

NEW YORK STATE NYSATA ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION

Summer 2018

The mission of the New York State Athletic Trainers' 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 Dates

NYSATA Award Nominations Open
August 1, 2018

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August 1, 2018

J&J Donate a Photo Deadline
August 20, 2018

NATA Award Nominations Close
September 15 2018

NYSATA Scholarship Nominations Open
October 1, 2018

Joseph Abraham Award Nominations Open
October 1, 2018

NYS Athletic Training Recognition Week
October 5-14, 2018

NYSATA Award Nominations Close
November 1, 2018

NYSATA Scholarship Nominations Close
November 20, 2018

Joseph Abraham Award Nominations Close
November 20, 2018

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The President's Report

Jeff Sage, MS, ATC, CSCS, PES



Where does the summer go? We often wait so long for it to get here, have so much planned to see and do and hardly have time to really enjoy it. Even though it has been a very hot and humid summer, all too soon the days will noticeably get shorter, nights cooler, have a heavier morning dew to greet our feet and we will realize summer has rolled into fall. In just a few short days, many of us will return to the sounds of scooping ice, ripping tape, whistles, and horns. It is not all bad, after all the change in seasons is one of the hallmarks that makes athletic training a unique health care profession.

Speaking of changes, I am honored to begin my term as NYSATA President. A huge thank you goes to Bob O'Malley for expertly guiding our association over the past two years. I will continually seek his counsel as he now moves over in to the Past-President's role. The NYSATA Executive Council also welcomes Arturo "Roy" Flores as President-Elect. I am excited for the opportunity to get to know Roy and work with him on NYSATA business. In addition, at the NYSATA Business Meeting in June, Deanna Errico became the 16th member of the NYSATA Hall of Fame. Her accomplishments are many and have a longstanding impact on others. Deanna remains very active in NYSATA creating a legacy that she continues to shape for the betterment of us all and the AT profession. If you were not able to attend our Annual Conference Business Meeting, please visit [Deanna's HOF bio online](#).

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Recognition also goes to our NYSATA members that received national-level honors in June at the NATA Convention in New Orleans. These individuals were recognized for their talents and efforts in promoting the athletic training profession. Congratulations!

- **Steve Donohue** – NATA Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer
- **Diana McNamara** – Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine Head AT of the Year – Community/Junior College
- **Katherine Moos** – Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine Head AT of the Year – Club, IM and Rec Sports
- **Rachel Dean** – District 2 Gatorade Secondary School Athletic Trainer Award

I would also like to highlight NYSATA members who are serving on District, Regional and or National committees. Their willingness to volunteer and serve ensures that NYSATA is being represented at all levels. Thank you for your service.

- **Brian Bratta** – NATA Convention Program Committee and Professional Development Committee
- **Dan Braut** - District 2 Ethics Committee and NATA Committee on Professional Ethics
- **Aimee Brunelle** – District 2 Newsletter Committee
- **Kenneth Cameron** – EATA Research Committee
- **Antonia Ceccarelli** – District 2 NY student rep to EATA Student Delegation
- **Jennifer Gordon** – District 2 NY student rep to EATA Student Delegation
- **Ashley Crossway** – NATA LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee
- **Katelyn Dolan** – District 2 Student Rep to NATA Student Leadership Committee
- **Steve Donohue** – NATA Public Relations Committee
- **Xristos Gaglias** – District 2 Ethics Committee
- **Kimberly Garcia** – District 2 Ethnic Diversity Committee and Web Site Committee
- **Paul Geisler** – EATA Research Committee and NATA Executive Committee on Education
- **Mark Gildard** – District 2 Twitter administrator
- **Kathy Koshansky** – District 2 CAS-Advanced Education Committee
- **Lauren McIntyre** – District 2 Facebook-Members Only administrator and NATA Young Professionals Committee
- **Jennifer McKeon** – EATA Research Committee
- **Patrick McKeon** – NATA Journal Committee
- **Bob O'Malley** – EATA Exhibits Committee
- **Michael Powers** – EATA Research Committee

- **Kyle Roepnack** – NATA Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine-NAIA-JUCO
- **Douglas Sawyer** – District 2 LinkedIn administrator
- **Andy Smith** – EATA Moyer Award Committee
- **Lauren Stephenson** – EATA Quiz Bowl Committee
- **Barima Yeboah** - District 2 Ethnic Diversity Committee and NATA Ethnic and Diversity Advisory Committee

