

FALL 2019

**SAVE THE DATES**

Abraham Award Nominations  
Due Date  
November 15, 2019

NYSATA Scholarships Applications  
Due Date  
November 20, 2019

NATA Student  
Leadership Application  
Due Date  
November 26, 2019

EATA Annual Convention  
January 10-13, 2020  
Foxwoods Resort & Casino  
Mashantucket, CT

National Athletic Training Month  
March 2020

NYSATA Lobby Day  
April 21, 2020  
Albany, NY

NYSATA Annual Meeting  
June 5-6, 2020  
Schenectady, NY

NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo  
June 17-20, 2020  
Atlanta, GA

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**THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**



Jeff Sage, MS, ATC, CSCS, PES

I hope you all have had a chance to enjoy a bit of the fall season. Sometimes it is easy to lose track of time in our line of work. The build up to Halloween has been my barometer for many years. However, my kids are older now and Halloween came and went quickly as it does not have the same significance as it once did in our household. It will not be long until the traditional holidays are upon us, then of course, 2020. Being at the college level, I call this time of year "cross-over season". You know what I mean, every team is either in-season, pre-season, gearing up for post-season or doing out-of-season activities and work days seem unending with days off that are few and far between. Aside from the leaves that seemed to have turned colors overnight and are now piling up in the yard, I do get reminded of the time of year by the holiday music when scanning the radio and the rather large offering of holiday-themed movies on Lifetime and Hallmark channels -- have you ever wondered how they amassed so many? We spend so much of our time taking care of others, please take some time to take care of yourselves and spend it with those that you cherish.

I am happy to report that NYSATA has been awarded a NATA Legislative Grant of \$38,250 for 2020. This grant will allow us to continue the most critical work towards passing the NYS AT licensure bills in 2020. Although our legislators are only in Albany January – June, the work continues year-round. A big thank you goes out to our Governmental Affairs co-chairs, Aimee Brunelle and Deanna Errico, for securing this grant yet again. Their coordinated efforts with our lobbyist, Karin Carreau, are moving us closer and closer to AT licensure. But we are not there yet, we still need YOUR help!

As you know, legislative bills in NYS have a two-year life cycle. Thus, 2020 will be the second year of our current bills, A-5499 (M.Solages) and S-5127 (R.May), and we need assistance from all of YOU in getting them across the finish line. Much progress was made toward the end of the last legislative session in a very short period of time, but this year we cannot wait. Reach out to your NYS Senator and Assemblyperson NOW. They are still in their home districts – call their local office

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or send a letter to request a meeting or invite them to your AT facility. Tell them your story and why licensure is so important to us and the patients that you care for -- who may be their constituents too. We need a huge effort from our members to engage at the grassroots level as well as attend our annual Lobby Day in the on Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Stay tuned!

Our annual fall NYS Athletic Trainer Recognition week was a bit earlier than in previous years, held September 13 – 22. I hope you were able to step out from shadows and have a little bit of light shine on WHAT you do and HOW much you do. Even though this makes some of us uncomfortable we need to take these opportunities and make the most of them. This is also a good reminder to start thinking about March – National Athletic Training Month. We can use this platform to not only help promote you at your place of work or schools (if students), but also with our legislators. It is never too early to start thinking about how YOU might get your messaging out: local TV coverage, newsletters (print or electronic), social media, PSAs, signage in your office, AT facility and home events.

A reminder to our secondary school ATs, especially new ones, be sure to go to the [Athletic Training Location And Services \(ATLAS\) tab on the NYSATA website](#) to complete or re-take the 2019-20 survey.

For students, don't forget to apply for scholarships and or available leadership positions. NYSATA Scholarship application and instructions can be found at on [NYSATA website](#). The application deadline is November 20.

NATA Student Leadership Committee is accepting applicants for District 2. For more information and the application link, go to [NATA website](#). The application deadline is November 26.

