

Pictured from left to right: Ham Ghaffari (Western Pacific), Andrew LeBovidge (Southwest), Mike MacDonald (Region X), Dean Iacopelli (Eastern), Bryan Zilonis (Great Lakes), Trish Gilbert (Executive Vice President), Mike Robicheau (New England), Paul Rinaldi (President), Douglas Pincock (Northwest Mountain), Kevin Peterson (Central), Jim Marinitti (Southern), and Clint Lancaster (Alaskan)

We held the NEB meeting this week at the National Office with both the incoming and outgoing members in attendance to ensure seamless transitions continue. While we are excited to continue work with the new NEB we are sad to see Scot Morrison (Alaskan), Jim Ullmann (Northwest Mountain), Tim Smith (Southwest), Victor Santore (Southern) and Phil Barbarello (Eastern) leave the board.

While the NEB was in D.C., we hosted the National Office staff appreciation event at the Nationals Park to watch the Washington Nationals take on the San Diego Padres. Potomac TRACON member AnnMarie Taggio sang a beautiful rendition of the national anthem, and NATCA National Safety Committee Chairman Steve Hansen threw out the first pitch!



View video of Taggio singing and Hansen throwing the first pitch <a href="here">here</a>.



Paul Rinaldi - NATCA President Trish Gilbert - NATCA Executive Vice President

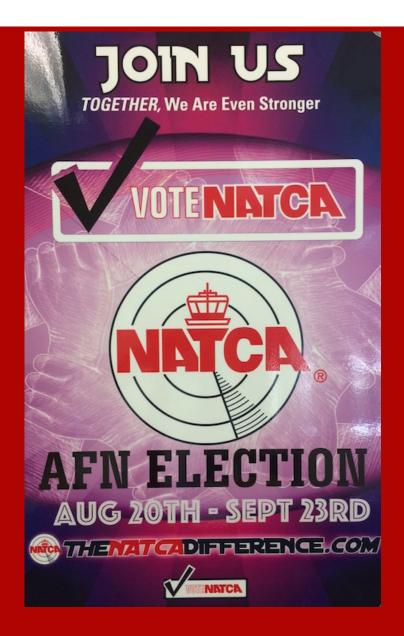






On Aug. 20, 1,300 bargaining unit-eligible employees of the FAA's newly combined Office of Finance and Management (AFN) started voting on which union they want to represent them. NATCA is working hard to earn their votes. HOW CAN CURRENT MEMBERS HELP? Many of these employees are located in service centers, 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 not only brings 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.



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

- Friday, September 11 @ 10:00am ET
- Sunday, September 20 @ 3:00pm ET

Questions? Contact Jacqui Smith at <u>jsmith@natcadc.org</u>.

Be part of the future. 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 two-year term. A NCF Director is a volunteer position.

Duties of a NCF Director include but are not limited to:

- Parlicipate in the decision-making process, determining how the ICF's grants, programs and financial resources are distributed.
- Vote an requests for philanthropy support pased to the charity.
- Participate in the direction and focus of the charity's vision/mission for the future.
- Participate/volunteer in TCF fund-raising events.

- Travel once a year to the NCF's annual meeting at the NATCA National Office in Washington, D.C. (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 Convention 2016, San Diego: Website Now Launched!

One year from now, NATCA delegates will gather in San Diego for our 16th biennial convention. The <u>website</u> has launched

### this week! Registration opens Dec. 18 and hotel reservations begin Oct. 16



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
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

When you want to register for one of the above referenced seminars, please do so by signing on to the NATCA <u>Portal</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:aglennchase@natcadc.org">aglennchase@natcadc.org</a>.







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The week of August 17th we visited some facilities in Northern and Central California. We started with a membership meeting in Sacramento with NCT

and SMF. We visited NCT and SMF the next day, and that evening attended a membership meeting with members from HWD, SFO, LVK, CCR and RHV. The following day we visited LVK, SCK and FAT, and held a meeting that night with members from FAT. All three evening meetings were well attended with many questions from the members in attendance on things from hiring, training, legislation and contract negotiations.

The following week we held the NEB meeting in DC along with multiple meetings with the FAA.

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