

## Happy NATCAversary!

On June 19, 1987, the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) certified NATCA as the exclusive bargaining unit of FAA air traffic controllers. This came eight days after the FLRA ballot count where over 70 percent of controllers who voted chose to have NATCA represent them.

On Monday, we will commemorate the birth of a new Union to represent and give a voice to the nation's controller workforce. Today, NATCA represents nearly 20,000 aviation safety professionals in 17 different bargaining units.



We invite you to view a timeline of notable events and milestones throughout NATCA's proud and rich history. You can view that <u>here</u>.

Happy anniversary, NATCA!

## Louisville NATCA Members Handle Record Kentucky Derby Air Traffic

Every year, the Kentucky Derby draws thousands of visitors to the Louisville, Ky., area. Two weeks prior to the Kentucky Derby, the "Derby Festival" kicks off with an airshow downtown over the Ohio River. There are different Derby-themed events that take place each day leading up to the main event. On Thursday, May 4, Louisville Tower/TRACON (SDF) set a single day record for operations.



"The Sunday after the Derby, sometimes known as Departure Sunday, was a challenge for the controllers at SDF and Louisville Bowman ATCT (LOU)," SDF FacRep Craig Oldis said. "Thunderstorms had moved through the area Sunday morning which made the operation more complex. Muhammad Ali Int'l Airport set a passenger record on May 7, with 17,236 passengers passing through the TSA checkpoint. I want to commend the controllers at SDF and LOU for their hard work and professionalism."

## **CFS 2023 Registration is Open**

Registration for Communicating For Safety (CFS) 2023 is now open! Hosted annually by NATCA, CFS is the aviation industry's leading conference focusing on safety, technology, and relationship building. This three-day conference is the only one to focus specifically on the air traffic needs of all members of the aviation community who are affected by the National Airspace System (NAS). **CFS will take place Sept. 18-20 at The Horseshoe**(formerly Bally's) in Las Vegas.

Don't wait to register! **The hotel room block cut off is Aug.16** After this date, rooms are no longer guaranteed and are subject to availability. In addition, **if you register before Aug. 18, there will be lower pricing for the conference registration and tickets for the Archie League Medal of Safety Awards banquet**.



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