## **TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO.19**

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

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## **Presidents Message May 2023**

Dear Brother and Sister Members:

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This week, Dexter Thomas, a Rank-and-File negotiating committee member and representatives from Local 19, will be meeting with the IBT negotiating committee. The agenda includes discussions on contract proposals, ongoing issues, and the new Teamsters Airline Division APP. If you missed the in-person RLA (Railway Labor Act) training provided by Airline Division Legal Counsel Jon Wentz and TLA Trainer Illiana Flores at our Local in March, you can access the training video through this link: <a href="https://youtu.be/lkZDIMb5ayE">https://youtu.be/lkZDIMb5ayE</a>. As a dedicated member of Teamsters Local 19 for nearly 19 years, I highly recommend watching the video and gaining a comprehensive understanding of this Act. Understanding RLA will provide valuable insights into the historical and future duration of contract negotiations, which can take anywhere from 2 to 4 years. The training video also sheds light on the grievance procedure and the challenges Union Representatives face in resolving ongoing disputes and disagreements with the company.

In addition, we have an important announcement for Aviation Maintenance Technicians (AMTs). This year, we will celebrate AMT Day in Hangar E. Union Representatives and AFLAC Representatives will be present. Food and drinks will be provided by the company, as well as exciting raffle items from The Union. Please note the following schedule: Dayshift: 11:00-13:00, Swing shift: 18:00-20:00, and Graves: 23:00-01:00.

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers Retiree Sister Jerri Folsom passed, Brother Doug Ratermann ill, and Brother Freddy Castillo ill.

In Solidarity,

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