As you all know, 2019 is a reporting year for CEUs with the BOC. Be mindful of the December 31 deadline, do not let your BOC credential expire. If you are cutting it close on CEUs, do not forget about the 10 CEU credit included with your NATA membership, visit the [NATA Professional Development Center](#). NATA membership renewal season will be upon us very soon as well. Be sure to review and update your NATA profile as needed – **especially your email address**. Email is still the primary means that we will reach out to our members. Please be sure to check and update your email address so we (NYSATA) can keep you informed and reach out to you via Voter's Voice for legislative actions, as needed.

I hope to have the opportunity to see you at EATA in January. The conference is scheduled January 10-13 at the Foxwoods Resort & Casino, Mashantucket, CT. Two key meetings for the membership:

- NYSATA member meeting -- Saturday January 11, 4:00 - 5:00 PM in Premier C.
- District 2 membership meeting – Sunday January 12, 10:00 - 11:30 AM in Premier Ballroom A.

Lastly, a special note, Bob O'Malley, current NYSATA Past President is one of the nominees for NATA District 2 Treasurer. Bob has been a tremendous asset to NYSATA and I am certain that he will do the same serving us at the District level. Voting will begin Monday, Nov 4. Please watch for the voter email and consider casting your vote for one of our own. Good luck Bob!

Have happy, safe and enjoyable holiday season.



