



NATCA National Communications Survey

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Member Communications - August 2017

NATCA is committed to making sure our members receive information reliably, so our Union can be as effective as possible. We want to hear how you prefer to receive news and information from the Union. This survey will help us optimize our communications and better serve your needs. The survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete. *[Please take the survey now.](#)*

National Office Departmental Week in Review

Here's what happened over the past week at the NATCA National Office

Stay informed. *[Read more.](#)*



NATCA Educating Members of Congress During Summer Recess

Legislative activists organizing tours & meetings in home districts

NATCAvists are using the congressional recess to invite members of Congress to facilities and educate them about the National Airspace System and the legislative priorities of our Union. [Read more.](#)

Legislative Meetings Recap

NATCAvists across the country meet with congressional representatives

Read about some of NATCA's dedicated legislative leaders who met with members of Congress this week. [Read more.](#)

NATCA30: Federal Contract Towers

NATCA represents 96 of the towers in the FCT program

NATCA represents FCT employees who work for Robinson Aviation, Inc., Midwest Air Traffic Control Service, Inc., and Serco, Inc. [Read more.](#)

NATCA Scholarship Winner

Sophia Leonard

*Leonard's father is retired Cleveland Center member
Donald Leonard*

Congratulations to one of NATCA's three President's Award winners in the 2017 NATCA Scholarship Program. [Read more.](#)



IFR/VFR Conflict Survey

Survey is voluntary and all responses are anonymous

The Air Traffic Organization (ATO)'s Safety and Technical Training group (AJI) is assessing the effectiveness of awareness campaign materials related to IFR/VFR conflicts. They are surveying opinions on how IFR and VFR traffic is handled. ATO's goal is to record baseline information on the current culture, attitudes, and behaviors related to managing potential IFR/VFR conflicts. The plan is to conduct a follow-up survey in about a year and assess changes in attitudes or behavior related to IFR/VFR conflicts. [Take the survey.](#)

CFS Panel Recap

Pilot/Controller Communications

Traditionally one of the most popular and important panels at Communicating For Safety, this year's discussion of Pilot/Controller Communications was no exception. Panelists talked about the need for clear and concise phraseology and the myths surrounding IFR/VFR conflicts. [Read more.](#)



NATCA Congratulates the Honorable Robert L. Sumwalt on Confirmation as NTSB Chair

NATCA is dedicated to the NTSB's safety mission

NATCA's Air Safety Investigations (ASI) Committee's primary task is providing objective, controller-based perspective to NTSB investigations of aircraft accidents or incidents that involve air traffic control service. The NATCA ASI Committee works as part of the team of investigators to prevent future occurrences. [Read more.](#)

Member Focus: Paul Behan, ZJX

Behan was recently honored with a Regional Legislative Activism Award at NATCA in Washington (NiW)

"You don't need to be an expert on the contract or legislative issues. There is a huge support system of NATCA reps out there and they will teach you everything you could ever want to know in due time. Someday they will retire, but in the mean time they are eager to train the next generation of this Union's leaders. Step up and you will make a difference." [Read more.](#)



NATCA Charitable Foundation

July update

The NATCA Charitable Foundation supported members across the country during the month of July. Learn more about their efforts to support those in need. [Read more.](#)



Member Benefit

A new flyer from NATCA's education partner, Penn State University World Campus, highlights this great benefit available to NATCA members

Learn more about an exciting educational benefit for NATCA members in this explanation of benefits, which include in-state tuition rates, a five percent NATCA discount, and hundreds of degree programs. This is a one of a kind, NATCA-developed and NATCA-negotiated college credit assessment to our members who have completed NATCA Academy courses.

This NATCA-only program has the potential of saving members thousands of dollars in the pursuit of their educational goals. The NATCA/Penn State benefit is available to active and retired members, spouses, domestic partners, and children. [Download here.](#)



Gain Penn State credits through NATCA Academy training

WorkLife Wisdom

Childcare subsidy

The household maximum income for the program subsidy is \$85,000. For more information, [click here.](#)



Photo Album

Kansas City

Places NATCA is making a difference this week. [Read more.](#)



This Week's Notebook

Keep up to date with all things NATCA



NATCA duffel bag; AT&T member benefits; and seminar information.

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