From the Desk of President Rich Santa

Brothers and Sisters:

We are proud to announce that NATCA’s first Activism and Training Expo (ATX) will be held from Dec. 12-16. This event will be an opportunity for our Union to educate, inspire, and motivate both experienced leaders and new members.

It will be a five-day event at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas that will showcase all of NATCA’s current training opportunities along with some briefings and education by many of our committee and Article 114 reps regarding their projects. We envision this becoming a biennial event that motivated NATCA members can attend to increase their knowledge on a variety of work and safety related topics and expand our Union’s influence.

Whether you can attend for the entire five days or only one, the Expo will provide value to any member.

Registration information will be forthcoming but save the dates today.

In Solidarity,
Rich Santa

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Congratulations to Our Newest NATCA FacReps!

The NATCA Onboarding Committee welcomes and thanks all new NATCA leaders who have recently taken office for their terms as FacReps at their local facilities.
Eastern Region  
Bryan Hateau (La Guardia ATCT, LGA)

New England Region  
Delbert Wheelers (Danbury, Conn., Federal Contract Tower [FCT], DXR)

Southern Region  
Keith Cole (John C. Tune FCT, JWN)  
Dustin Brown (St. Petersburg/Clearwater ATCT, PIE)

Southwest Region  
Damon Cain (Alexandria, La. AEX/DOD)  
Joshua Waters (Tomball D. W. Hooks ATCT, DWH)  
Brian Whittinghill (Harlingen FCT, HRL)  
Adam Riegel (San Antonio ATCT, SAT)

Western Pacific Region  
Steven Csigi (Kahului ATCT, OGG)  
Christian Mesey (Palm Springs ATCT, PSP)  
Bryan Eckenrode (Tucson TRACON, U90)  
Jason Chiquete (Falcon/Mesa ATCT, FFZ)  
Nicholas Carlo (San Diego Montgomery ATCT, MYF)
Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) program

Many NATCA members have attended Collegiate Training Initiative (CTI) schools and/or other college programs and have student loan debt. Do you have a federal student loan? If so, you may be able to benefit from temporary changes made to the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) program. These changes, called the “Limited PSLF Waiver,” are helping borrowers across the nation more easily get their loans forgiven. For a limited time, any person with federal student loans who has worked in government and/or for a private, non-profit organization for 10 years or more (even if not consecutively) may be eligible to take advantage of temporary, time-limited changes to the PSLF program made as a result of the COVID-19 national emergency to have all or part of their student debt canceled.

You must take the steps necessary to qualify before October 31, 2022.

Read more here.