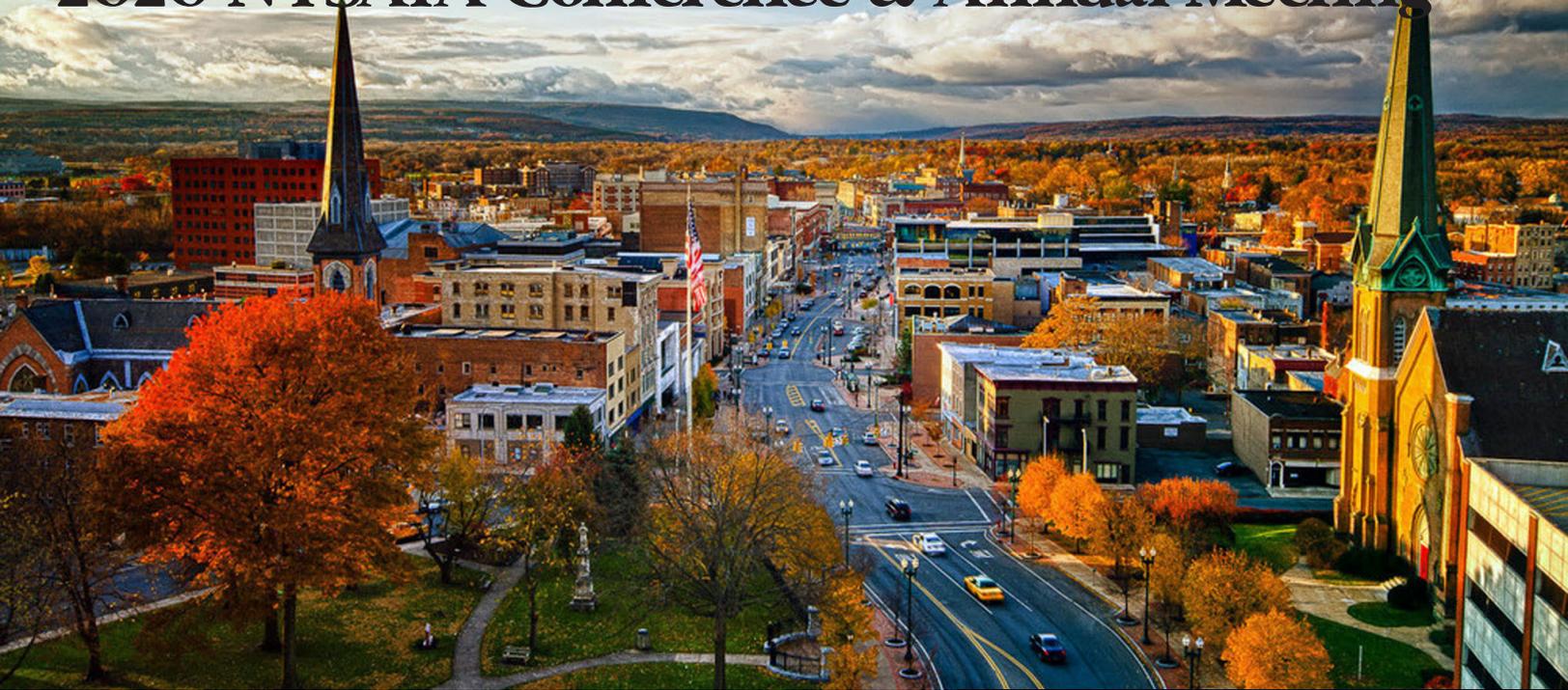
## Joseph Abraham Award

Applications for the 2020 [Joseph Abraham Award](#) are now being accepted. Deadline for all applications is November 15, 2019. Application can be found on the [NYSATA website](#) under [Joseph Abraham Award](#).

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# Save the Date!

## 2020 NYSATA Conference & Annual Meeting



### Conference & Program

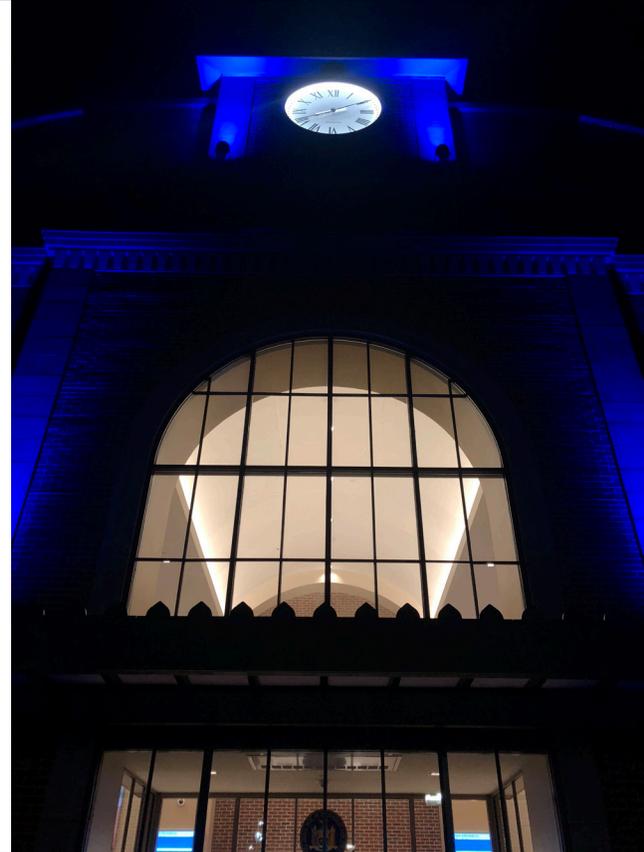
Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC, EMT - Chair

The NYSATA Conference Committee is excited to announce the 2020 Annual Meeting will be returning to the Doubletree by Hilton in Schenectady, Friday June 5 – Saturday June 6, 2020.

Why Schenectady? Schenectady gives us the opportunity for affordable hotel expenses while being within minutes of Albany and other Capital District attractions. Not only does Schenectady have a unique name, it has a unique mix of things to do, places to see, food to eat, and drinks to... well...drink. Enjoy classic amenities in a revamped setting along a beautiful waterfront. From the new Rivers Casino & Resort, to six local craft breweries, to the variety of family attractions - Schenectady has everything you need in a weekend getaway. We hope this is everything you need to convince you to [Discover Schenectady](#).

We will begin requesting proposals for the 2020 conference in the next few weeks; keep an eye out for more information!

We are looking to grow our conference committee and need help with reviewing proposals and acquiring sponsors and exhibitors. If you are interested, please [email me](#).





## Governmental Affairs Report

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC, EMT  
Deanna Errico, PT, DPT, ATC

Co-Chairs

The New York State Athletic Trainers' Association Government Affairs Committee (GAC) is pleased to announce that NYSATA has again been awarded an NATA Legislative Grant. Your government affairs committee chairs (and Treasurer, Dave Byrnes) worked diligently this summer to create a compelling application to win this highly competitive grant. Our efforts were rewarded by again receiving a grant, this time for over \$38K! As you are well aware, NYSATA currently has legislative bills in the New York State Senate (S5127) and Assembly (A5400A) to obtain licensure for all athletic trainers in New York State. NYS is only one of three states in the entire U.S. who do not have licensure for athletic trainers.

