Spring 2019 eNewsletter

This eNewsletter is published twice a year by the Far West Athletic Trainers’ Association for its members. Information contained in this newsletter or to submit articles/ideas, please contact the FWATA Newsletter Editor and District 8 Secretary, Cindy Clivio MEd, ATC at fwatasec@gmail.com

District Director’s Message
Lyn Nakagawa MS, ATC, CSCS

Aloha and Happy Athletic Training Month! I cannot believe it is already March and the FWATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium is just a few weeks away! This past year has been an amazing experience and I thank you all for the opportunity to serve as your District Director. During this year, I have been able to meet members throughout the district by video conferencing into the NevAT State meeting, attending the CATA meeting in Sacramento last month and even throughout the year as I travelled with work. I genuinely appreciate when members take the time to introduce themselves and I have the opportunity to get to know them better or talk about athletic training and the impact it has on their lives.

This year at the FWATA AMCS, we will be recognizing several FWATA Committee chairs as they conclude their service in their leadership positions. I would personally like to thank Steve McCauley- Committee on Practice Advancement, Celine Estrada- Far West Student Leadership Committee, Sarah Lyons- History and Archives Committee, and Tricia Kasamatsu- FWSLC Lead Advisor. Please help me welcome Sara Williams (COPA), Claire Stovall (FWSLC), Michael Barreiro (History and Archives), and Michelle Samuel (FWSLC Lead Advisor). I would also like to thank Ky Kugler for his years of service as the NATAPAC Board of Directors District 8 Representative. Welcome to Stacey Ritter who will roll on as the next District 8 Representative in June.

This is always an exciting time of year as we have the opportunity to recognize athletic trainers for their outstanding service to the profession or students who have excelled in the classroom and ATP program. Congratulations to Oscar Lopez-Huerta (UNLV) and Hailey Tuesday (UH) on their NATA Foundation scholarships. They will be recognized in Las Vegas during the Pinky Newell Scholarship and Student Leadership Reception. NATA Honors and Awards recipients will be recognized at the General Session/Annual Members Meeting. Congratulations to Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award Recipients Michelle Cleary and Kevin Tsang. Also, past NATA President Scott Sailor will be presented his green jacket and inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame. This year, FWATA can also be proud that the Eve-Becker Doyle Leadership Award has been awarded to Julie Max. The Eve Becker-Doyle Leadership Award is the highest honor given to an NATA member specifically for outstanding leadership and volunteerism within the NATA that has shown a lifetime of leadership. Please help me in congratulating all of our NATA scholarship and award recipients.

I’m excited and look forward to seeing everyone in the next few months in San Diego and Las Vegas! Let’s have a great FWATA meeting in April and then we will welcome the NATA to our district in June. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or feedback.
From the District Secretary
Cindy Clivio MEd, ATC

Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership for the upcoming year! We are stronger as professionals when we support each other and collectively come together to support our profession. I have heard so much excitement about our upcoming FWATA Annual Meeting in San Diego and our NATA Annual Meeting in Las Vegas being in our own home district! Do you realize that if you attend either FWATA or NATA Annual Meeting your membership dues have essentially paid itself off in cost savings of the registration fees?

If you are a Certified NATA Member and register for FWATA, by Mar 31 you will save $235 off the standard registration fee. For NATA meeting, if you register by April 30 you will save $100

If you are a Certified Student NATA Member for FWATA Meeting, if you register by Mar 31 You will save $100. For NATA Annual Meeting, if you register by April 30 you will save $100

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY A SUSPENDED MEMBER OF NATA this will be the last newsletter or e-blast you will receive from the district. Please renew today to continue to have access to all that NATA and FWATA can offer including exclusive access to:

- NATA Career Center
- Up to 10 free CEU credits (a $150 value)
- Valuable documents like the Professional Liability Toolkit, the NATA Salary Survey and our free award-winning monthly publication NATA News
- Gather, our online forum for ATs
- Discounted subscription to Sports Health Magazine

Annual Meeting Committee
Ruem Malasam MA, ATC

2019 Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposium
April 25-28, 2019
Town & Country Resort and Convention Center

Take advantage of the advance registration fee! Register by March 31, 2019. Full price registration fee applies April 1, 2019. 18 CEUs total (12 Category A CEUs and 6 EBP CEUs) will be offered for the 2019 Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposium. Remember that you must sign up for each EBP session that you plan to attend when you register.

