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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

For our Union, springtime in Washington means the spirited and crucially important gathering of more than 400 dedicated NATCAvists. We love that so many members show such a strong interest in and enthusiasm for NATCA's legislative activism. Legislative activists come to DC and engage in the most important issues for our Union and the national airspace system we proudly safeguard.

When they meet with members of Congress and their staffs our members are the subject matter experts because n obody knows our professions like they do. As the professionals on the front lines of aviation safety, we have the unique opportunity to convey what the job is like, describe how the National Airspace System runs, and explain the necessary steps to ensure the future safety and efficiency of the system directly to Congress.

We again find ourselves in the midst of an ever-changing political and legislative landscape. Attacks on federal workers' pay and benefits, which we are fighting at every step, continue to be a priority for this Administration as indicated by the recent letter to Speaker Ryan from Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Director Jeff Pon .

NATCA recently supported, and the House resoundingly passed, H.R. 4, the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018, which provides FAA authorization for the next five years. This bill is one step toward a more stable, predictable funding stream, but we still have a long way to go. The Senate will take up the issue of reauthorization next, and funding also must be addressed through the appropriations process in both houses. NATCA remains an integral part of the conversation as policy makers craft and amend legislation. Many issues that are crucial to you and your facilities - such as hiring, staffing, training, official time, technology, infrastructure, operational priorities and modernization - are directly tied to lawmakers' work on both short-term and long-term planning and funding for the Agency.

We have and will continue to advocate strongly to improve legislation that affects NATCA's members and to fight against any proposed legislation that would do us harm. NATCA has been and continues to coordinate with the Congressional leaders and their staffs as issues work their way through the legislative process.

In solidarity,

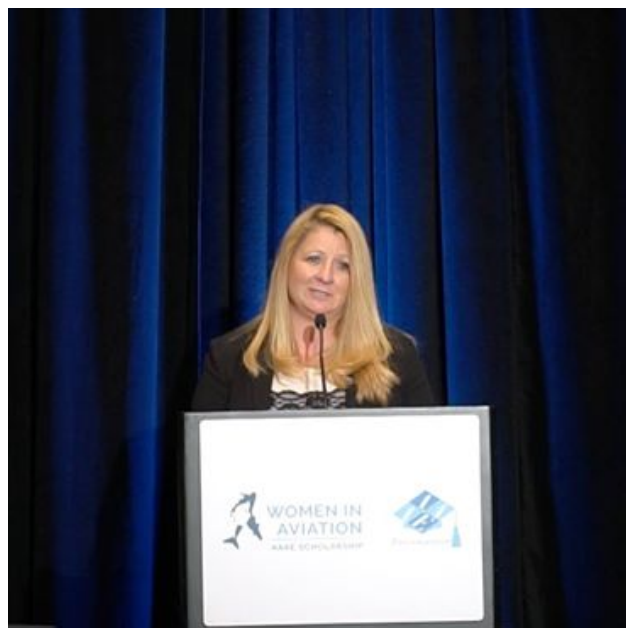
Paul Rinaldi, NATCA President
Trish Gilbert, NATCA Executive Vice President



AAAE Names New Women in Aviation Scholarship

The American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) has announced the creation of two new permanently-endowed scholarships in honor of NATCA Executive Vice President Trish Gilbert and FedEx Corporate Vice President of Government Affairs Gina Adams. AAAE honored them at the 2018 Women in Aviation Scholarship Luncheon on May 2 in Washington, D.C.

"By honoring me you are honoring NATCA," Gilbert said. "I am so proud of NATCA, the professions we represent, the



safety policies and initiatives we partner on, the technology we test and deploy, the public we serve and keep safe, and the role we play in the economic engine that is the U.S. National Airspace System.

"Having one of the two permanently endowed scholarships named in my honor is really hard to believe. But I know that scholarship with my name on it is synonymous to naming it after the profession I love, and the Union that I love even more, NATCA.

"These scholarships demonstrate our commitment to seeing more women work in our beloved aviation professions where they can unlock their potential and pursue their dreams in careers in aviation. I hope we can continue to empower women to join aviation professions, to get involved, to take on leadership roles, inspire future generations, and move our industries forward."

All proceeds from the luncheon benefitted the AAE Foundation's Women in Aviation Scholarship. Each of the new scholarships will provide a \$5,000 annual award to a qualifying female student in an accredited aviation program. Since 1989, the AAE Foundation has provided nearly \$5 million in scholarships to more than 2,900 students.

