

Fall 2018

SAVE THE DATES

GET OUT AND VOTE
November 6, 2018

JOSEPH ABRAHAM AWARD
Nominations Deadline
November 16, 2018

NYSATA SCHOLARSHIP
Applications Deadline
November 20, 2018

NATA STUDENT LEADERSHIP
Committee applications Deadline
November 26, 2018

EATA CONFERENCE
Valley Forge Casino Resort
Valley Forge, PA
January 11-14, 2019

NYSATA BUSINESS MEETING
AT EATA
Radisson Tower, Adams Room
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Valley Forge, PA
January 12, 2019
4:15-5:15PM

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Jeff Sage, MS, ATC, CSCS, PES

Where did the fall go? I asked myself the other day when I left my office to run a mid-day errand. This time of year, I often get in before the sun is very high or before it is up at all and leave when it is dark. It was strange to be out on a warm sunny late October day, but found myself admiring the bright red, orange and yellow colors of the leaves in Western New York that I have seemed to have missed over the past few weeks. October is the crossover month for intercollegiate sports. It is during this time that we often just keep our heads down and push through this tough stretch just to take a breath on the other side after the fall sports have ended. As we turn our calendars to November, we will also need to "fall back" and turn our clocks back one hour to Eastern Standard Time. It is the only time of year we get a 25-hour day, use it wisely. While many of us use it to catch an extra hour of sleep, if you get a chance, maybe admire some of the beautiful fall foliage that New York State has to offer.

Since our last newsletter, some big things have happened. One monumental item was the signing into federal law the Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity act on October 5, 2018. If you are an AT that travels with your athletes or teams across state lines, this law is meant to help protect you. As quoted from the NATA briefing: "Under the Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act, health care services provided by a covered sports medicine professional to an athlete, athletic team, or a staff member of a team outside of his or her home state would be deemed to have occurred in the professional's primary state of licensure." You can read the NATA briefing and find more information on the [NATA website](#).

In other news, we received word this past week that the NYSATA will receive a NATA Legislative Grant of \$37,800 for 2019. This grant is critical in continuing our efforts toward AT licensure in NYS. I would like to thank our Governmental Affairs co-chairs, Aimee Brunelle and Deanna Errico, for coordinating the efforts with our lobbyist, Karin Carreau, in this continued pursuit of AT licensure.

In NYS, legislative bills have a 2-year life cycle. Since our AT licensure bills failed to move forward this past summer among political dysfunction in Albany, new AT bills will need to be introduced in both the Assembly and Senate in January 2019. Since the entire NYS legislative body is up for grabs on Election Day next week, we will be eagerly waiting to hear the results so we can finalize our strategy for the legislative cycle beginning in January. Stay tuned as we will need you to engage at the grassroots level.

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Mentioning those two items above, made me think about the [NATA Liability Tool kit](#). This online tool is designed to "...make sure athletic trainers, administrators and insurance providers are on the same page when it comes to proper liability coverage." This tool will help you identify and or highlight any particular liability issues of concern at your place of employment. Some issues may require immediate attention, whereas others may need to be brought up for consideration in the next budget year. Depending on your employer's fiscal cycle, some budget meetings may occur as early as January or February 2019. You can find the NATA Liability Took Kit on [their website](#).

Another big item to take place this fall was NYS Athletic Trainer Recognition week held October 5 – 14. I hope you took advantage and had an announcement or PSA read at a home event or participated via social media posts. We ATs, by the very nature of what we do behind the scenes, often do not crave the spotlight. However, we do need to take the opportunities when they are there to have your contributions and services recognized and promoted.

To our members that are working at the secondary school level, we have added an ATLAS tab on the [NYSATA website](#). The Athletic Training Location And Services (ATLAS) initiative is to have 100% of NYS secondary schools complete the survey. We hope that this gives our members an easier opportunity to view if ATLAS has your school up-to-date or if your school still needs to submit a survey. Please go to see if your school is listed as "have not completed" or needing to "re-take" the ATLAS survey. There is a [link on the page](#) that will take you to the survey.

For students, do not forget to apply for scholarships and or available leadership positons.

NYSATA Scholarship application and instructions can be found on the [NYSATA website](#). The application deadline is November 20, 2018.

NATA Student Leadership Committee is accepting applicants for District 2. More information and application are [available online](#). The application deadline is November 26, 2018.

This time of year is also NATA membership renewal time. Renewal notices were sent to the email that is listed in your NATA profile, please take note, it may need to be updated. The only way to continue to receive access to the valuable tools and resources on the NATA website as well as 10 CEU credits at the Professional Development Center is to renew your membership.

