



NATCA Hosts Key Congress Members for FAA Reauthorization Act Celebration Breakfast

NATCA President Rich Santa hosted a breakfast event on Capitol Hill with U.S. Rep. Pete Aguilar (Calif.-33), who has served as chair of the House Democratic Caucus since 2023, and 10 Members of Congress established strong, pro-NATCA records while serving in the House of Representatives.

“These Members are supporters, allies, and friends to our Union, and many have long standing relationships with NATCA’s local members in their home districts,” Santa said. “It was a privilege to take the opportunity to deepen these important relationships and personally thank the Members for their ongoing support of NATCA’s legislative priorities.”



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Pictured (clockwise starting in top left): Aguilar and Santa; U.S. Rep. Angie Craig (Minn.-2), Santa, U.S. Rep. Susan Wild (Penn.-7), Aguilar, Darren Soto (Fla.-9); U.S. Rep. Pat Ryan (N.Y.-18), Santa, Aguilar; U.S. Rep. Jahana Hayes (Conn.-5), Santa, Aguilar, Don Davis (N.C.-1).

NATCA Communications Committee Convenes to Strengthen Union Engagement

On April 30, the NATCA Communications Committee, chaired by Shannon Lyman (Boston Center, ZBW), held a productive meeting with representatives from NATCA regions across the country and NATCA public affairs staff. Discussions focused on a range of pivotal topics including the upcoming NATCA Activism & Training Expo, enhancing our Union's web capabilities, support of NATCA's legislative activism, and the development of a communications checklist for NATCA locals.

"The Communications Committee is comprised of individuals who are dedicated to providing NATCA members with information about our Union in traditional and also creative ways," Lyman said. "This meeting provided us the opportunity to brainstorm and discuss the best ways to communicate and educate our members about the wide-ranging work that NATCA does for them."



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Participants included Lyman, Vice Chair Mary Hall (Houston TRACON, I90), Bryan Martini (Sioux City ATCT, SUX), Jaymi Steinberg (Washington Center, ZDC), Sarah Simek (Grand Forks ATCT, GFK), Lisen Minetti (Engineer/New England Region, ENE), Ariana Seimas (Fresno ATCT, FAT), along with NATCA Public Affairs Administrator Jessica Reed and NATCA Senior Social Media Representative Meagan Roper.

Learn more about the Communications Committee on their [web page](#).

Read NATCA Scholarship Winner Kate Wilson's Essay

Every year, NATCA offers a scholarship program for spouses, children, stepchildren, and legally adopted children of active, retired, and deceased members in good standing for at least two consecutive years. This scholarship is for full-time attendance at accredited colleges and universities within the United States and its territories for an undergraduate degree program.

“By supporting unions, workers can help to make sure that their voices are heard and that their rights are protected.”



– 2023 NATCA Scholarship Winner
Kate Wilson, child of Chad Wilson (St. Louis TRACON, T75)



This year's prompt asked candidates to examine why labor unions are experiencing a resurgence and what implications this has for the future.

Kate Wilson, child of Chad Wilson (St. Louis TRACON, T75) is among 2023's scholarship winners. Read the essay that Kate submitted [here](#).

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