You may look at the certifying document you received from the New York State Education Department and see the word "license" on it, but do not be fooled. As recently explained to the NYSED Athletic Training Board "It's a license for certification, not a licensed scope of practice". In other words, it's title protection.

This certifying document provides **title protection**. This means that no one can call themselves a certified athletic trainer unless certified through the NYSED – but **it does not protect the scope of work** that we do. Having only title protection places the public at risk for having individuals without proper training and credentialing call themselves athletic trainers, as long as they do not use "certified" along with it. These individuals provide care and potentially hurt the athletic training reputation. Licensure is needed to prevent this.

We ask you to continue to visit your legislators, especially during the fall when they are not in Albany, but instead, in their local office. Invite them to see where and how you work (be sure to check in with your administrative offices – they often need to approve a visit). Request that they please consider co-sponsoring the bill. The more senators and assembly members we have as co-sponsors, the stronger our chances of getting this bill to pass in the Spring. A legislator can co-sponsor at any time – it doesn't have to be during the legislative session. The more your legislators hear from you, the better – they need to know what

is meaningful to their constituents – and if they repeatedly get letters, get phone calls, get visits, and get invitations to see ATs in action, they will believe this is important!

The GAC continues to have meetings with the sponsoring legislative aides, and with members of the senate/assembly to promote our bill. We are scheduling meetings with the State Education Department and opposition groups to help them understand why the bill includes certain aspects. This year the GAC is looking at obtaining help from a public relations firm to "get the word out" about athletic trainers.

For those of you who have been writing letters, visiting legislators, and making calls – **thank you!** This is noticed and we are getting feedback from legislators. For those who hesitate, please let us remind you of the positive impact this legislation will do for our profession. We have been growing by leaps and bounds, but our practice act is dated. To stay current and work as we have been educated, this needs to be updated. We cannot do this without your effort.

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## NYSATA Legislative Update

Karin Carreau, Carreau Consulting



While the last official gavel of the regular 2019 legislative session was thrown down in late June, your legislative team has continued to work during the off-session months with our sponsors and key stakeholders to prepare for our 2020 Campaign for Licensure. Such work continues to include constant education of legislators (keeping the initiative front and center), poring over the language, reaching out to

allied professions, strategy sessions with sponsors and PR development. However, this year, we are also encouraging **YOU**, the citizen lobbyist, to play a more prominent role.

Citizen Lobbying is a role that has existed nearly as long as the democratic process itself and a vital component to an effective advocacy campaign. Essentially, all legislative issue campaigns share three main ingredients – education, advocacy, and participation. While constituents are often hesitant to engage in the process for a myriad of reasons, be it, a perceived lack of time, assumptions that legislators are indifferent to constituent concerns, or perhaps just a fear of the unknown, the reality is that Legislators and their staff consistently report that one of the most important influencing factors on any legislative initiative is constituent support. So few people contact their legislators, that one visit, one phone call, or one letter from a constituent often speaks volumes.

In 2017, The Congressional Management Foundation (CMF) released a comprehensive report based on twelve years of research and outreach to over 1,200 congressional staffers. The findings iterate the profound impact and influence citizens have on legislative decision-making. The research, entitled "[Citizen-Centric Advocacy: The Untapped Power of Constituent Engagement](#)" is, to date, considered the most comprehensive review on citizen engagement in the legislative process.

The Report highlights findings of a July 2016 Rasmussen survey, that iterates "Only 11 percent of the voters surveyed thought Members of Congress listen to the constituents they represent. Yet, as this report shows, when congressional staff were asked what advocacy factors influence an "undecided" lawmaker, 94 percent said "in-person issue visits from constituents" would have some or a lot of influence and 92 percent said "individualized email messages" from constituents would. Despite the haranguing of mainstream media to the contrary, and popular culture insisting that citizen voices are muted in Washington, the report shows that constituents remain significant factors to legislators' decision-making."