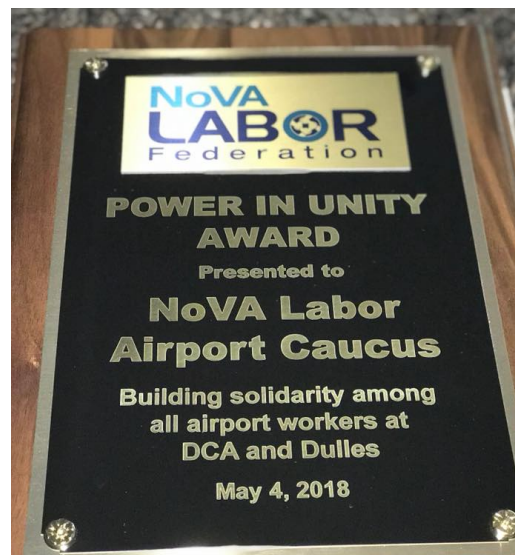
Video: Remarks by FAA ATO COO Teri Bristol, Paul Rinaldi, and Trish Gilbert

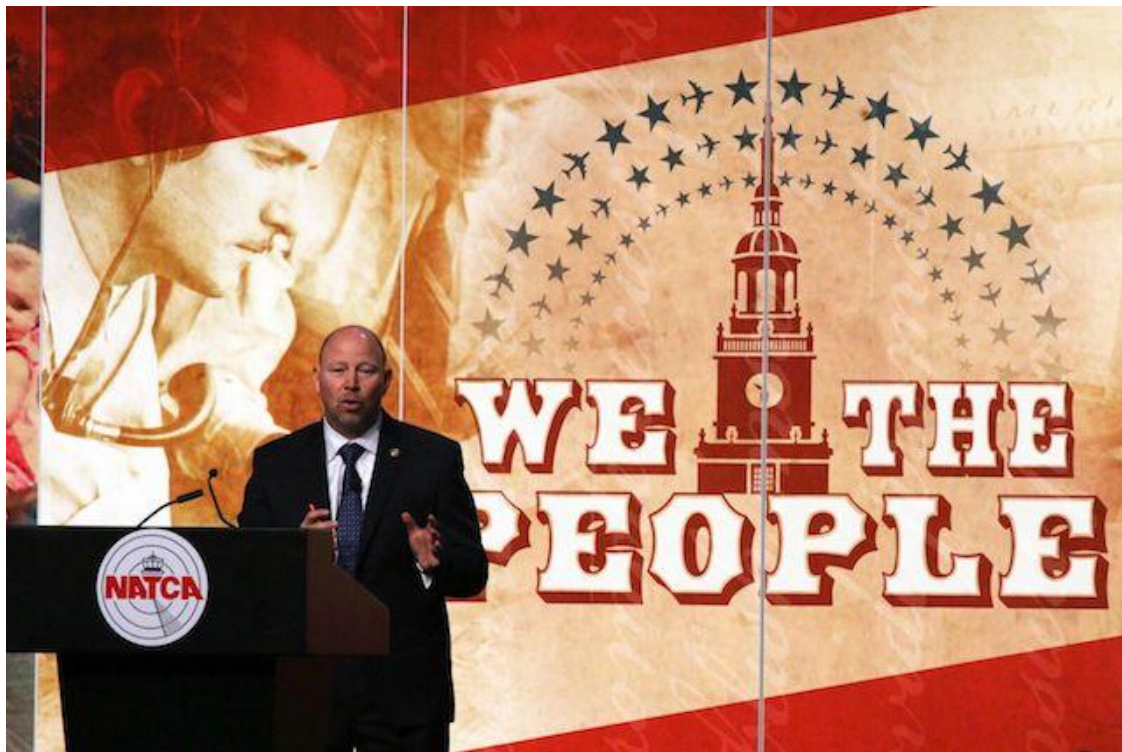




NATCA Helps Accept NoVA Group's Power in Unity Award

Workers from the World Bank organizing campaign with Unite Here Local 23, NATCA President Paul Rinaldi, and Unite Here 23 organizer Sarah Jacobson accepted the Power in Unity award on behalf of the NoVA (Northern Virginia) Labor Airport Union Caucus last week. "We had 300 attendees and a great spirit of solidarity," reports NoVA Labor president Virginia Diamond.





NATCA Charitable Foundation: " We Can Do Anything. If We Set Our Mind to It, We Can Get It Done."

At the Convention in Philadelphia last month, I challenged NATCA members to make the NATCA Charitable Foundation a million-dollar-a-year charity through member payroll deductions.

