



From the Desk of President Rich Santa: Congratulations to Nick Daniels and Mick Devine

Brothers and Sisters,

Last Friday, the run-off ballots of our Union's national election were counted, and our membership has chosen a new president and executive vice president to lead our Union into the future. I'd like to congratulate President-elect Nick Daniels and Executive Vice President-elect Mick Devine on their respective elections and wish them success as we, as a Union, move forward. We expect a smooth and effective transition to their new positions.

I would like to thank every member for entrusting me with the stewardship of NATCA during my time as president. I will always carry with me great memories of serving NATCA.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rich Santa".

Rich Santa, NATCA President



Disaster Response Committee Mobilizes to Aid Members Affected by Hurricane Helene

As Hurricane Helene's devastating impact continues to be felt across several states, NATCA's Disaster Response Committee (DRC) has been working tirelessly to support affected members. The committee has successfully reached out to members in some of the hardest-hit areas, including Asheville ATCT (AVL), Augusta ATCT (AGS), and Greenville-Spartanburg ATCT (GSP). Supplies are being transported by air and ground, and the response effort is ongoing.

Unfortunately, the need for assistance continues to grow. With roads still closed in North Carolina, volunteers and donations to the fund are essential in getting supplies to those in need.

As flights and donations continue daily from facilities across the region, the DRC is urging members who can assist to volunteer or contribute to the relief effort. Donations are being accepted via PayPal, payroll deduction, and [GoFundMe](#), or by sending personal checks to the NATCA Disaster Relief Fund.



The DRC also encourages members to check in with them, especially those in affected areas like AVL, GSP, AGS, Tallahassee ATCT (TLH), and Tampa TRACON/ATCT (TPA). As the relief effort expands, members can help by volunteering, contributing financially, or reaching out if they are in need.

Visit the DRC's [web page](#) for more information and updates.

NATCA Participates in Meeting of The Global

ATC Alliance

In addition to our national outreach efforts, NATCA also continues to ensure it has a voice on the international stage. This includes participating in the Global Air Traffic Controllers Alliance — which includes our Union, Prospect ATCO's Branch in the United Kingdom, the Canadian Air Traffic Control Association (CATCA), the New Zealand Air Line Pilots' Association (NZALPA), Civil Air Australia, and Spain's Unión Sindical de Controladores Aéreos. This coalition amplifies ATC labor's influence on the aviation industry globally, contributing to technology advancements and fostering international collaboration to keep skies safe.



NATCA Participates in Meeting of The Global ATC Alliance Las Vegas | Sept. 2024

On Thursday, Sept. 19, NATCA Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge joined fellow Alliance members for a pivotal meeting in Las Vegas. The gathering followed the highly successful Communicating For Safety (CFS) 2024 conference and brought together leaders from air traffic unions worldwide, representing more than 30,000 aviation safety professionals who oversee over half of the global airspace.

LeBovidge highlighted the role the Alliance plays in strengthening ties among the world's air traffic controllers and safety professionals. "Building solidarity with our global partners means we can collectively address the challenges we all face and shape the future of air traffic control worldwide," LeBovidge said.

**The FAA Is Hiring Air Traffic Controllers: Apply
Starting Oct. 11**

The FAA is opening a Fall 2024 hiring window for air traffic controllers next week! Applications will be accepted from Oct. 11 to Nov. 4. Do you know anyone that has what it takes to keep our nation's airspace safe? Direct these friends, family, and neighbors to usajobs.gov to check if they qualify at faa.gov/be-atc. Make sure they don't miss out on this opportunity to join our elite team of professions!

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