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## **Historical Committee on a Mission to Preserve NATCA's Legacy**

The NATCA Historical Committee (NHC) met on Dec. 14-15, 2023, at the National Office in Washington. The Committee is charged with the exclusive purpose of cataloging, documenting, and archiving the official history of the Union.

“Our group of dedicated members reviewed its achievements for 2023 among other items,” NHC Chair Ryan Herrick said. “From the creation of a timeline on display at the 2023 Convention to revamping the committee charter, to digitization of the newsletters from the beginning of NATCA, 2024 is looking to be just as promising with further outreach from the NHC.”



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**Pictured, left to right:** Clint Lancaster (NAL RVP), Kristena Jones (ZDC), Kristen McTee (MCI), Della Swartz retired EAL, Kelly Moeller (ZMP), Elaine Poe (retired ZFW), Aaron Wilt (ZDC), and Chair Ryan Herrick (M98)

**Not pictured:** Sam Navarro (SEA), Curt Howe (ENM), and Jim Fuhrman (retired FSM)

The Committee also welcomed two new mentees Kristen McTee (Kansas City ATCT, MCI) and Jim Fuhrman (Fort Smith ATCT, FSM, retired) and said goodbye to two long time members leaving the committee, Curt Howe (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM, retired) and Elaine Poe (Fort Worth ARTCC, ZFW, retired).

“Walking in the NHC storage closet in the National Office was such a surreal experience,” McTee said. “It was so fun and awe-inspiring to be surrounded by mementos and documents from all facets of our Union’s history.”

You can find more information, including archived newsletters and previous NATCA Convention history [here](#).

## Marc Schneider Honored by Indiana AFL-CIO for 26 Years of Service

NATCA member Marc Schneider, who served as NATCA Indianapolis Center (ZID) FacRep until his retirement in December, was recognized for his

unwavered dedication and service to the labor movement with the Indiana AFL-CIO Achievement in Labor award. The award presentation celebrated Schneider's 26 years of committed union membership and his significant leadership contributions.

The award, presented by Indiana AFL-CIO President Brett Voorhies, celebrated Schneider's 26 years of committed union membership and his significant leadership contributions and stands as a testament to Schneider's persistent advocacy and the deep respect he has earned among his labor peers. The Indiana AFL-CIO, representing over 300,000 workers, chooses its honorees based on their contributions to the labor movement, and Schneider's recognition highlights the impact one dedicated individual can have on the lives of many.

Schneider served in the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army, retiring from the Indiana National Guard in 2008 after 23 years. He was a direct hire at ZID in 1998, where he spent his full FAA career. Schneider served on the NATCA Benefits Committee, NATCA Training Committee, and the NATCA Onboarding Committee. He taught Secretary/Treasurer Training, the National On-The-Job Training Instructor (OJTI) Training Cadre Class, and the Training Review Board Class. In addition to holding the position of ZID FacRep, Schneider served as one of the two Great Lakes Alternate Regional Vice Presidents (ARVP) to ensure all the members and FacReps of the Great Lakes Region receive the guidance, training, and support they need to continue to do the excellent work they do day in and day out.

“There’s nothing wrong with being a member that comes to work and goes home, but it can be so much more rewarding,” Schneider said in 2020 as part of a feature encouraging NATCA members to get involved in the Union. “I challenge you to this: just try NATCA in Washington, try CFS, go to a membership meeting, a solidarity event. Try to make your part of NATCA a little better. One person can make all the difference.”



## Registration for NATCA in Washington is Now Open

This year, NATCA in Washington will be held May 1-3, at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Washington, D.C. If you would like to attend this year's event, please indicate your interest by completing the following registration below no later than Mar. 8 at 11:59 p.m. PST.

Members of the National Legislative Committee (NLC) will confirm an interested member's attendance on or before Monday, March 25 by your regional NLC rep. Please note that your attendance is not guaranteed until it is confirmed.



Please do not make any flight arrangements until you receive a confirmation from your Regional NLC member on attendance. Additionally, transportation expenses are NOT reimbursed by NATCA National. Please check with your FacRep first before you complete any airfare purchase to determine what expense reimbursements, if any, will be provided by your local.



If you have any additional questions, reach out to the NLC Chair David Skarphol, or your Regional NLC Rep. Their contact information can be found [here](#).

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