ATCA Announces 2018 Award Recipients

The Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA) is pleased to announce its 2018 award winners. The goal of ATCA's awards program is to give special recognition to those persons and/or organizations engaged in the development, operation, or maintenance of the worldwide air traffic control system for outstanding achievement.

The following recipients will be honored at the 2018 Awards Luncheon during ATCA Annual on Tues., October 2, at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Md.

**ATCA Annual Safety Award**
David Knight, Robinson Aviation, Inc.

**Andy Pitas Aircraft Save Award**
Karen Hagstrom, Ruben Lopez, Tim Martin, and Chris Watton, DAB
Ben Kotrla and Eric Muench, NAV CANADA
Christopher Liu, HCF
Charles Abernethy, Vijay Kanhai, and Dan McNeil, F11
Christina Munro, SCT
Stephen Newman, NAV CANADA

**ATCA Annual Team Award for Outstanding Achievement**
Naval Air Station Key West, SPAWAR
FAA and NATCA, N90

**ATCA Annual Industry Award**
Raytheon STARS Team

**ATCA Annual Outstanding Achievement for Small & Disadvantaged Business**
Changeis, Inc.

**ATCA Annual Outstanding Achievement for Small Business**
AirMap
ATCA Outstanding ATC Manager of the Year Award
Bud Griner, Robinson Aviation, Inc.

ATCA Military ATC Technician of the Year Award
CPL Bryce Cornell, US Marine Corps
ET1 Bryce Halvorson, US Navy
SGT Kurtis Miller, US Army

ATCA Military ATC Manager of the Year Award
CW2 Robert Bagardo, US Army

ATCA Military Air Traffic Controller of the Year Award
PO Jennifer Oberholzer, US Navy
SPC Shawn White, US Army
SRA Damien Williams, US Air Force

ATCA Annual Aviation Systems Specialist Safety Award
Lyne Théorêt, NAV CANADA

ATCA Life Cycle Management Award
ILS Cradle Team, NAV CANADA

David J. Hurley Memorial Award for Aviation Traffic Management
FABEC

ATCA Ambassador Award
Steve Carver, GDIT

The Chairman’s Citation of Merit Award
David Nakamura

The President’s Citation of Merit Award
John Gray, Midwest ATC

ATCA Lifetime Achievement Award
James Bunnell (posthumous)

The Glen A. Gilbert Memorial Award
Hon. Linda Hall Daschle, LHD & Associates, Inc.*

*To be honored at the Glen A. Gilbert Memorial Awards Banquet Oct. 2.
Join ATCA on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, during the 63rd ATCA Annual Conference & Exposition's Awards Luncheon to recognize the above award winners. Lunch is included with full conference registration; individual tickets are also available. To purchase tickets, register online at www.atca.org/annual as an Exhibit Hall visitor and then follow the prompts to add an Awards Luncheon ticket. For more information on award categories and descriptions, please visit www.atca.org/atca-awards-program.

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The Air Traffic Control Association (www.atca.org) is dedicated to the progress and safety of air traffic control and works to advance the technology and professionalism of the industry. Founded in 1956 by a group of air traffic controllers, ATCA serves more than 3,500 members from throughout the world—individual air traffic controllers as well as aviation associations, educational institutions, the government and military, and companies managing and providing equipment and services in the aviation community.