U.S. Rep. John Duarte Visits Fresno Tower and TRACON

U.S. Representative John Duarte (Calif.-13) recently visited Fresno ATCT and TRACON. Duarte and his staff were given a brief overview of the national air traffic control system and given a tour of the TSS Lab, the ATCT, and the TRACON.

Local members, including FacRep Jerry O’Gorman and Vice FacRep Mark Dalforno, discussed the nationwide staffing shortage, along with the need for technology upgrades throughout the NAS with Duarte and his staff members.
NATCA Represented at Women in Aviation International Conference

This year’s Women in Aviation International (WAI) conference took place in Orlando, Fla., March 21-23. Thousands of female pilots, engineers, executives, flight attendants, air traffic controllers, and others in the aviation sector came together from around the world for the 35th WAI conference.

Two members of NATCA’s National Office staff – Meeting Planning and Events Representative Mindy Soranno and Public Affairs Administrator Jessica Reed – represented our Union at an exhibit hall booth at the event. They handed out educational materials to aviation professionals, student pilots, and aspiring air traffic controllers. Several other NATCA members – both active and retired – also were in attendance at the event.

Learn more about WAI on their [website](#).

Nominate Your Inspirational Colleagues for the 2024 NATCA National Professionalism Award by June 1!

There are fewer than three months remaining to submit nominations to Professional Standards for the NATCA National Professionalism Award. Do
you work with someone who inspires you, motivates others, and demonstrates professionalism day in and day out? Don’t let that individual go an entire career without getting recognized! Nominate them for the 2024 NATCA National Professionalism Award.

Award recipients are selected from each service area, receive a trip to Communicating for Safety in Las Vegas, and are recognized for their professionalism during a CFS awards luncheon.

Nominations for members in good standing will be considered for the award. There is no limit to the number of nominations that can be received for one individual. We encourage people to arrange additional nominations from other peers, co-workers, and credible sources. When creating a nomination, you will be asked to provide a brief work history for the individual, as well as provide examples, statements, and stories describing how the individual inspires, motivates, and demonstrates professionalism in the workplace.

The DEADLINE for nominations is June 1, 2024.

Nominate your peers [here](#).

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