

# TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO.19

Airline, Aerospace and Allied Employees – Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas

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## PRESIDENT MESSAGE

December 23, 2019

As we close the year I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support throughout the years. While there is still much more to accomplish, with the support of you and the entire Executive Board I have been able to reach my initial goals for Local 19 of instituting ways to give back to the members, financial stability and building meaningful relationships.

Today Local 19 covers all members in good standing with an AFLAC Accident Policy with a \$50.00 a year wellness benefit paid directly to you. Through AIL we have a \$4,000 Member Accidental Death Benefit which a couple years ago the Local starting matching that benefit if a Member passes from natural causes. This year, as in several past years, we were honored with awarding three Local 19 scholarships to James R. Hoffa award recipients.

Three years ago the building we operate out of in Greenspoint was purchased. Over several years we have made improvements such as going completely LED on lighting, Chiller unit replacement, energy conservative roof and in the next couple months replacement of all the roof top units. A couple weeks ago the majority of Local 19 funds were invested in CDAR's (CD's) and Insured Cash Sweep (Money Market) accounts. This transaction ensured the protection of the monies under the FDIC. Today we lease office and meeting space to three other Union Locals creating a steady lease income.

This year two Assistant Business Agents were brought on board, Bill Baker WN Flight Simulation and Arnold Villarreal ExpressJet. United Airlines Steward meetings have been a great success and I look forward to starting the meetings up again January 29<sup>th</sup> after the GMM. Dominic has done a great job and continues to build Local 19's Member Assistance program network. Always remember that the MAP resources are available to members and their family members.

The James R Hoffa Scholarship application deadline is March 2, 2020. For more information go to the [Teamsterslocal19.org](http://Teamsterslocal19.org) website.

Our next GMM is Wednesday January 29, 2020 @ 08:00.

Please keep members and families in your thoughts and prayers;

Todd Minor – Father passed away, Jimmy Stone – recovering from illness, Scott Knecht – recovering knee replacement, ExpressJet Richard Tijerina – Wife Passed away, ExpressJet Jimmy Preuss passed away after a long illness, Jim Gatz – Father ill, Alex Krokhotkin – Wife passed away, Marty Okonzak – Car Accident, Jerry Folsom – Brother passed away, Keith Betterton – Mother passed away, and just this week Brother Dave Townsend passed away.

Please have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and most important, a safe holiday,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Clever".

Bob Clever  
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