

June 2018

DISTRICT ONE



Notes from the District Director

Dear District One Members,
I will keep my opening remarks as brief as possible since this June edition is filled with updates from both our District One State Association Presidents and many of our NATA District One Committee chairs. It's been a busy time both within District One and at the NATA. Over the past month, I attended the CATA, ATOM/RIATA and Northern New England meetings. These conferences provided outstanding educational opportunities for our members. I felt a sense of the passion of our membership and your involvement in our profession. Thank you to the respective state association leadership groups for developing and hosting these outstanding meetings.

Please join me in wishing the 2018 District One Quiz Bowl Team of Lauren Burke (Plymouth State), Kylie Copland (UNE), and Jennifer Holman (Endicott) the best of luck competing in the NATA Quiz Bowl in NOLA!

Finally, I hope to see many of you in New Orleans! To date we have over 400 District One members registered, which is phenomenal. As this is my final "Notes from the Director," I want to thank the entire membership and the legion of volunteers of District One for allowing me the honor and privilege to serve as your representative to the NATA-BOD over the past four years. I want to personally thank and acknowledge Sue Guyer, Vicky Graham, Diane Sartanowicz and Julie Alexander as the BEST District Officer team any NATA Director could wish for. I could not have done this job without their leadership, guidance and especially their friendship. It has been a wonderful experience for me both personally and professionally, which I will truly cherish for the rest of my life.

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Tim Weston, MEd, ATC
District One Director
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From the Treasurer **Diane Sartanowicz, MS, LAT, ATC**

I am pleased to announce that District One continues to be financially sound with no liabilities. During a recent meeting with our financial adviser from Morgan Stanley, we reviewed our investment policy statement to make any adjustments accordingly for the needs of our portfolio. Our recent membership dues increase will take effect in 2019 renewal cycle. This increase will benefit the overall operations of the district association as we have seen an increase to professional fees and travel reimbursements. It will also provide for potential new initiatives that will directly benefit our membership. I would like to remind all members to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to providing you with a detailed financial report at our business meeting at NATA in New Orleans.



District One Member Meeting
Wednesday June 27
Hilton Grand Ballroom C

Meeting 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Reception 6:30-8:30 pm

See page 11 for NOLA Highlights!





From the District Secretary

Vicky Graham, DAT, LAT, ATC

Membership retention in District One remains strong. We encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities that exist to get involved with your state association and District One, and to continue to advance the profession.

We're excited to see those of you traveling to NOLA, where we'll celebrate the tireless leadership of Director Tim (Westy) Weston, who we'll thank at a reception in his honor immediately following the District One Member Meeting on **Wed., June 27 (Hilton Grand Ballroom C)**. The meeting begins at 5:30 pm, and the reception will run from approximately 6:30-8:30 pm. We'll have a bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres, so feel free to stay as long as you like after the meeting or stop by later.

Foundation Donation Match

We'll be collecting donations to the NATA Foundation during the reception. Westy has generously pledged to match the total amount of donations that are collected that evening.

Membership Category	Active
Certified Regular	1787
Associate	25
Retired Certified	86
Honorary	9
Non-Member	0
Student Undergrad	506
Student Graduate	29
Student Certified	183
Career Starter Cert	133
Total	2758

Member Counts Matrix by State							
	CT	MA	ME	NH	RI	VT	Total
Certified Regular	422	745	190	203	108	119	1787
Associate	4	14	5	1	0	1	25
Retired Certified	17	39	11	8	6	5	86
Honorary	1	5	1	1	1	0	9
Student Undergrad	108	182	66	84	11	55	506
Student Graduate	5	14	0	4	1	5	29
Student Certified	53	70	17	22	8	13	183
Career Starter Cert	34	58	9	17	5	10	133
Total	644	1127	299	340	140	208	2758



YOU'RE CORDIALLY
INVITED TO THE
DISTRICT ONE

RECEPTION
FOR
WESTY

WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 27, 2018
6:30 - 8:30 PM

HILTON NEW
ORLEANS RIVERSIDE
GRAND BALLROOM C

HEAVY
HORS D'OEUVRES
CASH BAR

Bridgewater State Receives KSI Honor

The Korey Stringer Institute (KSI) selected the Bridgewater State University Athletic Training Program as the first recipient of an award it plans to present annually to an athletic training educational program that "excels in community outreach" to prevent sudden death in sport and other physical activity.