The report made the following key findings: Direct constituent interactions are extremely influential in the decision making

process, Legislators and staff place a high value on the relationships groups and citizens build with them, personalized constituent stories are very impactful, and citizen advocates have significant potential to influence the process.

My own survey here at the capitol in Albany echoes such findings. Senate Staffers I spoke to reported that "While the cacophony of voices in Albany gets louder and louder, we seek out and encourage input from our own constituents and weigh their voices heavily when making decisions on legislation." Another staffer shared that "While working with lobbyists on a day to day basis is integral to the process and viewed as an important resource in our educational and logistical process, a call, a letter, or an in-person visit from a constituent can greatly influence the degree of our engagement." Yet another staff member, on the Assembly side, noted "it is imperative our constituents help inform our positions." Every interview I completed for this piece mirrored that of the CMF Report...The important role of the constituent was clear, cut across party lines and house divides, and seen as "the number one reason why the legislature exists; to serve constituents."

It is with this in mind, as we ready for our next Legislative Session, in which we hope to push the licensure bill across the finish line, we need your engagement. Make your call requesting co-sponsorship of our bills (Bill numbers are S5127 and A5499A), invite your legislators to your athletic training room, scan the newspaper for germane articles and write a follow up Letter to Editor, and if you want to hit a home run, schedule a visit in the district office with your Senate and Assembly member...our opposition is!



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(as of November 1, 2019)

<b>MUTUAL FUNDS/ ETFs</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Vanguard Index ETF	\$11,785.00	125.00
Vanguard Short Term ETF	\$14,769.00	300
Alerian MLP ETF	\$7,637.55	885
Blackrock Credit Strategies	\$12,634.80	1225.49
SPDR Doubleline Tactical ETF	\$9,798.00	200
<b>U.S. COMMON STOCK</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Dominion Resources	\$18,319.40	220
AT&T Inc	\$20,448.75	525
Ares Capital	\$14,800.00	800
Pfizer	\$15,356.00	400
3M	\$8,504.50	50
Unilever	\$10,456.25	175
Kellogg Company	\$8,915.20	140
Johnson & Johnson	\$7,872.00	60
Proctor & Gamble	\$12,387.00	100
Blackstone Group	\$10,732.00	200
<b>CORPORATE BONDS</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Arrow Electronics	\$12,373.08	
JP Morgan Chase	\$10,171.60	
Viacom	\$19,754.85	
Comcast		Redeemed 9/3/19
Citigroup	\$10,005.40	
Catepillar		Redeemed 9/16/19
Microsoft		Redeemed 8/8/19
Dr Pepper Snapple	\$15,154.05	
<b>PREFERRED SECURITIES</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Bank Of America	\$14,196.00	700
MetLife Floater Callable	\$17,129.00	700
<b>Wells Fargo Deposit Account (Investment)</b>	\$48,620.14	
<b>Checking Account</b>	\$97,183.91	
<b>Account Total</b>	<b>\$429,003.48</b>	



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Michael Cendoma, MS, ATC and Douglas Sawyer, MS, ATC

Co-Chairs

Thank you to everyone that helped celebrate our annual NYS Athletic Trainer Recognition Week. SUNY Cortland went all out, and had nice post about it on their [website](#). I know that many of you made PSAs, posted signs, and celebrated the week in a variety of ways, and we would love to hear all about it, and share with the rest of our membership. Please [email me](#) and let me know your activities, and share any pictures or videos you may have.

Our next big event is National Athletic Training Month (NATM) in March. We plan on having our annual ATEP video contest, and hope to include some additional contests for the rest of membership. Keep an eye out for additional information in our next newsletter

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## Regional Reports



### Region 1 LI

**James Pierre-Glaude, DPT, ATC, CSCS**

#### **Hofstra University**

Congrats to our alumni!

Adam Hymowitz ATC has just been hired at Professional PT and Manhasset HS.

Nikki Kaplan is Head Athletic Trainer at Five Towns College.

Tyler Jones was hired at Professional PT and Bellmore JFK High School.