I hope to have the opportunity to see you at EATA in January. The conference is being held at the Valley Forge Casino Resort, Valley Forge, PA, January 11-14 2019. The NYSATA business meeting is scheduled for Saturday January 12 in the Radisson Tower, Adams Room from 4:15-5:15pm.

Until next time, I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday season with friends and family.

JOSEPH ABRAHAM AWARD

We are accepting nominations for the [Joseph Abraham Award](#) until November 16, 2018. The 2019 application is on the website under [Joseph Abraham Award](#). The grading rubric will be uploaded soon.



2019 NYSATA Annual Meeting



Conference & Program

Chair

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC, EMT



The NYSATA Conference Committee is excited to announce the 2019 Annual Meeting will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton in Schenectady, Friday June 7 – Saturday June 8.

We appreciate that so many of you took the time to complete our survey and using those results, we chose a hotel destination instead of a college and moved it up a day. We will also move our NYSATA conference social to after the general session on Friday.

In addition – due to your comments, we will be changing our conference refund policy; moving it closer to the conference date. We recognized that many ATs have unknown playoff schedules and by changing this, we hope you will register early, knowing your hard-earn money will be refunded if your team advances in competition.

What else? Your requests included availability of public transportation. Schenectady has a newly-opened train station within a mile of the hotel. We are working to provide a shuttle to those who arrive via Amtrak.

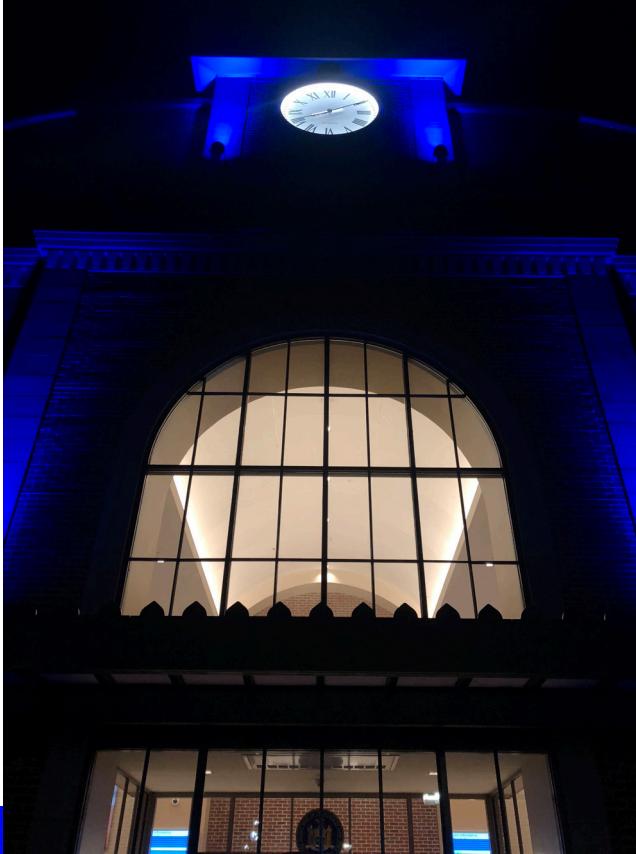
Why Schenectady? The Capital Region has

not hosted our conference in many years, and 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 be accepting presentation and workshop proposals in January; more information will be coming out prior to the EATA conference.

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

Co-Chairs

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

Thank you to all those athletic trainers who continue to be active politically, and we encourage everyone to vote this month in the election. History has certainly shown us the importance of each vote. We hope you have been able to communicate with your local legislators and have been following the local races. The upcoming legislative session is a bit of unknown territory until after this election. It may be that our Republican sponsored bill will become a lower priority if the senate moves to

democratic, or will become more difficult to pass. We may have some positive connections with Democratic senators resulting in a push of our bill. We do know that Senator Funke, our bill sponsor, has earned respect in the senate when his bill S4375A passed the senate and the assembly (waiting for the governor to sign) that will allow physicians traveling with teams from out of state to practice if they are licensed in their state. We are hoping to continue with the momentum on that win and to replace some of the language in our bill with the physician's bill language.

At the end of this summer, Deanna, Aimee and Karin, our lobbyist, met with the State Education Department to review our bill. This was a really great step for us, as SED helped us recognize language that could be better if altered and allowed us to help explain what we meant in areas of the bill. Currently we are working to adapt the language for our bill based on their feedback.

We have great things to celebrate with the physician's bill passing and on the national front with the NATA's efforts on the Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act ending up with the bill passing and being signed by the president on October 5 of this year. This legislation will provide added legal protections for sports medicine professionals (including athletic trainers) when they are traveling with professional, high school, college, or national sports teams. A really positive step for athletic trainers everywhere, including in New York State.

