



# NYSATA

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The mission of the New York State Athletic Trainer's Association shall be to advance, encourage and improve the profession of athletic training by developing the common interests of its' membership for the purpose of enhancing the quality of health care for the physically active in New York State.

## Save the Date

**2012**  
**NATA Capitol Hill Day**  
February 23-24 Washington, DC

**Albany Lobby Day**  
May 23 Albany, NY

**NYSATA Conference**  
June 1-2 Lake Placid, NY

**NATA Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposia**  
June 26-29 St. Louis, MO

**2013**  
**EATA Convention**  
January 4-7 Buffalo, NY

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## The President's Report

Christopher K. Hobler, RSA-O ATC

I hope that everyone had a Happy New Year.

I am sorry that I was unable to attend the EATA meeting in Boston. I want to thank Deanna Errico, our President-Elect, for running the Executive Council meeting and New York State meeting.

Our membership statistics show that we have 1456 members, up 134 since last year. We have 1072 certified members, up 152; 209 student undergraduates, down 36 from last year. It has come to our attention that some athletic trainers are not receiving NYSATA correspondence. Please be certain that your contact information is up to date on the [NATA Membership Profile page](#)



NYSATA recently had an election for our President-Elect. NYSATA would like to announce that Aimee Brunelle, from Jamestown Community College, has been elected as President-Elect. Her term will begin at the June 2012 NYSATA meeting. NYSATA would

like to thank Tim Prohinsie, from Nassau Community College, for his desire to become our association's next President-Elect. Congratulations to Aimee, and thank all those who participated in the election.

Our election numbers were very disappointing. NYSATA has 1456 members, but only 181 members voted in the election for President-Elect. NYSATA Executive Council, Committee Chair, and Region Reps all volunteer their time for the good of the membership, and work very hard to represent the membership. It was very disappointing to hear that only 181 members voted for our President-Elect, a very important position. As the New Year begins, we all can renew our commitment to NYSATA. It can be as easy as making <http://gonysata2.org/> your homepage and visiting it more often, joining a committee, or increasing your dialog with NYSATA members. I know that together, we win.

I would like to welcome Koki Takano, from Canisius College, as our new chair to the Ethnic Diversity Committee. He will be working closely with Shone Gipson, from the Buffalo Bills, on Ethnic Diversity for NYSATA. Shone is the District 2 Ethnic Diversity Advisory Committee Representative.

I would like to congratulate all of our scholarship and award winners. Scholarship winners included Ruth Gillespie from Stony Brook University (NYSATA Scholarship), Alexis Scmidtke from SUNY Brockport (NATA District 2 Scholarship), and James Newton from Ithaca College (Edward Abramowski Scholarship). NYSATA also recognized Cynthia Kelder ATC, from Fayetteville-Manlius High School, for saving the life of Dan Cochran on June 15, 2011 by performing Basic Life Support Skills (CPR and AED).

We also would like to congratulate Tim Kelly, our Hall of Fame inductee. Tim has been a valuable member to our association for many years, and is a great resource for our membership. It really is a special part of the state meeting when we can recognize the accomplishments of our members, who play such an important role in our association.

On the financial front, David Byrnes has been doing a nice job with our finances. David does a great job working closely with Lisa Quadrini, our financial advisor, in managing

our accounts. I remain confident that our financial status will remain healthy with whatever recommendations and decisions are made.

On the concussion front, NYSATA is working with the NYSED, NYSPHSAA, and the Brain Injury Association on drafting the rules and regulations for *The Head Injury Awareness and Prevention Act*. Paul Lasinski, our Secondary Schools Chair, has been doing a fantastic job working with NYSED and NYSPHSAA on our behalf. We will keep you posted on this, as it will be a landmark bill.

Also, Sport Safety International has partnered with the New York State Athletic Trainers' Association to offer the ConcussionWise series of educational programs. *ConcussionWise AT for Athletic Trainers* is an online educational course designed specifically for members of the New York State Athletic Trainers' Association. The course is approved by the Board of Certification, Inc. for 2.0 hours of Category A continuing education credit (CEU's). After successful completion of the course, learners will receive a certificate of completion. It is available [here](#).