### Region 1 NYC

**Nicole Hovey, MS, ATC**

Alan Kroll, MS, ATC is working with Tracy Letts new Broadway show "Linda Vista" at the Helen Hayes Theater, produced by Second Stage theater. It is a NY Times Critics choice.

#### **Concordia College**

Congratulations to Lynson Willis for becoming the new Director of Sports Medicine at Concordia College. Willis joins the Clippers after an eight-plus-year stint at his Alma Matter, St. Francis College, being promoted to Associate Head Athletic Trainer in 2018 after joining the staff in 2011 as an Assistant Athletic Trainer. While serving as the Associate Head Athletic Trainer for the Terriers, Willis was responsible for performing all operational duties of the Athletic Training Room, coordinating care with Team physicians, collaborating preventative, corrective and rehabilitation exercises with Strength and Conditioning Staff, mentoring Assistant Athletic Trainers with their teams and cases, and coordinating care plans with mental health counselor. He covered 12 of SFC's Division I programs during his tenure and organized medical coverage for three Northeast Conference (NEC) Championship events on top of serving as an Athletic Trainer for the 2019 Atlantic 10 Basketball Championship. Prior to returning to SFC, Willis worked in the Athletic Training department at Stony Brook University, working with Seawolves football, men's basketball, women's soccer, and men's and women's tennis programs during his two years there.

Along with his work in collegiate athletics, Willis worked as an athletic trainer with the Brooklyn Italians Soccer Club of the Professional Development League (PDL), NYC Department of Education, and at Football Camps in Myrtle Beach, VA.



### Region 3

Carla Pasquarelli, ATC

#### **SUNY Broome Community College**

The NATA Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine has selected Jon R. Smith, ATC from SUNY Broome Community College in Binghamton, NY as the 2019 Head

Athletic Trainer of the Year Award recipient in the Community College/NJCAA setting. He was selected from 636 two year institutions. The award presentation was during the NATA 70th Clinical Symposia & AT Expo ICSM meeting at Mandala Bay Resort in Las Vegas, NV on Wednesday, June 26, 2019.



*Pictured above: (left to right). Murphy Grant, Chair of the NATA ICSM, Jon Smith, ATC ICSM Award Winner from SUNY Broome Community College, Brian Norton, Chair of ICSM Awards Committee*

Each year the National Athletic Trainers' Association Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine recognizes one individual for exceptional performance as a head athletic trainer in each of the following collegiate divisions: NCAA D1, NCAA D2, NCAA D3, NAIA, Junior College/Community College and Club, Intramural, and Recreational Sports. Award recipients are actively involved in their community or campus, athletic training associations and promotion of the profession.

#### **Erie Community College**

Erie Community College is pleased to announce Athletic Trainer Greg Bean has been named the NJCAA Region III Athletic Trainer of the Year for 2018-2019. This award, voted on by his peers, honors Bean for his service, dedication, and care for the student athletes under his care. He is the second recipient of the annual award which was announced at the recent Region III Athletic Director Meetings.



*Picuted above: Kyle Roepnack, NJCAA representative to the NATA ICSM Committee with Jon Smith, ATC ICSM Award Winner from SUNY Broome Community College*

“This recognition by Greg’s peers at the 22 colleges in Region III is well-deserved. Greg, as well as Athletic Trainer Eric Gerth, work with more than 400 student-athletes over three campuses every year to ensure they are able to participate in the sports they love to play. Their efforts have a profound effect on the lives of each of our student-athletes.” Erie Athletic Director Steve Mullen said of Bean.



Greg, pictured left, joined the Erie Community College Sports Medicine Staff in 2003 as Assistant Athletic Trainer. He is a member of the Region III Health and Safety Committee and is a vocal advocate for student athlete health and wellness. He shares the responsibility of providing healthcare for 15 NJCAA sponsored sports, as well as 2 club sports.

He earned a BS in Athletic Training and a MS in Physical Education from Canisius College. In addition to being certified by the NATABOC, he is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist by the NSCA.

