



# GLATA

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ANNIVERSARY

1968–  
2018

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS  
OF THE GREAT LAKES  
ATHLETIC TRAINERS'  
ASSOCIATION



**THIS BOOK IS DEDICATED**

to Dale Googins (*Denison University*) for expanding upon Dwayne “Spike” Dixon’s (*Indiana University*) suggestion to have an annual party with district dues monies by adding an educational component and hosting the first Great Lakes Athletic Trainers’ Association Annual Meeting and Symposium in 1968.

The many talented, self-less, and tireless members who have given so generously of their time and made personal sacrifices to serve as elected officers, committee chairs, and committee members dedicated to establishing and maintaining the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers’ Association (*District 4*) as a driving force within the National Athletic Trainers’ Association.

And to the many members, who have served as pioneers to help form, mold, transform, and propel the athletic training profession into national prominence; as well as those, who now follow and serve to perpetuate its growth and pay it forward for those yet to come.

*Gary Lake*

Gary Lake  
Acting Recording Secretary of the First Meeting  
GLATA Past President (1984–1986)



Dale Googins and Gary Lake 2017

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We thank everyone who contributed to the making of this publication. In our attempts to tell the story of the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers’ Association rich history, something or someone may have been left out. We regret if we have omitted any important information and/or contributions. Hopefully, we have been somewhat representative of the past 50 years.

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LOGO 1980-1984



LOGO 1987-1997



LOGO 1998-2015



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## FOREWORD

Scott Lawrance 2016

This book and the history it contains are a great testament to the strong athletic training association we enjoy across our six member states in District IV. The Great Lakes Athletic Trainers' Association has always been looked to nationally for its vision and leadership. Our first 50 years have produced an association with a robust and active membership and association engagement is at an all-time high.

Documenting our history is a continual process and a daunting one. We have several individuals to thank for their efforts through the years. Leading the way have been Roger Kalisiak and Marion Vrugink. Both Roger and Marion have been working tirelessly on the volume you see here for over two years. Their work has involved countless hours of document review, exchanged emails, and chasing down details. Without the passion these two have for documenting our history and putting it into a consumable format, I'm confident much of this would be lost over time. This 50th Anniversary volume represents a wonderful opportunity for all of our members to hold a piece of the GLATA legacy. Of course, Roger and Marion also had a great team of individuals assisting and I want to also recognize the efforts of Connor Burton, Lorin Cartwright, Katie Grove, Gary Lake, Jim Moore, Patrick Ohaver and the 2017 GLATA Student Senate who contributed much of the information compiled. Without their assistance, Roger and Marion would have had an extremely difficult time bringing this project together.

Included in this 50th Anniversary book you will find information about the association—from the details of our very first meeting spanning to our most recent history. You will see reflections from our leadership and Golden Pinnacle award winners who have helped shape the athletic training landscape over the last half century along with meeting our Student Senate Alumni who will shape it for the next 50 years. Included is a listing



of members who have served the association and have been generous with their time and talents for the betterment of the profession. This is the most comprehensive attempt to capture all who have served. My sincere apologies for anyone that may have been missed; I know Roger and Marion have agonized over this section of the book to try and avoid this. Katie Grove has written a very nice feature documenting our association's role and history promoting Women in Athletic Training. We no longer are a male dominated profession and have many pioneers from this association, Katie Grove included, to thank for this. Lastly, take some time enjoying the many photos in the book. These snapshots give a lot of context to the words printed in this volume and help convey the live history and emotion surrounding some of our most treasured events and individuals. I hope as you look through the book, you'll engage the association with a new perspective and appreciate all the wonderful people and events we have within the GLATA.

As GLATA President and on behalf of the Executive Board and its' committees, I sincerely hope you enjoy this look at the last 50 years of our great association. Sincerely,

Scott Lawrance, DHSc, LAT, ATC, MSPT, CSCS  
25<sup>th</sup> President, Great Lakes Athletic Trainers'  
Association 2016-2018.



February 2, 1968

Mr. Pinky Newell,  
Athletic Trainer,  
Purdue University,  
Lafayette, Indiana

Hi Pinky,  
I am working with Al Hart in an attempt to establish a District 4 meeting Friday evening, March 22, 1968, and a Trainers' Clinic Saturday morning, March 23, 1968.

Tentative arrangements have been made at the Holiday Inn in Newark, Ohio, (3 miles from Granville) to accommodate the business meeting Friday evening, to be followed by a buffet and social get-together. Saturday morning the clinic will be held at the Field House at Denison University, to be followed by the "Livingston Relay Indoor Track Meet".

As per my conversation with Al, he indicated you would be very much in favor of such a meeting and would take a segment of the clinic program. The district would be delighted to reserve a place on the clinic for you.

The Clinic speakers include:

Dr. Irving Nickerson, Denison University Team Physician,  
"Saline Solution in Athletics"

Robert Livengood, Bowling Green State University,  
Athletic and Physical Therapist,  
"Muscle Testing"

Robert White, Wayne State University, Trainer,  
"Foot Problems"

and I hope, yourself.

The Clinic will start at 8:30 a.m. and will be completed by noon. There is an allotment of approximately 30 to 60 minutes per topic as deemed by each speaker.



WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY  
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DIVISION OF HEALTH  
AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

January 22, 1968

Mr. Dale S. Googins  
Athletic Trainer  
Denison University  
Granville, Ohio - 43023

Dear Dale,

Sounds like a good idea for the Clinic.  
Hope the District Four Meeting  
materializes.

I am looking forward to being with you,  
and if I had my druthers, I would talk on  
foot problems.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert C. White  
Athletic Trainer

RCW:ac

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Information should be coming out of Duke LaRue's office to all District 4 members pertaining to this event. The format has been set and if there is a positive response from the returns, the program will go off on schedule March 22 and 23.

I would appreciate a reply if you will be a speaker, and if so, your topic. I will be sending you more information on travel, meals, etc. later.

Waiting patiently for a reply.

Sincerely yours,

Dale S. Googins,  
Athletic Trainer



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DIVISION OF HEALTH  
AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

June 28, 1966

Mr. Dale Googins  
Athletic Trainer  
Denison University  
Granville, Ohio

Dear Dale:

Just a note to let you know that it was a most enjoyable visit that I had with you on our plane ride from Chicago to Kansas City. Since things were so busy once we arrived, we didn't get a chance to do much socializing; but I wanted you to know that I was pleased to hear your name put in nomination. Even though you didn't get elected, it was a public recognition that you are an enthusiastic, active member of our organization. I would hope that sometime in the near future you do get elected.

I've thought often about our conversation regarding your clinic at the Livingston relays that you recently started and would just like to remind you that I would be very much interested in being a part of your program at any time in the future. It sounds like quite a show that was put on for the athletes at the relays and the clinic also sounds especially interesting.