On the legislative front, we were again very disappointed that our licensure bills A2783/S1356 did not move forward through the NYS Assembly or the Senate in 2018. Even though S1356 has passed the Senate the past 2 years, this year it didn't even come up for a floor vote. We were not alone. There was an increasing partisan climate combined with substantial political unrest in the latter half of the legislative session, which left many bills to die on the Senate floor. However, not all was lost during 2018. Our lobbyist Karin Carreau was able to open dialogue and have productive conversations with the leaders of the Assembly Higher Education Committee for the first time. Moving a bill to a law is more of a marathon than a sprint, we'll take the small victories where ever we can get them. With 2018 being an election year for all NYS Assembly members and Senators, please use this as an opportunity to reach out to those running for elective office in your hometown. They may be primed for an AT Facility visit – this is a great opportunity to advocate, education and for them to see first-hand who you are and what you do. Please read [Karin's update](#) as well as the Governmental Affairs column to get the latest information.

The Executive Council has set the week of October 5-14 as NYS AT Awareness Week. We again will provide PSAs and encourage you all to do your best shameless promotions to educate your stakeholders about Athletic Trainers in school newsletters, bulletin boards, webpage, and social media. This would also be a great time to engage your elected officials to seek that AT Facility visit during this period. Please submit any photos and or links of news stories of any of your efforts during this time to your Regional Reps.

At our June meeting, the EC also approved a few additional funding items that will benefit our members. We have added another student scholarship named the NYSATA Memorial Scholarship in recognition of all ATs that are no longer with us. Funding will also be available for any member as well as CAATE AT Programs to attend Lobby Day next spring.

Every day, with every encounter with an athlete, patient, client, parent, physician, administrator,

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coach, faculty members, co-workers, etc. we have an opportunity to educate them on what an AT is and what an AT does. As we look toward a new school year, consider utilizing the many infographics available on the NATA site or the resources available on the [AT Your Own Risk website](#). It is loaded with statistics and information designed for the public's consumption that are great for posting in your workspace. We need more voices to speak on our behalf. The more people we reach, the more likely their voices will be heard in addition to ours. Advocacy -- we can choose to view it as a daunting task or rather as an opportunity to advance yourself and your profession.



The New York State ATs Care committee officially started with a two day training, conducted by Sandy Lynch (District 2 Representative for ATs Care) in early July. Six Athletic Trainers from NYS participated in the training. Under the direction of the NATA, the mission of

the ATs Care Committee is to aid athletic trainers and AT students in the aftermath of a critical incident by utilizing a peer-to-peer system to assist, monitor and encourage these individuals to seek initial support through state or regional athletic training care teams. We are looking for more athletic trainers throughout NYS to become involved with this committee. If you are interested and would like to know more about this committee please [contact Susan A. Geisler](#).

Pictured below: NYS ATs Care Committee Team: Joshua Honrado, Katelyn S. Morrie, Lauren McIntyre, Susan Geisler (Committee Chair), Tom Fashouer, and Kristin LoNigro



Conference & Program

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC, EMT - Chair



NYSATA held another successful conference in Cortland this past June. In addition to the general program, we were able to offer three workshops - one on Saturday evening and two on Sunday morning.

NYSATA thanks Patrick Donnelly, MS, ATC, Cortland Athletic Training students Lianne Shroba and Taylor

Buell, and Cortland staff for their assistance behind the scenes and on site.

We will be sending a survey to NYSATA membership in the near future for information on membership preferences for timing and location. We are also interested in feedback from those who do not attend on how we can make this more attractive for your attendance.

Keep an eye out!

Call for Awards Nominations

It's not too early to consider nominating a colleague for a NYSATA Award. Nominations are accepted through November 1. Please see the NYSATA website for more specific criteria for the following NYSATA awards:

[Thomas Sheehan Award](#)

[John Sciera Service Award](#)

[Kent Scriber Recognition Award](#)

Feel free to [contact Awards chair, Deanna Errico](#), with any questions or to submit a nomination.

Please note that our awards nominations coincides with the [NATA Awards](#) nomination timeline. It would be wonderful to have more of our NYS athletic trainers recognized by an NATA award as well!