6.0 EBP CEUs included with FWATA registration.
Featured Speakers:
Thomas W. Kaminski, PhD, ATC, FNATA, FACSM, RFSA
Michael Shepard, MD
Katrina Parsons, MPT, OCS
Leslie J. Bonci, MPH, RD, CSSD, LDN

6.0 Additional EBP CEUs will be offered during the Pre-Conference educational sessions on Thursday, April 25, 2019. Registration Deadline: April 12, 2019
Gatorade Pre-Conference EBP Workshop (3.0 EBP CEUs)
Thursday 2:30 – 5:30 PM.

Hydration: One Size Does Not Fit All
Presented by: William Adams, PhD, LAT, ATC; Douglas Casa, PhD, ATC, FNAAK, FACSM, FNATA; Stavros Kavouras, PhD

FWATA Pre-Conference EBP Learning Lab (3.0 EBP CEUs) Capacity: FULL!
Thursday from 6:30 – 9:30 PM.

Understanding the Standard of Care for Sports Concussion
Presented by: Thomas W. Kaminski, PhD, ATC, FNATA, FACSM, RFSA

Pre-registration and additional fees are required for these sessions, please see details and information provided in the section below. These sessions are only available to certified athletic trainers.

FWATA Suture Workshop
Stitch it up: Basic Suturing Techniques Capacity: FULL!
Presented by: Adam Cady, MHS, ATC, CSSC, PA-C and Leslie Cardoza, MPAP, PA-C, ATC

There are four identical sessions available for an additional fee. Space is very limited, priority registration will be given to Certified ATs; Certified Students may register for the waitlist should space be available.

Preliminary Program including speakers, topic, abstract and learning objectives
**FWATA Scholarship Golf Tournament**  
Player Registration is open  
April 26, 2019 1p Shot Gun Start  
Riverwalk Golf Club  
1150 Fashion Valley Road  
San Diego, CA 92108  
Cost: $125 Include green/cart fees practice balls, box lunch and a pasta bar at post-tournament awards get together  
Please contact the Golf Tournament Coordinator, Dennis Goebel at dennisg@cos.edu (mailto:dennisg@cos.edu), should you have any questions.

Hotel Registration Link (https://book.passkey.com/event/49762511/owner/27934/home)  
The Reservations Department can be reached at 1-800-772-8527. Ask for the FWATA room block  
Book your rooms early before space runs out!

**ADD TO YOUR CALENDARS:**  
Exhibit Hall — Friday, April 26, 2019 all day and Saturday, April 27, 2019 morning only.

**FWATA Business Meeting**  
Friday, April 26, 2019 4:00-5:00pm. Following will be the individual state association meetings.

**Welcome Reception** is set for Friday, April 26, 2019 6:00-7:00pm. This is hosted by FWATA and the exhibitors. Visit with vendors, exhibitors, poster presentations presenters and catch up with colleagues.  
"Meet your Hall of Fame Members" Friday, April 26, 2019 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. during the Exhibitors Social.

The **FWATA Awards Dinner**  
The 2019 Hall of Fame, Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer and Special Recognition recipients along with our Scholarship and Research & Grants winners will be honored at the Awards Banquet Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town and Country Ballroom, with a no-host social at 5:30 p.m. The cost of the dinner banquet is included for all pre-registered attendees. Remember to select your entree. Please join us as we celebrate our awardees.  
Any questions please contact Hazel Ando: hazel.ando@athletics.ucsb.edu.

**Call for Volunteers** We are looking for volunteers to cover 2-4 hour shifts during the Annual Meeting Thursday, April 25, 2019-Sunday, April 28, 2019. Areas include prepping/stung packets, registration booth, check in for labs/EBP, etc. There will be no reduced registration fee for volunteering. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Justine Coliores: jcoli@sandiego.edu.

