

President Rich Santa and Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge Kick Off First-Ever ATX

On Monday, Dec. 12, NATCA President Rich Santa and Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge welcomed attendees to the Union's first-ever Activism and Training Expo (ATX). The weeklong event is taking place at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas and features classes on topics ranging from legislative issues to local business to the technology and infrastructure behind air traffic management.



Read more about ATX here.



PHOTO: Rich Santa on stage at General Session



PHOTO: Andrew LeBovidge on stage at General Session

At ATX NATCA Stands in Solidarity with UMWA on Their Strike Against Warrior Met

On Tuesday, United Mine Workers of America members Mike Wright and Dennis Battles took the NATCA Activism and Training Expo (ATX) general session stage to speak about the ongoing strike against Warrior Met Coal.

Warrior Met operates two mines, a preparation plant, and a central shop in Alabama, about 15 miles east of Tuscaloosa. In April 2021, approximately 900 Warrior Met employees decided to strike after the company refused to restore the pay and benefits that were cut in 2016 to save money and prevent the mines from shutting down. It's been 20 months, and about 500 strikers remain on the picket line.



PHOTO (left to right): NATCA Special Counsel to the President Eugene Freedman and United Mine Workers of America members Mike White and Dennis Battles

United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) represents coal miners, manufacturing workers, clean coal technicians, health care workers, corrections officers, and public employees throughout the United States and Canada. UMWA was established in 1890 and has been fighting for the rights of those in the mining industry for more than 130 years. UMWA also helped establish both the United Auto Workers (UAW) and The United Steelworkers (USW).

NATCA had previously contributed to the UMWA Strike Fund to support the District 20 miners striking Warrior Met Coal. After the panel discussion, the National Executive Board committed to make a second contribution on behalf of NATCA. If you would like to personally contribute to the UMWA Strike Fund please click the link here.

Save the Date: Deadline to Submit Amendments to the NATCA Constitution & Resolutions for NATCA's 19th Biennial Convention

NATCA's 19th Biennial Convention will be held at The Diplomat in Hollywood, Fla. from June 19-22, 2023. The planning committee is looking forward to welcoming NATCA brothers and sisters to southern Florida for what promises to be a great event!



The 19th Biennial Convention Amendment/Resolution submission deadline is Feb. 20, 2023. Pursuant to Article XIV, Section 1, and Article VIII, Section 7, of the NATCA Constitution, all proposed amendments to the National Constitution and resolutions shall be submitted through the Executive Vice President one-hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the Convention. **The deadline for submitting proposed amendments and resolutions for the upcoming convention is 11:59 p.m. EST on Monday, February 20, 2023.** Proposed amendments and resolutions should be submitted to Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge at alebovidge@natca.org.

All proposed amendments and resolutions will be submitted to the membership as part of a constitutional amendment package that will be mailed on or before April 20, 2023.

Read the full details of the amendment and resolution requirements and procedures <u>here</u>.

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