Scholarships

Beginning October 1st, the [Scholarship Committee](#) is seeking [Athletic Training Student applications](#) for its' annual scholarships. If you know of a deserving Athletic Training Student in NYS, please consider nominating them. Scholarship applications are due by Nov 20th annually. [Applications](#) and [more information](#) may be found online.

Starting October 1st, [Joseph Abraham Award Committee](#) will be seeking nominations for the [Joseph Abraham Award](#).

If you know of a deserving NYSATA Certified member, please consider nominating them.



Open Positions - NYSATA

NYSATA has two position vacancies that we need to fill ASAP:

- BOC Approved Provider Coordinator
- History and Archives Committee Chair

Please [contact NYSATA President Jeff Sage](#) for more information or to apply.

District 2 Committee Positions to be Filled ASAP

- D2 Facebook members only coordinator
- D2 rep for the NATA Honors/Awards Specialty Award Committee
- D2 rep for the Honors/Award MDAT committee

District 2 Committee positions that need to be filled before December 1, 2018

- D2 rep for the Convention Planning Committee
- D2 rep for the PDC

Eligibility requirements for these committee positions:

1. NATA District 2 certified or certified retired member in good standing.
2. Member of one of the D2 state associations.
3. Must have NPI number.
4. Will complete and sign a commitment to serve.

[Email for more information.](#)



The NATA Research and Education Foundation has the opportunity to get \$15,000 through the Johnson and Johnson Donate-a-photo app. We have until August 20, 2018 to achieve this goal. SO FAR we are not meeting the same benchmarks as last year at this point. It is an easy way for our members, their family and friends, colleagues and others to help the REF without costing anything but a few minutes of their time every day.

There are four easy steps:

- Find and download the "Donate-A-Photo" app in your app store
- Create your account, then scroll down to select the NATA Foundation photo portal
- Donate a photo daily, share on your social media channels
- Please forward this info to your networks/ contacts



Governmental Affairs Report

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



Thank you to all the athletic trainers who have taken the time to communicate with their local legislators. As you can tell from our [lobbyist's Newsletter Report](#), we have just come out of an unusual legislative session – one that we hope will never be repeated. As co-chairs for the Government Affairs committee, we continue to

work closely with our lobbyist to develop strategies for our bill to pass. However, we rely heavily on our membership to help their local legislators understand who athletic trainers are, and why it's important that the 26+ year old practice act for athletic trainers is updated so that we can rely on their vote in the future.

Many of you work with physical therapists and nurses. This is another opportunity to speak to your colleagues and help them to understand why having licensure protects the public (and us), why the language in our current practice act no longer encompasses the profession of athletic training in the way it has evolved, and that the language has and can continue to be misinterpreted. As you know, our current practice act limits us to secondary school, college/universities, professional teams and health care organization. This limitation on practice settings is not included in any other state's AT practice act. In NYS, the only other licensed profession with such a limitation is dental hygienists. There should be no limits on practice setting in our AT practice act. Rapidly changing technology makes listing of therapeutic modalities inappropriate, yet the PTs are insisting we include this. Be confident in engaging in conversations to help educate, especially because the state organizations of your co-workers are providing them with information about the athletic training bill that is misleading. In addition, unfortunately, their associations have far more power due to the number of members and their bank accounts than we have, as well as full time staff. It will be an interesting fall as every assembly member's and every senator's seat is up for re-election in November. This does not mean we ignore our legislators – it is still important to make the connection and educate them and their staff members about athletic training. You may even get more involved this year in the election process given the current political climate in NYS (again, see [Ms. Carreau's column](#)). We may be looking at new people in offices starting in

January, which will be more work for us, but we should still educate about our profession, our important role, and why we need to update our practice act. If you have any questions, about the practice act, about our bill, about our strategies, or about your local legislators, please do not hesitate to [ask us](#).

NYS Education Department

The NYS Education Department is actively soliciting nominations for individuals interested in an appointment as a professional member of the State Board for the Professions – Committee for Athletic Training. This board advises and assists the NYS Board for Medicine, the NYS Education Department and the NYS Board of Regents. Meetings are held twice per year and it is expected that the member attend. For additional information, please go to the [NYS State Board for the Professions website](#). To submit a nomination/application click [HERE](#).

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Coming Soon

NYSATA is sponsoring a Corporate Team in the BIANYS "March On for Brain Injury 5K/Walk" on September 15, 2018. The event will be held in three locations simultaneously across NYS: Long Island, Hudson Valley and Rochester.