As part of the award, the University of Connecticut-based institute agreed to come to BSU July 31 for a presentation on reducing the risk of heat illness in athletes. The symposium will also feature talks by BSU faculty on such topics as airway management, removing equipment from injured athletes, and Narcan training.



Carl Nelson Inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame

Longtime Colby College Head Athletic Trainer Carl Nelson was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame on June 3. The ceremony was held at the Collins Center for the Arts at the University of Maine. A

veteran of the U.S. Navy, Nelson worked at Colby from 1959 to 1993 as an Associate Professor and Director of Health Services. Colby's student-athletes are now cared for at The Carl E. Nelson Center in the Harold Alfond Athletic Center. Nelson was named Head Athletic Trainer for the U.S. team at the 1972, 1976, and 1980 Winter Olympic games, and served as director of the Pine Tree Camp for children with physical disabilities for more than 30 years. Carl Nelson also has been inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame and the EATA '49 Club.

2019 NATA Call for Proposals Deadline July 17th

Proposal submissions are being accepted for the 2019 NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo, in Las Vegas, NV. More information [HERE](#).

District One Seeking Representative to PRAT Committee

District One has an opening for the Professional Responsibility in Athletic Training Committee (PRAT). "The mission of the Professional Responsibility in Athletic Training Committee is to support the legal, ethical and regulatory (LER) standards of the AT Strategic Alliance by encouraging and promoting adherence. The PRAT collaboratively works with the Strategic Alliance to proactively inform professional practice by streamlining LER resources, educating professionals about how to exercise those standards and establishing an online presence."

If you are interested in the opening, please send your C.V. and a letter of interest [Diane Sartanowicz](#) at by July 15, 2018.



Keep In Touch!



Director
Tim 'Westy' Weston



Secretary
Vicky Graham



*Treasurer
Director-Elect*
Diane Sartanowicz



Treasurer-Elect
Julie Alexander





President

Robert Colandreo, DPT, LAT, ATC

The start of 2018 saw Executive Council changes for ATOM. At the EATA Meeting in Boston Brett Winston (President-Elect), Chrissy Landreth (Secretary), and Brenda LaRow (Membership Representative) all began their 2-year terms. Jennifer Concannon, our outgoing Secretary is serving out the final year of the Treasurer position that was vacated by Beth Wolfe. Beth is now working in the metro-DC area. Special thanks go to our outgoing Board members, Kathy Thornton (Past-President) and Jess Rooney Gallagher (Membership Representative).

During our state meeting we also had our annual awards. This year's winners are as follows:

ATOM Hall of Fame: Ed Lacerte

Koko Kassabian Service Award: Ron O'Neil

Athletic Trainer of the Year: 2017 New England Patriots AT Staff; Jim Whalen, Joe Van Allen, Daryl Nelson, Mike Akinbola.
(pictured right)

ATOM Scholarship: Casey DiZinno (Springfield College)

D1 Charles J. Redmond Scholarship: Takaaki Kodani (Bridgewater State University)

ATOM and Collins Sports Medicine High School Grants: St. Mary's High School, Lynn and St. Joseph's Prep, Brighton.

Brian FitzGerald Public Service Award: Senator Michael Rush

In March we finalized a new Young Professionals Committee. The committee is being chaired by Philip Szlosek. Committee members include Jason Bessie, Christina Hollis, Shelby Wozmak, and Amanda Rodrigues. Amanda will serve as ATOM's representative to the D1 Young Professionals Committee. The committee is hard at work planning our fall meeting and some social/networking events for our newer professionals. We are also currently looking to rebuild our Secondary Schools Committee to address concerns facing our high school athletic trainers, work on completing the survey portion of the KSI ATLAS Project statewide and becoming more involved with the MIAA Coalition on Substance Misuse.

Government Affairs

Our biggest area of focus has again been on the legislative front. Despite extensive efforts and increased support from legislators both *An Act Promoting Consumer Choice in Health Care* and *An Act Relative to Student Safety in Interscholastic Athletic Activities* ended up being "sent to study" in February at the Joint Committee Rule 10 deadline. S1263 *An Act Relative to the Practice of Athletic Training* was "sent to study" on the senate side, but H1142, the house version of S1263, was given an extended deadline to May 9, 2018 in the Public Health Committee. Despite several meetings with the committee members, the Public Health Committee sent the bill to study on May 9th.

