



The Update Message from the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers representing Flight Attendants in the 2339 Local Lodges

## Friday, October 30, 2009

**Contract 2010** – The Union served the company this month with Section 6 notice “in accordance with the Railway Labor Act” with our intent to amend the contract and commence negotiations. This notice means the parties will be sitting down in the next 60 days to exchange comprehensive proposals regarding the changes the Union intends to seek. By no means will the Union allow the process of contract negotiations to be rushed, just to get something done. After receiving tens of thousands of proposals via the web site and by mail, it is evident that our flight attendant members have expressed a great interest in this round of negotiations. Recently, District Lodge 142 launched the “**Contract 2010**” webpage, which will be your main source for information on negotiations. Local Lodge websites will have a direct link to the “**Contract 2010**” web page to ensure easy access for all members.

**Contract 2010 link:** <http://www.iamdl142.org/contract2010/>

**The IAM/ Continental Airlines web based negotiations survey** is now available. This will be the first of several surveys to assist the negotiations committee with refining the current trends and issues that arise during the negotiation process. Please encourage everyone that you fly with to take 5 minutes to fill out the survey and continue to be an intricate part of our negotiating process. After completing the survey please sign up for the "special bulletin" email list that will be used to update our group on negotiations issues, as well as inform each other of what to expect next. Let the company know that we are **STANDING TOGETHER for CONTRACT 2010**.

**Survey link:** <http://iamsurvey.iamaw.org/checkbox/Survey.aspx?s=d177f19eca1b4bf1b6fc9a28b3f20383>

### **ExpressJet Flight Attendants:**

- Due to TSA requirements you must update your pass rider information with the company. The enrolment period is from November 2 through December 21, 2009. Don't forget to add your extended family and buddies to the system during this time. If you miss the enrolment period, your pass riders will be unable to fly next year.
- Representatives from NGP (**National Group Protection**) Insurance will be in the ExpressJet crewroom (**IAH**) November 16-18, 2009 offering various supplemental insurance products to XJT employees. ExpressJet Flight Attendants from all bases transiting through Houston during this time are welcome to enroll.

**Final Days to Sign-up for National Group Protection Insurance** for Continental flight attendants in the crew rooms on November 4-7, 2009 (**EWR only**) and on November 4-8, 2009 (**IAH only**). Underwritten by American Bankers Life Assurance Company, you can elect to have accident; cancer; critical illness; or universal life insurance coverage for yourself and/or your family members. There will be representatives in the crew rooms to explain the coverage being offered for IAM members. Continental Flight Attendants from all bases transiting through Houston during this time are welcome to enroll.

### **Crewmember Self-Defense Training**

#### **Newark Area**

Essex County College Police Academy  
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#### **Class dates:**

**2009**

**Currently no classes are being offered in Newark.**

#### **Houston Area**

Lone Star College  
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#### **Class dates:**

**2009**

**November 3, 27**

**December 3, 22**

**We would like to encourage all members to attend your Local Lodge business meeting.** Each Local Lodge must have a quorum to conduct business. The following is a schedule for upcoming meetings:

**Newark:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 3:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Newark Airport Hotel

**Cleveland:** Thursday, November 12, 2009, 1:00 p.m. at 669 North Rocky River Drive

**Houston:** Tuesday, November 17, 1:00 p.m. at 15710 JFK Blvd  
**November and December Monthly Union Meetings to be Held at LL Office**

**Guam:** Wednesday, November 18, 2009, 2009, 4:00 p.m. at the Airport Conference Room