Watch the NYSATA social medial accounts, website and your email for more information coming soon on how to sign-up and how we can help the BIANYS cause.

NYSATA Legislative Update

Karin Carreau
The Elk Street Group



Although there are rumors that the Legislature may return for a Special Session in the coming weeks, the official 2018 session is in the books and its safe to say its been quite a roller-coaster ride. When session began in January, no one could have imagined the significant landscape shifts about to transpire. As reported in the Spring Newsletter, after months of difficult (but normal) budget

negotiations, the legislature completed its work on the 2018-19 budget just under the April 1st deadline. Soon after, control of the upper house would be thrown into uncertainty when eight former members of the Independent Democratic Conference (IDC) folded back into the mainline Democrats. Immediately following the IDC migration, the Democrats also held two seats in special elections on April 24th, thus giving them a one seat majority (32-31). However, in an Albany twist and turn, one of the Democratic members, Senator Simcha Felder, has, since he arrived in Albany, conferenced with the Republicans. For weeks, all eyes were riveted on his next move. In the end, he again pledged his allegiance to the Republicans (for, at least, the remainder of the 2018 session) allowing them to maintain a one vote majority.

The dust had barely settled though, when several weeks later, the Republicans lost a member (Senator Thomas Croci) who returned to active duty in the Navy, resulting in an evenly split house (31/31). With the balance of power back in flux, palpable tension between the parties led to dramatic partisan showdowns on the floor. Senate Democrats took full advantage of the new numbers and brought the Lieutenant Governor in as the tie breaking vote when they attempted to advance a number of progressive bills through hostile amendments. Discussions and negotiations over seemingly noncontroversial issues became mired in partisan battles, leading to early adjournments and the laying aside of entire active bill lists.

Despite the fact that there were still several weeks of session remaining, given the battle lines drawn, the Governor, in early June declared session essentially over. The NY Times headline read, "*Legislative Session in Albany Sputters to the Finish.*" Similar headlines were to follow across the state. In short, chaos was the name of the game each and every day, and as a

result, many issues that otherwise would have been taken up (such as the NYSATA Licensure Bill), were left on the cutting room floor.

This is particularly disappointing given the fact that we have advanced the bill through the upper house for the last two years. We were, after months of maneuvering through committees, further educating legislative members, advocating each day in Albany, mobilizing members to assist in the engagement of stakeholders, and orchestrating district visits between NYSATA members and key legislators, poised to do the same this year. However, the process that was not, and halted it, and hundreds of other bills from being brought to the floor for a vote. As the session clock ticked down, negotiations regarding each and every bill slated for a floor vote disintegrated. In the end, the Governors earlier words, haunted us as little could be achieved in the final weeks.

As frustrating as this is, it is important to also recognize the strides made this session and, undaunted by the turbulent waters around us, continue to move forward. While the lower house has generally been problematic, we can report that the Assembly Higher Education Team engaged with us at a new level. As a result, the State Education Department provided a formal analysis of our current draft, yielding vital information related to implementation. As such, we expect to work with our sponsors and the Department to slightly amend the bill as a measure to ready it for smooth implementation upon passage. We will also continue our efforts to work to mitigate concerns of stakeholder organizations, where possible.

In addition, as we move into fall, and the ultimate battle for control of the Senate unfolds in what is expected to be a very volatile election season, your Government Relations Team will continue to reshape and re-strategize consistent with the ever shifting legislative landscape.

In the meantime, we continue to ask for your engagement at the local level. It does make a difference. If you have not yet reached out to your legislators, please do so in the coming months. Given the current political landscape, it could more important than ever!

