



RVP Jim Marinitti Welcomes Members to the Southern Region

On June 21, Southern Regional Vice President Jim Marinitti took the stage at Convention to welcome delegates to Fort Lauderdale, introduce the Convention Planning Committee, and provide an overview of his region.

NATCA's Southern Region represents 117 locals (60 FAA facilities, 56 contract towers, 1 DOD facility) in eight states (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee) and the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. NATCA's Southern Region is geographically the largest air traffic region among our Union's regions and has more coastline than any other NATCA region. NATCA's Southern Region also has more members than any other region in our Union.

Watch Jim's address [here](#).



Congratulations to the 2023 Tim Haines Memorial Award Winners

At each NATCA convention, Union members and employees who have done an exceptional job representing NATCA values are honored with the Tim Haines Memorial Award of Honor and Distinction, otherwise known as the “Timmy Award.” This prestigious award was originally named the “Natty Award,” first presented by former President John Carr at the 2002 NATCA Cleveland Convention, then at the 2004 St. Louis and the 2006 Boston Conventions. The “Natty Award” was changed to the “Timmy Award” during the 2008 Miami Convention in honor of Haines, who, with hard work and dogged determination, successfully implemented a reclassification project into NATCA’s third contract, the Green Book.

This year, NATCA bestowed the award upon 13 outstanding individuals: Chris Keyes (Washington Center, ZDC), Lydia Baune (Spokane ATCT, GEG), Curt Howe (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM), Trisha Persiri-Dybvik (Santa Barbara ATCT, SBA), Mark Sellek (Jacksonville Center, ZJX), Jamie Sanders (Denver/Centennial ATCT, APA), Marguerite Graf (NATCA staff), Jaymi Steinberg (Washington Center, ZDC), Kyle Johnson (retired member from Oakland ATCT, OAK), Corey Soignet (Houston Intercontinental ATCT, IAH), Alaskan Regional Vice President Clint Lancaster (Alaska Center, ZAN), Southern Regional Vice President Jim Marinitti (Miami ATCT, MIA), and Eastern Regional Vice President Brian Shallenberger (Washington Center, ZDC).

Chris Keyes (Washington Center, ZDC)



PHOTO (left to right): EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Chris Keyes, President Rich Santa, and NEA RVP Brian Shallenberger

Lydia Baune (Spokane ATCT, GEG)



PHOTO (left to right): EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Lydia Baune, President Rich Santa, and NNM RVP Alex Navarro

Curt Howe (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM)



PHOTO (left to right): EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Curt Howe, President Rich Santa, and Region X RVP Brad Davidson

Mark Sellek (Jacksonville Center, ZJX)



PHOTO (left to right): NSO RVP Jim Marinitti, EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Mark Sellek, and President Rich Santa

Jamie Sanders (Denver/Centennial ATCT, APA)



PHOTO (left to right): NNM RVP Alex Navarro, EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Jamie Sanders, and President Rich Santa

Marguerite Graf (NATCA's General Counsel)



PHOTO (left to right): EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Marguerite Graf, and President Rich Santa

Jaymi Steinberg (Washington Center, ZDC)



PHOTO (left to right): President Rich Santa, Jaymi Steinberg, EVP Andrew LeBovidge

Corey Soignet (Houston Intercontinental ATCT, IAH)



PHOTO (left to right): NSW RVP Nick Daniels, EVP Andrew LeBovidge, Corey Soignet, and President Rich Santa

Alaskan Regional Vice President Clint Lancaster, Southern Regional Vice President Jim Marinitti, and Eastern Regional Vice President Brian Shallenberger



PHOTO (left to right): EVP Andrew LeBovidge, RVP Clint Lancaster, RVP Brian Shallenberger, RVP Jim Marinitti, and President Rich Santa

NOTE: Trisha Pesiri and Kyle Johnson were not present for the ceremony.

2027 Convention Will Be Held in Chicago

At the 19th Biennial Convention, delegates in Ft. Lauderdale chose Chicago as the site of the 21st Biennial Convention. The dates have not been finalized, but it is planned for spring 2027 at the Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk.

What better way to celebrate NATCA's 40th anniversary of being a Union than to celebrate it where it all began – Chicago!



Watch the Chicago presentation and vote [here](#).

Save the Date for the 20th Biennial Convention in San Francisco

At the 18th Biennial Convention, delegates chose San Francisco as the site of the 20th Biennial Convention. It is scheduled to take place at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis from May 9-11, 2025.



SAVE THE DATE

May 9 -11, 2025

20TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

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