The District 2 Advanced Education Committee is proud to announce the District's first free on-line CE program. The current offering is entitled: Clinical Management of Musculoskeletal Inflammation by Michael G. Dolan, MA, ATC; Professor/Athletic Trainer; Director, Sports Medicine Research Laboratory at Canisius College. For more information, go to the District 2 Advanced Education Program [website](#). Members who complete the program will receive 1 CE. This is not a live event, thus you can view the presentation at your convenience.

On the national scene, we are looking for interested people in taking part in the Capitol Hill Day in Washington DC on February 24, 2012. This is a great opportunity for getting involved with the legislative process and meeting your local congressional members, and encouraging sponsoring HR 1137, the Athletic Trainers' Equal Access to Medicare Act (ATEAM). This is a great experience for athletic trainers, and we look forward to a strong

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contingent representing NYSATA. Anyone interested should contact [Christine Jenkins](#) or [Jennie Petrone](#).

We need to be proud of the Athletic Training profession in NY State. Athletic trainers are recognized by the NY State Education Department (NYSED) Office of the Professions as a licensed profession. Only people that are licensed with the Office of the Professions can call themselves certified athletic trainers in NY State. New York certified athletic trainers must display a current New York registration certificate; this certificate lists the professional's name, address, and dates of the registration period. Certified athletic trainers must reregister every three years to practice in New York. We ask that all certified athletic trainers in NYS register with NYSED. If you are not registered, please do so as soon as you can at the NYS Office of the Professions [website](#). I would like to remind our members of the importance of taking an active role in our association. Communicate with your NYSATA Region Reps, or NYSATA Committee Chairs or Executive Council. I want to thank all members who are part of our association, and encourage others to contribute and get involved in our association. We can always use new ideas and initiatives.

### Reminders:

NATA dues include membership in the national, district, and state associations. Please check the NATA website to check deadlines for your dues.

**NATA Capitol Hill Day**  
Friday February 24, 2012.  
Hyatt Regency, Washington, DC

**NYSATA Conference**  
June 1-2, 2012 at the US Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, NY

Please feel free to contact me with any issues or concerns that you may have. Have a great winter season and see you in Lake Placid in June 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

*Christopher K. Hobler*

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President, NYSATA

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Dear NYSATA Member,

It is our pleasure to invite you to attend Hospital for Special Surgery's **14th Annual Sports Medicine for the Young Athlete** conference that will be held on **Saturday, February 25**, at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York City. Conference highlights this year include a session on the physical and emotional concerns of youth sport specialization, a keynote address on the effects of Title IX at 40 years delivered by the Chief Executive Officer of the Women's Sports Foundation, breakout sessions on medical and orthopedic issues of sports medicine, and hands-on workshops including ACL prevention, swimming mechanics and physical examination skills of the hip and spine.

We look forward to you joining us for this exciting day of education. For more information or to register, please click [www.hss.edu/cme](http://www.hss.edu/cme) or call Casey Reisner at 212.606.1812.

With very best wishes,

Jordan D. Metz, MD, and Daniel Green, MD, *Activity Directors*

**Accreditation** This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of Hospital for Special Surgery, National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners and New York Chapter 3, American Academy of Pediatrics. Hospital for Special

Surgery is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**Credits** Hospital for Special Surgery designates this live activity for a maximum of 5.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Hospital for Special Surgery is a New York State Education Department approved provider for physical therapy continuing education. Hospital for Special Surgery designates this activity for a maximum of 6.3 contact hours.

National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA): Hospital for Special Surgery is recognized by the Board of Certification,

Inc., and is approved to offer continuing education for certified athletic trainers. This symposium is accredited for up to 5.25 NATA credits.

This program is pending approval by the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) for NAPNAP CE contact hours.

## NYSATA Legislative Update

Wilson Elser, LLP

### Licensure and Certification

Currently, the Office of the Professions within the State Education Department (SED) regulates Certified Athletic Trainers, along with 47 other professions all defined in Title VIII of the Education Law.