**Register** at the link below.  
AMCS 19 Registration (http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-fwata-amcs-registration/event-summary-fdcbc399e5a047eb846440d8be307af.aspx)

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**Honors & Awards Committee**  
**Junior Domingo MS, ATC**

Congratulations to our 2019 FWATA Award Winners! These individuals exemplify the service to our district and advancement of the profession that all can follow. It is with great pleasure to announce our awardees:

**Hall of Fame Inductee**

*Kristine Boyle-Walker, MPT, OCS, ATC, CHT (bottom right)*

Working alongside and watching Ms. Boyle-Walker allowed me to witness her visionary mindset, as well as her thoughtful reflection...Her passion for the profession and District 8 is not easily matched.”  
—Robert Kersey, PhD, ATC,  
NATA Hall of Famer

**Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Awardee**

*Stacey Jensen Ritter, MS, ATC, ITAT (bottom left)*

“She mentored athletic trainers but more importantly she also mentored and educated athletic directors and school administrators to the value and expertise of the secondary school athletic trainer.”  
—Cindy Clivio  
FWATA Hall of Famer, FWATA District Secretary

**Special Recognition Awardees**

*Tricia Kasamatsu, PhD, ATC (top right)*

“I am impressed, but not surprised, by the amount of service Dr. Kasamatsu has provided to FWATA over the years...I would simply add that she is a wonderful colleague and representative of athletic trainers as she is intelligent, thoughtful, works diligently to get the job done, and is simply great to work with on a daily basis.”  
—Jason Bennett, DA, ATC  
CATA President

*Michelle N. Samuel, MS, ATC, LAT (top left)*  
“Michelle's name is the first to come to mind when thinking of people in Nevada that are making a positive impact on the profession of athletic training. She works with students and other athletic trainers on multiple levels to promote our profession.”  
—Mark D’Anza  
NeATA President
Congratulations to Kristine Boyle-Walker, Stacey Ritter, Tricia Kasamatsu, and Michelle Samuel! They along with our Scholarship and Research & Grants winners will be honored at the 2019 Awards Banquet held on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town and Country Resort and Convention Center, which will include a pre-banquet social at 5:30 p.m. Please join us as we celebrate our awardees. On behalf of the Honors and Awards Committee, I would like to thank those that submitted nominations for this year's awards. Also, thank you to the committee for dedicating their time. Congratulations to our 2019 FWATA Award Winners! See everyone in San Diego.

Public Relations
Katie Risso MAT, ATC, CKTP

The National Athletic Training Month 2019 theme is “ATs are Health Care.” California, Nevada, Hawaii, Guam and America Samoa are all participating in NATM 2019! FWATA encourages all ATs and students to get involved in March. If you post your efforts on social media, don’t forget to tag us:

Twitter or Instagram: #NATM2019 @FWATAD8

Facebook: #NATM2019 @Far West Athletic Trainers' Association

Keep an eye out for the District 8 #NATM2019 social media campaign #ATCrib where we are highlighting a number of different D8 AT settings in the style of “MTV Cribs” including collegiate, secondary school, ortho clinic, industrial, American Samoa, and more. The full videos will be on our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMXVZdwbNj5KOd3VQdLo3jw?view_as=subscriber

Resources
Many resources for NATM are available on the NATA website, including the poster series, stylebooks, and sample calendars. Link here: https://www.nata.org/advocacy/public-relations/national-athletic-training-month

NATM Contests
As always, NATA will be having a social media contest in accordance with NATM, although entries do not have to be campaigns done just during March, they can be year-round. There will also be a poster contest as well as a contest for the use of the theme. More info here: https://www.nata.org/natm-social-media-contest

Marketing and Public Relations Grant
The NATA recently launched a grant to financially support athletic trainers' advocacy efforts to key external stakeholders. The grant is available to individual ATs, state, or district associations. The application and more information can be found here: https://applications.nata.org/external-marketing-public-relations-grant-application

Scholarships Committee
Juan Cuevas ATC

Congratulations to following FWATA Scholarship winners! They have all managed to continually meet their prospective ATP academic and hourly requirements, along with fulfilling volunteer opportunities. Please help us honor and celebrate these hard-working individuals on April 27th at 6:30pm during the FWATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium Awards Banquet in San Diego. We hope to see everyone there!