Another great step this year was the addition of athletic trainers to the Ironman bill (S7439A) sponsored by Senator Betty Little. This allows health care professionals to perform services at the Ironman competition in Lake Placid and this is the first year that athletic trainers were added to that bill, thanks to efforts from NYSATA (this bill was signed in July 2018 and athletic trainers should be in all future Ironman bills).

It seems these are signs that the athletic trainer's skills are being recognized, appreciated, and valued, and we hope to see more of this, and that this finally results in passage of our bill in 2019.

However, the upcoming election will tell us a lot. We have been in a holding pattern, while waiting for this election, with efforts by the NYSATA Government Affairs committee this fall of continued communication with specific legislators.

Once the election is complete, NYSATA Government Affairs can begin again to more actively engage with legislators and will be able to guide our members in their approach to legislative action.



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.](#)

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NYSATA Legislative Update

Karin Carreau, The Elk Street Group



As I have reported in the last two quarterly articles, the political landscape has been shifting like tectonic plates in Albany for the last several months and given the 7.6 Richter scale rating of several primary races, the stage is set for high drama come Election Day. While the Governor handily fended off an attack from the left (garnering 65% of the vote), his challenger, actress Cynthia Nixon appears to have shifted his platform

askew from his historical “center” as his positions on issues such as the legalization of marijuana and single payer healthcare have dramatically evolved over the course of the campaign. Though we might have expected a drift back toward middle for the general election, the electorate’s appetite for progressive policies seems wetted and therefore bolstering his numbers going into the November 6 race against Republican nominee Marc Molinaro.

As the Governor easily cruised to victory in his primary race, his Lieutenant Governor, Kathy Hochul experienced some nail-biting moments as early results showed her race against New York City Councilman, Jumanne Williams to be close. In the weeks leading up to Primary Day, the race garnered the attention of political wonks for the ever-tightening poll numbers and the historical value of a Governor being faced with a Lt. Governor not of his choosing. However, final results called the race for Hochul with 53 percent of the vote.

The closely watched race for Attorney General made history with a win for Tish James, the first African American woman nominated to run for NY State’s Attorney General. In the days leading up to Primary day, polls in this tight race reported NYC Public Advocate, James, to be neck and neck with Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney, with perennial candidate Zephyr Teachout, within striking distance. However, 90 minutes after polls closed, with 83 percent of precincts reporting, James was called as the victor with 41 percent of the vote. She will now face off against Republican nominee, Keith Wofford, a graduate of Harvard Law School and partner in a New York City-based law firm. The last time New York elected a Republican Attorney General was 1994 with Dennis Vacco, who would serve one-term, losing re-election in 1998 to Eliot Spitzer.

The excitement of the evening was to be realized with the State Senate Primary Races. Despite promises by mainline Democrats that members of the Independent Democrat Conference would not face primary challenges following their reunification with the Democratic Conference in April, every member faced a primary race and 6 of the 8 went down in dramatic fashion. While Marisol Alcantara’s race (31st District) was the first of the evening to be called for challenger Robert Jackson, a former New York City Councilman, former IDC Leader, Senator Jeff Klein’s stunning loss in the 34th District was perhaps the biggest news of the evening.

Spending nearly \$2.5 million against insurgent and eventual victor, Alessandra Biaggi, an attorney and former Clinton staffer, Klein lost his long-held seat 53-47. Soon after, four of his fellow allies fell as well. Senator Tony Avella (11th District) lost his rematch against John Liu, former New York City Comptroller and New York City Councilman with a final vote tally of 50-45 (though he has recently announced he’ll make a third-party run). Senator Jesse Hamilton (20th District), a former co-sponsor of the AT Licensure Bill, was defeated by Zellnor Myrie, a Brooklyn lawyer.

Senator Jose Peralta lost to former DeBlasio staffer, Jessica Ramos in the 13th Senate District, 50 – 41. Ramos described herself as a community organizer, union advocate and daughter of parents who emigrated to the U.S. from Colombia, some of which was disputed by her family. Former upstate IDC member, Senator Valesky was trounced in the 53rd District, 66-33 against Rachel May, a former high school math teacher and college professor of Russian literature. For weeks following Primary Day, Valesky mulled a third-party run, however, he has since decided against it.

The only two remaining former IDC members to have survived were Senator Savino (Staten Island), who handily beat her opponent in the 23rd Senate District, 78 – 7 and Senator Carlucci who faced off against Julie Goldberg in the 38th Senate District, a former teacher and current librarian. Senator Carlucci won 51-44.