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National Athletic Trainers' Association, Inc. political action committee

NYSATA Account Balance

David J. Byrnes, MS, ATC Treasurer

(as of August 5, 2018)

MUTUAL FUNDS/ ETFs	Market Value	Quantity Held
Vanguard Index ETF	\$10,385.00	125.00
Vanguard Short Term ETF	\$14,643.00	300
Alerian MLP ETF	\$9,912.00	885
Blackrock Funds	\$12,426.47	1,225
U.S. COMMON STOCK	Market Value	Quantity Held
Dominion Resources	\$15,866.40	220
AT&T Inc	\$16,941.75	525
Ares Capital	\$13,832.00	800
Pfizer	\$16,216.00	400
CISCO Systems	\$13,919.75	325
Kellogg Company	\$10,101.00	140
General Electric	\$4,599.00	350
Proctor & Gamble	\$12,349.50	150
CORPORATE BONDS	Market Value	Quantity Held
Arrow Electronics	\$12,379.32	
US West Communications	\$14,235.90	
Viacom	\$17,086.80	
General Motors	\$30,046.50	
Teva Pharmaceuticals	\$13,464.45	
Citigroup	\$15,002.85	
PREFERRED SECURITIES	Market Value	Quantity Held
QWEST Corp	\$11,600.00	500
Bank Of America	\$15,673.00	700
MetLife Floater Callable	\$17,668.00	700
Wells Fargo Deposit Account (Investm	\$4,677.59	
Checking Account	\$59,570.93	
Account Total	\$362,597.21	

Committee Chairs

Awards

Deanna Errico, PT, DPT, ATC
 Utica College

Membership and Nominations

Courtney Civitano, MS, ATC
 Long Island University at Brooklyn

College and University

Shawn McNamara, ATC
 Long Island University at Post

Newsletter

Douglas Sawyer, MS, ATC
 Hackley School

Conference and Program

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC, EMT
 Colonie Central High School

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Douglas Sawyer, MS, ATC
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RECOGNITION WEEK

NYSATA will once again be holding our annual New York State Athletic Training Recognition Week this fall. This year's dates are October 5-14, 2018. Planning is still underway so keep your eyes open for emails, social media posts, and information on our [website](http://gonysata2.org) to be coming soon. We are hoping to have several contests again this year, and will have PSAs and other information for your use to help promote our profession available.

Regional Reps



Region 1 LI

Nassau, Suffolk

James Pierre-Glaude, DPT, ATC, CSCS

Stony Brook University

Region 1 NYC

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Nicole Hovey, MS, ATC

Saint Ann's School

Region 2

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White Plains High School

Region 3

Montgomery, Delaware, Fulton, Greene, Otsego, Saratoga, Albany, Rensslear, Schenectady, Columbia, Washington, Schoharie, Herkimer

Carla Pasquarelli, ATC

St Mary's Healthcare

Region 4

Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, Franklin, Hamilton, Clinton, Essex, Warren

Christine Scuderi, MEd, ATC

State University of New York at Canton

Region 5

Chemung, Tioga, Broome, Oswego, Cayuga, Seneca, Oneida, Cortland, Onondaga, Madison, Tompkins, Schuyler

Courtney Gray, ATC

Ithaca College

Region 6

Livingston, Ontario, Monroe, Yates, Stueben, Wayne

Christopher Yartym, MS, ATC

Alfred University

Region 7

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The State University of New York at Fredonia

Regional Reports



Hofstra Graduated 11 Students

Region 1 LI

James Pierre-Glaude, DPT, ATC, CSCS



Hofstra University

(Pictured above)

Taylor Claydon graduated from the Honors program with a 3.87 GPA

Marissa Gallo will be a GA at St. John's University
David James who is a GA with Georgia State will be working with Football

KatieRose Healy has accepted a Graduate Assistant position at LIU Brooklyn

Kelsey Muller has accepted position at University Of Hawaii at Manoa, Graduate Assist with research position.

CONGRATS to those students who have passed the BOC exam: Mike Benvenuti, Taylor Claydon, Julia Donohue, Elana Galassi, Marissa Gallo, David James, and Meg Patierno.

Other alumni news:

Alex Feliz accepted an internship position at Alabama State.

Dominique Burdi and Lyndsay Divack are attending NYIT PT School.
Shelby Milne has accepted an AT position at Penn working with football and women's lacrosse.

Meg Paterno will be working with the NY Jets this summer as one of their summer interns.

Stony Brook University

Congratulations to our 2018 graduates: Joel Barbosa, Kristen Bohan, Hunter Brandwen, Alexis Cohen, Taylor DeRuvo, Vincent Garzon, Hyeong (Peter) Ji, Madison Kolnsberg, Renee Marchewka, Joshua Oventhal, Amanda Pirone, James Rula, Daniel Sarnicola, Amanda Scherb, Jacob Seltzer, Ronald Tandazo, Shayla Van Gorp, and Megan Vega! We are very proud of their accomplishments and first time success rate on the BOC! Congratulations and good luck!
(See picture next page)



Megan Paterno

In May, Stony Brook University welcomed 16 students to the Class of 2020. We wish them well as they complete the professional phase of the AT program.