We are still continuing work to get our bill language into the overall health care reform bill. Health care reform in Massachusetts is focused on access and cost containment. Back in November we were able to get an amendment into the Senate bill (S2211 section 175). The House has yet to take up a bill. We have meetings scheduled with the House Health Care Finance Committee Chair to continue to get our language into this bill.

When a bill is sent to study it is essentially dead for the session. We will be continuing to work with Sen. Rush and Rep. Coppinger's offices to make something happen to update our practice act language right up until the legislative session ends on July 31, 2018. There are still a few unconventional ways to try to make this happen. Any bill that does not make it through the formal legislative session will be re-filed in January 2019. This is an election year in Massachusetts. In light of unexpected deaths, resignations, and senate scandals this is gearing up to be an active election season.

ATOM had a very strong turnout at our annual ATOM/RIATA Spring Conference held this year at Bridgewater State University. Highlights included presentations on CTE by Robert Stern, PhD and Performance Enhancing Substances by Brian Parker of the Taylor Hooton Foundation. We had breakout sessions on Blood Flow Resistance Training, Manual Therapy for the GH joint, Speed Training, Hand and Wrist Injuries and Health and Safety for High School Athletes. ATOM also recently co-sponsored the 2nd Annual Concussion Diagnosis and Management conference with the Cantu Concussion Center and Emerson Hospital.

ATOM will be updating our website over the summer. We hope to have the new platform out before August. Also, we are in the process of changing our mailing address. Keep an eye out for both changes.



Pictured above, Bob Colandreo; Athletic Trainers of the Year New England Patriots AT staff, Mike Akinbola, Daryl Nelson, Jim Whalen, Joe Van Allen; Dominique Ross

Pictured below, (l to r) Joe Van Allen, Ron O'Neil, Jim Whalen, Jeff Stone, Ed Lacerte, Daryl Nelson, Mike Akinbola





President
Gary Morin

The CATA recently concluded an eventful year. A new Executive Board was recently installed with Perry Siegel being elected to the President-Elect position, Catie Dann as Treasurer and Heather Feiner elected for the first time to the Board of Directors. Returning to the Executive Board are Dan Smith as Vice-President, Sue Remington as Secretary, Marc Aceto and Stephen Straub to the Board of

Directors. We would like to thank President Jeff Shanley and outgoing Treasurer Ed Blair for their years of service to the profession.

On May 17th, the CATA held its Annual Symposium in Cromwell. We had a large turnout with athletic trainers from across Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. Highlights included presentations on nutrition, hip examinations, dry cupping, and inflammation in rehabilitation. The CATA would like to thank all of our speakers and everyone who attended.

During the conference, the CATA inducted Daphne Benas and Charlie Davis into our Hall of Fame (*pictured top left*). Other award winners include Perry Siegel who was elected as the CATA Athletic Trainer of the Year (*pictured bottom right*). The Don Bagnall Secondary School Athletic Trainer of the Year was awarded to Patricia Kelly. Monique Brown, Dan McDonagh, Michael Dias and athletic training student Tom Faltus were awarded President's Awards for their lifesaving efforts (*pictured top right*). The CATA also recognized several individuals who were instrumental in the successful passing of our licensure bill last spring. Recognition awards were presented to Rep. Nicole Klarides-Ditria ATC, LAT, Dr. Michael Joyce, and our lobbyists Joe Grabarz and Betty Gallo.

The CATA award six scholarships. The Penny Dunker-Polek Scholarship was awarded to Katelyn Kim (UConn) and the District One Cathy Horne Scholarship was earned by Cynthia Felizardo (SHU). Ann Woodmansee (QU) was the recipient of the CATA Kathy Pirog Scholarship and the first ever CATA Carl Krein Scholarship was awarded to Emmalee Caisse (SCSU). The Elite Sports Medicine Scholarship was earned by Eli Valentine (QU) and the Select Physical Therapy Scholarship was presented to Adam Romano (CCSU).

The CATA-GAC will receive the 2018 Dan Campbell Legislative Award for 2018 during the State Leadership Conference in New Orleans. More recently, the CATA successfully added athletic trainers to those allied health professionals who are protected from liability while administering an AED, if the AED fails during use. Athletic trainers lobbied on a bill designed to provide consumers with information regarding the safety of sports helmets, which gained us a seat at a commission to study the situation further.





