



## **NATCA Members Wanting to Attend CFS: Excused Absence Request Form Deadline Is July 26**

This year, Communicating for Safety (CFS) will take place Sept. 18-20 at The Horseshoe in Las Vegas. For NATCA members, registering to attend CFS is a three-step process. As part of this process, **all NATCA members attending CFS that would like to be considered for excused absence, must place their name on the excused absence request form on or before Wednesday, July 26, 2023.**

A graphic with a blue background featuring a faint calendar grid. In the center is a dark blue speech bubble with an orange border and a warning triangle icon. Below the bubble is the CFS logo, which includes the text "COMMUNICATING FOR SAFETY" and "NATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS ASSOCIATION".

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To learn more about the three steps for NATCA members to register and to complete these steps, go to the [CFS webpage](#).

## NATCA Joins NAA Celebration of Aerospace Achievements of James Webb Space Telescope Team

NATCA members and staff attended the National Aeronautic Association (NAA)'s 2022 Collier Trophy Dinner in June, honoring the most recent winner: the James Webb Space Telescope Team. This trophy has been awarded annually since 1911 and represents a timeline of the most groundbreaking aviation achievements.

“The James Webb Space Telescope is one of the greatest achievements in aerospace history. In a matter of months, Webb has changed our understanding of the universe, and many more discoveries lie ahead,” said Kathy Warden, Chair, Chief Executive Officer and President at Northrop Grumman.

The Collier Dinner is held annually in June to recognize the recipient of the Robert J. Collier Trophy of the previous year. The award is “for the greatest achievement in aeronautics or astronautics in America, with respect to improving the performance, efficiency, and safety of air or space vehicles, the value of which has been thoroughly demonstrated by actual use during the preceding year.” The 8 foot high Collier Trophy is brought from the National Air and Space Museum to this event.

NATCA was a Silver Sponsor of this year's Collier Dinner.



**NAA Collier Trophy Dinner**

**June 2023**



**Pictured** (left to right): Website Administrator Julian Weaver, Raine Ralston (Washington Center, ZDC), Meeting Planning and Events Representative Mindy Soranno, Senior Social Media Representative Meagan Roper, and Art and Design Administrator Will Thomas.

## NEB Meeting Minutes Are Now Available

The minutes from the National Executive Board (NEB) meeting in Pittsburgh, Pa. on June 6, are now available on the NEB minutes page of the [website](#).



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