Stony Brook Athletic Training, along with Stony Brook Orthopaedic Associates and the Division of Sports Medicine hosted the 8th Annual Sports Medicine Update: *Case and Panel Discussions* on May 27, 2018. This multidisciplinary program was both educational and well attended by coaches, athletic training students, athletic trainers, physical therapists, occupational therapists, nurses,



Stony Brook University

physician assistants, physicians, etc. Those of you in the Long Island area watch for the announcement of the 2019 program next spring.

Lauren Stephenson, ATC continues to mentor senior student and graduates research and had one abstract accepted for the Free Communications Poster Presentation at the National Athletic Trainers' Association Clinical Symposium and AT Expo in New Orleans in June. The title was *Congenital Hip Dysplasia in a 16-Year Old Female Field Hockey Athlete*. Shayla Van Gurp, Class of 2018 (now ATC) & Lauren Stephenson, ATC.

The Iota Tau Alpha – Alpha Nu chapter inducted 10 new members on April 27, 2018. Included was an honorary induction of preceptor Jason McKay, ATC and faculty inductee Jeanine Engelmann, ATC. Congratulations! (See picture below)

Congratulations to Xristos Gaglias, PhD, ATC on receiving his doctorate from Northcentral University on April 23rd. Title of his dissertation: *Athletic Training Education Program Directors Leadership Styles and Program Success*.

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Lastly, Jeanine Engelmann, ATC resigned from the University to assume Program Director at Marywood University. Good Luck Jeanine!



Region 4
Christine Scuderi, MSED, ATC

Deanna Errico was inducted into the NYSATA Hall of Fame during the NYSATA conference held at SUNY Cortland on June 9, 2018. She is the 16th member of NYSATA to be honored with this award. The Hall of

Fame display is at SUNY Cortland in the Park Center with pictures and biographical information about each member.

St. Lawrence University

The St. Lawrence University Sports Medicine staff welcomes the addition of Abigail Hampson. Abigail Hampson will start as a full time athletic trainer on August 1 2018. Abigail joined the staff in the fall of 2017 as an interim athletic trainer and was hired as a full time athletic trainer at the end of the 2017-2018 academic school year. Hampson graduated Cum Laude from Alfred University with a Bachelor of Science degree in athletic training. During her time at Alfred, she worked for four years as a student athletic trainer, working with the Saxons' soccer, football, cross country, swimming and diving, wrestling, track and field, women's lacrosse and softball teams. She also served as an intern at St. Lawrence for the past two summers, assisting with summer sports camps, games and practices. Hampson is NATABOC certified as well as Red Cross certified in First Aid/CPR/AED.

The St. Lawrence Sports Medicine Staff had the opportunity to become certified in Blood Flow Restriction through Owens Recovery Science on July 14, 2018 with the Syracuse University Sports Medicine Staff in Syracuse, NY. Personalized Blood Flow Restriction Rehabilitation (PBFR) is a paradigm shifting intervention for the rehabilitation professional with over 160 peer-reviewed articles in the scientific literature. By applying a surgical-grade tourniquet briefly and intermittently to an exercising limb you can induce significant and substantial strength, hypertrophy and endurance changes while using a very light load.

SUNY Plattsburgh

After 42 years of providing Sports Medicine coverage, Dr. Merritt Spear has stepped down as Director of Sports Medicine at Plattsburgh State University, and will begin enjoying his retirement this summer. Dr. Spear began working at SUNY Plattsburgh in

1976. While Director of the Health Center at SUNY Plattsburgh, Dr. Spear also provided sports medicine services to SUNY Plattsburgh Athletic teams. Dr. Spear served as the Director of Sports Medicine for the Empire State Games since its inception in 1978 and provided medical services during the 1980 Olympics for the Bobsled run in Lake Placid. Although retired, Dr. Spear will still be involved in sports medicine coverage as a volunteer. Dr. Spear has won the Moyer Award in 2006 from the EATA which is an award presented to a team physician that has served the profession of athletic training as an educator and an advocate whom also serves in the community in which they live and work. Dr. Spear later won the Kent Scriber Recognition Award from NYSATA in 2015 for recognition of his role in supporting the goals and mission of the New York State Athletic Trainers Association in New York State.