President
Christopher Rizzo MS, ATC, CSCS

The Maine Athletic Trainers' Association successfully promoted the profession during NATA Month. Highlights of the PR campaign included a "Hall of Flags" day in which professionals and students represented AT's at the State House in Augusta. Those in attendance sported "NATA Month" T-Shirts designed by Governmental Affairs Committee Chair, Rich Garini, ATC, CEAS. In addition, JP Stowe, ATC, CSCS, Program Manager for Eastern Maine Medical Center Sports Health and Ryan Taylor, ATC, Head Athletic Trainer at the University of Maine at Orono each were interviewed on local news channels promoting the AT profession.

Maine High Schools continued to be successful in achieving First-Team Safe Sport School Awards, bringing a total of 16 to the state. Congratulations to the following Head Athletic Trainers and respective schools: Patrick Hapworth, ATC (Belfast High School), Tristy Wolfe, ATC (Carrabassett Valley Academy), Stephanie Facchini, MEd, ATC (Old Orchard Beach High School), Tony Giordano, ATC (Thornton Academy) and Casey Sinclair, ATC (Windham High School).

The MATA recently hosted the Northern New England Conference at the Double-Tree Hotel in South Portland. The conference offered a total of 12 Category A and five Evidence-Based Practice CEU's to nearly 100 attendees. Students who attended the conference had the opportunity to participate in a Student Track led by District One Director Tim Weston and former District Two Director Michael Goldenberg. In addition, the Association presented the several awards during the welcome reception sponsored by School Health on Friday evening. The Bill Cox Service Award was presented to Brad Gallant, ATC at Waterville High School. The MATA Service Award was presented posthumously to Senator Richard Kneeland and received by his daughter, Barbara Blackstone, MS, ATC. Student scholarships were also awarded to Morgan Dube, Springfield College and Braden Heal, University of Southern Maine.





President
Ben Towne MA, ATC

The NHATA membership has been busy during the first half of 2018. We welcomed three new board members to the team:

Secretary: Stephanie Stiles
Treasurer: Christine Reyes
President Elect: Sandy Snow



NHATA Service Award Winner Dr. Chris Couture (center),

We continue to hold monthly board meetings throughout the state of New Hampshire and encourage members to attend.

Plymouth State University hosted the NHATA Student Symposium, which was attended by all programs in the state- the University of New Hampshire, Keene State College, Plymouth State University and Colby Sawyer College. Student presentations, NH Quiz Bowl, taping contests and scholarship recipients highlighted the day. It was a tremendous day of collegiality, camaraderie and educational advancement! The District One Daniel R. Sedory Scholarship was awarded to Alexandria Raifsnider, Plymouth State University.



Two NHATA Scholarships were awarded to Brooke Bergeron, University of New Hampshire and Madeline Zimmerman, University of New Hampshire.

Our social media team worked diligently to promote the profession and social interaction during NATM, which included several interactive opportunities and a number of great prizes.

We were pleased to offer free CEU's to our membership in April at our Annual Spring Meeting, hosted by Pinkerton Academy in Derry, NH. In addition, we were pleased to present Dr. Christopher Couture with the NHATA Service Award.

The 4th Annual NHATA Golf Tournament will be held July 21st at Beaver Meadow Golf Course in Concord, NH. This vital fundraiser provides an opportunity for members and friends of the NHATA to interact in a social setting...not to mention an opportunity to win some great prizes! If you would like to participate as a golfer or volunteer, let us know! You may register [HERE](#).

The NHATA Board will continue to be proactive in membership recruitment, as well as state and district level initiatives. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in New Orleans!

NHATA District One Daniel R. Sedory Scholarship: left to right, Dan Sedory, Alexandria Raifsnider, Ben Towne



President
Valerie Webber, MS, ATC

President Elect
Jeff Nadeau, MS, ATC



Overall the past year was busy but relatively quiet. The biggest obstacle we faced was an attempt by the Governor's office to move our professional license from the Department of Health to the Department of Business Regulations as part of a budget restructuring bill. Our lobbying group informed us of this move, and Val Webber (President) and Jeff Nadeau (President-Elect) met with Erik Goodwin to discuss a response. Mr. Goodwin was an essential resource to the RIATA and worked with Andy Llaguno (URI, Past President) when our license was in jeopardy a few years ago. In February, Val Webber, Jeff Nadeau, Matt Culp (Brown Univ.), and Helen Malone (NEST) testified in front of the House Finance Committee in an attempt to sway the budget committee to remove our license from the proposal. On April 25, a motion was approved to remove our license from the transfer.