SED has stated in a publication regarding the last new certified profession "...under Title VIII of the Education Law, all of the professions are considered "licensed," even those with a certification title." Certified Athletic Trainers have a defined and restricted scope of practice, as well as title protection. Historically, certified professions did not have scopes of practice in law.

The certified title is protected and cannot be used by a person who is not a certified athletic trainer. In fact, it is illegal practice to use the title without being licensed by New York State. Having NATA certification is not sufficient. Other licensed professionals are specifically authorized to perform the functions of athletic training, such as physicians and physical therapists, because they are exempt under the Certified Athletic Trainers statute.

Upon receiving reports of illegal practice, SED has the authority to investigate and prosecute accordingly.

In addition to monitoring illegal practice, SED is charged with enforcement of the law that requires Certified Athletic Trainers *to practice within the scope of their profession*. The scope of practice for athletic training is defined in the Education law, Section 8352:

The practice of the profession of athletic trainers is defined as the application of principles, methods and procedures for managing athletic injuries, which shall include the preconditioning, conditioning and reconditioning of an individual who has suffered an athletic injury through the use of appropriate preventative and supportive devices, under the supervision of a physician and recognizing illness and referring to the appropriate medical profession

with implementation of treatment pursuant to physician's orders.....the scope of work described herein shall not be construed as authorizing the reconditioning of neurological injuries, conditions or disease.

If the Education Department receives a report of a Certified Athletic Trainer practicing beyond the statutory scope, the Department will investigate and, if warranted, forward the case to a professional misconduct review and hearing. This process begins with a review by members of the State Committee for Athletic Trainers.

It is important to recognize that licensees can also be disciplined for providing services that are within the statutory scope of practice but are beyond a licensee's personal scope of competence. If you are not competent to provide a service that you are legally allowed to provide, then you may not provide that service. As a licensed professional, it is your responsibility to practice *within the scope of your abilities and expertise*. *If you practice outside your personal scope of competence, you can be charged with professional misconduct.*

### Penalties

Upon a determination of unprofessional conduct, a range of penalties that includes censure and reprimand, fines (up to \$10,000 for each violation), suspensions and/or probationary terms may be imposed on licensees.

**If the Athletic Trainer article were changed from certification to licensure, the Regents would ultimately be able to revoke licenses, prohibiting a practitioner from engaging in athletic training upon a finding of severe misconduct. Under current law, a practitioner can only lose the privilege of using the title, Certified Athletic Trainer.**

January 25, 2012

The New York State Athletic Trainers Association retains Wilson Elser, the largest lobbying law firm in New York State, to monitor legislation affecting the profession and represent its interests before various state governmental entities. This column affords

Wilson Elser the opportunity to educate the membership about various issues and events in the New York State Legislature and the State Education Department affecting Certified Athletic Trainers (ATCs).

### 2012 Legislative Session Begins

The 2012 Legislative Session officially began on Wednesday January 4th when Governor Cuomo gave his State of the State address. The following week each house of the Legislature convened session. This is the second year of the two-year session cycle, which means that bills that were not passed last year remain active in their respective houses. Additionally, this is an election year for each legislator, which provides a background for what the Legislature accomplishes in this session.

Until April 1, the primary focus of the Legislature will be passing a state budget for the 2012-13 fiscal year. The Governor released his Executive State Budget Proposal on Tuesday, January 17th. All the State agencies and relevant stakeholders will provide budget testimony to the fiscal committees over the next few weeks and the Legislature will use the next couple months to consider amendments to the Governor's proposed budget.

We have reported in previous legislative updates on the proposal to legalize Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) in New York noting that proponents attribute over \$1 million annually in revenue to the State. Despite the fact that the state continues to face difficult economic times, Governor Cuomo decided not to include MMA legislation in his Executive budget proposal. He avoided this issue and other "controversial" measures indicating that it would be left to the Legislature to raise this as part of the overall budget negotiations.

Wilson Elser will continue to track this and other issues that concern ATCs as the legislative Session continues between now and late June.

