



Professional Standards Committee Names 2021 National Professionalism Award Winners

The Professional Standards (PS) Committee is proud to recognize four members as the winners of the sixth annual National Professionalism Award. They are: Eric Mauro (Merrill Field ATCT, MRI) and Natasha Poepoe (Denver TRACON, D01) from the Western Service Area, Michelle Trudeau (Indianapolis Center, ZID) from the Central Service Area, and Jennifer Dickinson (Boston ATCT, BOS) from the Eastern Service Area. The PS committee notes that, "Aviation

safety professionals are held to the highest standards. Our work is interpreted, analyzed, and critiqued constantly. We face tough choices and challenges daily, and it takes true dedication to our profession and Union to rise to the occasion and choose professionalism day in and day out, especially in difficult times. This past year has been like no other. We have learned to adapt and respond to the ongoing pandemic in amazing ways with positivity, compassion, respect, and dedication." *Pictured, clockwise from top left: Dickinson, Trudeau, Mauro and his family – wife Suzie and daughters Makena and Zoe, and Poepoe.*



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NCF and CLE Local Team up to Help Maryssa's Mission Foundation



The NATCA Charitable Foundation (NCF) recently supported Cleveland ATCT's (CLE) local community efforts with a \$1,000 donation to [Maryssa's Mission Foundation](#) (MMF), which aspires to change and positively impact the lives of families facing the challenges of caring for a medically fragile child. In the photo, CLE member Ike (Dan) Eichler (far right) presents a check to MMF co-founder and President Mitch Rivas (second from right) and co-founder Melinda Rivas. At left is CLE FacRep Nate Jones. [Click here to learn more about NCF.](#)

Nominate Fellow Members for 2022 Archie League Awards

We are nearing the halfway point of the "Archie League" nomination year. There are just over six months left to nominate your fellow NATCA members for a 2022 [Archie League Medal of Safety Award](#). We are looking for the best saves that have occurred at your facilities since April 17, 2021. The winners will be honored next September at NATCA's Communicating For Safety 2022 at Bally's Las Vegas. Click [here](#) for the nomination form.



Boots On The Ground Active in Northern Virginia

NATCA's Boots On The Ground (BOTG) program remains active and engaged, particularly of late in



Northern Virginia. Since its inception in 2008, BOTG has been one of NATCA's most effective political activities. Participating NATCA members work full-time in the AFL-CIO's national grassroots canvassing program. BOTG is an essential tool to get the word out to the labor community on the records and positions of candidates running for office.

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