In November, the Executive Board discussed a vote to split the Secretary/Treasurer position into two different positions as one person previously held it. The Executive Board submitted a call for nominations for a treasure, Carrie Milner (URI) was nominated and later confirmed. Carrie is an athletic trainer at URI and will work with Michelle Barber (URI) to transition.

On April 3, Andy Llaguno, Jeff Nadeau, Tom Mezzanotti (RIIL Director) and members of the RIIL SMAC team testified in front of the House Committee of Health, Education, and Welfare to discuss RI House Bill 7703 – Concussion Act. This marked the third appearance in front of this committee, and the group received helpful questions and positive feedback. The sponsoring representative (Katherine Kazarian 63rd - D) was encouraged by the committee's response and happy with the turn out from the RIATA and the RIIL. Next steps include a meeting with the chair of the House committee to work on language changes to the bill. This meeting has not been set up as of June 4, 2018.

The annual ATOM/RIATA Symposium was held at Bridgewater State on 24 May 18. The overall program was educational and well attended. Attendance declined noticeably for the state meetings which followed. At the RIATA meeting, Andy Llaguno was honored with the Hall of Fame Award, while Makayla Clarke (Chariho High School) was awarded the Athletic Trainer of the Year Award for her efforts to save the life of a student-athlete. The award was presented by Stephanie Potts, mother of the athlete, and Makayla's family was in attendance. The President's Award was given to the

founding members of the RIATA: John Rock (Providence College), Dr. Jim Sullivan, Kim Bissonette (URI), Joyce Freeman (Moses Brown School) and Kathleen Laquale (BSU).

On July 29, the RIATA will host a BBQ for the membership, lobbyists, RI Brain Injury Association and legislators at the Pawtucket Red Sox game.

RIATA has a call for nominations for a President-Elect.

Pictured below:

Kathleen Laquale Student Scholarship Award (L to R) - Valerie Webber (Pres.), Haruki "Muk" Mukohci (Award winner), Jeff Nadeau (Pres. Elect).

Distinguished Service Award as President of the RIATA (L to R) Valerie Webber (RIATA Pres. Award winner), Jeff Nadeau (Pres. Elect)

RIATA Hall of Fame Recipient (L to R) - Valerie Webber (RIATA Pres.) Andy Llaguno (HOF, Past Pres.), Jeff Nadeau (Pres. Elect)

RIATA athletic Trainer of the Year Award (L to R) Valerie Webber (RIATA President), Stephanie Potts (Mother of Maddie Potts), Makayla Clarke (award winner), Jeff Nadeau (RIATA Pres. Elect)





President

Molly G. Paturzo, M.Ed, ATC, OTC

Since the 2018 EATA Convention in Boston the Vermont Association of Athletic Trainers has been hard at work advancing the AT profession in Vermont.

Athletic Training month was filled with a number of community outreach programs.

Of specific note, AT Program students at the University of Vermont held fundraisers and conducted outreach programs to support our relationship with the Vermont Adaptive Sports Association and Vermont Combat-Disabled Veterans, while promoting the profession of Athletic Training with these groups. Just a few weeks ago, AT students and certified ATs alike volunteered as medical personnel for the Vermont City Marathon under the direction of Medical Coordinator Denise Alosa, MS, ATC.

Our second annual Vermont **AT Student Education Symposium** was hosted by Castleton State University in March, and included students, faculty, and clinical preceptors from Castleton State University, Norwich University and the University of Vermont. The symposium provided an excellent venue for collaboration, professional development and team building for VT's students, was directly aligned with the mission of the VAAT and gave our student members a more formal voice in our association. The symposium rotates annually between each of VT's three AT Educational Programs, and we look forward to traveling to Norwich University for the 2019 event.

Student Scholarship Recipients: Kate Steller from Castleton State University has been awarded our Eduardo "Chico" Hernandez (D1) scholarship, and Andrew Meister from Castleton State University has received our John Feenick (VAAT) undergraduate student scholarship. We congratulate them both for their exceptional academic and clinical performance, as well as their volunteer involvement during their undergraduate education.