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## Call For Poster Presentation Submissions FOR 2012 NYSATA ANNUAL CONFERENCE *June 1-3, Lake Placid*

For the past two years for our annual NYSATA Conference we have accepted presentations in poster format so our certified and student members had an opportunity to present some of their original research, case reports, and/or education issues, techniques, recommendations, etc. We will be accepting abstracts again this year and would like to invite anyone interested to encourage their students, staff, and faculty members to submit proposals for peer review. For consistency, we will use the same submission formats that are utilized for the EATA and NATA Research Committees. Instructions for preparation and submission of all abstracts can be found on the EATA website at the ["Research" icon](#). Please read these instructions carefully and follow them as closely as possible.

The deadline for submission is Friday, April 13th, 2012.

Submissions, or questions, may be sent electronically or hard copy or to Kent Scriber ([kscriber@ithaca.edu](mailto:kscriber@ithaca.edu) or 14 Hill Center, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY 14850). We hope you will join us in making this important endeavor a continued success.

# NYSATA

## Governmental Affairs

*Christine Jenkins MS, ATC*

The weather is cold outside, but issues affecting Governmental Affairs are just starting to heat up.

### **Concussion Legislation**

We will be working with the NY State Department of Education (along with other organizations within NY State) as they write up the specific guidelines for the newly passed Concussion Management bill. They hope to have the guidelines written by the end of March – followed by a period of time to allow for edits. The final regulations they hope to have completed by May, then to take effect in the State in July of this year. We will pass along these regulations to you as soon as they are complete!

The success of this bill is largely dependent upon how well they are implemented at each individual school. As Certified Athletic Trainers, we are positioned. It is therefore paramount that ATCs at the secondary school level are aware of these regulations and are proactive in getting involved in their implementation. It is up to us to get involved and use this as an opportunity to act as the true medical professionals we are.

To make this so, we need those of you reading this to reach out to other ATCs who may not be up-to-date on this legislation. PLEASE reach out to those you know in the secondary school setting to educate them on these regulations!!! We are considering putting together a committee to help spread the word. If you are interested, please contact me.

### **NATA's Hit the Hill Day**

Although the official registration period has passed, there's still time to make plans to attend! Our national lobbying campaign takes place Thursday, February 23rd and Friday February 24th in Washington DC. There is some money available to help defray travel/lodging costs. For more information, contact me asap! ([c.jenkins@hvcc.edu](mailto:c.jenkins@hvcc.edu))

### **Albany Lobby Day**

The annual Lobby Day in Albany will take place on Wednesday, May 23rd 2012. Start planning now on attending! It is a one-day lobbying effort that takes place at the capital in Albany. Our goal this year is to get at least 20 people to attend.

### **Practice Act**

Last but not least, is the current condition of our Practice Act. It is out-dated, and we are seriously considering moving to update this. If we move forward to update the Practice Act, we will need the help and support of NYSATA members. Please stay tuned for more information!

## Welcome New NYSATA Members!

*Welcome!*

Erik John Ackerman  
 Dana L. Bennett  
 Michael Bonanno  
 Kimberly N. Broccoli  
 Aubree Margaret Cannone  
 Shannah L. Dalton  
 Cory J. Delaney  
 Victoria D. Dic  
 Casey R. Everhart  
 Patrick John Fava  
 Alan Freedman  
 Jessica Marie Gent  
 Cody Herbert  
 Elizabeth Mariah Hevern  
 Michael R. Kunzmann  
 Gregory Laraia  
 Evan James Massa  
 Kara B. Miller  
 Megan Elizabeth Mormile  
 Joseph John Mosher  
 Meaghan M. Murphy  
 Stephanie J. Normand  
 Nicole Payne  
 Raymon George Ragunauth  
 Melanie Rose Silver  
 Michael L. Smith  
 Caitlin Thomson  
 Brittany R. Wormley

## NYSATA Hall of Fame

*Deanna Errico, ATC - Chair*

The New York State Athletic Trainers' Association is proud to have inducted Tim Kelly, ATC of the United States Military Academy into the NYSATA Hall of Fame on January 7, 2012. Tim served as NYSATA's president-elect/president/past president from 1994-2000 and was instrumental in helping to get legislation passed for certification in NYS and then served on the NYSED Athletic Training Board (2001-2011). Recently he has been very involved in the NATA Council on Employment and is currently the President of the Armed Forces Athletic Training Society. He was the strong force behind the NATA Research and Education Foundation Scholarship named for Ed Pillings, currently acting as its committee chair.