In Less Dramatic Races, albeit, impactful as well, the race in the 17th Senate District went to Senator Simcha Felder, the Democrat who has caucuses with Senate Republicans since being elected in 2012. His party allegiance may be a hot commodity again in the 2019/20 session (depending on which way the Senate breaks). While in the 18th Senate District, newcomer Julia Salazar, a member of the Democratic Socialists of America, unseated longtime incumbent Senator Martin Dilan. Out west, in the 63rd Senate District – *Democratic incumbent Senator Timothy Kennedy prevailed over Democrat Shaqurah Zachery, receiving 76 percent of the vote.*

Another surprise of the evening was in the 18th Assembly District where Democrat Taylor Raynor defeated longtime Democrat and Deputy Speaker Earlene Hooper.

What does this all mean for NYSATA and our legislative efforts? Given the demographics of most of the former IDC seats and Democratic turnovers - the primary races were *the* races. This means, at a bare minimum, we will have quite a few new members to welcome, engage and educate about the scope of practice of Athletic Trainers, the vital role you play in your given area of practice and our legislative initiative to move from certification to licensure. Should NY, specifically the Senate (as some prognosticators are suggesting), be hit by a Blue tidal wave, and as a result, flip the Senate to a Democratic majority, we, along with all advocates, will be preparing for shift in Committee Chairs, key staff and priorities. Such a scenario will have us jockeying for attention among hundreds of initiatives. Your Government Relations Team is preparing for any outcome and has already crafted and begun to implement plans. However, your continued engagement is more important

than ever before. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, I would highly encourage you to make a district visit to each of your representatives, invite them to your field and/or athletic training room and ask for their support. In the meantime, your Albany Team will continue to pound the pavement in the capitol. Should you have any questions regarding engagement, please do not hesitate to reach out.



Secondary Schools

Chair

Jarett Rhoads, MSEd, ATC, CSCS

Greetings Secondary School Athletic Trainers!

I hope that your fall season is winding down smoothly and you are looking forward to a minor respite before the winter season

begins. As we close out 2018, the NYSATA Secondary School Committee would like to send a huge thank you for previously completing Athletic Training Locations and Services (ATLAS) Project Survey, a joint initiative of the Korey Stringer Institute, the NATA, and the NATA Secondary School Athletic Training Committee. More information about ATLAS can be found at the [KSI ATLAS Project](#), [NATA](#) and [NYSATA](#) websites.

During the past year, the ATLAS Project completed the Mapping Phase and they are proud to say that 100% of public and private schools throughout the United States ($n= 20,272$) are mapped. Now is the Annual Survey Phase. Currently, 50% ($n= 6,754$) of the schools with AT services ($n= 13,473$) have taken the survey previously, but only 642 schools have taken the survey this year.

So they can provide the most accurate data to your state leaders, they ask that the survey be taken annually between September and December. With ATLAS survey data for your school updated annually, they can continue to strive to accomplish the following goals:

- Create a real-time database of athletic training services in secondary schools
- Create a directory for each state's athletic training association and high school athletics association
- Assist states in moving toward full-time athletic training services
- Provide useful data to each state's athletic training association and high school athletic association
- Identify common factors associated with increased athletic training services across the country

What they are asking:

If you have not re-taken the [ATLAS Survey](#) since August 16, 2018, they ask that ALL ATs at your school complete it.

If you have changed schools, please email them to remove you from your old school and fill out the survey for your new school.

If you no longer work at a high school, please email them to remove you and in the email please indicate if you know if that school still has AT services and the name or contact of the new AT.

KSI will help you!

KSI has worked closely with the New York State Athletic Trainers' Association to ensure they have accurate information regarding our athletic trainers. This information is a tremendous step towards creating awareness about the importance of ATs, assisting with legislative initiatives, and making positive change to protect high school athletes.

The data is in!

[Check out the first atlas report](#) and see how New York's athletic training services & employment model compare to the nation.

As always, if there is any way I can be of assistance to my fellow Secondary School Athletic Trainers, do not hesitate to [contact me](#).



Public Relations



Co-Chairs

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

Fall is a busy time of year for all of us, and NYSATA has been working hard to promote our profession. In August, NYSATA decided to help strengthen its partnership with the Brain Injury Association of New York State (BIANYS) by sponsoring a Corporate Team for their March on for Brain Injury 5k and Family Fun Walk, pictured above. The event took place on September 15, 2018, at three locations in New York: Hudson Valley, Long Island, and Rochester. It was a beautiful sunny day, and a wonderful event.



