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## **Championing Women's Leadership at Inaugural ATCA Aviation Conference**

NATCA members gathered with a diverse group of professionals to discuss and promote the crucial role of women in aviation leadership at the inaugural Women in Aviation Leadership Conference (WIA), hosted by The Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA) in Dallas, Texas, from April 2-4.

Reaching out to underrepresented groups to incite interest in leadership roles within aviation not only enriches the industry with diverse perspectives and ideas but also ensures a more inclusive and equitable work environment for everyone. By supporting events like WIA, NATCA reaffirms its dedication to inspiring and empowering women to pursue and excel in leadership positions, breaking traditional barriers and shaping the future of aviation.



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**Pictured**, from left to right: Meeting Planning and Events Representative Mindy Soranno, Dawn Johnson (Atlanta Center, ZTL), Lisen Minetti (Engineer/Aeronautical Center, EAC), Sara "Katie" Fields-Pack (Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW), Samantha Navarro (Seattle ATCT, SEA), Ashley Borowski (Amarillo ATCT, AMA), EmmaLee Grimes (Dallas-Fort Worth TRACON, D10), Bridget Singratanakul (Dallas-Fort Worth ATCT, DFW), and former NATCA Executive Vice President Trish Gilbert (Retired Houston Center, ZHU).

## Alaskan Region Member Attends Iditarod Dog Sledding Race with Senator Lisa Murkowski

Flight Services Station (FS1) member Bobby Scurlock recently attended the annual Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race with U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski of Alaska. The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, also known simply as The Iditarod, is an annual long-distance sled dog race held in Alaska in early March. The teams of dogs and their handlers, also called mushers, travel from Anchorage to Nome, which typically takes about 8-15 days.

During the kickoff event, Scurlock introduced himself to Senator Murkowski and told her about where he worked, as this was his first time representing NATCA at this event. Scurlock and his family



shared in the excitement of the race with Senator Murkowski as they watched the dogs and mushers begin their long journey to Nome.

## Welcome to our Newest Members

Welcome to NATCA's newest members! Let's give a warm welcome to these sisters and brothers joining our NATCA family! We encourage NATCA members to reach out in their facilities to these new members, share your experiences, and help integrate them into our Union activities. Your guidance is invaluable in fostering our new members' growth and involvement. Together, we can ensure our members are well-informed and ready to advance our commitment to safety and advocacy in the skies. In the spirit of solidarity, here's to strengthening our union with fresh perspectives and energy.



# Welcome to our Union Family



### Central

Kaylie Killian (Kansas City Center, ZKC)

### Eastern

Cara Brown (Baltimore ATCT, BWI)

Emily Kendall (Charleston ATCT, CRW)

Nathan Callihan (Huntington ATCT, HTS)

Spencer Lauritzen (Rochester ATCT, ROC)

### Region X

John Brown (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM)

Candice Larson

(Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM)

Raymond Vital

(Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM)

Gregory Stewart

(Engineer/Aeronautical Center, EAC)

Phillip Moyers (FAA HQ Staff, EHQ)

Gianna Lafayette (Washington Center, ZDC)  
Jonathan Reineking (Washington Center, ZDC)  
Carson Schurlknight (Washington Center, ZDC)  
Craig Taylor (Washington Center, ZDC)  
Joseph Tripoli (Washington Center, ZDC)

### **Great Lakes**

Devon Longoria (Youngstown ATCT, YNG)  
Clinton Hannes (Minneapolis ATCT, MSP)  
Tyler Chambers (South Bend ATCT, SBN)  
Mason Greer (South Bend ATCT, SBN)  
Hannah Schwinn (Traverse City ATCT, TVC)  
Karis Hartzler (Youngstown ATCT, YNG)  
Diego Salazar (Minneapolis Center, ZMP)  
Michael Vitiritti (Minneapolis Center, ZMP)

### **New England**

Joseph Mirabelli (Nantucket ATCT, ACK)  
Hamon Leong (Boston Center, ZBW)  
Sean Vester (Boston Center, ZBW)  
Dustin Cain (Bangor ATCT, BGR)  
Randy Yelverton (Bangor ATCT, BGR)

### **Northwest Mountain**

Jill Carr (Renton ATCT, RNT)  
Jonathan Adams (Denver ATCT, DEN)  
Megan Tolley (Salt Lake City Center, ZLC)

Terry Corbin (Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW)  
Samantha Johnson  
(Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW)

### **Southern**

Christopher Jones (Jackson (TN) ATCT, MKL)  
Jeremy Glover (Tri-Cities ATCT, TRI)  
Jacob Lane (Tri-Cities ATCT, TRI)  
Luis Diaz (Jacksonville Center, ZJX)  
Dustin Arbitelle (Jackson ATCT, JAN)  
Richard Thornton (Miami Center, ZMA)  
Mark Waugaman (Miami Center, ZMA)  
David Contreras (Memphis Center, ZME)  
Justin Curtis (Memphis Center, ZME)  
Allison Gilbert (Memphis Center, ZME)

### **Southwest**

Casey Tripp (Lubbock ATCT, LBB)  
Matthew Crayton (Albuquerque Center, ZAB)  
Logan Mclaughlin (Albuquerque Center, ZAB)  
Ahmet Gurbuz (Houston Center, ZHU)  
Zaiya Ogbonna (Houston Center, ZHU)

### **Western Pacific**

Mason Morlee (Palo Alto ATCT, PAO)  
Ammanuel Semere (Gillespie ATCT, SEE)  
Ethan Howard (North Las Vegas ATCT, VGT)  
Bryan Bentley (Hayward ATCT, HWD)  
Christopher Ballester (Southern California TRACON, SCT)

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