Tim Kelly (above) was the first NYSATA Hall of Fame member to be given the new NYSATA commemorative Hall of Fame watch during the business meeting. Other past Hall of Fame members, Kent Scriber, Rick Zappala, and Kathy Koshansky were at the conference and were presented with their watches as well. Previous Hall of Fame members who were not at the conference will be presented with their watches at the annual conference in Lake Placid.



*NYSATA Hall of Fame members: Rick Zappala, ATC; Tim Kelly, ATC; Kathy Koshansky, ATC; Kent Scriber, ATC*

## Membership and Nominations Committee

*Rebecca Petersen, MS, ATC - Chair*

With two qualified candidates in the running, the votes are in and the next President-Elect for the New York State Athletic Trainer's Association has been selected. We wish to thank both Tim Prohinsie, from Nassau Community College, and Aimee Brunelle, from Jamestown Community College, for their desire to be our association's next President-Elect. Congratulations to Aimee Brunelle, as she will take office at the June 2012 NYSATA meeting.

Thank all those who participated in the election.



## Awards & Scholarships

The New York State Athletic Trainers Association offers awards annually to Certified Athletic Trainers in New York State for outstanding professional service, commitment, and contributions to the profession of athletic training. Scholarships are also offered to students pursuing a degree in athletic training in New York State. Please follow the links below for more information on these awards and scholarships.

[Joseph Abraham Award](#)  
[Thomas J. Sheehan Award](#)  
[John Sciera Service Award](#)  
[NYSATA Scholarship](#)

# NYSATA

# Regional Reps

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# Regional Reports



## Region 1

Jayne Kitsos, ATC

The Long Island University Athletic Training Student Club participated in the NY Cares Winter Wishes program again this past December. The students were given a Christmas Wish list from 2 children of 2 families in the NYC area. AT students, faculty and the LIU Women's Basketball Team worked hard to fulfill the Wishes for these children. Toys, games, jewelry making kits, clothes, hats and gloves were among the many items given to the children. **Justine Stevenson '12**, ATS Club President and **Yu-Wei Lin '13**, President-Elect delivered 2 overflowing bags of presents to the Lower Manhattan NY Cares Office to be delivered on to the families for Christmas.



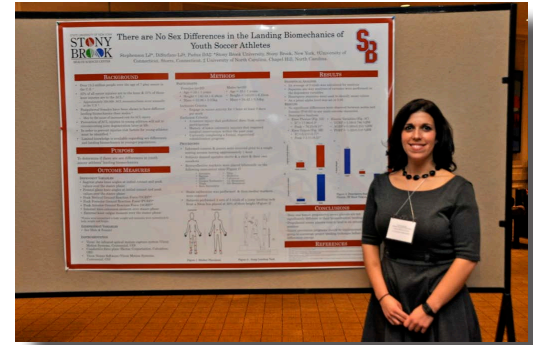
LIU Athletic Training Student Club

Hofstra University would like to congratulate **Ali Sperduti** (Class of 2013) for being honored for your excellent academic work with an EATA Scholarship.

From Stony Brook University:  
 Stony Brook University is proud to share some exciting news from the Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposium in January:

**Lauren Stephenson, ATC** won the Research Committee Graduate Poster

Award for her poster titled: "There are No Sex Differences in the Landing Biomechanics of Youth Soccer Athletes."



Lauren Stephenson, ATC

Senior student **Ruth Gillespie** received the EATA scholarship, NYSATA scholarship and was our representative in the District 2 Quiz Bowl. It all came down to the Final Jeopardy question and she placed 7th out of 18!