NCF currently brings in just over \$200,000 each year. They accomplish so many amazing things as they allocate that money out to people in need in our communities. They are a volunteer army on their own time and their own dime. Their philanthropy elevates our Union in communities across the country. Imagine what NCF could do with four or five times the resources!

NATCA members have big hearts. Together, we can commit to raising and giving even more. Everyone can participate in this one. It is time to take NATCA's charity to greatness and once again elevate our Union in the outside world, showing them who we are.

The [online form](#) is simple and easy to fill out. You can start with \$5 or \$10 and raise it later if you want. Please consider giving for the first time, or if you already support NCF, increase your donation today!

New NATCA Member Benefits for 2018!



Your NATCA Benefits Committee is Proud to Announce Six New Benefit Partnerships

Receive up to 20 percent off the "Best Available Rate" at over 7,500 participating **Wyndham Hotel Group locations** worldwide. Whether you are looking for an upscale hotel, an all-inclusive resort or something more cost-effective, we have the right hotel for you ... and at the right price. So start saving now.

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Identity Guard monitors your valuable credit and identity information, with alerts that can help you respond quickly if certain changes indicating fraudulent activity are detected. NATCA members receive 10 percent off the subscription price! Help protect yourself and your family from Identity Theft. Get started today!

Great news! As a valued NATCA member, you are eligible for an exclusive new offer called **Bonus Drive**. Because of your membership, you are automatically eligible for the program. When it comes to purchasing or leasing a new Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Fiat, or Hyundai eligible vehicle, you don't want to miss out on the opportunity for a cash back reward.

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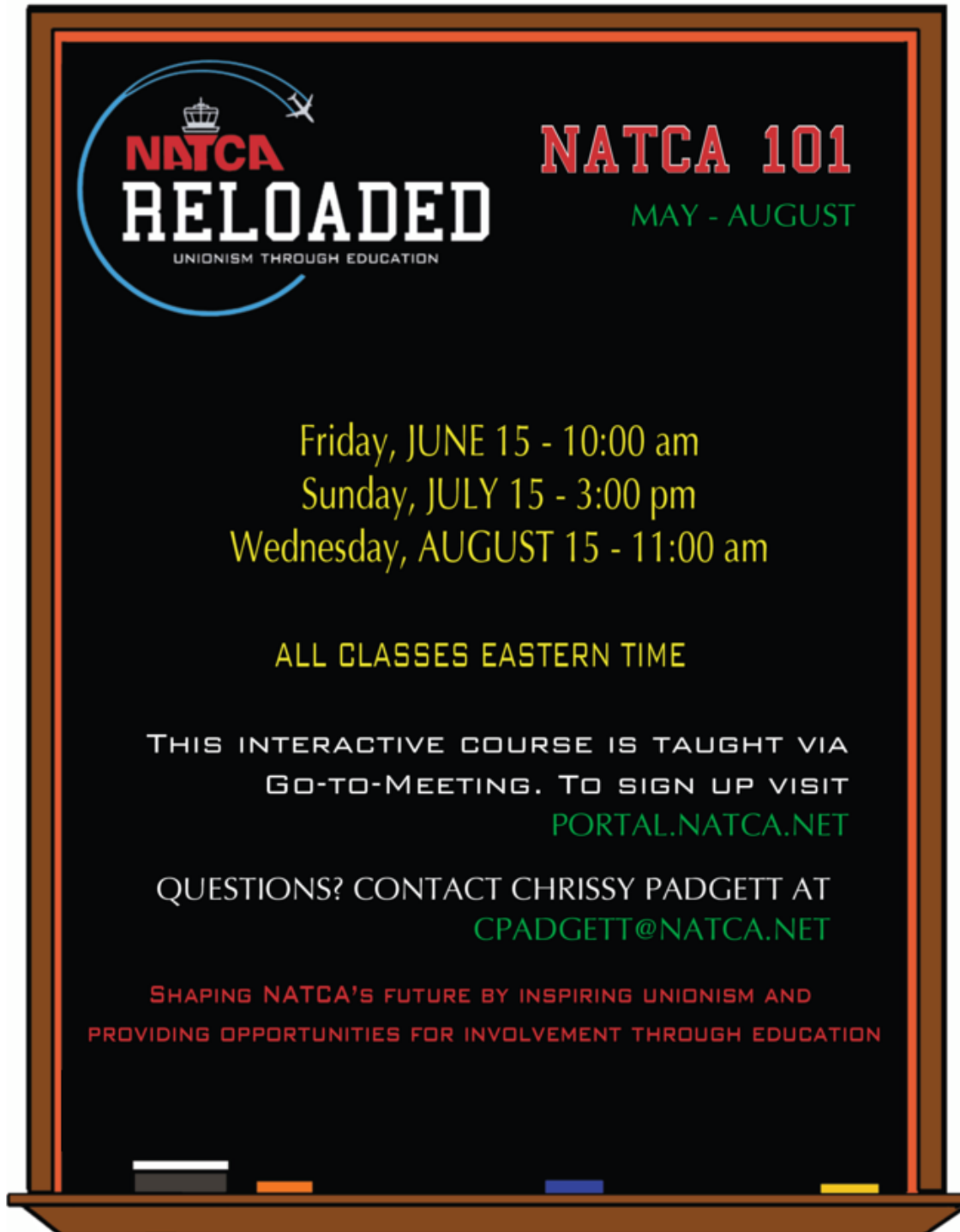
NATCA has teamed up with **Lenovo**, a global leader in the PC marketplace, to offer discounts on its entire line of reliable, high-quality, secure, and easy-to-use technology products and services. Members save up to 30 percent off the everyday public web price of Lenovo laptops, tablets, desktops, all-in-ones, workstations, servers, and accessories.

