – 20.00	THU 29 CARNIVAL VALOR (1ST CALL) 08.00 – 16.00
WED 21 CROWN PRINCESS 08.00 – 17.00	FRI 30 NOORDAM 07.00 – 17.00
WED 21 WESTERDAM 13.00 – 23.00	FRI 30 ADVENTURE OF THE SEAS 07.00 – 19.00
THU 22 ISLAND PRINCESS 07.00 – 12.30	SAT 31 GRANDEUR OF THE SEAS 08.00 – 18.00
THU 22 AIDAluna 08.00 – 18.00	SAT 31 CORAL PRINCESS 13.00 – 19.00
THU 22 COSTA MEDITERRANEA (1ST CALL) 13.00 – 24.00	

December 2011, 51 calls


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November Birthdays @ APA

- Mario Vrolijk
- Lucia Yarzagaray-Danje
- Erwin de Mey
- Claudio Werleman
- Ronnie Angela
- Edgard Lacle
- Marcerlino Angela
- Eugene Gordon
- Altagracio Maria
- Robert Bisslik
- Rafael Martis
- Tamara Waldron

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