Ruth Gillespie

Three students presented two case study posters at the program: "A Distal Fibula and Pilon Fracture with a Dislocated Proximal Fibular Head in a Collegiate Softball Athlete" (senior **Jaci Smith** with ACI **Kristen Ribbons, ATC**) and "Acute Traumatic Multi-joint Injuries in a Division I Female Soccer Athlete" (juniors **Matt Klics** & **Anthony Passarette** with ACI **Brandon Mitchell, ATC**).



Jaci Smith with NATA President Marje Albohm



*Matt Klics & Anthony Passaretti*

We were very happy to see so many alumni (14) in attendance... and lastly, congratulations to senior student **Jeff Lee** for winning the Wing Eating Contest!



*SBU Students, faculty and alumni*

14th Annual Sports Medicine for the Young Athlete conference will be held on Saturday, February 25th at Weil Cornell Medical School in New York City. Click [HERE](#) to register. For questions contact Casey Reisner at [reisner@hss.edu](mailto:reisner@hss.edu).

## Region 2

*Glenn Marinelli, ATC*

### **SOATS Winter Meeting announcement!**

February 21, 2012 5:00 – 8:00pm

To be held at Memorial Hall ([Building 2](#))  
Rye Country Day School, Rye, NY. There is no fee, and we will have 3 presenters:

Respiratory Conditions in the Young Athlete  
Dr. Jay Boyer  
Current Trends In ACL Reconstruction  
Dr. Louis McIntyre  
Conditioning High School Athletes for the Next Level- ML Strength

## Region 4

*Christine Scuderi, ATC*

**Shane Osgood, ATC** joined the *Work-Fit* staff in Massena, on August 15th. This is a new position at Alcoa. He is working as an ATC and his title is Ergonomic Specialist. He is providing Alcoa with job assessments that describe the essential functions of the jobs, include a biomechanical analysis, and injury prevention recommendations. He has worked in various Athletic Training settings including working for Work-Fit in a Boeing plant in Washington State. Shane is originally from the Corning, NY area and is a graduate of SUNY Cortland.

**Jonathan Hewitt** from *SUNY Potsdam* is going to be conducting a non-credit course in February titled Athlete Development and Injury Prevention. It is geared towards coaches, athletes, and parents and will cover topics such as (but not limited to) appropriate application of training methods, injury prevention, and common practice planning mistakes. 4 one-hour sessions will be held, beginning Wednesday February 1. For further information visit [www.potsdam.edu/community/noncredit](http://www.potsdam.edu/community/noncredit) or call (315) 267-2167.

## Region 5

*Courtney Gray, ATC*

Professor **Kent Scriber**, EdD, ATC, PT, Clinical Education Coordinator at *Ithaca College*, recently returned from China where he was an invited speaker at *Beijing Sport University*. He presented "Prevention and Management of Low Back Injuries in Golf" for the *2011 BSU Golf Rehabilitation and Training Conference* attended by 85 physicians, physical therapists, and golf coaches. Additionally, he presented "The Development of the Athletic Training Profession in the United States" to 110 faculty members and students at Beijing Sports University. (See picture of Kent following page.)



*Kent between the Dean and President of Beijing Sports University.*

**Chris Hummel**, MS, ATC, Clinical Associate Professor at *Ithaca College*, recently presented at a regional Concussion Management conference held in Syracuse, NY hosted by St. Joseph's Hospital. Chris spoke on various issues regarding concussion management for high school and collegiate athletes to an audience of 50 physicians, athletic trainers and other healthcare providers. Particular emphasis was placed on creating policies and procedures for high schools and colleges to ensure safe return to activity following concussion, along with the essential role that Certified Athletic Trainers play in this critical process.

**Jessica Anderson** of *Ithaca College*, Class of 2012, and the 2008 recipient of the NATA's *Jack Cramer Scholarship* for high school seniors pursuing a career in athletic training, was recently profiled in Cramer Products' First Aider e-Newsletter. [Read the full article here.](#)

*Ithaca College* senior athletic training and physical therapy double majors **James Newton** and **Courtney Woytovich** were recently awarded professional scholarships by the NYSATA and EATA, respectively. Jimmy won the *Ed Abramoski Buffalo Bills Scholarship* from the New York State Athletic Trainers' Association, while Courtney was the recipient of the *Henry Schein Inc. Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association Wes Jordan Scholarship Award*. Both awards were given out at the 2012 EATA Annual Meeting in Boston MA.

