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Weekly Update



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

Friday, September 3, 2010



This week **“Merger Summit”** part II was held at the William W. Winpisinger Education & Technology Center. This was a continuation of the initial Summit held this past July. Since the July meeting, SkyWest has announced it was acquiring ExpressJet Airlines for the purpose of merging it with Atlantic Southeast Airlines. Also this week, Continental announced its intent of operating certificate

integration with Continental Micronesia. These announcements added all the more importance to this meeting. The group finished the work, which began in July, developing a plan of action for educating the membership and representation of the membership going forward.

ExpressJet Airlines Negotiations / Merger Update

Your negotiating committee met at the Union’s William W. Winpisinger training center in Hollywood, Maryland from August 26 – 29, 2010, to finalize contract proposals which will be presented to ExpressJet management in Houston on September 20, 2010. Your committee is well prepared to begin negotiations and achieve another industry leading contract for our members.

On August 30, 2010 the committee joined with Executive Board members and Communicators from all four Local Lodges as well as all ExpressJet grievance representatives, for a second Merger Summit during which we developed a Strategic Plan to preserve the rights and seniority of our members during the unsettling acquisition/merger process.

In early October, President-Directing General Chairperson Tom Higginbotham and General Chairperson’s, Kate Romanusky and Randy Hatfield will meet ASA President Brad Holt and Vice president, In-Flight Brandy Reynolds in Atlanta.

District 142 Community Services Committee Formed

Earlier this year it was announced our District would form a Community Services Committee and expressions of interest were solicited. The following members will comprise the initial committee.

Bill Hollowood US Airways - Committee Chairperson
Penny Krumback Southwest - Albuquerque
Jessica McKee Continental - Houston
Mary Samuels Continental - Houston

Additional members for the committee are welcome and encouraged to sign up.

An article about the committee will be in the next edition of the Observer.

Labor Day remembers those who have labored for our country since its founding. The officers and staff of Air Transport District Lodge 142 wish our members and their families a happy and safe Labor Day weekend.

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:

Cleveland: Thursday, September 9, 2010, 1:00 p.m. at 669 North Rocky River Drive

Newark: Tuesday, September 14, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Newark Airport Hotel

Guam: Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at the Airport Conference Room

Houston: Tuesday, September 21, 2010, 1:00 p.m. at Houston Airport Marriott Hotel

We encourage all members to access the District 142 website at www.go142.org for the latest negotiation news as well as accurate and reliable merger information.

Please visit faMergerMatters.org for the latest merger information for IAM Flight Attendants.