For more information on each of these new benefits, please [visit the NATCA members only benefits websection](#).



Philadelphia Convention Attendees: Please Complete Survey

If you attended NATCA's 17th Biennial Convention in Philadelphia, we need your help! We are always striving for ways to serve NATCA members better. Let us know how we did in Philadelphia by completing the post-convention [survey](#).

A poster for NATCA Reloaded, featuring a dark blue background with a brown border. The NATCA logo is in the top left, with 'RELOADED' in large white letters and 'UNIONISM THROUGH EDUCATION' in smaller white letters below it. To the right, 'NATCA 101' is in large red letters, with 'MAY - AUGUST' in green below it. The schedule is listed in yellow: Friday, JUNE 15 - 10:00 am; Sunday, JULY 15 - 3:00 pm; Wednesday, AUGUST 15 - 11:00 am. Below the schedule, 'ALL CLASSES EASTERN TIME' is in yellow. Further down, 'THIS INTERACTIVE COURSE IS TAUGHT VIA GO-TO-MEETING. TO SIGN UP VISIT PORTAL.NATCA.NET' is in white and green. Then, 'QUESTIONS? CONTACT CHRISSY PADGETT AT CPADGETT@NATCA.NET' is in white and green. At the bottom, 'SHAPING NATCA'S FUTURE BY INSPIRING UNIONISM AND PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT THROUGH EDUCATION' is in red. The poster is framed by a brown border with a small shelf at the bottom.

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NATCA Academy - 2018 Schedule

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| Representative Training 1 (RT1) | Sept. 24-28 | Las Vegas |
| Representative Training 1 (RT1) | Dec. 3-7 | Las Vegas |
| Federal Contract Tower (FCT) | June 12-13 | National HQ, D.C. |
| LEAP | Oct. 2018 (Dates TBA) | Airlie, Va. |
| Training Review Board (TRB) | Sept. 11-13 | Las Vegas |
| Legislative Activism (LAT) | Sept. 11-12 | Las Vegas |
| Adv. Legislative Activism (ALAT) | Nov. 27-29 | National HQ, D.C. |
| Secretary/Treasurer (STT) | Sept. 11-12 | Las Vegas |
| Secretary/Treasurer (STT) | Dec. 4-5 | Las Vegas |

NATCA Academy Legislative Class Change

An Advanced Legislative Activism Training (ALAT) class has been added to the NATCA Academy Legislative Class schedule in 2018. The Basic Legislative Activism Training (LAT) class originally scheduled for Nov. 28-29, 2018 in Las Vegas, has been replaced with an ALAT class on Nov. 27-29, 2018 in Washington, D.C. at the NATCA National Office.

ALAT is an involved, 2 1/2-day course with guest speakers from the Office of Special Counsel, NATCA's Government Affairs Staff, and Special Counsel to NATCA's President.

NATCA Academy Courses are available for sign up on the [NATCA Membership Portal](#) (except for LEAP, which is by invitation only).

Once you have logged in, select "NATCA Academy" from the quick links. Then, select "2018 courses." If you need any help with registration, contact the Coordinator for your region. Registrants will be notified within 35 days from the course start date of their status for the course.

If you have any questions, please contact NATCA's Training Coordinator, Carolyn Kamara, at ckamara@natcad.org.

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