Our annual New York State Athletic Training Recognition Week was held from Friday, October 5 through Sunday, October 14, 2018. Numerous PSAs were made at athletic contests throughout the state during the week, helping to promote our profession and educate the community in regards to what athletic trainers do and their importance on the sidelines at athletic events. In addition, there were many posts made on social media using #NYATWeek2018 and tagging/mentioning NYSATA. Our top three tweeters on the week were @Kuya_Roy_F (Roy Flores), @AimeeBrunelle, and @CMCSportsMed, with Aimee Brunelle being the lucky winner of a Foobag for her efforts. In our meme contest, @GC_TrainingRoom (Chris Napoli) posted the top three memes and also won a Foobag for his contributions. We will look to do more social media contests and give out more goodies during NATM 2019. Check the region reports to see some of the specific activities from NY AT Week around the state.

NYSATA will be attending the NYSPTA conference in Saratoga Springs, November 9-10, 2018, as exhibitors. Aimee Brunelle and Kurt Pfaffenbach have been scheduled to attend the event and represent NYSATA. Their speaking with attendees will help to educate them about the profession of athletic training, and our importance on the sidelines during scholastic and youth sports. This will be important as we continue to work toward getting our practice act updated.

In March, 2019, Lauren Stephenson, and Stony Brook University will again be leading the charge as athletic trainers, and student athletic trainers descend on NYC to celebrate NATM. In past years we have filled up the audiences at the Today Show and Good Morning America, and would love to do so again this year. Please [contact Lauren](#) for more information, and to join in the fun.

If you have any events, pictures, or anything else to [share with us](#) from NY AT Week, or any other event or activity helping to promote our profession, please [let us know](#). Look for news on NATM 2019 in our February newsletter.

NYSATA Account Balance

David J. Byrnes, MS, ATC

Treasurer

(as of October 31, 2018)

MUTUAL FUNDS/ ETFs	Market Value	Quantity Held
Vanguard Index ETF	\$9,862.50	125.00
Vanguard Short Term ETF	\$14,454.99	300
Alerian MLP ETF	\$8,794.24	885
Blackrock Funds	\$12,267.15	1,225
U.S. COMMON STOCK	Market Value	Quantity Held
Dominion Resources	\$15,864.20	220
AT&T Inc	\$16,003.63	525
Ares Capital	\$13,664.00	800
Pfizer	\$17,229.80	400
CISCO Systems	\$14,917.31	325
Kellogg Company	\$9,314.58	140
General Electric	\$3,451.00	350
Proctor & Gamble	\$13,242.00	150
CORPORATE BONDS	Market Value	Quantity Held
Arrow Electronics	\$12,309.84	
US West Communications	\$14,507.70	
Viacom	\$16,627.20	
General Motors	Redeemed 10/2	
Teva Pharmaceuticals	\$13,082.70	
Citigroup	Redeemed 9/26	
PREFERRED SECURITIES	Market Value	Quantity Held
QWEST Corp	Redeemed 9/4	500
Bank Of America	\$14,647.15	700
MetLife Floater Callable	\$16,792.93	700
Wells Fargo Deposit Account (Investment)	\$65,599.89	
Checking Account	\$83,95.51	
Account Total	\$386,658.84	

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If you do, then thank you! If not, why not? It is free, quick, and easy to do. It helps to show that you and rest of our profession are legitimate medical providers. You can only benefit from getting it, there are no negatives. For more information on getting your NPI# or to apply, go to the [NATA website](#).

The NYSATA Newsletter

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Regional Reports



Region 1 LI

James Pierre-Glaude, DPT, ATC, CSCS

Stony Brook University

In September, Stony Brook University School of Health Technology and Management recognized Arturo "Roy" Flores '00 as an Outstanding Alumni from the Athletic Training Program. Roy currently works as an athletic trainer at NYU, and is the NYSATA President-Elect. We continue to be very proud of his numerous accomplishments and thrilled to award him with this deserving honor. Congratulations Roy! (Pictured right and below.)

Save the Date: March 1, 2019. It is that time of year again to begin preparing for our 7th



annual NATM in NYC. This event has become a tradition for the SBU ATP that our faculty, students & alumni look forward to every year, and we hope to make this part of your institution/organization's NATM tradition as well.

Looking for EBP CEUs? This completely online foundations EBP course will offer you strategies in online database searches & assessing the quality of evidence. The course provides you with tutorial videos to streamline your search process and improve your efficiency in searching the literature. Go to the [website](#) to access the course materials and take a simple quiz to receive 1 EBP CEU for just \$25.