At the **state administrative level**, I am honored to be serving as your new VAAT president! I would like to extend our deep and heartfelt gratitude to our Immediate Past President Tim Tourville, PhD, ATC for his outstanding leadership and commitment to our profession in VT. There are many progressive changes that will face our profession in the coming years, and I know Tim will continue to be an integral part of stewarding our profession into the future. Thank you Tim!

On the **VT legislative front**, it was decided by our Office of Professional Regulation during the 2017-18 legislative session that clarification of our practice setting definitions (including "clinical" and "traditional" settings), in our state practice act was not a change they wanted to include in their overarching OPR Omnibus bill for fear opposition might derail or hinder progress of the overall bill. The Government Affairs Committee with the assistance of our lobbyist has been hard at work wrangling support in the state house and from the OPR to go forward with our desired language changes to the practice act. The intent is to incorporate these into the Omnibus bill for the 2018-19 session. This is a top priority for the association and we will continue to diligently through the summer to push this item forward.



EDAC Update

Rebecca Ramirez-McKinley
District One Chair

What a year it has been, EDAC has been busy! In January at EATA, we had a very successful Be the Match Drive. Unfortunately, our outreach program had to be cancelled due to weather,

which led us to switch gears and have a student roundtable with Dr. Sarah Jackson from the Micheli Center and the EATA student delegation. Overall EATA was a success despite the weather! Since January, EDAC has been working hard in preparation for June. Recently, the committee was awarded additional funds for the iLead grants, giving the committee the ability to continue to award as many Diversity Enhancement Grants as possible. Additionally, EDAC has been hard planning our service event and NATA programming. Here is a list of events that will be occurring in NOLA:

Community Service Project – June 26, 8 AM – noon
EDAC Educational Session – June 27 – MCC 356
Town Hall & Social – June 28 – Hilton Grand Ballroom D

Visit [HERE](#) for the latest updates on EDAC events in NOLA.

We have a very busy week, with our committee meeting occurring on Tuesday at 1:15 pm in the Hilton Fulton Room. This is an open meeting if you wish to stop in and see us! For any questions, please e-mail me at rramirezmcKinley@atsu.edu, I look forward to seeing you in NOLA!



Student Leadership

Sean O'Gara, EMT-B
District One Chair

The Student Leadership Committee (SLC) is very excited for the NATA Athletic Training Student Seminar as a part of the 2018 NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo in New Orleans this June. The NATA Conference will also mark the 'passing of the torch' to our incoming District One SLC Representative Alexandria Raifsnider, from Plymouth State University. Alex will continue to work with the District One Student Ambassador Program and the new program's mentor Dr. Julie Bernier. We have some exciting student initiatives planned for the upcoming school year. We are looking forward to working with a Student Ambassador from every program in District One.



ICSM Update

Robert L. Howard, PhD, ATC
District One Chair

The Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine has continued its work advocating for both student athletes and collegiate athletic trainers. One of the major goals of the committee was to establish a Pre-Conference NATA workshop geared toward athletic trainers working in the collegiate setting. Please join us in New Orleans this year for a workshop that includes educational programming, directed discussions and peer-to-peer learning opportunities specific to the collegiate athletic trainer. This [LINK](#) provides a complete overview and registration instructions.

As a reminder, the ICSM was established to ensure there is athletic trainer input involved with national collegiate health and safety. If there is any issue or concern you feel strongly about, please reach out to one of your District 1 representatives: Brant Berkstresser from Harvard, Jennifer Brodeur from UMass, Rick Burr from Babson, or myself, Bob Howard from UConn.



Young Professionals

Committee Update

Dominique Ross, PhD, ATC
District One Chair

Young Professionals are Gearing Up for New Orleans! We hope you can join us for our upcoming events:

YPC Career Skills Workshop

Wednesday, June 27th 1:30pm at the Hilton, Jefferson Ballroom

Pinky Newell Scholarship & Leadership Reception

Pre-registration is required

Wednesday, June 27th 7:30pm at Hilton Grand Salon C

YP Reception

Thursday, June 28th 6:30pm at Cramer YP Lounge, MCC Room 227

YP Educational Session: Covering Yourself When Working Per Diem

Friday, June 29th 2:15- 4:15 pm at the MCC Room 355

The YP Committee has been working to welcome new members of the profession through a newsletter with useful resources and contact information. In addition, we've been establishing resources to help YPs understand the "ins & outs" of working per diem. Our focus is to help facilitate a smooth transition to practice while also support our experienced YPs. If you are interested in getting involved within your state, please feel free to reach out to me or your state president for additional information.



