

# TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO.19

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

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During the second week of this month we participated in WN Material Specialist negotiations in Dallas. While the issues have been narrowed to a few areas, the wheels of progress seem to have slowed drastically. Last week Angel and I had a discussion with IBT AD reps and asserted our concerns and support. We will update you as soon as we meet again. Joey (Mat Spc) and Bill (Flt Sim) attended the quarterly WN Union Leadership meeting. A lot of good discussion and insight was gained.

We have a couple days left for the UAL Steward Volunteer forms to be received by the Local. Two weeks ago a very good Base Steward meeting was held here and information on changes in the JCBA along with review of Steward duties were discussed. The Stewards will be attending a joint Union/Mgmt meeting in the near future with the topic of discussion, the new JCBA. The UAL Benefits reopener is scheduled for February 13th-24<sup>th</sup>. Make sure you review the changes and participate in the enrollment. Also the deadline for Seniority challenges is May 1<sup>st</sup>. A final review is taking place for the new collective bargaining book and will be forwarded to the printer in the coming weeks. The seniority grievance regarding the application of such for certain leaves of absence and RIF was filed on December 5<sup>th</sup> by Jack Harran. We have informed the AD we expect this to be expedited under the SCOPE provisions. I am awaiting an update regarding a call between the Union and company attorneys last week.

**Last week ASA negotiations/mediation was held in Atlanta. Agreements were reached on Overtime and Scope along with proposals passed on Benefits and Compensation. Additionally an economic update was given on the industry and logic used in the Unions proposal.**

Next week we have an Arbitration scheduled for URS at Fort Polk. The case is a dispute regarding the application of progressive discipline.

**Every month we hold a General Membership Meeting at Local 19. The business end of each meeting usually last about 15-20 minutes and then the meeting turns into more of a Class and Craft format. A quorum is required to conduct official business and we need to improve the attendance to reach that threshold. It would be greatly appreciated that members stay involved and attend meetings. Next month we have new raffle items such as tools, Astros and Rodeo tickets. We will continue to rotate the meetings unless attendance deems otherwise. The next meeting is Thursday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 15:30.**

**Please keep in your thoughts and prayers - Frank Christopher, MSY Technician, whose mother passed away last week and the family of Jim Fudge, WN Flight Sim, who passed away a couple weeks ago. Make sure to say Hi to Larry Kocurek, he is back to work at the ASE shop and doing well.**

Thank you,

**Bob Clever  
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