Watch for the announcement of the 2019 Stony Brook Orthopaedic Associates and Division of Sports Medicine 9th Annual Sports Medicine Update program which will be held in late spring.

Hofstra University

Hofstra University Athletic Training Program will be hosting an Alumni social March 1, 2019. This social will help kick-off NATM, and will take place in the Hofstra University Club from 6:30-9pm. For more information please [email us](#).



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On October 23, 2018, the Hofstra Athletic Training Society, in support of Sudden Cardiac Awareness month, certified students in CPR and AED. (Pictured above)

Congratulations to student Jessy Davidson, who was accepted into the University of Delaware PT Program.



Region 1 NYC

Nicole Hovey, MS, ATC

Alan Kroll is providing athletic training services to the play [India Pale Ale](#) at Manhattan Theater Club which opened October 23, 2018. Alan will also be providing AT services for Days of Rage at Second Stage. Congratulations Alan!

Megan Richardson, MS, Dipl AC, LAc, ATC from Megan Richardson Wellness is one of the organizers of a conference in December that she would love to extend to the NYSATA community. Essential Oils for Healthcare Professionals is a one day where multi-disciplinary practitioners will come together to connect, learn and collaborate on the uses of Essential Oils. For more information visit their [website](#).

Michael T Schmidt, MPA, ATC would like you to save the date for the first annual "Best Practice Series" presented by NYU Winthrop Hospital and Nassau BOCES Athletics. The event will take place on January 23, 2019, at NYU Winthrop Research & Academic Conference Center.

LIU Brooklyn

LIU Brooklyn Sports Medicine Department would like to welcome back Alex Mellin, ATC, Elizabeth Sereqics, ATC, Samuel Stampley III, ATC, and Nigel Maven, ATC. They would also like to extend a welcome to KatieRose Healey, ATC, who joined the staff in August.

Region 2

Michael Mirabella, MS, ATC, CSCS



Stephen C Gamma, MS, ATC, CSCS, FMSC, is the new Exercise Science and Sports Medicine Career Technical Teacher at Orange-Ulster BOCES. One of his goals with the BOCES program is to introduce students to the Athletic Training profession and hopefully encourage future professionals. You can find more information about his program on their [website](#).

During the first half of the Dave Allison Memorial Girls' Soccer game on Friday, October 12, and again during their Alumni Day football on Saturday, October 13, the Hackley School made announcements in recognition of NY AT Week. The announcements explained what athletic trainers do and their importance on the sideline for all athletic contests. In addition they thanked their athletic trainers, and those of the visiting teams for their services to the schools and their athletes.

Marist College

Marist College welcomed Katelyn Klercker ATC as a member of their sports medicine team. She is a 2018 graduate of Lock Haven University, who completed her senior year internship with their office during the spring of 2018.

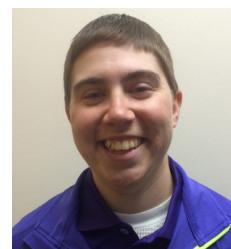
St. Thomas Aquinas College

Nancy Rello returns to STAC full time after completing a one-year internship in 2016-17.

Annemarie Bartow joins STAC as the newly appointed full time athletic trainer for their new Varsity Sprint Football team after graduating from Immaculata College.

Brett Treco joins STAC for a one-year internship after graduating from East Carolina University.

Melanie Sulich joins STAC for a one-year internship after graduating from the University of Connecticut.



Region 3

Carla Pasquarelli, ATC

Colonie High School read several announcements at home football, soccer, and volleyball games, recognizing athletic trainers Aimee Brunelle and Kurt Pfaffenbach.

Amsterdam, Broadalbin Perth, and Gloversville High Schools read several announcements at home football and soccer games, recognizing their athletic trainers from St. Mary's Healthcare: Carla Pasquarelli (AHS), Rachel Simkins (BP) and Dave Haverly (GHS).



Region 4

[Christine Scuderi, MSEd, ATC](#)

Jefferson Community College

Jefferson Community College has hired a full time Athletic Trainer, Emily Strobino, Med, ATC, PES, CES. Emily grew up in North Carolina, attended Lenoir-Rhyne with a BS in Athletic Training and received her Master's in

Athletic Training at UVA in 2009. She was most recently employed by Augusta University Medical Center in GA putting time in at the Sports Medicine Clinic there as well as serving as the Head Athletic Trainer for the Augusta Preparatory Day School.

SUNY Canton

Adam Campbell joins the athletic training staff at SUNY Canton. Adam grew up in Western PA, graduated from the Penn State Athletic Training program in 2016 and then attended the University of Central Missouri as a GA while gaining his Master's degree in Sport Management in 2018.