*Professional
Education Committee*
Kimberly A. Wise, EdD, ATC, LAT
 District One Chair

The Professional Education Committee had a productive spring. As a gentle reminder, the mission of the PEC supports the collaborative relationship between the profession of athletic training and the educational process. Workgroups were recently created that concentrate on goals/tactics in the following areas: Professional Readiness, Continuous Quality Improvement & Degree Transition.

Master Preceptor Program - The PEC has completed Level One of a three-part program on preceptor development. It is housed in the Professional Development Center where you can also watch a video that provides an overview of the courses. In addition, the committee assembled information for program administrators regarding the 'intention of' and a 'how to use' the professional development modules.

AT Teaching Tips Series - designed to recognize and share innovative teaching and learning ideas by academic professionals in the field of athletic training through the distribution of pedagogical tips that can be used to enhance the teaching, learning and assessment environment.

The PEC and Student Leadership Committee have joined forces with Katie Scott of the NATA to revise iLead. The BOD approved the EDAC Diversity leadership grant program to fund 10 students to attend iLead. More information about grants can be found [HERE](#).

Degree Transition - The PEC recently completed a resource document for administrators and faculty on transitioning the athletic training degree from the undergraduate to graduate level. This document can be accessed through the [NATA.org](#) Higher Education Resource webpage.

Join us in New Orleans on Thursday, June 28 at 7:00am in MCC Rm 343 for the 2018 PEC Presentation Title: *Professional Readiness: Preparing Athletic Training Students for Transition to Practice*.

Highlights in NOLA

Wednesday, June 27

5:30 – 6:30 PM

6:30 – 8:30 PM

District One Member Meeting
 Reception for Westy

Hilton Grand Ballroom C
 Hilton Grand Ballroom C

Thursday, June 28

9:15 - 10:15 AM

2:00 - 3:00 PM

3:00 - 4:00 PM

4:00 - 5:00 PM

5:00 - 7:00 PM

7:30 - 11:30 PM

Face Time
 NATA HOF Induction Ceremony
 General Session
 Keynote Speaker Drew Brees
 Quiz Bowl
 NATA Foundation Speakeasy

Friday, June 29

6:00 AM

NATA Foundation 5K, Fueled by Gatorade

We Hope to See You There!



SSATC *Report*

Denise Alosa, MS, ATC
District One Chair

District One grants for the Safe Sports School Award have continued and been very popular this spring. We have distributed seven awards since the beginning of the year. There are still grants available for any state in the district. If your school is working towards this, please submit your application

to me. [Click here for the grant application.](#)

The Gatorade Secondary School Award District One winner from Bedford High School in NH had been awarded to Eric Gelinas, ATC. The award was presented District One meeting at the EATA Conference in Boston in January.

Keep watching for the electronic Secondary School Newsletter from the NATA. If you have never received it and would like to, please contact me at dalosa@sbschools.net.

ATLAS update: Members are reminded that the ATLAS survey is a living document survey and secondary school athletic trainers are asked to take the survey yearly to update schools, contact information and any changes to that school or athletic trainer information.

The Gatorade reception for Secondary School Athletic Trainers in NOLA will be Thursday June 28th 530-700pm at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Grand Ballroom A. Members are asked to RSVP [HERE](#).

The Secondary School Educational Session in NOLA is Friday Jun 29th at 7:00am. Please join your secondary school colleagues for this setting specific program.



safe sports school

Latest Safe School Sports Awards in District One

1st Team

Lyme-Old Lyme H.S. (CT)

Samantha Ward, ATC

Missisquoi Valley Union H.S. (VT)

Zoe Walsh, ATC

Bellows Free Academy (VT)

Julie Pecor, ATC



COPA *Update*

Molly Paturzo, MEd, ATC, OTC
District One Chair

The NATA Committee on Practice Advancement (COPA) is comprised of members from all settings, including clinical and emerging practices, with experience in billing, revenue generation, reimbursement, job creation and practice advancement. Its mission is to advance

the athletic training profession in business and employment opportunities, compensation, and brand recognition of athletic trainers as health care professionals.

