Nebraska Congressman Fortenberry Visits R90

Omaha TRACON (R90) recently hosted Nebraska Congressman Jeff Fortenberry. “The congressman and his three staff members toured the facility and met with a few members of our facility who gave a brief presentation of the role of R90 in the air traffic system,” said R90 FacRep Daniel Witt. “It was nice to meet with Congressman Fortenberry and his staff and educate them on our profession and the benefits we provide to the local area.”

Florida Congresswoman Demings Visits F11
Florida Congresswoman Val Demings recently visited Central Florida TRACON (F11). “We gave Congresswoman Demings and her staff a tour of the TRACON, showing them the operations area, explaining what we do and how we do it," said F11 Legislative Rep Ken Scheele. “The congresswoman was in awe of our work and the number of operations that we handle." Read more [here](#).

Pictured left to right: F11 Operating Manager Tom DellaVechia, Scheele, FacRep Fabian Sanchez, Congresswoman Demings, Air Traffic Manager Kris Tucker, PASS North Florida District Representative George Black, and F11/Orlando ATCT (MCO) PASS Member Anthony Gutierrez.

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**Final Part in a Series: National Constitution Committee Presents Updates to the NATCA Constitution**

The NATCA Constitution was created to govern NATCA members in efforts to advance the status, professionalism, and working conditions of all aviation safety professionals through collective bargaining, political action, and other lawful concerted activity. During the most recent biennial convention held in Houston, NATCA members discussed and approved changes to the NATCA Constitution, Standing Rules, and Policy & Position Statements. The National Constitution Committee (NCC) is providing the membership with some of the most notable updates in this third and final piece:

- **SRN-1** – Amended to compensate the NATCA National President with an annual base salary of 1.85 times the amount of the FAA ATSPP Pay Band maximum for an ATC Level 12 Facility with no locality pay; the National Executive Vice President shall be compensated with an annual base salary of $5,000 less than the National President’s salary.

The National Finance Committee submitted this resolution which was amended that establishes an annual adjustment to the salaries of the NATCA National President and Executive Vice President that is equivalent to that provided to federal employees under the General Schedule (GS) increase and is consistent with language in the collective bargaining agreements for NATCA-represented FAA bargaining units. Adoption of this resolution allows for these salaries to remain reflective of general pay increases without the need for the National Finance Committee and the delegates to review and address salary considerations for these positions at each National Convention.

Concurrently, Article IX Section 5 was removed, and the Sections were renumbered that authorized the National Finance Committee to review the salaries of the National Officers annually.

If you wish to view the online version of the NATCA Constitution, please [here](#).
Finance Committee Update

The National Finance Committee (NFC) wants you to know the 2021 tax season is here:

- LM forms need to be filed with the Department of Labor (DoL) by March 31.
- IRS 990 e-postcard or EZ forms need to be filed with the IRS by May 16.

The NFC is offering six virtual classes (learn more, including registration instructions) to help FacReps and treasurers navigate both forms. These are live classes, with two members of the NFC available to assist with questions or issues on the following dates:

- March 4 - 1 p.m. EST
- March 11 - 1 p.m. EST
- March 15 - 2 p.m. EDT

There are helpful instructions on the members side of the NATCA website here.

The NFC is also offering an on-boarding call for new FacReps and treasurers. This is also a great refresher for those that may have been in their position for a while. This call will occur March 9 at 3 p.m. EST.

The invitation for these calls will be via email from your regional vice president.

Donate to the Disaster Relief Fund

The Disaster Response Committee (DRC) is focusing on spring cleaning and reorganizing their inventory. The DRC now has supplies in three locations in the Southern Region and is making sure their inventory is up to date. The goal is to expand to other locations.

Please consider donating to the disaster relief fund. The fund aids NATCA members who have experienced catastrophic losses of property and helps provide a lifeline.
during those most desperate times. NATCA works directly with affected members to help them purchase food, gasoline, or any other supplies that might be required. Volunteers are ready to deliver supplies as soon as the need is known.

How to help:
- Sign up for automatic payroll deduction here.
- PayPal your donation to natcarelief@natcadc.org.
- Donate online here.
- Mail personal checks, payable to:

  NATCA Disaster Relief Fund  
  Attn: Accounting Department  
  1325 Massachusetts Ave. NW  
  Washington, D.C., 20005

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**Deadline for NATCA Scholarship, March 1**

The NATCA scholarship fund is established for the spouses, children, stepchildren, and legally adopted children of active, retired, and deceased NATCA members with continuous membership in good standing of at least two years. These scholarships are for full-time attendance at accredited colleges and universities within the United States and its territories for an undergraduate degree program. Find more information here, including the online application form.

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