Welcome to the North Country Adam and Emily!



Region 5

[Courtney Gray, ATC](#)

SUNY Cortland

A NY AT Wekk PSA was edited to reflect Cortland's staff and AT-S and read during the Men's Soccer games on October 5 and 6 and the Hall of Fame Football game vs. Morrisville on October 6.

Ithaca College

Senior Athletic Training Major Wins Ethnic Diversity Grant

Senior Athletic Training Major, Anthony Cosby was recently notified that he is a recipient of an Ethnic Diversity Grant from the National Athletic Trainers' Association which will allow him to attend and participate in a national student leadership program being held in conjunction with the 2019 Athletic Trainers' Educators' Conference, in Dallas, TX in February. The \$1,000 grant covers his registration for the NATA's National meeting as well, held in June 2019 in Las Vegas, NV.

Tony, who is participating in the AT Education's Academic & Professional exchange program in Carlow, Ireland this semester, has been an active member of the AT Education Program's EquAT and InclusivAT programming. This includes work on the recent EDAC grant the program received this past summer to increase diversity in the Ithaca College AT program and profession. He completed a professional internship with the NFL's Baltimore Ravens this past summer.

Pictured right, Ethnic Diversity Grant recipient Tony Cosby.



Athletic Training Program Awarded Diversity Grant

Clinical Instructor Katie Sheehan, MS, ATC, and Professor Paul R. Geisler, EdD, ATC, of the Athletic Training Education program in DESS, were recently awarded a modest diversity enhancement grant by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Ethnic Diversity Advisory Committee (NATA EDAC). Submitted on behalf of the AT Program's EquAT and InclusivAT programming, with the help of several current Athletic Training students, the grant will fund a unique program involving Ithaca High School students during the coming academic year.

The NATA EDAC serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors, aiming to identify and address issues relevant to the ethnically diverse populations to better serve the needs of both patients and fellow athletic trainers. EDAC advocates sensitivity toward cultural diversity, development of cultural competence within the profession and promotion of athletic trainers as leaders in issues related to cultural competence and professional diversity within the health care professions. It has made planning grants available to educational institutions seeking to enhance ethnic diversity within the profession.

The grant awarded to the IC AT Education Program and its EquAT and InclusivAT program was awarded under Category 1, as it is intended to recruit, retain and educate ethnically diverse athletic training students with the intent to increase the number of ethnically diverse certified athletic trainers. Current senior Athletic Training students, Katie Dolan, Jennifer Gordan, Shelby McDavid, Tony Cosby, and Niklas McKone, were instrumental in conceiving and constructing the grant proposal, and will be central to implementing the program this year.

The grant funds the formation and implementation of an athletic training club for interested minority students at Ithaca High School in coordination with their certified athletic trainer. Members of the club will attend AT classes and workshops at IC to learn more about sports medicine, and the athletic training profession. They will take part in pre-game, game, and post-game athletic training duties with Bomber Athletics Events and certified athletic trainers. They will also experience how athletic training roles differ in the Division 1 environment by attending events and athletic training clinics at Cornell University and Syracuse University.

Kent Scriber Advanced Clinical Update EBP Course

Save the Date! Make plans to visit Ithaca NY on January 19, 2019, for the 5th installment of the Kent Scriber Advanced Clinical Update EBP Course. The IC AT Education Program will have important and exciting EBP presentations on rehabbing lateral ankle sprains, Achilles' Tendon recovery in surgical and non-surgical approaches, the AT's role in preventing osteoarthritis, and sports dermatology assessment

and treatment. Mixing things up to bring you high quality, relevant and clinically useful evidence-based approaches to recognition and management at a bargain cost. Spread the word, book the date to return to South Hill, bring a friend (or two, or three). \$80 for Bomber program alumni, \$100 for non-alumni, for 6 EBP CEUs provided in one day. [Contact Paul Geisler](#) for more information.

Program Director Attends Medical Assessment Course in the Netherlands

Professor Paul R. Geisler, EdD, ATC, the Director of Athletic Training Education at Ithaca College, recently traveled to Maastricht University, in The Netherlands to participate in the 2018 Medical/Healthcare Assessment Course. The five-day course was given by the European Board of Medical Assessors (EBMA), and the faculty of the School of Health Professions Education at Maastricht University. It was led by imminent medical education scholar and assessment expert, Professor Cees van der Vleuten, and covered evidence-based approaches to programmatic assessment, effective feedback, curricular mapping, item writing and psychometrics germane to health professions and medical education. Dr. Geisler was the sole American and Athletic Training professional present, and he was joined by medical/health educators from the Medical University of Exeter, UK, The Medical University of Lodz, Poland, The University of Rotterdam physical therapy program, in The Netherlands, and a soon to be built medical university in Bangkok, Thailand.