The Communications workgroup of COPA had an incredible NATM with another successful photo campaign on social media! For every day of NATM a different AT was highlighted with their unique patient with the tag "I'm an AT, this is my Patient". Highlights included active military, firefighters, the Philly Fanatic, New York Knicks dancers, adaptive sport athletes, and Kevin Love of the Cleveland Cavaliers. To see the photos, visit the Photo section of COPA's Facebook page [here](#).

COPA is looking forward to another busy Convention in New Orleans. The Performing Arts workgroup again has incredible content at their pre-conference workshops taking place before the start of Convention on Tuesday June 26th. Please note there is a separate registration fee for this workshop, you can register for the workshop along with Convention. The Physician Practice pre-conference workshop is taking a hiatus this year and looks forward to delivering new innovative content via webinars over the coming year.

COPA is also hosting our annual networking reception on Tuesday June 26th from 5:00-6:30 in Hilton Grand Salon A. Stop by before the Convention Welcome Party and mingle with your fellow ATs while conversing on entering an emerging setting or how to advance in your current setting with COPA members and leaders in the field. Light appetizers provided and cash bar available!

As always, we encourage you to utilize the many employment resources now available on the NATA website [here](#).

Look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!

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History & Archives

Jeff Stone, MEEd, ATC
District One Chair

Greetings from Stone Manor, as I begin my new adventures...I have retired from Suffolk University as of June 30 but remain an active Athletic Trainer and keep a stocked kit and AED handy, as well as a lawn chair and sun

block. The second delivery of archive material will be delivered to Bridgewater State University within the month, which will continue the task of completing documented histories for the EATA and District One. This is an ongoing process of researching collected paperwork, gathering donations of memorabilia from deceased members (through their family's memorial efforts), and fulfilling requests for information on past and present members.

In this regard, I am reaching out to the District One membership for your help...and offering you a chance to clean out your files, cellars, attics and athletic training rooms and supply closets. If you are willing to donate information (newsletters, membership files and directories, pictures, NATA convention t-shirts, old Cramer Products supplies, old textbooks, etc.), please contact me at: jeffstone54@comcast.net or see me at the NATA meeting in New Orleans. Thanks!!!

BEFORE YOU THROW IT AWAY...CALL ME!!!

(Your little bit of info could be a missing piece of our history!)

Recent filings and compiled reports for archiving include the collection of speeches from past Pinky Newell Award winners; a compilation of District One Scholarship winners from the EATA (broken down by school); District One Honors and Awards lists (EATA and NATA); the collection of a list of officers from the EATA Student Delegation; and a complete District One NATA Hall of Fame list.

This archival journey is a perpetual scavenger hunt...something new every day...from retrieving old athletic training textbooks, to writing memorial tributes, to answering requests for lost information on members. We must cherish the past and embrace the future!



NATA GAC Update

Jamie L. Musler, LPD, ATC
District One Chair

The NATA GAC recently announced the 2018 GAC awards winners. This year's organizational and individual honorees include:

- **Dan Campbell - Class I – Connecticut Athletic Trainers' Association**
- **Dan Campbell - Class II – Oklahoma Athletic Trainers' Association**
- **William Griffin - Mark Peters, MA, ATC, CSCS - Colorado**
- **Impact Advocacy Award - Dominique Ross, PhD, LAT, ATC - Massachusetts**

All recipients will be honored at the NATA annual meeting in New Orleans, LA.

NATA GAC Legislative Grants

We are coming to the end of a successful 2017-18 legislative grant cycle. District One state Governmental Affairs Committees were awarded over \$54,000 to support state legislative efforts.

Applications for 2018-19 discretionary grants will be accepted by the District 1 GAC Representative between July 1st and July 31st, 2018. Matching grants will be accepted between Aug. 1st and Aug. 31st. For more information regarding NATA grants and the application process, contact [Jamie Musler](#), GAC District 1 representative.

Federal Advocacy

NATA submitted nominations for two panels within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: reviewers to serve on the Disease, Disability and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel and members to serve on the Board of Scientific Counselors in the National Center for Injury Prevention.

NATA attended the spring meeting of the Coalition of Higher Education Associations for Substance Abuse Prevention to discuss topics such as current state of substance abuse prevention at institutions of higher education and the current legislation and higher education landscape.

NATA signed on to a letter in support for bipartisan congressional action to improve access and coverage to all Food and Drug Administration approved treatments for opioid use disorder.