

## **NAATS HQ E-Mail Update**

### **December 20, 2005**

In the FAA's very efficient manner (sarcasm), they have sent out letters to those who were mistakenly paid 40 percent of their sick leave weeks ago. These letters include an attachment that gives you an amount to pay back, this amount is only if you pay back the money after January 1, 2006. If you plan on paying back the money prior to then, you need to call the phone number on the form and ask what you should be paying without taxes. For example my form listed a repayment of approximately \$4,000.00 when I called, it worked out to be approximately \$2,600.00. So if you are planning to pay it back right away call the woman whose name is on the letter and get the correction. I have no idea why they did it this way, and am amazed they did it the week before Christmas when a great deal of people are away and may not get it until after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. One more way for the FAA to show how much they truly care about employees, past and present.

How many people out there would have qualified for the bid the FAA put out the week before Thanksgiving to earn their DSR and didn't make the close date? Could you please send me an email to [naatspres@aol.com](mailto:naatspres@aol.com) if you did not get your bid in prior to the close date.

I received an email from juliethotel@yahoo.com who would like to donate leave to NAATS members who are deployed to Iraq. Unfortunately the individual did not sign the email, so if you know of anyone who might benefit from this please contact this individual directly.

No news from the NLRB, if anything comes up, I'll pass it along.

Nominations for the Alaska and Southern Region are about to close, if you're interested in running get your nomination form into Denise.

The closing for the Condo should happen by weeks end, we will rent the unit back for the next two months to get it cleaned out. The basement has many years of "stuff" that needs to be sorted through. I'll go down in January to work on that. The address/phone number/fax number will all stay the same for now. When we get settled I of course will let you know.

Denise is working on the refunds of the overpayment of dues. She should have them all done shortly.

Mike Sheldon and I are setting up a telcon with the EEOC attorneys, when we have an update for you, either Mike or I will get it out.

I'm still working on the new constitution, hopefully will have a draft in the next week or so. Please understand I am not putting you off on this, simply time challenged with the holidays and all.

My thanks to all who have continued to volunteer their time to represent our members in both the public and private sectors, I know how precious your time is and hopefully we will see some positive actions in 2006.

This has been a horrendous couple of years for not only me, but I know for a lot of you out there. Being home full time has been a wonderful thing for me to spend time with my family and friends. I say that in hopes you can all spend time with family and friends this holiday season and appreciate them being there. It's time to start to put all that has happened behind us and work towards a better outcome in 2006. Understand I will never forget what people have lost and never forget the lies and deceit that have been perpetuated but I will move on. For those of you who have loved ones overseas, may they come home safe and soon.

Please take this time this holiday season to reflect and release. My very best wishes to my extended family, may 2006 bring us all only good things.

Kate Breen