Julianna Adelman (CSUF): Lewis Crowl Scholarship
Shannon Busse (CSULB): Jerry Lloyd Memorial Scholarship
Ruth Carmona (CalBaptist): CATA Scholarship
Raphael Carpio (A.T. Still): Scott Sailor Scholarship
Megan Carroll (APU): Julie Max Scholarship
Alyssa Frutos (CSUF): Bill Chambers Endowment Scholarship
Oscar Lopez-Huerta (UNLV): Felix Rivera Memorial Scholarship
Caleb Rogers (CalBaptist): Gail Weldon Memorial Scholarship
Danielle Rose (CSUF): Daniel D Arnheim Scholarship
Cassie Vergara (LaVerne U.): Mark Ando and Ito Family Scholarship
Sheldon Victorine (Hawaii U.): HATA Scholarship

Council on Practice
Advancement
Steve McCauley MHS, LAT, ATC, CSCS

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History & Archives Committee
Sarah Lyons MS, ATC, PES

After 40 years as USD's head athletic trainer, a span covering 419 football games and 1,171 men's basketball games, Greer is stepping aside. To say it's an emotional farewell for one of the first female head athletic trainers at a Division I university is the classic understatement. A former gymnast from the Bay Area's Menlo Park, Greer competed down Interstate 8 at San Diego State. Her specialty was the uneven bars. She suffered a fractured sternum her junior season. It was during rehab that she considered helping athletes heal might make a nice career. “I was watching, looking around, seeing all the rehab going on, seeing all the athletic trainers evaluating and taping,” recalled Greer. “I thought, ‘Wow, this is pretty cool!’” Greer earned her undergraduate degree in physical education with a minor in health. She earned her master's in physical education with an emphasis in kinesiology. When USD athletic trainer Larry Roberts was hired by the then San Diego Clippers, Greer applied for what was a 30-day interim position. Thirty days morphed into 40 years.

Greer estimates that when she was hired, only 5 percent of head athletic trainers at universities were women. Greer is also proud of the strides female athletes have made collegiately. “They’ve evolved compared to 40 years ago,” Greer said. “They’re smart, beautiful, talented, confident, all those things.” While she’s kind, seemingly with a permanent smile plastered across her face, Greer practices tough love in the training room. Forward Alex Floresca, who rehabbed a torn labrum under Greer’s watch, “She’s the best trainer I ever worked with. Every day she pushes you to get back on the court as fast as you can without skipping any steps so you’re fully back and don’t suffer the injury again. She cares about every athlete. It doesn’t matter who they are.”

In addition to her career at USD, Greer worked at the 1984 Olympics in artistic gymnastics. She worked with the San Diego Friars in World Team Tennis and the NBA Summer League. Greer taught classes at USD and San Diego State but since being employed at Alcala Park, there has been no question where her allegiance lies. Even her Crown Point home is painted Torero blue. “I like the color,” she said. Added Dee, “She is literally a Torero for life.” In 2009, Greer was inducted into the Far West Athletic Trainers’ Association Hall of Fame. Greer said she has no initial grandiose retirement plans. “Travel, see San Diego,” she said. “Take care of myself, take care of my house, take care of my family.” For the first nine years of her 40-year tenure, Greer was USD’s only athletic trainer. Now there are six full-time trainers on staff. After blotting tears from her eyes more than once during an hour interview, Greer said, “I’ll be fine. I can with confidence say that I’m leaving this place better than when I got here.”

Student Leadership Committee
Celine Estrada ATC

Students attending the 2019 FWATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium (AMCS) will have the opportunity to engage in informational student sessions and the Student Networking Breakfast! The FWATA Student Leadership Committee (SLC) will be hosting its annual breakfast where you can enjoy a breakfast buffet, network with other students and recently certified athletic trainers, and learn about their transition from a student to a certified AT. Spaces are limited, so register here (https://unlv.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aC1pWcmn4XF8dQF) for $10!

Students interested in strengthening leadership qualities and participating in the student committee are encouraged to join us for an informal meet & greet during the exhibitors' social at FWATA. There are a few more spots left on the 2019-2020 Student Leadership committee, and we will reopen the application as we conclude the AMCS! Stop by to say hi and ask the current committee members any questions you may have!

