COMMUNICATING FOR SAFETY 2022
Sept. 12–14, 2022 at Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas

MONDAY HIGHLIGHTS

NATCA President Rich Santa and National Safety Committee Chair Chrissy Padgett Open CFS 2022

NATCA National Safety Committee Chair Chrissy Padgett welcomed attendees to CFS 2022 and opened the conference by introducing NATCA President Rich Santa for an opening keynote address. It's been nearly three years since our last Communicating for Safety (CFS) conference. We're excited about NATCA's "Every Day Is a Training Day" initiative to reassert our commitment to all NATCA members proactively seeking regular training opportunities to not only better ourselves, but also our profession.
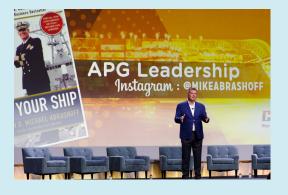
Read more here about the "Every Day Is a Training Day."

Thank You to Monday's Keynote Speakers

Tammie Jo Shults

On Monday morning, NATCA welcomed keynote speaker Tammie Jo Shults, retired Southwest Airlines captain, author, and former naval aviator. Though the odds were against her, Shults became one of the first female F/A-18 Hornet pilots in the United States Navy. At the conclusion of her Navy career in 1994, Shults went to work for Southwest Airlines. Shults received wide acclaim when, on April 17, 2018, she and her crew successfully landed a Boeing 737 after catastrophic engine failure and rapid decompression, saving the lives of 148 people.

Read more about Tammie Jo Shults here.

Mike Abrashoff

Former U.S. Navy commander, New York Times best-selling author, and leadership and teamwork expert Michael Abrashoff took the stage on Monday afternoon. At 36, Abrashoff was selected to be Commander of USS Benfold and was the most junior commanding officer in the Pacific fleet. The challenges of this underachieving destroyer were staggering, with low morale and the highest turnover rate in the Navy, but 12 months later it was ranked No. 1 in performance — with the same crew. By replacing command and control leadership with commitment and cohesion, Abrashoff made the lesson clear: Leadership matters and culture is everything.

Read more about Michael Abrashoff here.

FAA Administrator (Acting) Nolen Addresses CFS

FAA Administrator (Acting) Billy Nolen addressed Communicating For Safety (CFS) attendees.

Read more here about Billy Nolen.

Monday's Panels Focus on Technology and

Operations

I Want it All and I Want it Now: Technologies' Realistic Road Ahead

NATCA Director of Safety and Technology Tom Adcock and NATCA National Project Management Organization (PMO) Rep Dan Hamilton moderated the panel on the main stage. Panelists were Raytheon Strategy & Business Development Executive Rachel Jackson; Leidos Senior Vice President Fran Hill;, L3Harris Vice President of Strategy & Business Development Jim Eck; and FAA PMO Vice President Mark DeNicuolo.

Working the Issues: A Template for Success

NATCA Chief of Staff Dean Iacopelli and FAA Air Traffic Services Vice President Jeffrey Vincent moderated the panel on the main stage. Panelists were Delta Airlines Air Traffic Management Senior Manager Rob Goldman; JetBlue Airlines Strategic Airspace Programs Manager Lee Brown; FAA Central Service Area Director of Operations Hope Kubala; and NATCA Southern Regional Vice President Jim Marinitti.

Tech Talks in the CFS Exhibit Hall

CFS 2022 is featuring tech talks in the exhibit hall. These talks are a chance for CFS attendees to hear detailed updates on commercial space, new technologies being implemented in the National Airspace System, and more from the NATCA and FAA reps closest to these lines of business.

PREVIEW OF TUESDAY

Tuesday Speakers:
- Andrew LeBovidge, NATCA Vice President
- David Seymour, COO of American Airlines
- Richard McSpadden, SVP of AOPA

Panels & Events:

- Looking Ahead: Transforming the NAS to Meet New Challenges
- Pilot Controller Panels
- Awards Luncheon
- No Train, No Gain: The Road Back

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