



## **AIRCRAFT MECHANICS FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION**

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To: All AMFA Locals and Members

Re: **National Director's Monthly Update for December 2010**

Dear Members:

December started off with a continuation of the seniority integration informational meetings at the locals. On December 7th Lee Seham and I attended the Local 11 general membership meetings in Dallas, Texas to explain and answer questions regarding the integration procedure. Those who attended the meetings were appreciative and left with a more in depth understanding of what to expect as the process moves forward.

We have scheduled January 27th and 28th for the SWA Seniority Integration Committee's first meeting with the Company in Dallas, Texas.

We are in the process of scheduling meetings at Mesaba Airlines to continue the dialogue on their integration with Colgan Air. We are attempting to schedule meetings in early February as the Company anticipates being done with finalizing their plans in mid-January.

On December 13th I attended the start of the Alaska Airlines Section 6 negotiations. AMFA and Alaska exchanged opening proposals and scheduled follow up meetings for January 6th and 7th. There were no surprises in the openers; between the two lists of proposals most, but not all, articles in the contract have proposed language changes. It is anticipated that negotiations will conclude prior to the amendable date of October 17, 2011. As additional negotiation dates are scheduled they will be posted.

On December 15th I attended the Local 14 general membership meetings in Seattle, Washington. After the local business concluded, Local President Elect Jim Rea provided an update on the gifts and monies raised by the Local 14 members to donate to the March of Dimes and the Eastside Baby Corner for Christmas as well as their Christmas bicycle essay contest. These two projects were a huge success and we would like to sincerely thank all who participated.

The Association is still awaiting word from the National Mediation Board (NMB) on our filing to represent the Aircraft Maintenance Controllers and Facility Maintenance Technicians at Southwest Airlines. We have contacted the Board to inquire when we might anticipate a determination on our filing. We were informed that the investigator overseeing this filing had been occupied with another internal NMB matter but is now working on a final review of our case. A determination should be announced in the near future.

For more carrier specific updates and further information regarding AMFA and the airline industry, please visit the AMFA National Web site at [www.AMFANational.org](http://www.AMFANational.org) and remember our most determined efforts will only succeed with your continued support and participation – Please stay informed. With your participation we will jointly craft our collective future. Work together, support one another, and be proud of your important profession. Have a safe and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Louie Key  
National Director