Research Grants Committee
Melissa Montgomery PhD, ATC

It's been a banner year for the R&G committee's programs! We received 32 Free Communications abstract submissions and 5 grant applications, highlighting the exciting research efforts going on in D8. Twenty-one posters will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Finalists for the poster award will be selected by the committee and then posters will be judged over the course of the conference. Come meet the authors at their posters and pick their brains during the Exhibitor’s Social on Friday night.

Poster award winners and grant awardees will be announced at the Awards banquet on Saturday night.
College and University Athletic Trainers Committee
Brian Cable ATC

Last year the Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine (ICSM) presented a Transition to Practice Document (https://www.nata.org/sites/default/files/icsm_transition_to_practice_final_may_2018.pdf) to the NATA Board of Directors at the May 2018 meeting. The NATA Board of Directors voted to accept the document. This document was prepared to assist those Athletic Trainers that are transitioning to working in a collegiate setting. The document can be accessed on the NATA website.

Another great resource for the collegiate Athletic Trainers is the 10 for 10 presentations (https://www.nata.org/professional-interests/job-settings/college-university/resources/10-10) that are also found on the ICSM page on the NATA website. The original concept for the “10 for 10” presentations was to provide collegiate athletic trainers with 10 presentations with around 10 slides on common health and safety issues affecting college athletes. The number of presentations has exceeded the original 10 and will be continually added as new topics of concern arise. Each presentation can be modified by the athletic trainer and will be useful for educational meetings with coaches, parents, administrators and student-athletes.

Ethnic Diversity Advisory Committee
Chris Litt, ATC

No Updates. (http://www.fwatad8.org/committees/ethnic-diversity-advisory-committee)

Young Professionals Committee
Kara Radzak Ph.D., ATC

At the 70th NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo in Las Vegas, the Young Professionals’ Committee will host the session “Your Best Yes: Embracing a Life of Service and Addressing Barriers to Volunteering” June 25. During the session, practical ideas from taking those first steps to continuing to serve the profession throughout one's career will be examined. Following a presentation from Kent Games, PhD, LAT, ATC, attendees will have the opportunity to hear personal anecdotes from leaders in the profession, including Jay Sedory, MEd, ATC, EMT-T, Kelly Quinlin, ATC, LAT, CSCS, and past NATA President Marje Albohm, MS, AT Ret.

Prior to the session, the YPC wants to hear from potential attendees about what questions and topics they would like to pose to the panel. What do you want to know? What information would be the most valuable to hear from these leaders? How can they help you begin or grow your service involvement? Log into Gather and search for the thread “What do you want to know about how to get involved in service to the profession?” to submit your questions.

Secondary Schools Committee
Chase Paulson MS, ATC

No Updates. (http://www.fwatad8.org/committees/secondary-schools-committee)

Governmental Affairs Committee
Jason McCamey, ATC

Governmental Affairs is an area that each of us should invest some professional development time in. This effort helps to protect the consumer, protect us as qualified healthcare providers, ensure the continued advancement of our profession. I would like to urge each of you to identify and reach out to your GAC chair in your respective state and GET INVOLVED!!!

California has had several key changes in its state legislators during this last campaign cycle. With this change come new opportunity! As a result they are again perusing licensure for Athletic Trainers and continuing to expand their commitment to youth safety. They have currently have 2 bills for 2019:

AB-1592
Author: Bonta
Subject: Athletic Trainers
AB-379
Author: Maienschein
Subject: Youth athletics: concussion and sudden cardiac arrest prevention protocols.

Hawaii successfully completed an effort to repeal the Sunset process for 2018. This year they will be focused on developing and strengthening relationships with state legislators for future legislative priorities.

Nevada has no pressing legislative concerns at this time, but is actively working toward building relationships with legislators with the goal of universal high school coverage with AT's.

The NATAGAC has worked through several grant request for the 2019 year and has approved funding nearly a half a million dollars to help ensure that states can effectively manage their legislative needs.

*Please direct any legislative concerns, issues, or questions to your state representatives or to me personally.