Over the course of 26 years at St. Lawrence, Waske helped thousands of student-athletes get stronger and recover from injuries. He worked with hundreds of student athletic trainers, many of whom have gone on to have long careers in athletic training themselves. He proved his versatility once again in the late 1990s, serving as the head coach of the women’s hockey team for two seasons as the program moved up to NCAA Division I status before returning to his role as head athletic trainer. He was the recipient of the 2010 John P. “Jack” Taylor Distinguished Career Service Award, and was the inaugural recipient of the Doc Littlejohn/Ron Waske Athletic Service Award, given to a member of the athletic department who has made significant contributions to the department’s success.

In 2006, Waske was recognized by the Professional Hockey Athletic Trainers Society with a spot on the PHATS/SPHEM Wall of Honour in the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto. Congratulations Ron!

### **St. Lawrence University welcomed Nick Usuriello joining the Sports Medicine Staff in the fall of 2019.**

Usuriello earned a Bachelor of Science in athletic training at Marist in 2019, three years after earning his Associates of Science degree in exercise science and wellness at Dutchess Community College. He worked as an athletic training student at Vassar, Bard, Marist and New Paltz, as well as at Feldman Physical Therapy in Poughkeepsie, New York. He is a certified personal trainer and sports nutrition specialist, and also has certifications in CPR, AED and First Aid from the American Heart Association.



### **Region 4** **Christine Scuderi, MEd, ATC**

#### **St. Lawrence University** **Ron Waske named to St. Lawrence University Hall of Fame**

Ron Waske ‘69, a Canton native, was a backup goaltender and self-described third-line forward for the St. Lawrence men’s hockey team in the late 1960s. He is believed to be the only player in ECAC Hockey history to play both in the goal and as a skater and a goaltender in the same playoff game, a feat he accomplished when he had to replace an injured goaltender in the semifinals against Boston University in 1967. Waske was also a member of the baseball team.

While Waske’s versatility served him well on the ice, it is his legendary career as an athletic trainer that earned him a spot in the St. Lawrence University Athletic Hall of Fame.

Waske spent 10 years as the athletic trainer for the New York Islanders, and he was a part of four straight Stanley Cup championships from 1980-83. He returned to his hometown and alma mater in 1984 to serve as the head athletic trainer at St. Lawrence.

### **SUNY Canton**

SUNY Canton welcomed Vanessa Virgilio to the Sports Medicine Staff in August of 2019. Virgilio received her Bachelor’s degree from Alfred University in 2019. She did two internships with the AHL Binghamton Senators in the winter of 2016-17, and 2017-18. While at Alfred University she participated on the Equestrian team in her junior and senior years, qualifying for the National tournament her Junior year. Vanessa is certified in CPR, AED, and first aid.

Welcome Nick and Vanessa!



### **Region 5** **Courtney Gray, ATC**

#### **Ithaca College** **New Hires Join IC Athletic Training**

Ithaca College Athletic Training hired Kyle Morris and Emily Lahne starting this Fall. Kyle is a graduate of Ithaca College, and received his Master’s from the University of Virginia. He is serving as a faculty member, clinical preceptor, and Athletic Trainer with football and track and field. Emily Lahne

is a graduate of Indiana University and received her Master's degree from the University of Oregon. She is serving as a clinical preceptor and an Athletic Trainer with track and field, swimming and diving, and women's lacrosse.

#### **Dr. Jennifer McKeon and Dr. Patrick McKeon Present Ankle Research**

Jennifer and Patrick McKeon had the opportunity to present recently at two conferences. The first was the New Hampshire Musculoskeletal Institute Annual Meeting held in Manchester, NH on September 28th. Jennifer presented novel insights about the functional subtalar joint complex anatomy, mechanics, and instability. Patrick presented on the role of the intrinsic foot muscles as well as a new paradigm for ankle sprain rehabilitation. The audience included athletic trainers, physical therapists, sports medicine physicians, and other health care professionals who work with the physically active.