Sincerely,

Bob

January 17, 1968

Mr. Robert C. White  
Athletic Trainer  
Athletic Department  
Wayne State University  
Detroit, Michigan 48202

Dear Bob:

This year's scheduled Livingston Relays Trainers Clinic (Saturday, March 23, 1968) comes at a time between the winter and spring sports seasons for many universities. Because of this, it is thought that it would be an excellent opportunity to attempt a district 4 meeting and trainers clinic.

The district 4 business meeting is scheduled for Friday, night, March 22, 1968, at the Holiday Inn Motel, to be followed by a buffet and social gathering. Saturday morning registration for the trainers clinic will be 8:15 and the clinic will begin 8:30 at Denison University Field House.

I will be sending you more detailed information shortly but at this time I would like a reply from you pertaining to the topic of your choice. You will be one of four speakers:

Dr. Nickerson, Denison University team Physician,  
"Saline Solution in Athletics"  
Robert Livengood, Bowling Green State University,  
"Muscle Testing"  
Pinky Newell, Purdue University, confirmed speaker,  
and yourself.

You will have approximately forty-five minutes allotted so this might help you in selecting a topic.

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## FIRST MEETING ATTENDEES

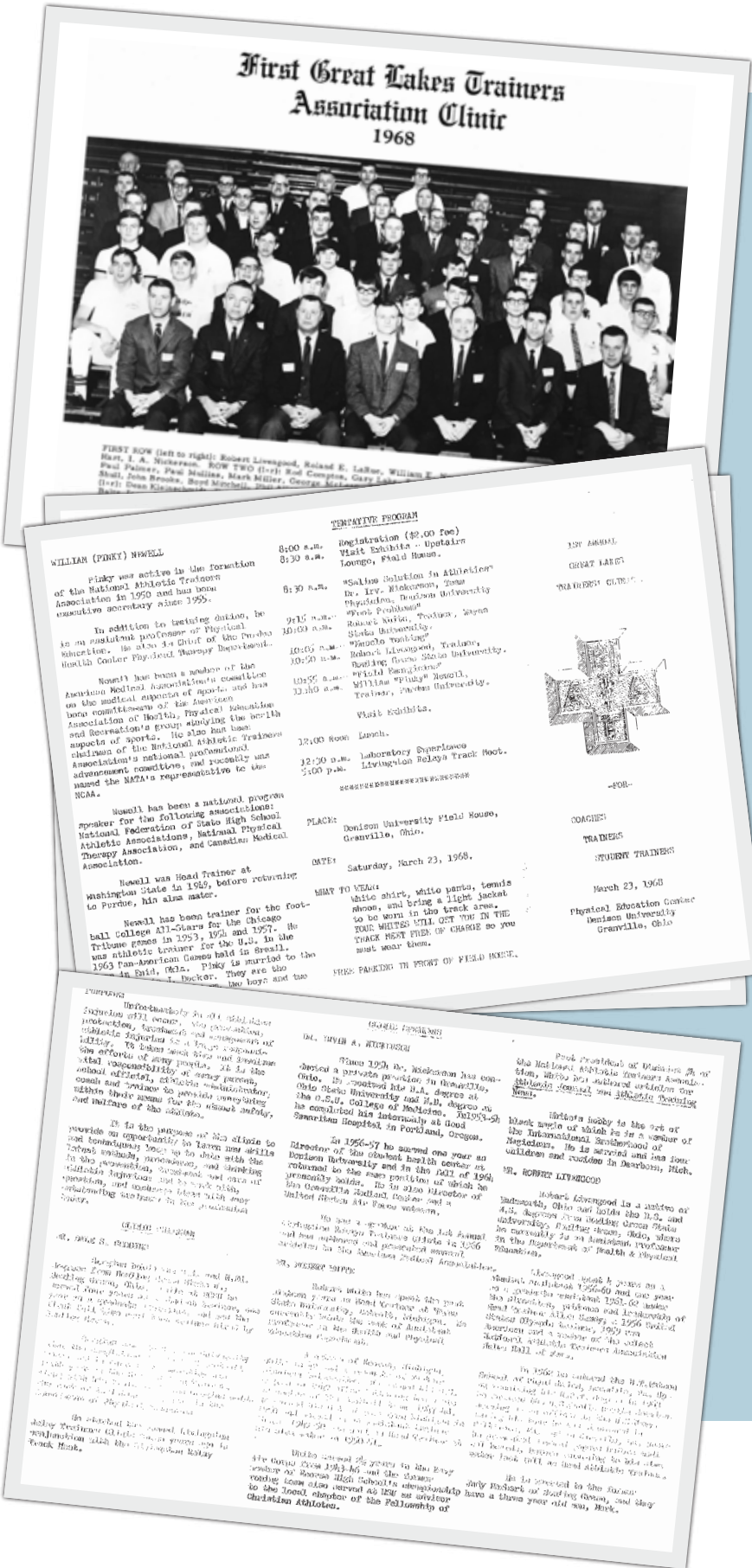
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FOURTH ROW      \*Dean Kleinschmidt, Pat Dyer,  
\***Gordon Graham**, \*Dick  
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Blosser, David Wise, Mark  
Baltz, Jerry A. Tighe

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and Thomas Wilson

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**BOLD** Denotes those who have served as GLATA President  
\*denotes NATA Hall of Fame Member.



1. The meeting of the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association was called to order by District Director, Al Hart, at 8:00 P.M. Mr. Hart welcomed all those in attendance.
2. The roll call was dispensed with.
3. Minutes of the last meeting, held last June in Columbus, were not read but a request for correction was asked by Dale Googins pertaining to his motion for a district meeting. Correction: that the motion was voted down and not withdrawn, as stated.  
Motion for correction - Bob White, second - Dale Googins, motion carried by voice vote.
4. Unfinished Business
  - a. Director Hart raised the question of choosing a city in District 4 to represent us in the choosing of the national meeting sites for the years 1970-75.  
Motion: that Minneapolis, Minnesota be nominated for the site - Gordon Graham, second - Dale Googins, motion carried by voice vote.  
Motion: that Detroit, Michigan be nominated for the site - Bob Livengood, second - Pat Dyer, motion carried by voice vote.

March 23, 1968  
Denison University  
Granville, Ohio



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# THE HISTORY OF THE GLATA

—By Roger Kalisiak, GLATA's 15<sup>th</sup> President

Do the names Stein, Heppinstall, Bullock, Bilik, Colville, Mann, Bakke, Frey, Dixon, Newell, Googins, and Cramer sound familiar to you? If so, you realize that these men are the early pioneers of the National Athletic Trainers Association. The 1938 meeting held in Des Moines, Iowa was the first attempt to organize the young profession to further the development of the profession. The early athletic trainer often coveted his methods and techniques and was unwilling to share for fear of a competitive edge by their opponents. However, it was becoming clear to many that a need to share ideas regarding the care and prevention of athletic injuries would be a benefit to athletes and provide a sense of purpose for the athletic trainer. As the profession was starting to emerge, the best way to achieve the goal was to combine their efforts by forming an association. Thus the NATA was born in 1939 with a first constitution being adopted. However, that first attempt struggled and failed for many reasons including communication, travel and oh yes, a big war.