California GAC Chair – Mike Chisar – chisar@me.com (mailto:chisar@me.com)
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Nevada GAC Chair – Steve McCauley – steve.mccauley@wynnlasvegas.com (mailto:steve.mccauley@wynnlasvegas.com)
FWATA GAC Chair – Jason McCamey – jmccamey@me.com (mailto:jmccamey@me.com)

California Update
Jason Bennett DA, ATC | CATA President

We had a successful Annual Symposium and Hit-the-Hill in Sacramento on Feb 23-25. With over 100 people in attendance at Hit-the-Hill in support of AB 1592 – the Athletic Trainer Licensure Bill – we were able to reach almost every member of the House and Assembly. The author of our bill is Assembly Member Bonta from assembly district 18, which includes the Oakland/Alameda area of the Bay Area. Our fight to be defined will continue this year and our entire board is optimistic that this will be the year that we earn licensure. Our first step will be in committee within the Assembly so please be ready to submit your letters of support when the call is sent out. In addition, visiting your legislator or inviting your legislator to a significant work event is key to our success and I would encourage those interested to contact Laura Jassowski of our Legislative Action Team to coordinate talking points to assist our efforts. Laura's email is ljassowski@gmail.com

It is time for upcoming elections for Region 3 and Region 4 directors. These managing board positions are 2-year terms with opportunity to continue a second term for a total of 4-year possible. Currently, Stephanie Moore is our Region 3 director and she has completed her first 2-year term and is eligible to continue. Region 3 includes primarily the central valley counties starting at the north including Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties and ends at the south including Kern county. Our current Region 4 director is Junior Domingo and he has termed out. Region 4 includes the counties of: San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, and Los Angeles. If anyone is interested in running for these managing board positions, please send a letter of interest and resume (including NATA and NPI number) to Christina Scherr at cscherratc@gmail.com.

I want to thank for our ongoing CATA managing board members. These individuals have done an outstanding job in representing our members and their incredibly hard work as a volunteer is greatly appreciated: Ky Kugler (Treasurer), Brandon Padilla (Region 1 Director); Jeff Roberts (Region 2 Director); Christina Scherr (Region 6 Director); Chris Ludwig (Annual Symposium Committee Chair); Gina Biviano (Legislative Action Chair).

In addition, I want to welcome our new incoming board members: Christina Scherr (Secretary); Jeff Roberts (Treasurer); TK Koesterer (Region 1 Director); Sarah Lyons (Region 2 Director); Adrienne Wilson (Region 6 Director); Adam Cady (Annual Symposium Chair); Laura Jassowski (Legislative Action Chair); David Tapia (Student).

Lastly, we are very pleased to announce that the CIF Sports Medicine Advisory Committee has released a position statement in support of hiring full-time certified athletic trainers in all California high schools. This continued support by the CIF to promote quality health care for California high school athletes and our drive for state licensure is very much appreciated.

Hawaii Update
Garvin Tsuji, MS, ATC | HATA President

Aloha from the Islands! The Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association (HATA) has been busy with planning for our annual Symposium and golf tournament.

National Athletic Training Month is here and we have a full schedule of events planned. HATA's public relations committee is joining the social media challenge of posting pictures celebrating National Athletic Training Month with #NATM2019. HATA is partnering with Shriner's Hospital to collect toys and other gifts to give to children that are being treated at the hospital. HATA's annual UH baseball game social was held on March 10th versus the University of Oregon, where all were treated an excellent game. On March 13th, HATA members met at He'eia State Park to participate in a cleanup of a taro terrace or Lo'i.
The HATA Symposium will be on May 30th at the John Burns School of Medicine and June 1st at Kamehameha Schools in Honolulu. Topics that will be covered include scapular evaluation and treatments, evidence based management of overhead athletes with SLAP lesions and Nutrition and how it affects recovery. HATA will be putting on a scholarship golf tournament to be held on May 31st at Mililani Golf Course to raise money for scholarships and our foundation.

Please visit our new website at www.hawaiiata.org (http://www.hawaiiata.org) and join our mailing list, while following us on Facebook, Instagram @hata_d8 and Twitter @hata_d8.