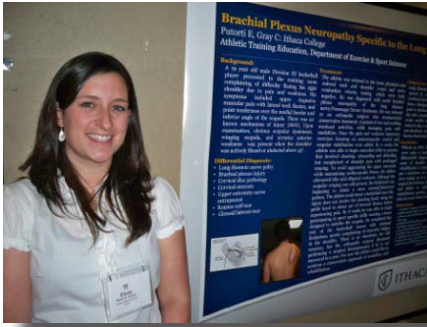


*L to R- Joe Patton from Henry Schein, Courtney Woytovich, and EATA President Diane Sartanowicz.*

Several *Ithaca College* faculty and recent graduates had abstracts selected and presented in poster format at the 2012 EATA Annual Meeting held in Boston, MA. *Ithaca College* class of 2011 graduate **Jackie Harpham** (UNC-Chapel Hill graduate student) and Clinical Associate Professor **Chris Hummel** co-authored an abstract titled *Stress injury of the second metatarsal in a collegiate football offensive lineman following previous excision of a tarsal coalition*. 2011 IC graduate **Elyse Putorti** (employed at Cayuga Medical Center) and Clinical Assistant Professor **Courtney Gray** co-authored an abstract titled *Brachial Plexus Neuropathy Specific to the Long Thoracic Nerve in a Men's Basketball Player*. *Ithaca College* graduate student **Olivia Jarem** (Exercise and Sport Sciences) and Professor **Kent Scriber** and Assistant Professor **Justine Vosloo** co-authored *Athletes' Knowledge and Perceptions of Sport Related Concussions and the Decision to Seek Treatment*. Jackie, Elyse, and Olivia traveled to the EATA symposium and presented their posters during the Free Communications portion of meeting.



*Jackie Harpham*



*Elyse Putorti*



*Olivia Jarem*

The Departments of Exercise & Sport Sciences & Physical Therapy at *Ithaca College* announce the Annual Professional Lecture Series!

Reserve Monday, March 5th for an exciting opportunity to interact with, and learn from one of the leading scholars and practitioners athletic training has to offer!

**Dr. Tamara Valovich McLeod**, the John P. Wood, D.O., Endowed Chair for Sports Medicine and associate professor in the Athletic Training Program at A.T. Still University in Mesa, Arizona will be available day and evening to share her work and passion on issues related to pediatric injuries, and in particular concussions in younger populations. She will present a key note lecture in the evening on pediatric concussions. Stay tuned for a detailed schedule! For more information, contact Courtney Gray at [cgray@ithaca.edu](mailto:cgray@ithaca.edu) or 607-274-3120.

Congratulations to **Jen Krohn**, ATC (Mohawk Valley Community College) and **Amy Voorhees**, ATC (Tompkins-Cortland Community College) for completing the Walt Disney World® *Half Marathon* in early January!

The *Cortland College Student Athletic Trainers' Association* and Athletic Training Staff hosted and participated in a *St. Baldrick's Foundation* event on Dec. 3. The event raised \$4,582.26 for the *St. Baldrick's Foundation*. Students **Drew Bergmann, Aaron Blanchard, David Brennan, Jonathan Edwards, Jesse Hartley, Adam Huynh, John Kenney, Maxwell Parsons, Daniel Rodriguez, Alex Santa, Lee Stambouli, Danny Stevens, Nicholas Yarwood, Ray Babnick, and staff Patrick Donnelly, ATC, Bryan Gardner, Steven Meyer, ATC, Brogan Patenaude, and Matt Mahoney** were shaved for this event.