Starting in 1947 and continuing thru 1955, Michael O'Shea, ATC documented in his 1980 book, A History of the National Athletic Trainers Association, the association entered the organization era. Trainers (as they were referred to) began to form regional conferences that would later become the ten districts that now make up the National Athletic Trainers Association. The year 1950 marked the start of what has become known as the NATA. According to O'Shea, not all of the conference affiliations became districts prior to 1950. Each conference held an annual meeting, elected officers and conducted a clinic in association with the meeting to share ideas.

NATA–District Four (also known as D4), the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association, formed in 1950. The association was not formed by a pre-1950 conference organization, but it should be noted that D4 at that time included the present state structure (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin) as well as the University of Iowa and Ontario, Canada. Al Sawdy, Bowling Green, OH was the first District Director. In 1953, Miami University of Oxford, Ohio hosted the NATA Meeting on its campus.

The NATA along with its member districts continued to develop and grow. In 1959, a formal plan for the education of athletic trainers was adopted. By adopting a formal plan, athletic trainers would be raising



Kalisiak interviews GLATA members 2006

the standards for entrance into the profession. In 1965, the NATA Constitution was changed so that each district would govern their members. District Secretaries would be responsible for dues collection, membership processing, job openings, and the publication of a district newsletter. Roland LaRue was D4's first appointed GLATA Secretary.

1967 was a turning point for the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association. The constitution was written by Dale Googins, with the help of his student, Gary Lake. The following year (1968), Dale Googins hosted the First Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium at Dennison University, Ohio.

The educational component of GLATA was strongly encouraged by then Executive Secretary William Newell. It was determined that if athletic trainers were to gain recognition by physicians and other groups, education was to become the mainstay of D4. By 1979, 10 of the 23 approved Education Programs nationwide were within the GLATA boundaries.

The year 1972 brought about a realignment of districts. The district now included Marshall University, the University of Iowa and all of Iowa as well as Manitoba and Ontario, Canada. If you wonder, this was the Big Ten and the Mid American Conferences. Eventually, Marshall University and Iowa were realigned to Districts Three and Five respectively. It was determined that states should be the boundaries of the districts rather than conference affiliations. Athletic Trainers in Canada continued to grow in numbers and in 1965 the Canadian Athletic Therapist Association was established. CATA is independent from the NATA, but is still affiliated.

1970 saw D4 have the first women grandfathered in as a Certified Athletic Trainers which included Holly Wilson Greene from Indiana. By 1973, five women from D4 had earned NATA Certification. In 1994, Lorin Cartwright was elected first female President of District Four.

Starting in 1972, the Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium began to grow. The initial meeting in 1968 had 57 members attend. In recent years, attendance has grown to over 1,000 attendees.

GLATA's organizational structure has evolved from a small group of individuals that “ran the district” in the early years to a diverse Executive Council of athletic trainers that now represent each state's members and professional settings. The Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association in the 21st Century has become well known for producing outstanding leaders that serve both nationally and internationally; hosts annually one of the best four day educational symposiums in the nation for athletic trainers; and has the largest membership of the ten NATA districts (over 9,000 members).



# HISTORICAL TIME LINE GLATA

1950-2017

## 1950

- The NATA is established. The first national meeting is held in Kansas City, Missouri.
- The NATA-District 4, Great Lakes Athletic Trainers' Association, is established. Al Sawdy, Bowling Green State University, served as the first District Director. District 4 was created with the addition of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin along with the University of Iowa.

## 1953

- The NATA annual meeting is held on Miami University's Oxford, Ohio campus, June 17-20. Athletic Trainer, Jay Colville, hosted.

## 1959

- Robert "Bob" Weingart, Marquette University, is elected chairman of the NATA Board of Directors.

## 1962

- Tom Healion, Northwestern University, is elected chairman of the NATA Board of Directors.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: David M. Ballock, Carl Erickson, Jack Heppinstall and Larnard Mann.

## 1963

- Tom Healion, Northwestern University, elected to second term as Chairman of the NATA Board of Directors.

## 1965

- The NATA Constitutional change allows each district to govern its own membership. The district oversees the appointment of the District Director along with a new position of District

Secretary, first served in District 4 by Roland "Duke" LaRue of Western Illinois University.

- District 4 hosts the NATA national meeting in Chicago, Illinois.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: Walter "Doc" Blake and Lloyd "Snapper" Stein.

## 1966

- Dorothy "Dot" Cohen, graduate of Indiana University, was the first woman to join the NATA.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: E. Jay Colville, James E. Hunt and Allan Sawdy.

## 1967

- District Constitution written in Ohio by Dale Googins from Denison University and Gary Lake, Student Athletic Trainer from Denison University.

- Alan Hart (OH) becomes 1st President of the GLATA.

## 1968

- First GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Ohio at Denison University in March. Dale Googins presides over the first meeting and Gary Lake, a student at Denison, is appointed Secretary because Roland "Duke" LaRue, from Western Illinois University in Macomb, is not able to make the meeting due to an ice storm.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: Ernest Biggs and Carl "Bud" Jorgensen.

## 1969

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: James H. Morris.



# 1970

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held at Western Michigan University; Jack Jones, serves as the host Athletic Trainer.

- Five women are granted NATA certification under a grandfather clause. Holly Wilson Greene, Indiana State University, is from District 4.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Dwayne “Spike” Dixon.

- Roland “Duke”LaRue (IL) is 2nd President of the GLATA.

# 1971

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

# 1972

- GLATA ‘s fifth meeting anniversary is held at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana.

- The NATA realigns the districts, effective in 1973. District 4 will include Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin, Marshall University in West Virginia and the Canadian Provinces of Manitoba and Ontario.

- Dale Googins (OH) becomes the 3rd President of the GLATA.

- The NATA Board of Directors institutes a column in the Journal of Athletic Training designated for women. The first article written is by Holly Wilson Green (June, 1973) entitled “Not for Men Only.” The column is discontinued in 1976.

- A District Constitution and Bylaws Committee is appointed and charged with revising the documents to co–inside with the NATA Constitution and Bylaw.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: William “Pinky” E. Newell.

# 1973

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Minneapolis–St. Paul, Minnesota.

- Five women (Marje Albohm, Linda Weber Daniel, Linda Treadway Dillmon, Gail Weldon, and Maryann Zickler) from District 4 earn NATA Certification.

# 1974

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Merrillville, Indiana.

- The NATA Board of Directors appoints an ad hoc committee, Women in Athletic Training. Holly Green serves as chair and District 4 members Marje Albohm (Indiana University), Linda Treadway Dillmon (Central Michigan University) and Gail Weldon (Indiana State University/Western Michigan University) serve on the committee.

