



NATCA Hosts Advanced Legislative Activism Training (ALAT), Preparing Members for Legislative Advocacy

NATCA hosted its latest Advanced Legislative Activism Training (ALAT) session from Oct. 2-4, at the National Office in Washington. The training was led by National Legislative Committee (NLC) Vice Chair Allison Schwaegel (St. Louis ATCT, STL) and NLC Southwest Region Representative Corey Soignet (Houston Intercontinental ATCT, IAH), equipping members with essential skills to effectively advocate for NATCA's legislative priorities on Capitol Hill.

This session welcomed NATCA members from across several regions, providing two days of in-depth instruction followed by a day on Capitol Hill, where attendees put their training into action by meeting with congressional representatives to discuss key issues impacting NATCA and the air traffic control profession.



Advanced Legislative Activism Training at the National Office

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ALAT dives into crucial topics such as the Hatch Act, FAA funding, and the pathways to navigating the legislative landscape. Participants explore NATCA's legislative history and activism strategies, learning how to build impactful relationships with members of Congress to further NATCA's mission. Instructors from NATCA's Government Affairs Department and legal counsel brought their expertise to the class, and participants were also briefed by the U.S. Office of Special Counsel on legal considerations in legislative work.

For those interested in joining future sessions, NATCA offers both Legislative Activism Training (LAT) and the more advanced ALAT for graduates of LAT. Visit natca.org/academy to learn more and register.

NAA Honors Former EVP Trish Gilbert as a Distinguished Stateswoman of Aviation

The National Aeronautics Association (NAA) recently named former NATCA Executive Vice President Trish Gilbert as one of its 2024 Wesley L. McDonald Distinguished Stateswomen of Aviation. Gilbert and the other awardees were honored in a ceremony on Nov. 6 in Washington, D.C. In the program, NAA described Trish Gilbert as “an aviation trailblazer in safety and labor advocacy, who has shaped global aviation policies while championing the advancement of women in the industry.”

A number of NATCA's leadership, other members, and staff attended the ceremony to honor Gilbert and celebrate her great accomplishment.



FAA Child Care Subsidy Available, Now Covers Nannies & Au Pairs

The FAA Child Care Subsidy has a new program vendor, Cherokee Nation Federal Consulting (CNFC), and a dedicated [website](#) for FAA employees.

Is your Total Family Income under \$100K/year? CNFC is ready to work with eligible employees to pay for child care including the cost for a Nanny or Au Pair. Nannies do have specific requirements to be approved but do not have to be through an Agency. Au Pairs do have to be through an agency and [the State Department website](#) is the easiest place to start. For more information on the expansion of the Child Care Subsidy to cover Nannies and Au Pairs, please click [here](#). The FAA WL Child Care team is available to assist you with your child care needs!

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Save the Date for Oshkosh AirVenture 2025

Every year, NATCA is proud to participate at Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wis. The 2025 event is July 21-27, with volunteer opportunities for NATCA members ranging from July 16-30. If you would like to volunteer to participate in the World's Greatest Aviation Celebration, save the dates for next year!



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The application for volunteering for this incredible event will be launched soon,

and volunteers will be notified of their selection to participate in early 2025. Save the dates, and be on the lookout for the application.

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