Jennifer and Patrick also presented at the International Ankle Symposium (IAS) in Amsterdam, Netherlands on October 4th. The IAS audience included participants from five continents consisting of physiotherapists, athletic trainers, physical therapists, sports medicine physicians, foot and ankle surgeons and many other health care providers. Jennifer and Patrick presented a workshop on novel insights about the functional subtalar joint through understanding its functional demands. As well, Patrick participated in a panel symposium about the foot core system and its role in ankle sprain rehabilitation. Patrick McKeon received funding through the NATA International Speaker program through the NATA International Committee to speak at the IAS.

#### **Dr. Paul Geisler Named Chair of National Committee**

Paul R. Geisler, EdD, ATC, Professor and Director of Athletic Training in the Department of Exercise Science & Athletic Training was named recently by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Directors as the inaugural Chairperson of the newly formed *Athletic Training EducATionalists Community*.

The *Athletic Training EducATionalists Community* is a special interest group (SIG) developed by the NATA's Executive Committee on Education in order to provide a more formal and regular mechanism for the advocacy and representation of all educationalists in the athletic training profession. The SIG will provide effective and critical multi communication channels between educational administrators, faculty and preceptors and the various regulatory and legislative bodies related to the educational functionaries, already in existence in the profession.

#### **Chris Hummel New Chair of Department of Exercise Science and Athletic Training**

Clinical Professor Chris Hummel was recently appointed as Chair of the Department of Exercise Science and Athletic Training. He is serving a three year term.

#### **Courtney Gray Receives Promotion**

Courtney Gray was awarded promotion to the rank of Clinical Professor. She is extremely appreciative of her IC colleagues for their mentorship and support.

#### **SUNY Poly**

SUNY Poly hired Kathryn Purgill. Kathryn is originally from Southeastern Wisconsin and graduated this past May from the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse. She has a Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training and a Minor in Nutrition. She enjoys the outdoors and was an advisor for a venturing club while in college which took hiking, backpacking, camping and climbing trips. She is looking forward to experiencing all that New York State has to offer.

#### **SUNY Cortland**

Ashley Crossway DAT, ATC has accepted the Assistant Professor position in the Kinesiology Department at SUNY Cortland. Dr. Crossway will start at SUNY Cortland in January 2020 and will serve as the Coordinator of Clinical Education for the Athletic Training program.

We are excited to announce the approval of our new Masters of Science in Athletic Training program at SUNY Cortland. We anticipate the acceptance of the first cohort of students to begin the program summer 2020.

SUNY Cortland announced the hiring of two staff athletic trainers: Celeste Boyer, MS, ATC, formerly of Alma College in Michigan, and Elizabeth Sherman, MS, ATC, a Daemen College graduate. These two hires are part of a plan approved in 2018 to transition from graduate assistants to staff athletic trainers.



#### **Region 7**

**Erik M. Barkley, MS, ATC, PES**

#### **NYSATA Winter CEU Opportunity**

Management of the Potentially Spine Injured Athlete with the emphasis on the sport of HOCKEY: Monday, November 11, 2019. There will 4 BOC Approved CEUs

available. Registration fees: NATA member \$99.00, Non-NATA Healthcare Professional \$120, Student \$25.00, Coach or non-Healthcare Professional \$50. More information and registration available [online](#).

#### **University at Buffalo**

During the Buffalo Marathon in May an athletic training student, Tyler Farnell, and athletic training faculty member, Luke Pryor, saved a runner with exertional heat stroke. Both Tyler and Luke received the NATA lifesaver award. You can read full [news article online](#). (See group picture next page.)



On October 17, the University at Buffalo Interprofessional Education Program received a Program of Merit award as a top four program in the nation at the Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP) Meeting in Charleston, SC. Athletic Training program director Ryan Krzyzanowicz, DAT, ATC and Coordinator of Clinical Education Sarah Krzyzanowicz, MSED, ATC were on hand to receive the award. The [full article](#) may be read [online](#). (Pictured below left.)

Athletic Training Program Director Ryan Krzyzanowicz, DAT, ATC and Coordinator of Clinical Education, Sarah Krzyzanowicz, MSED, ATC presented on Implementation of Interprofessional Collaborative Practice in Athletic Training Education at the Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP) meeting in Charleston, SC. (Pictured below right.)





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