- Holly Green authors the first athletic training textbook specifically for women entitled Workbook: Fundamentals of Athletic Training for Women.

- Kent Falb (MI) becomes 4th President of the GLATA.

# 1975

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

- GLATA establishes a Living Memorial Scholarship.

# 1976

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Merrillville, Indiana.

- Marje Albohm is elected as the first female Secretary–Treasurer.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Gayle B. Robinson.

- Bob Behnke (IN) becomes the 5th President of the GLATA.

# 1977

- GLATA’s 10th Anniversary Annual Meeting is held in MaComb, Illinois, at Western Illinois University.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Robert C. White.

# 1978

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Merrillville, Indiana.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Z. Mel Blickenstaff.

- Rod Moore II (IN) becomes the 6th President of the GLATA.

# 1979

- The GLATA Winter Meeting is held in Perrysburg, Ohio.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Robert E. Weingart.

# 1980

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

- District 4 brought forth to the NATA Board of Directors a proposal to re–district the NATA.

- Gordon Graham (MN) becomes the 7th President of the GLATA.

# 1981

- The GLATA Winter Meeting is held in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

# 1982

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

- GLATA establishes the Annual Meeting Planner position.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Leo Murphy.

- Dennis Miller (IN) becomes the 8th President of the GLATA.

# 1983

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Akron, Ohio.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: Edgar Harold Biggs and Gene Paszkiet.

# 1984

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Schaumburg, Illinois.

- GLATA approves an initial licensure grant concept in the amount of \$1,000.00.

- Gary Lake (OH) becomes the 9th President of the GLATA.

# 1985

- The GLATA Winter Meeting is held in Merrillville, Indiana.

# 1986

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Rochester, Minnesota.

- Illinois Registration Law is enacted by the State General Assembly.

- John Schrader (IN) becomes the 10th President of the GLATA.

## 1987

- GLATA’s 20th Anniversary Annual Meeting is held in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

- District 4 brings forth a motion to NATA Board of Directors that a full time NATA Executive Director be retained prior to the national office relocation.

- The NATA establishes a High School Athletic Trainer Committee. District 4 member, Hal Hilmer from Arlington Heights, Illinois, is appointed chairperson.

## 1988

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

- GLATA revises the scholarship guidelines and establishes a scholarship selection committee under the leadership of Vice-President Wayne Vaupel.

- The William “Pinky” Newell lecture is established with the assistance of Jim Viola from Johnson & Johnson Company.

- The Licensure Grant Committee is established.

- Gerald Bell (IL) becomes the 11th President of the GLATA.

## 1989

- The GLATA Annual Meeting Annual is held in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

- GLATA establishes the Living Scholarship Fund and Research Assistance Projects.

- GLATA establishes a written Policy and Procedure Manual for the Executive Council.

- GLATA voted to increase dues by \$10.00.

## 1990

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Toledo, Ohio.

- The American Medical Association (AMA) endorses Athletic Training as an Allied Health profession.

- Pro Orthopedic Devices, Inc. becomes a sponsor of the GLATA Newsletter.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Robert S. Behnke.

- Richard Ray (MI) becomes the 12th President of the GLATA.

## 1991

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Rosemont, Illinois.

- GLATA Executive Council begins long term strategic planning.

## 1992

- GLATA’s 25th Anniversary Annual Meeting is held in Indianapolis, Indiana. Steve Risinger serves as the host athletic trainer.

- GLATA’s Continuing Education Needs Assessment project is developed.

- Dennis A. “Denny” Miller is elected 7th NATA President.

- Former GLATA Secretary/Treasurer Pat Troesch gathers historical documents and memorabilia.

- Bill Tessendorf (OH) becomes the 13th President of the GLATA.

## 1993

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Dayton, Ohio.

- Eve Becker–Doyle is hired to be the NATA Executive Director.

- GLATA submits a constitutional change to split the office of Secretary–Treasurer into two separate positions.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Gordon Stoddard.

## 1994

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Detroit, Michigan.

- GLATA establishes a Finance Committee to restructure GLATA finances.

- Denny Miller, Purdue University, is elected to serve a second term as President of NATA.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Gordon L. Graham.

- Lorin Cartwright (MI) becomes the 14th (first woman) President of the GLATA.

## 1995

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

- Rene’ Revis Shingles (Central Michigan University) is appointed chairperson of the NATA Ethnic Diversity Advisory Council. Rene’ is the first woman and first African American to serve in this position. (Rene’ served as chair until 2000.)

- The NATA Board of Directors appoints a task force on Women in Athletic Training with Katie Grove (Indiana University) serving as Chairperson. District 4 members

Cynthia “Sam” Booth (Minnesota) will serve as the NATA Liasion and Gretchen Schlabach (Illinois) will be the District 4 Representative on the task force.

## 1996

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Madison, Wisconsin.

- Cynthia “Sam” Booth serves as the first woman District 4 Director.

- Kent P. Falb, Detroit Lions, is elected 8th NATA President.

- The NATA Board of Directors (BOD) votes to change the Women in Athletic Training Task Force name to the Women in Athletic Training Committee. Katie Grove continues to serve as Chairperson.

- GLATA establishes a website. Patrick Sexton is appointed the first webmaster.

- Roger Kalisiak (IL) becomes the 15th President of the GLATA.

## 1997

- The GLATA 30th Anniversary Winter Meeting is held in Bloomington, Minnesota.

## 1998

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in St. Charles, Illinois.

- Kent P. Falb, Detroit Lions, is elected to a second term as President of NATA.

- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: John W. Schrader.

- William Hughes (IL) becomes the 16th President of the GLATA.

# 1999

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- The NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: Marjorie J. Albohm, Kent P. Falb and Dale Googins.

# 2000

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Detroit, Michigan.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Richard “Dick” Hoover.
- Jerry Whetstone (OH) becomes the 17th President of the GLATA.

# 2001

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- GLATA Executive Council approves an Honors and Awards Program.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductees: Kenneth W. Kopke and Dennis A. Miller.

# 2002

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Columbus, Ohio.
- The first GLATA Honors and Awards Ceremony takes place at the meeting.
- 1st Golden Pinnacle awards given–Roger Kalisiak (IL) and John Schrader (IN).
- Rick Shaw (IN) becomes the 18th President of the GLATA.

# 2003

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held at Evansville, Indiana.

- GLATA approves a History and Archives position.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Gordon “Gordy” Graham (MN) and Robert S. Behnke (IN).

# 2004

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Chicago, Illinois.
- GLATA’s first class of Student Senators attend the meeting.
- Roger Kalisiak is appointed the first chairperson of History & Archives Committee.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Kathleen A. Schniedwind.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Carol Humble (IL) and Dennis Miller (IN).

- Mark Gibson (WI) becomes the 19th President of the GLATA.