**Nevada Update**

Mark D'Anza ATC | NEVATA President

Hello District 8! The Nevada ATA has been working towards better communication among athletic trainers throughout the state. We recently welcomed Jessica Gaubatz as a Northern Nevada Representative to our board in hopes of better serving all our members and bridging the gap between the North and South.

Brooke Boyd spearheaded a project to create a poster for National Athletic Training Month featuring multiple athletic trainers from our state. Instead of making one however, Brooke created three such posters and they are available for free to download off our website www.nevata.org.

The Rebel Athletic Trainer's Society from the UNLV Athletic Training Education Program created a video highlighting ATs from various settings in Nevada for the NATA Student Leadership NATM Video Contest. Show your support of District 8 by going to the NATASLC Facebook page to give it a like and share it.

We are currently looking for anyone interested in presenting a topic at our state meeting on October 25, 2019. There will be locations in both Las Vegas and Reno with a live stream between the two sites. Anyone interested in speaking can contact Mike Sepiol at msepiol@lt.life.

**ATs CARE Committee**

Kerry Gordon MS, ATC | District 8 Representatives

**DID YOU KNOW...**

Since 2017, the ATs Care program has reached out to 1,015 athletic trainers or athletic training students to support them following a critical incident?

A critical incident DOES NOT need to be work related. A critical incident is defined as ANY EVENT occurring, professional or personal, that causes you to fall out of your “normal” day to day routine

ATs Care IS available to assist you utilizing a Peer-Support Provider method. ATs helping ATs.

You can reach us by email ATsCare@nata.org (mailto:ATsCare@nata.org), phone 972-532-8821 or ATs Care website @ NATA.org.

**RECEIVE PRE-EVENT EDUCATION**

The following pre-event education workshops are scheduled for 2019. More are always being developed! For more information, or to request a course be scheduled near you, please contact Katie Scott, MS, ATC at katies@nata.org (mailto:katies@nata.org).

5/19/19: Assisting Individuals in Crisis @ Concord, Massachusetts
6/23/19-6/24/19: Group Crisis Intervention @ Las Vegas, NV
7/25/19: Assisting Individual in Crisis @ Arlington, TX

**LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee**

Sean Rogers, DAT, ATC and Mimi Nakajima, EdD, ATC

District 8 Representatives

Hello District 8! The LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee (AC) is proud to announce that we will be presenting our Safe Space Ally Training Program for Athletic Trainers at the 2019 NATA Clinical Symposia and Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada! Be on the lookout when the schedule comes out for the date, time, and location of this presentation. In addition the LGBTQ+ AC will also be hosting a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday June 25th from 7pm-9pm in Los Vegas. If you want to network with members of the LGBTQ+AC, learn more about getting involved in advocacy, or simply want to stop by to learn a little bit more about the resources our committee offers this will be a great use of your time!

The LGBTQ+ AC has also recently launched its new Professional Interest Webpage! If you're interested in some of the resources that the LGBTQ+ AC has for both clinicians and educators, visit our webpage (https://www.nata.org/professional-interests/inclusion/resources). Furthermore, if you're interested in more up-to-date resources, presentations, and information regarding our committee follow our twitter @LGBTQNATA or sign up for the Inclusion Newsletter (https://signup.e2ma.net/signup/1871106/1885471/).
We also are planning to host an informal get-together at the 2019 FWATA Annual Clinical Symposium in San Diego too. Please be on a lookout for social medial posts and emails letting you know the time and location for such gathering. As always if you have any questions regarding the resources our committee offers, or even want to schedule a Safe Space Ally Training for your own clinic/ classroom, feel free to reach out to either of your District 8 Representatives. We’re here to help!

Executive Committee for Education Update
Tricia Kasamatsu, PhD, ATC | District 8 Representative

The NATA Executive Committee for Education (ECE) oversees matters related to AT education (professional and post-professional).