*Jen, still smiling at the 5 mile mark!*

[Read the full story and see more photos here.](#)



*Congratulations to Our Scholarship Winners!*

**Ruth Gillespie, Stony Brook University**  
NYSATA Scholarship

**Alexis Schmidtke, SUNY Brockport**  
NATA District 2 Scholarship

**James Newton, Ithaca College**  
Edward Abramowski Scholarship



*Ruth Gillespie with Deanna Errico, ATC – NYSATA President-Elect*

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## NYSATA Annual Conference Report

*Deanna Errico, ATC – President-Elect*

The 2012 Annual NYSATA Conference will again be held at the United States Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid June 1-2. The golf outing will be held at the Craig Woods Golf Course in Lake Placid, and the Friday night reception will be held at Lisa G's. The conference will be held all day on Saturday with lectures in the morning and workshops in the afternoon. The day will end with a second reception Saturday night and there are optional outdoor activities planned for Sunday. Attendees are encouraged to stay at the Olympic Training Center.

NYSATA is also pleased to announce that last year was the first year NYSATA was able to provide online registration as well as provide professional honorariums to our speakers. This year we have another excellent line-up of speakers. We hope that you will join us and make a weekend out of it and are encouraged to bring the family. More information will be available next month regarding specifics about the annual NYSATA conference to be held June 1-2, 2012 in Lake Placid.

## Joseph Abraham Award

*Steven Norman, ATC*

Nomination forms are available for the Joseph Abraham Award

The award is given annually by the New York State Athletic Trainers Association. We look to award a New York State High School that has provided outstanding athletic injury care to the student-athletes of their school. We will be accepting applications until November 15th. The recognition for you and your athletic training program is invaluable. Contact Steven Norman at 914-925-4544.

### *History of the Award*

Joe Abraham was a pioneer during his 40 years as an athletic trainer. Joe was one of the first professionals to recognize the need for quality athletic training programs at the high school level. During his career, Joe served his profession as NATA District Director, EATA Secretary/Treasurer for 17 years and as President of the NYSATA. He served as an athletic trainer at both the 1968 Mexico City Olympics and at the Lake Placid Games of 1980. As a result of his outstanding career, Joe was inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame in 1970.

## The NYSATA Newsletter

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## Secondary Education Committee Report

*Paul Lasinski, ATC*

The Committee has been following the status of the NYS Concussion Management and Awareness Act that will go into effect in July 2012. The timetable for the implementation of the bill is as follows:

- After the bill was signed, the NYSDOE began writing the rules & regulations.
- In the last week of December, Draft Rules and Regulations were sent to reviewers throughout the state to make comments and edits. I was chosen by Chris to be the reviewer for our organization.
- By the end of January, all comments were returned to the NYSDOE.
- Between January and March, the NYSDOE will review the comments & edits and write the final Rules and Regulations.
- After March, there will be a public comment period.

- After the comment period, the rules and regulations will become part of the law.

Unfortunately, the draft rules and regulations are not for public dissemination, but I will tell you that the goal of our organization was to ensure that the Rules and Regulations:

- Contained the nomenclature Certified Athletic Trainer as our title.
- Reflected our ability and training to identify, assess, evaluate, and monitor traumatic brain injuries.
- Included that the Certified Athletic Trainer is an integral part of the concussion management team.

Look for the next NYSATA Newsletter to see the final Rules and Regulations.

## NYSATA Account Balance

as of January 5, 2012  
*David Byrnes, MS,ATC*

### MUTUAL FUNDS

Blackrock Global Allocation Fund	\$45,314.07
Calamos Global Growth and Income Fund	\$46,489.05
Franklin Income	\$31,374.90
American Funds	\$10,583.81
Hartford Floating Rate Fund	\$ 6,133.06

### CORPORATE NOTES & BONDS

GATX Cap Corp	\$ 9,021.33
HealthCare Prop HCP	\$11,208.78
Commercial Metals CO NTS	\$17,010.00

### PREFERRED SECURITIES

Dominion Resources	\$ 8,823.00
MetLife Floater Callable	\$10,431.00

UBS Money Market Account	\$17,281.25
Money Market Account (Investment)	\$15,350.78
Checking Account	\$17,771.62

**Account Total** **\$246,792.65**

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