# 2005

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Toledo, Ohio.
- David Bazzett–Jones, first Chair of Student Senate, is appointed to serve as a member of the GLATA Executive Council.
- GLATA appoints an Education Task Force.
- GLATA E–Blasts are started as a means of member communication.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Gerald “Jerry” W. Bell.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Cynthia (Sam) Booth (MN) and Dale Googins (OH).

# 2006

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Madison, Wisconsin.
- Shari Bartz Smith is appointed GLATA Education Committee Chairperson.
- Printed newsletter is eliminated along with newsletter editor position. (Jill Ponzi–last appointed editor).
- GLATA’s history collection (38 linear feet) is donated to Purdue University. Deed is signed by President Grove on June 28, 2006.
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Richard Ray.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Gary Lake (OH).
- Katie Grove (IN) becomes the 20th President (second woman) of the GLATA.

# 2007

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in St. Charles, Illinois.
- Record high attendance–1353 registrants.
- Michigan is final state to achieve state regulation (licensure).
- NATA Hall of Fame Inductee: Cynthia “Sam” Booth.
- Michael Doyle, IN appointed to NATA Committee on Revenue.
- Alex Wong, OH appointed to NATA Career Assistance Committee.
- Bill Pitney, IL appointed to NATA Education Council, Learning Communities Subcommittee.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Marjorie J. Albohm (IN), Walter “Kip” Smith (IN) and Jerry Whetstone (OH).

# 2008

- GLATA’s 40th Anniversary Winter Meeting is held in Toledo, Ohio.
- Roger Kalisiak and Marion Vrugink produce a celebration and history DVD to commemorate the occasion.
- Marjorie Albohm is elected 11th NATA President. She is the second woman to hold the position.
- No Golden Pinnacle Awarded.
- Juile Rochester (MI) becomes the 21st President (3rd woman) of the GLATA.

# 2009

- The GLATA Annual Meeting is held in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
- GLATA Executive Council undertakes revision of Constitution and Bylaws.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Katie Grove (IN) and Kevin Gerlach (OH).

# 2010

- GLATA Annual Meeting held in Detroit, Michigan.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Richard Ray (MI), Robert Gray (OH) and William Hughes (IL).
- Tory Lindley (IL) becomes the 22nd President of the GLATA.
- Marjorie Albohm is elected to serve a second term as President of the NATA.

# 2011

- GLATA Annual Meeting held in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Rick Shaw (IN), Mark Gibson (WI) and Julie Rochester (MI).



## 2012

- GLATA Annual Meeting in Wheeling, Illinois. The theme is “Rediscovering Rehabilitation.”
- Over 900 registrants.
- Unprecedented warmth, highs 70’s and 80’s.
- University of Indianapolis winners of Quiz Bowl.
- NATA Hall of Fame: Roger Kalisiak (IL), Kip Smith (IN).
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Ann Berry (MI) and Jan Lauer (MI).
- Paul Plummer (IN) becomes the 23rd President of the GLATA.

## 2013

- GLATA Annual Meeting held in Wheeling, Illinois.
- Over 925 Registrants.
- 45th Anniversary of Annual Meeting, 10th anniversary of the Student Senate.
- Two members of 1968 meeting in Attendance, Mark Miller from MN, Dean Klienschmidt from MI.
- Pinky Newell Lecture was entitled, Empowering the Future, given by NATA HOF members Kent Falb, Cynthia “Sam” Booth and Bill Tessendorf.
- NATA Hall of Fame: Ralph Reiff (IN).
- No Golden Pinnacle awarded.

## 2014

- GLATA Winter Meeting–Wheeling IL.
- Over 1000 registrants.
- Twitter account developed to distribute info during meeting.

- Pinky Newell Lecture by Ralph Reiff, “Model the way”.
- NATA Hall of Fame: Mark Gibson (WI), Katie Grove (IN).
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Rod Moore (IN) and Tony Garafalo (IL).
- Craig Voll (IN) becomes the 24th President of the GLATA.

## 2015

- GLATA Winter Meeting–Wheeling IL.
- Pinky Newell Lecture –Mark Gibson.
- NATA Hall of Fame–David Carrier (MI), Malissa Martin(IN),Brian Robinson (IL),Tom Weidner (IN).
- Over 1000 registrants.
- District Dues increased.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Marion Vrugink (IN) and Paul Plummer (IN).

## 2016

- GLATA Winter Meeting–Wheeling IL.
- Attendance–over 1250 registrants.
- NATA Hall of Fame–David Craig (IN), Bob Gray (OH) Patrick Sexton (MN).
- Pinky Newell Lecture–Athletes Helping Athletes.
- GLATA Logo changed.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Tory Lindley (IL), Kent Falb (MI) and Lorin Cartwright (MI).
- Scott Lawrance (IN) becomes the 25th President of the GLATA.

## 2017

- GLATA Winter Meeting–Wheeling IL.
- Golden Pinnacle Award–Gerald “Jerry” Bell (IL), David Craig (IN) and William “Bill” Tessendorf (MD, formally OH).
- Tory Lindley, Northwestern University, is elected 14th NATA President.





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Alan Hart, Allan Sawdy,  
Dale Googins, Dennis  
Miller, Roger Kalisiak, John  
Schrader and Kent Falb



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Marje Albohm, Holly  
Wilson Green and  
Linda Treadway  
Dillmon 2007, Gail  
Weldon, Lorin  
Cartwright and  
Rene Shingles 2007

## FEW FIRST MEN FROM D4

- **Alan Hart** first to serve as President of the GLATA (1967–1970)
- **Allan Sawdy** first from D4 to serve as District Director for the NATA (1950–1951)
- **Dale Googins** first AT to serve as host to the First GLATA Meeting in 1968
- **Dennis Miller** first to serve as NATA President from D4 (1992–1996)
- **Roger Kalisiak** and **John Schrader** first to receive GLATA Golden Pinnacle Award (2002)
- **Kent Falb** first from D4 to receive the NATA Eve Becker-Doyle Award (highest honor given to member for leadership and volunteerism) 2014

## FEW FIRST WOMEN FROM D4

- **Holly Wilson Greene** first woman from D4 to be granted certification under grandfather clause 1970
- **Marje Albohm** (Indiana University), **Linda Treadway Dillmon** (Central Michigan University), and **Gail Weldon** (Indiana State University/Western Michigan University) D4 women of the first ad hoc WATC. **Holly Wilson Greene** (Indiana State University) chaired Committee
- **Lorin Cartwright** first woman to serve as GLATA President (1994–1996)
- **Rene Shingles** first woman appointed chairperson of the NATA Ethnic Diversity Advisory Council in this position, 1995 Diversity Advisory Council in this position in 1995
- **Marje Albohm** first woman from D4 to serve as NATA President

# GLATA PRESIDENT'S HISTORY JOURNAL

1968–2018



## ALAN HART

**1967–1970**  
**GLATA PRESIDENT—TWO TERMS**  
**NATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1967–1970**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Two term President of the GLATA/District Director (1967–1970).