SUNY Potsdam

Jonathan Hewitt is now employed by Work-Fit in Massena NY. He started on July 23rd. Jonathan would like to thank SUNY Potsdam for his time there and states that he will miss everyone at SUNY Potsdam.

Kristine Johnson, has taken a full time position as Assistant Athletic Trainer at SUNY Potsdam. She served as an assistant athletic trainers at Clarkson University.



Region 5
Courtney Gray, ATC

Binghamton University

Meredith Esswein, ATC, Jessica Carr, ATC, and James Jadlos, ATC, have been hired as Certified Intern Athletic Trainers for Binghamton University. They will begin their appointment in August of 2018.

They are responsible for assisting the Sports Medicine Department with all athletic training needs for our 21 NCAA Division 1 intercollegiate athletic programs.

East Minoa High School

Chris Poniros is the new Head Athletic Trainer at East Minoa HS. Chris is taking over for Mark Powell, who has retired after 31 years at ESM. Chris had been assistant AT at Liverpool HS this past school year. Mark will be continuing his duties as Strength and Conditioning Coach with the Syracuse Crunch.

Ithaca College

The Bomber Athletic Training education program had a major impact on the 2018 National Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposia, held

in the last week of June in New Orleans, LA. Highlighted by five peer reviewed research presentations from newly certified and graduated members of the recent Class of 2018, and a standing room only Evidence-Based Practice plenary session by Clinical Associate Professor, Todd Lazenby, MA, ATC, a total of 18 Bomber AT faculty and alumni presented research in oral or poster format at the four day annual conference. In addition, several program alumni and past and present faculty members attended professional committee meetings as part of their commitment to service and professional development, and Drs. Patrick and Jennifer McKeon and Dr. Paul R. Geisler served as moderators of several free communications sessions. Over 50 program alumni, past and current faculty, and special guests attended the annual alumni party on a very warm Louisiana Thursday night, where drinks, food, stories and laughs were had by all.

All 21 members of the Bomber AT Class of 2018 have officially passed the BOC examination on their first attempt this spring and early summer. This brings the program first time pass streak to 8 consecutive years and 133 consecutive students to pass the national boards' exam on their very first attempt, far exceeding any national averages. Congrats, to all 21 members of 2018 for their contributions to and to all those educators, mentors, preceptors, friends and family members who were part of those individual successes!

The Class of 2018 has graduated and is off to new adventures:

- Jamie Albrecht, ATC will attend the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill to work as a GA and pursue her master's degree in AT.
- Matthew Booth, ATC will attend the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill to work as a GA and pursue his master's degree in AT.
- Samantha Brown, ATC will complete a 1-year athletic training internship at University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire.
- Emily Brumfield, ATC will be an assistant Athletic Trainer at Lake Braddock HS, in Fairfax County VA.
- Robert Buffis, ATC will be working as an AT with Professional Physical Therapy in MA.
- Michael Caruso, ATC will be a graduate student in Exercise Science at Ithaca College.
- Bridget Coonan, ATC will attend Cal State Northridge to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Kinesiology.
- Katy Helly, ATC will attend the University of Kentucky to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Athletic Training.
- Jenna Iannacci, ATC will be working as an AT with Professional Physical Therapy on Long Island, NY.
- Sophie Knittle, ATC will work as an athletic training intern at the University of Hartford, CT.

- Michaela Konzman, ATC will attend Arcadia University (PA) to begin her DPT studies.
- Ashley Lombardo, ATC is contemplating her next steps as an alumnus.
- Alessandra Marenzi, ATC is moving to Burlington, VT to work as a Yoga Instructor while considering an AT job.
- Michael Miller, ATC is contemplating his next move.
- Kim Presuto, ATC will begin working as an AT with Professional Physical Therapy in Long Island, NY.
- Hannah Robison, ATC will attend Indiana University to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Athletic Training.
- Aaron Silverstein, ATC will attend Rutgers University to begin working on his DPT degree.
- Daniel Son, ATC will travel the world and then contemplate his next move.
- Rebecca Veltrie, ATC will attend West Virginia University to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Athletic Training.
- Victoria Voorhees, ATC will attend the University of Florida to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Kinesiology.
- Diana Zaichenko, ATC will attend Old Dominion University to work as a GA and work on her MS degree in Athletic Training.

