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To: All AMFA Locals and Members

Re: **May AND Monthly Report**

Dear Members:

After the game,
the king and the pawn go into the same box.

Italian Proverb

We all need to remember these words. When seniority integration, with any carrier, is over, we all have to live and function as a single entity to be effective and use that unity to enhance our position at the bargaining table. Our brothers, or future brothers, should not be the enemy.

May has come and gone. During the month I participated in all NEC conference calls, attended a meeting with the NMB, accompanied by Lee Seham (AMFA Legal), in Washington DC., and spent a full 24 hours with the great Southwest folks at the BWI line (Thanks for the hospitality and insights). I attended the NEC and JAC meetings in Las Vegas as well as the training, which the AMFA NEC offered their LEC's, on Union Administration given by Don Taylor from the School for Workers, University of Wisconsin. I attended a meeting at SWA on the upcoming SWA/AirTran ops and integration (in which we learned nothing new), Local 11 Genral Membership Meetings, and the SWA AAT contract T/A summary meeting (Road show to follow shortly from your ALR's and committee members). I also worked with our PR firm on internal and external initiatives to better the association and its members.

AMFA Constitutional Convention is 11 months away. Prepare your propositions now and be thinking about the future of your union. The present NEC officers are up for elections. If you are brave enough and have the associations best interest at heart you can take my spot on the board. Be sure to think about where you want the association to be in the future. It's yours to do what you want, but be careful what you ask for, you just might get it!

In closing, just one more word of free advice (It and a buck fifty might get you a cup of coffee), If a Major Legacy Carrier came in and did a leverage buy-out of Southwest or Alaska then we would be the ones worried about our seniority (Look at TWA)...What goes around comes around! **Think about it!** Consolidation in the airline industry is far from over.

Don't forget our Facebook and Twitter pages;

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Aircraft-Mechanics-Fraternal-Association-AMFA/200129743341330>

Remember: Only through you can AMFA be a great union! No you, no AMFA!
God Bless America, God Bless our Troops, and God Bless AMFA!

Thanks for all you do,

Floyd Looney

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SAFETY IN THE AIR BEGINS WITH QUALITY MAINTENANCE ON THE GROUND