**MEMORIES/REFLECTIONS BY JERRY BELL:** “My contact with Al Hart was during my physical therapy degree at the Ohio State University. I was certified while I attended Ohio State and wished to volunteer hours with the athletic training facility. Being the only other certified athletic trainer on campus, Al was eager for me to share my knowledge and study techniques with their students who would be seeking NATA certification. He, however, indicated that I was not to donate more than 10 hours per week to concentrate on my physical therapy studies. Unfortunately, Al passed away prior to the end of the football season.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1968 Denison University Ohio | 1969 Western Illinois University | 1970 Western Michigan University



## ROLAND “DUKE” LARUE

**1970–1972**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1990**  
**NATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1970–1972**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** During his career of 41 years, Duke held offices in the GLATA, NATA and was on the NATA Board of Directors. He was inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame in 1990, District 5 Hall of Fame in 1995 and Western Illinois University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003.

**MEMORIES/REFLECTIONS BY JERRY BELL:** “I was a Junior and Senior student athletic trainer at Ball State University working football when we played a home and home series at Western Illinois University. My biggest memory was the extremely long bus ride from Muncie, Indiana to Macomb, Illinois. As a senior, Duke LaRue requested me to assist his sideline during the game, mostly hydration, but some minor first aid and athletic taping. He informed the athletes and his assistant athletic trainer to respect the added assistant!! Duke offered me a graduate assistant position as he served as curriculum director, head athletic trainer and director of physical therapy services at the student health center. Duke was extremely personable, direct and knowledgeable. I was most impressed by his hospitality and honesty in serving his athletes as well as his dedication to family. While I did not attend Western, he continued to greet me personally and was



eager to introduce his family and greet my family during our mutual conventions and congratulated me on the move from California State University, Sacramento to the University of Illinois. Many quality memories!

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1971 University of Wisconsin | 1972 Valparaiso University

## DALE GOOGINS

**1972–1974**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1999**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2005**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The writing the GLATA Constitution and By-Laws was a major accomplishment. The project was a labor of love by Dale S. Googins, Gary Lake and Charles Skip Vosler.

**MEMORIES/WORDS OF WISDOM:** I would encourage and urge all members of the athletic training profession to become involved on committees, to seek and run for office and promote the athletic training profession. Active participation keeps the profession strong.

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1973 Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota | 1974 Merrillville, Indiana

## KENT FALB

**1974–1976**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1999**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2016**  
**8TH NATA PRESIDENT 1996–2000**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 1992–1996**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The most significant accomplishment during my tenure as a GLATA leader was the achievement of long term financial stability. It was with the financial wisdom of then Treasurer Bill Tessendorf and his recommended investments that put the GLATA on a solid financial foundation. Likewise, it was significant that during this leadership period that the GLATA leaders saw fit to take the profits from the Annual Winter District Meeting to create GLATA scholarships.

**CHALLENGES:** During my tenure as a GLATA leader I now in retrospect believe what might have been viewed as major challenges were more like current issues. These issues were basically administrative relative to annual review of the

GLATA Constitution, organization of the various leadership positions to insure appropriate membership representation, and the development and promotion of the Annual Winter Meeting.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** The memories that I have from my involvement in leadership and as a member of GLATA would, if put into writing, would likely result in a thick book. The people and their friendships would take several chapters to discuss and elaborate upon. The number of national leaders and famous district athletic trainers within the district is truly incredible and I was privileged to have known most. Today's members must realize the vast number of leaders that have come from District Four, including three National Presidents, which speaks volumes to the development of leaders with the district. Only until you are away from the GLATA do you fully understand and appreciate the greatness and the opportunities that are provided by being a GLATA member.

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1975 Ann Arbor, Michigan | 1976 Merrillville, Indiana

## BOB BEHNKE

**1976–1978**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1990**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2003**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 1980–1983**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** A major issue both for the NATA and GLATA was the potential of legislation to regulate the practice of athletic training. The debate was intense between those members already credentialed (primarily physical therapists) and those seeking various forms (registration, certification and licensure) for those currently holding a national credential (NATA certification).

The GLATA and state associations included state regulation discussion in all of their meetings and various forms of "licensure" committees were formed. Within the GLATA there were states enthusiastic about state regulation and some with a more conservative approach. The GLATA members developed expertise in this subject to the point several assumed leadership roles at the state, district and national levels as committees were formed to assist the membership accomplish what, in retrospect, has to be considered one of the most important accomplishments in the history of the profession.

**CHALLENGES:** Accomplishing state regulation of the practice of athletic training was a major challenge. Another concern during this time was the issue of education. Standards for entry-level education programs were debated. The possible elimination of the "internship" route to certification was being considered. The differences between entry-level graduate programs and true

graduate level programs for those already NATA certified were another issue. Early discussion about the possibility of a full-time NATA Executive Director was initiated (without much enthusiasm from various individuals in leadership positions at the time).

**MEMORIES/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The GLATA membership afforded me the opportunity to meet and make friendships with some of the finest people I’ve ever known. State, District and National meetings as well as competitions between our institutions have made every assignment I’ve had an enjoyable experience and something to look forward to every year.

As a new student member of GLATA/NATA in 1959, I was told that District Four was the biggest and best of all the districts. In my 55 years as a GLATA and NATA member, I sincerely feel that initial statement continues to be true. Looking at the NATA history, one will find multiple Presidents, Vice Presidents and District Four Directors at the forefront of national issues along with numerous chair positions at the state, district and national levels that were or are held by GLATA members. Major issues such as NATA certification, entry-level and graduate education, state regulation and really every issue facing the athletic training profession past, present and future will have the GLATA members involved and in leadership roles. The GLATA was, is and will be leaders in every aspect of the athletic training profession. I’m happy to be a member of the GLATA!”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1977 Western Illinois University | 1978 Merrillville, Indiana

## ROD MOORE II

**1978–1980**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2014**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** My goals as President were to continue to create an excellent network of athletic trainers to get the athletic training message out. I also wanted to get to know as many ATs as I could.

**CHALLENGES:** My challenges were to work for the growth of the AT profession at all levels especially the high school level. I wanted to work to create and fill these positions.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** Some special memories during this time include the honor to work at the Pan American Games and the World Indoor Track and Field Meet Championships with Marje Albohm and Gail Weldon. The 1996 Olympics was also a phenomenal experience because the great minds of the entire medical staff worked so well together. So many great friendships were formed and will last forever.



**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1979 Perrysburg, Ohio | 1980 Kalamazoo, Michigan

## GORDON GRAHAM

**1980–1982**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1994**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2003**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 1983–1986**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** First President of Minnesota Athletic Trainers’ Association developed one of the first three approved athletic training curriculum programs for the NATA in 1969. Served on the NATA Board of Directors during my presidency we had many active district members who were involved with both the GLATA and NATA. When projects came up, we had so many people ready to “step up” and help. Marje Albohm was District Secretary (1977–1980) and was my right hand-go to person. Bob Behnke and Denny Miller were also very involved. D4 was ahead of its time!!