See picture next page of the 2018 IC Athletic Training Graduates.

Professor and Director of Athletic Training Education, Dr. Paul R. Geisler, EdD, ATC recently presented his evidence-informed paradigm for iliotibial band pathology at the 2018 New York State Athletic Trainer's Association (NYSATA) Annual Meeting, in Cortland, NY. The presentation was a BOC EBP approved event that kicked off the conference for over 50 certified athletic trainers and other healthcare providers on the campus of SUNY, Cortland.

Congratulations and kudos to Senior Athletic Training Major, Victoria Voorhees for being the 2018 recipient of the prestigious Frank George Scholarship, given to the most outstanding candidate from Districts 1 and 2 of the NATA.

Junior Athletic Training major, Katelyn Dolan, received the 2018 NATA District 2 James Thornton Student Leadership Scholarship. This \$2,500 scholarship recognizes Katelyn's established and potential leadership qualities as an athletic training student and future professional, and is awarded only to one outstanding candidate in the entirety of the NATA's District 2.

Trevor Thompson, ATC and Erin McNulty, ATC (class of 2017) presented a poster abstract titled, "Dry Cupping

Congrats to the 2018 IC Athletic Training Graduates!

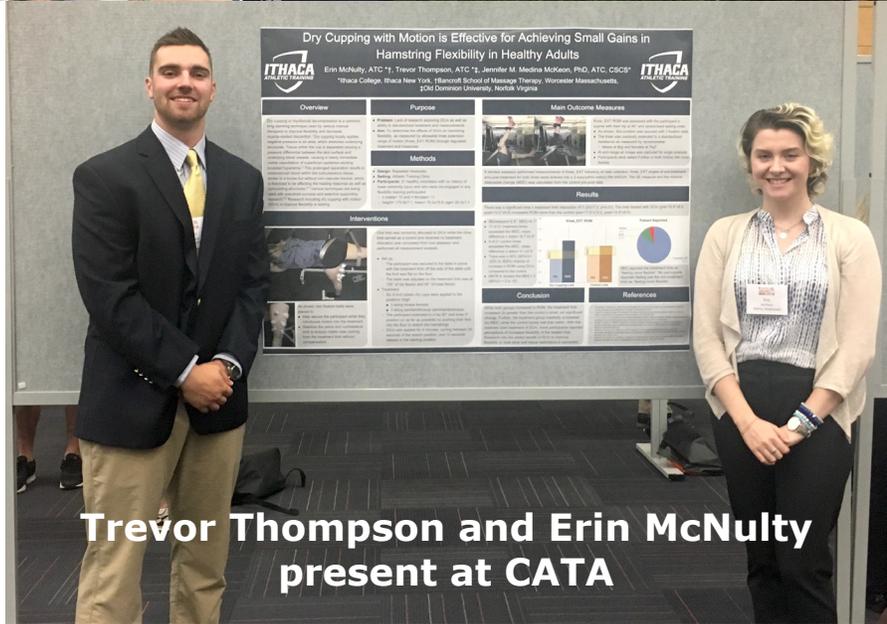


with Motion is Effective in Achieving Small Gains in Hamstring Flexibility of Healthy Adults” at the CATA conference held in Montreal.

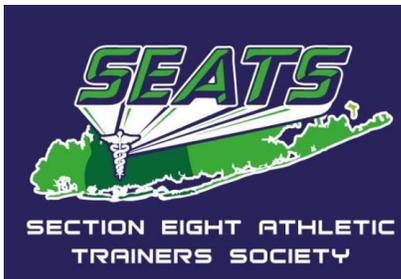


Region 6 Christopher Yartym, MS, ATC

SUNY Geneseo hired Heather Kwiatkowski as assistant athletic trainer.



**Trevor Thompson and Erin McNulty
present at CATA**



Section Eight Athletic Trainers Society Paul Zlatniski, ATC SEATS Vice-President

The Section Eight Athletic Trainer’s Society would like to publicly thank all the speakers and attendees for their participation of our 4th Annual Sports Medicine Symposium on March 4th.

SEATS is working towards improving the ability of our organization to reach out to members. As such, we are asking members to provide their personal email addresses to our contact list. Please forward email to [Paul Zlatniski](mailto:Paul.Zlatniski).