



On Saturday ZDC suffered an ERAM outage and was ATC-0 for more than 3 hours. While the FAA and Lockheed Martin continue to analyze the situation to determine the cause we just wanted to convey our deepest appreciation for the exceptional work of so many.

As expected, the surrounding and underlying facilities did exceptional work seamlessly rerouting aircraft around the airspace. ZDC rose to the challenge by safely clearing the airspace, and then later bringing it back on-line, while the command center supported the facilities with programs. Our ERAM experts rolled up their sleeves to help get the system back and continue to work to apply the appropriate pressure to get answers as to the cause.

Thanks to all for keeping the system safe during the chaos!!

Paul Rinaldi - NATCA President

Trish Gilbert - NATCA Executive Vice President



On Aug. 20, 1,300 bargaining unit-eligible employees of the FAA's newly combined Office of Finance and Management (AFN) will start voting for which union they

want to represent them. NATCA is working hard to earn their votes.

HOW CAN CURRENT MEMBERS HELP? Many of these employees are located in service centers and district and regional offices, but others are located in air traffic control facilities. If there is an AFN bargaining unit employee in your facility, say hello and talk with them. Ask if they know about the election, and ask them if they have any questions about NATCA that you can answer for them. Every conversation you have with a bargaining unit employee could result in a vote for NATCA. Help these employees to see the benefit that NATCA membership brings not only to the individual, but to the National Airspace System as a whole. Remember, NATCA is a family whose strength lies in the collective voices of its members. We need the voice of everyone in every bargaining unit to truly represent our collective interests in the best way possible.

We're all in this together.

JOIN US

TOGETHER, We Are Even Stronger



VOTE NATCA

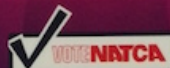


AFN ELECTION

AUG 20TH - SEPT 23RD



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**Don't forget
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for
NATCA
101**

This interactive course is taught via GoToMeeting.
To sign up, visit portal.natca.org.

- **Tuesday, August 25 @ 1:00pm ET**
- **Friday, September 11 @ 10:00am ET**
- **Sunday, September 20 @ 3:00pm ET**

Questions? Contact Jacqui Smith at
jsmith@natcadc.org.

Be part of the solution. Get involved in NATCA
today!

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Looking for Volunteers!!

The NATCA Charitable Foundation (NCF) is looking for qualified volunteers interested in serving as a Director on NCF's executive board starting January 1, 2016 for a 2-year term. An NCF Director is a volunteer position.*

Duties of an NCF Director include, but are not limited to:

- Participate in the decision-making process determining how NCF's grants, programs and financial resources are distributed.*
- Vote on requests for philanthropy support posed to the charity.*
- Participate in the direction and focus of the charity's vision/mission for the future.*

- Participate/volunteer in NCF fund-raising events.
- Travel once a year to NCF's annual meeting at the NATCA National Office in Washington, DC (usually held in November).
- Chair a charity program within the Foundation

Please submit your name, contact information and resume to natcacharitable@natca.net by Sept 15, 2015. If you would like more information about the position, please contact Elena Nash at 352.360.8424 or email natcacharitable@natca.net.

* A Director of NCF must be a member in good standing of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association (NATCA). The definition of a "member in good standing" is defined by Article III of the NATCA National Constitution. Click [here](#) to review by-laws.





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NATCA Academy Schedule 2015

Secretary/Treasurer Training	September 15-16	Las Vegas, NV
Training Review Board	September 15-16	Las Vegas, NV
Arbitration Advocate Training I	Sept. 28 - Oct. 1	Phoenix, AZ
Advanced Representative Training	October 5-8	Las Vegas, NV
Basic Representative Training	October 19-23	Las Vegas, NV
Advanced Legislative Activism	October 21-23	Washington, DC
Secretary/Treasurer Training	December 1-2	Las Vegas, NV
Basic Legislative Activism Training	December 2-3	Las Vegas, NV



UPCOMING RETIREMENT SEMINARS PROVIDED BY 4 SQUARE

LOCATIONS	3:00PM to 9:00PM	9:00AM to 3:00PM
Houston (IAH)	August 18	August 19
Seattle	September 2	September 3
Birmingham	September 22	September 23
New England (ENE)	October 6	October 7
Nashua	October 13	October 14
New Bedford, MA	October 15	October 16
Fort Smith	October 27	October 28
Dallas (DFW)	October 29	October 30
West Virginia	November 3	November 4
Las Vegas	November 12	November 13
Anchorage	November 17	November 18
Fairbanks	November 19	November 20
Juneau	January 26, 2016	January 27, 2016
LOCATIONS	3:00PM to 9:00PM	9:00AM to 3:00PM

When you want to register for one of the above referenced seminars, please do so by signing on to the NATCA [Portal](#). Please verify the personal information listed for you including email and cell phone number. If any information is incorrect or missing, please correct or add it under the My Profile tab.

To register for a seminar, click the "Events" tab, followed by "2015 Retirement Seminars." Complete the requested information and click "Next." When you come to the screen listing the seminars, select the one you wish to attend. Then, hit "Next" verify your requested seminar information and then click "Done." You will receive a confirmation email that your registration was complete.

A second email will be sent two to three weeks prior to the seminar giving you the logistical information for the seminar. Also included in this email will be instructions on how to obtain a benefits estimate at the seminar.

Spouses and significant others are also invited to attend. Please ensure that you add them to the registration when asked if you will be bringing a guest.

Please try to register three weeks prior to the seminar. Walk-ins are permitted to attend as long as you can provide your membership ID number. However, you will be unable to obtain a benefits estimate at the seminar.

We are now offering Career Optimization and Retirement Education (C.O.R.E.) Seminars in many cities! These seminars are geared towards employees with 0-15 years of service who want to maximize their retirement benefits and plan for financial stability in retirement. Log in to the [Portal](#) today to see which cities are offering this great new program.

If you have any questions regarding these events, the registration process, or would like to have a retirement seminar take place in your area, please contact Abigail Glenn-Chase at aglennchase@natcadc.org.



On August 4th, after attending an event for voters in the AFN election at Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center, Trish joined students for a meet and greet at Shorty Smalls.





The next day we joined members in Toledo for a membership meeting followed by a Toledo Mudhens ballgame.

Trish returned to DC and Paul joined members in Philadelphia for their membership meeting.



The following week Trish spent in DC at the FAA for meetings including the quarterly Labor/Management Forum. Paul spoke on a panel at a AAAE event in San Juan.



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