**CHALLENGES:** NATA was going through education reform while I was President. The collegiate programs were going through NATA approved accreditation which was a challenge but necessary. Special Memory/Words of Wisdom: “Not only did we have great membership involvement but we also had active students who helped. I recall mentoring to Pat Sexton who now is very involved in leadership positions with the NATA and the BOC. My words of wisdom are If you think what you are doing is helpful...then continue on because most likely it is!”

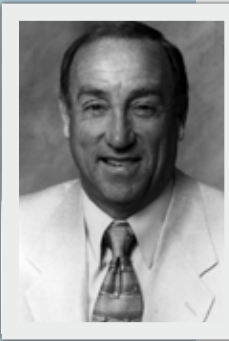
**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1981 La Crosse, Wisconsin | 1982 Indianapolis, Indiana

## DENNIS MILLER

**1982–1984**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2001**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2004**  
**7TH NATA PRESIDENT 1992–1996**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 1986–1989**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Worked to try to get D4 membership and finances in order

**CHALLENGES:** Working to clean up membership issues with the national office. Trying to get finances in order especially where the annual meeting was concerned.





**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The best move was appointing Roger Kalisiak as the Meeting Director. He was a great find for us.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1983 Akron, Ohio | 1984 Schaumburg, Illinois.

## GARY LAKE

**1984–1986**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2006**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** William E. “Pinky” Newell Scholarship (\$1,000) was established.

**CHALLENGES:** One of the most interesting challenges the GLATA faced during my tenure (plus a few years on either side) was the reputation we “enjoyed” with the rest of the NATA. We were very cognizant of the fact that we were the largest of the 10 districts in the NATA since we comprised about 25% of the total national membership but only had 1 vote out of 10 on the Board of Directors. With that in mind, on more than one occasion, the GLATA proposed through our District Director to have the NATA explore other organizational structure options that might provide a more equitable vote at the Board level. We just wanted a committee to research and make recommendation as to whether or not a change was needed. Not once did our proposal even receive a second so that the suggestion could be discussed as business and come to a vote by the Board. Word was that the other Districts were fearful of the GLATA because we were the biggest and the “richest” district in the association so we must have had an ulterior motive for bringing it forward. That couldn’t have been farther from the truth. Had any structural changes been made they likely would have resulted with the GLATA losing members to other smaller districts thereby reducing our size and our financial status. At any rate, for quite some time, the NATA Board pegged the GLATA as the “pot stirrers” of the association and they were very suspicious of any proposals we brought forward.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** My special memory goes back to my freshman year as a student athletic trainer at Denison University under NATA Hall of Famer, Dale Googins. Dale had organized and hosted the first GLATA business meeting (held in Newark, OH) and educational symposium (held on Denison’s campus) in March of 1968. Roland “Duke” LaRue, Western Illinois University, was the secretary of the District at that time. Unfortunately, Duke was delayed by a snow storm in Illinois and was unable to make it for the business meeting on Friday night. Dale asked me to take notes during the business meeting so Duke could have them the next day. I pulled an “all-nighter” to organize and type the minutes to give to Duke the next day. That opportunity set the stage for me to get involved with the GLATA as well as NATA, BOC and OATA and that



involvement has not stopped to this day. You never know when an opportunity like that will present, but you must be ready to take advantage when it does. The note taking incident lead me to following the example of my mentors resulting in 40+ years of service to our profession and the opportunity to have a role and voice in our growth.

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1985 Merrillville, Indiana | 1986 Rochester, Minnesota

## JOHN SCHRADER

**1986–1988**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 1998**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2002**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 1989–1992**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The principal things that occurred during my term of office related more to the development of infrastructure with our organization. There was a great deal of attention being spent on fundamental issues such as revising bylaws, constitution revision, work on logo development, and even reimbursement of state representatives. These were all very fundamental steps for our fledgling organization.

**CHALLENGES:** I believe this was the initial stage within our organization where we actually began to discuss practice differentiation of members. During this particular period of time committees were appointed to represent high school athletic trainers as well as those ATs employed in private clinics. These committees were formulated to assess the needs and concerns of our members working specifically in their particular environments with the goal of establishing a committee that would formally report to the national Board of Directors on their special issues. One of the other national issues that occurred during this particular time period was the relocation of our national headquarters from North Carolina to Texas, which was quite controversial.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The most interesting aspect, as I reflect on special memories, is really trying to identify one particular moment that stands out. Quite honestly, I can’t think of an individual event but what strikes me the most with our organization is that for most of us our career choice has been a vocation rather than a profession. What’s more, the passion with which leaders of this organization have undertaken challenges to advance our profession is beyond comparison. I always left leadership meetings knowing that there were a great group of friends with mutual desires for our profession and a work ethic unequaled by any other professional organization. Our meetings during this era were always very passionate, sometimes very long and loud, but there was



never a doubt about how much members and leadership desired to advance our organization. It was always an honor to represent our district at any national event knowing all of the high quality professionals that I stood for within our district. We were always in the forefront with national leadership and continue to do so today.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1987 Grand Rapids, Michigan | 1988 Indianapolis, Indiana

## JERRY BELL

**1988–1990**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2005**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2017**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Established policy and procedures manual for all committees including scholarship, winter meeting and State Representatives (time-lines). Established Geographically Correct GLATA Logo. Established dues increase so State Representatives would have attendance at GLATA and NATA meetings funded, also included funding for scholarships rather than using the winter meeting profits to fund scholarships. Established Governmental Affairs grant guidelines to assist state’s seeking athletic training licensure, registration, regulations. (Shared Illinois Grass-Roots Model).

**CHALLENGES:** The majority of challenges are listed above.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “Never underestimate the power of all your committee members, all recognized with either GLATA offices and honors and/or NATA offices and honors.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1989 Green Bay, Wisconsin | 1990 Toledo, Ohio

## RICH RAY

**1990–1992**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2006**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2010**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** During the time period, the EC standardized the work of GLATA governance with the establishment of a policies and procedures manual. We also initiated a strategic planning process so we could look to the future in discerning those activities, projects, and priorities that seemed ill-suited for either the NATA or the states to take on for themselves. Additionally, we developed a financial plan to endow the Living Memorial Scholarship and

sought (and received) sponsorship from PRO Orthopedic Devices to underwrite our newsletter (consistent with the increasing focus of NATA on corporate sponsorships). These were important financial initiatives at the time because they freed up our income from dues for other purposes.