SUNY Broome

The Head Certified Athletic Trainer and Assistant Director of Athletics at SUNY Broome Community College has received regional recognition for his service, dedication and care for student athletes under his supervision. Jon R. Smith, pictured below, is the recipient of the NJCAA Region III Athletic Trainer of the Year Award for 2017-18. It is the first such award issued in Region III. You can read more on the [WNBF website](#).



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. Cost is \$89 for NATA members, \$25 for students, and \$110 for non-NATA healthcare professionals and is approved for 4 BOC CEUs. For more information visit the [website](#).

Alfred University

The Alfred University Athletic Training program recently volunteered their services for the 37th running of the Wineglass Marathon (*See photo next page*). Athletic Training Students and staff worked at the finish line, stretching tent, and medical center assisting runners who completed the 26.2 and 13.1 mile courses. The Alfred University Athletic Training program worked closely with other allied health care professionals to provide medical coverage to the 6,000 plus runners. The AU Athletic Training Students enjoyed the experience despite the raining conditions.

International Sports Science Medical Conference

The PBATS London Upper Extremity Conference will be held January 17-19, 2019. This conference will be worth 17.5 CEUs in category D. Gene Verel, AT Retired, Rick Griffin, HAT Seattle Mariners, Brian Zeller, PhD ATC, NATA Intentional Committee Chair, and Christopher O'Brien, PHD, ATC, Kings University, PA worked hard to organize this conference with the intent for students to have an inexpensive international experience. The NATA is in part, sponsoring the program. They have reached the number of AT Students who can attend this year's conference, but are expecting to hold another next year in Ireland.

Pan American Taekwondo Championships

Dr. Sherri LaShomb served as assistant medical director for the Local Organizing Committee at the Pan American Taekwondo Championships in Spokane, Washington July 13-15, 2018. Nearly 1,000 athletes representing 45 countries were on hand for the championships, including several former Olympians and both Senior and Junior National Champions.

Dr. LaShomb was also on staff for the Pan American Taekwondo Union's President's Cup in Las Vegas, Nevada October 12-14, 2018, providing medical care for the athletes, staff, coaches, and officials.

Daemen College

NYSATA Public Service Announcements were read at the following Daemen College home soccer games: Saturday October 13 Men vs Queens College and Sunday October 14 Women vs Clarion University.

To highlight NYS AT Week, the Daemen Athletic Training Student Association presented a check for \$1,039.72 to Kids Event Tickets,



Wineglass Marathon

Back Row L to R: Matt Eldridge, Jason Gauthier, Jeslaney Rodriguez, Rebecca Alexander, Brian Larkin-Gero, Liam Glover, MBA, ATC, Chris Yartym, MS, ATC, PES, and Alexandra Schreck. Front Row L to R: Faith Rivera, Lyndsey McCoy, and Gabby Griffin

Inc. on October 6, 2018 at the Buffalo Sabres game vs. New York Rangers. As stated on their website: "Kids Events Tickets strives to reward under-served children with tickets to sporting and cultural events around Western New York and other communities throughout the country." The money was raised at the Daemen Athletic Training Student Association 1st Annual Charity Banquet held in May 2018 from basket raffles, 50/50 raffle and generous donations. *Pictured below: Kids Events Tickets Executive Director, Dean Gallagher, accepts a donation from Darlene Eckhardt, Daemen Athletic Training Student Association President, pre-game as the NY Rangers visited the Buffalo Sabres on October 6, 2018.*



Zach Morris, ATC, was hired at Daemen College as the Athletic Training Intern. Zach is a 2018 graduate of Canisius College.

Fredonia State University

NYSATA Public Service Announcements were read at the following Fredonia State home athletic events: Women's Soccer and Women's Volleyball, Saturday October 13.

Jay Martinez and Tory Trzyna have been appointed assistant athletic trainers. Martinez's resume includes stops at Ottawa University in Surprise, AZ, Elmira College, as well as a stint with the San Francisco

Giants. Trzyna comes to Fredonia from Wellston (Ohio) High School following college stops at Ohio University, Canisius College, and the University at Buffalo.

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**From Section One
Athletic Trainers' Society (SOATS)
David Byrnes, MS, ATC**

Save the date: SOATS winter meeting, Thursday February 28, 2019 - 1-6pm, being held at Dominican College, Prusmack Hall. CEU's available.