Updates from committees that fall within the ECE are included below:

- **Professional Education Committee** – The PEC will be adding an additional at-large preceptor member to the committee in 2019. Further details about how to apply can be found here. The PEC will be releasing the Level 2 Master Preceptor late 2019 and sponsoring a session at NATA on Quality Improvement in athletic training. Also, the PEC continues to develop AT Teaching Tips, which can be accessed here.
- **Post-Professional Education Committee** – The PPEC committee is focused on informing the membership about the DAT degree, which included an article in the February NATA News. At the NATA Clinical Symposia, the PPEC will be sponsoring a session about Post-Professional Education options.
- **Professional Development Committee** – The PDC committee is examining innovative methods of providing education to the membership, such as regional training sites. The PDC is also working on a Mental Health Certificate, adding the Hip to the Diagnostic Testing series, and EBP Category courses on the ankle, knee and shoulder. This year’s district lectures series is Transition to Practice.
- **Education Advancement Committee** – The EAC committee will be sponsoring a session on the AT milestones at NATA. The EAC has established a Professional Development Grant for educational researchers seeking to develop their skills and advance their scholarship through continuing professional development activities. Five awards at up to $1,000 each are available. For more information, click here.
- **Education Journal Committee** – Submissions to the Athletic Training Education Journal have increased by 43% this year, and the days to a first decision (i.e., revisions, accepts, reject) has decreased by 53% (within 29 days). The journal has special topics issues slated for December 2019 on Globalization of Athletic Training/Therapy Education and Healthcare Leadership in 2020.

Professional Responsibility in Athletic Training Update
Carolyn Peters MA, ATC | District 8 Representative

I’m honored to join the PRAT committee as your D8 representative. As we work to advance legal, ethical, and regulatory issues (LER), our focus this year around the LER is Duty to Report (DTR). We anticipate sharing this project with the membership this summer. It is our hope that all districts will have a presentation ready to share at their annual meetings. Another major activity is the shared Professional Values (PV) research. This data will be shared with the NATA BOD at their May meeting and if approved to advance, the committee with work with the strategic alliance in gathering 6-7 top values we can focus on moving forward. I look forward to working with the membership again as well move this profession forward.

NATA Research & Education Foundation Update
Kavin Tsang PhD, ATC | District 8 Representative

2019 Scholarship Winners Announced

We are excited to share two students from D8 were selected to receive Foundation scholarships this cycle ... Hailey Tuesday (University of Hawaii, Manoa) and Oscar Lopez-Huerta (University of Nevada, Las Vegas) will receive the Jack Rockwell Scholarship and Bill Chambers Scholarship, respectively. Hailey and Oscar will be recognized along with other Foundation scholarship recipients at the Pinky Newell Reception during the 2019 NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo in Las Vegas. Congratulations Hailey and Oscar!!

“Save the Date” … Events in Las Vegas (https://natafoundation.org/support/events/)
- Silent Auction
- Las Vegas Libations
- Daybreak Yoga

Ongoing Initiatives

- Circle of Champions (https://natafoundation.org/support/ways-to-give/circle-of-champions/) acknowledge your support of the value and resources provided by the Foundation in advancing our profession … join the Circle of Champions … $1 per month … takes minutes to complete the recurring automatic donation.

Ambassador Positions

The NATA Foundation is still looking for people interested in becoming a NATA Foundation Ambassadors. Ambassadors work with the District Chair at the local, state, and conference level to help increase awareness of the NATA Foundation and educational resources. It is a great way to become involved in the profession and volunteer for a position of leadership. If you are interested, please contact Kavin Tsang, Foundation District 8 Chair, ktsang@fullerton.edu (mailto:ktsang@fullerton.edu).
For more information about these initiatives or just catch up with what the Foundation is busy doing ... visit the Foundation website (http://natafoundation.org) or follow us on social media (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook) or get a hold of your District Chair, Kavin Tsang, PhD, ATC.

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**NATAPAC Update**

*Ky Kugler EdD, ATC | District 8 Representative*

FWATA Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposium in San Diego, CA
Friday April 26, 2019
7:00-9:00pm
Riverwalk Golf Course

Immediately following Exhibitor Social (SIGN UP AT NATAPAC/D8 BOOTH IN EXHIBIT HALL)

- Features at least 3 craft beers
- Nacho Bar
- $50 donation
- Limited to the first 100 people who sign-up
- Putting Contest, Corn Hole Toss & Other Festivities

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