**CHALLENGES:** In the early 1990’s, state associations were a relatively new phenomenon, and the NATA didn’t really recognize them. The state associations carried much more influence at the district level in those days. It was only later that the NATA began to work more closely with state leaders. In any case, those days were marked by terrific change in our profession. The national office had just moved from sleepy Greenville, NC to Dallas. The NATA moved from a volunteer directorship to a full-time, professionalization of the Executive Directorship. Recertification of athletic trainers was a lively topic of discussion, as was the expansion of the profession from traditional school, college, and professional sports to mainstream healthcare settings like clinics and hospitals. And the push for state licensure in the various states was full-steam ahead and red hot. I can’t recall with too much certainty, but I believe we initiated GLATA grants to the states to pursue licensure efforts. In any case, it was lots of fun!

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “I recall wonderful times working closely with other district leaders from those days. Jerry Bell, Kent Falb, John Schrader, Bob Behnke, Steve Risinger, Denny Miller, Bob Gray, Lorin Cartwright, Roger Kalisiak, and Sam Booth are just a few that come to mind. Each was a terrific help in advocating for our profession and for the GLATA. To this day I remain grateful for the friendship of each of these fine people, and for the many kindnesses they bestowed on me in my role as President. They were my role models for what good leadership is all about. Clear vision, careful listening, careful planning, persistence in the face of obstacles, and commitment to the common good. I’m grateful to each of them for these things.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1991 Rosemont, Illinois | 1992 Indianapolis, Indiana

## BILL TESSENDORF

**1992–1994**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2012**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2017**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Working with the executive council, we established a solid financial plan for GLATA finances that provide growth of its monies. Working with the state representatives, we developed a District Meeting revenue sharing plan that provided income to all the state associations as well as the GLATA. Working with the executive council, we created and funded two

named district research grants that recognized several of the early leaders of the profession and the GLATA.

**CHALLENGES:** My biggest challenge was to understand the organization and operation of GLATA because this was my first time as an elected official. Without the help and guidance of individuals such as Kent Falb, Sam Booth, Richard Ray, Lorin Cartwright and the other elected and appointed members, we would not have accomplished what we did.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The membership of the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association is made up of some of the most talented and dedicated individuals with whom I have ever been associated. Future leaders will find them to be great resources to achieve the goals laid out by the Executive Board and the district’s membership. I consider my tenure as President as one of the most memorable times of my career. I feel that I got more out of my involvement than I ever gave back to the district. Because of the commitment to the profession and the district, GLATA will continue to be one of the leaders of the NATA.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1993 Dayton, Ohio | 1994 Detroit, Michigan

## LORIN CARTWRIGHT

**1994–1996**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2016**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** We split the secretary/treasurer job into two positions. We changed the voting system. The previous way was a list of all candidates, voting to whittle it down to two then another ballot. Lots of money as it was all done via mail and hand counting. The new system was electronic and candidates were numbered in a hierarchy of preference. I was the first woman president and I was the first high school athletic trainer voted into the position.

**CHALLENGES:** Name change from athletic trainer to...? Whether or not the state fees should be collected with NATA dues. Getting more money back to the states. Where to hold the GLATA convention based on the triangle (Chicago, Indy, and I think Grand Rapids)—this was based on the bulk of our members, and distance they would travel to get to the convention... Rather than each state getting to host GLATA.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “Remember that you represent 25% of the NATA and we have always led the NATA with innovation. Your leadership is essential and will forever be a legacy.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1995 Ft. Wayne, Indiana | 1996 Madison, Wisconsin



## ROGER KALISIAK

**1996–1998**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2012**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2002**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** I think the most important accomplishment was started by my predecessor, Lorin Cartwright. When I was elected President-Elect, we looked at the financial structure of GLATA and decided it needed a great deal of organization. We were able to finish during my term an extensive Policy and Procedures Manual, put in place a system of financial accounts and link things together that we called unofficially our “lakes and pond system”. Once we were able to establish the “streams” that connected “lakes and ponds” with the help of the Executive Council, GLATA had a better understanding of a financial plan. A second important piece of the puzzle was to establish a Public Information Officer position so GLATA could not only convey our message to the Public but also to our own membership. That led to the formation of a Public Relations Committee which PRed the Membership as well as made extensive contacts with local media every time we hosted a meeting in a different city across the district. Marion Vrugink was the first appointed Chairperson.

**CHALLENGES:** I think one of the greatest challenges I had was to bring the Council together as a group, where we as a Council introduced Leadership workshops to develop leaders within our own organization. It was interesting to see how individuals that sometimes had agendas for their own state organization put aside differences to strengthen the organization as a whole. Consensus building was a challenge but by the end of my term, I think it was more of a norm than a rarity. It was interesting to see how the Executive Council at times was faced with difficult decisions held its own members accountable for their actions that benefitted the membership in the long run.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** The experience that I had as a member of the EC was one I will never forget. It was a learning experience, fun, frustrating, challenging and something I will never forget as a professional. To be given the confidence by the membership to lead an organization like the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers association and to work in collaboration with some of the most dedicated people in Athletic Training was an honor. If I was a Young Professional, I would be involved by getting involved—the rewards are the professional satisfaction of lifetime friends, your own personal skill development and the opportunity to make a difference by setting a course for the future of GLATA.

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1997 Bloomington, Minnesota | 1998 St. Charles, Illinois



## BILL HUGHES

**1998–2000**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2010**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** I followed Roger Kalisiak as President Elect; Roger did a wonderful job running GLATA. One of his accomplishments that I was involved with was appointing the first GLATA Public Relations Director Marion Vrugink, ATC. I had appointed the first PR Director in GLATA at the state level, Bruce McAllister, ATC, who was at Northern Illinois U. at the time. I worked closely with Bruce and so stepping into the GLATA Presidency with Marion was a smooth transition. I relied heavily on Marion to promote the profession of Athletic Training, both at the student level and to increase the benefits of certified members. I was blessed with a veteran, hardworking Executive Counsel. I ran on the platform dedicated to “keeping the ball rolling”, GLATA was in good shape so I attempted to continue to offer our members a first class Winter Symposium. I had Cynthia “Sam” Booth as my Director sitting on the NATA Board of Directors so she did an outstanding job of passing information down to the District membership. Challenges: At that time GLATA was attempting to rotate meeting sites equally among the 6 states of GLATA. This was a difficult job handled brilliantly by Kevin Gerlach and Mark Schauer. To award the host state for hosting the Winter Symposium that state organization was given a larger percentage of profits from the Winter Symposium. The rest of the profits were distributed evenly among the other 5 states. A motion to equally disperse all profits evenly among all six states was passed during my tenure.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The best memories I have from serving as GLATA President was all of the wonderful friends I made that never would have happened if I had not run for President. The people who served GLATA are simply outstanding people and have become life-long friends. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of the glorious history of GLATA.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 1999 Indianapolis, Indiana | 2000 Detroit, Michigan



## JERRY WHETSTONE

**2000–2002**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2007**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Instituted awards system for GLATA—primary direction to Vice President Kip Smith to have awards of service, scholarship and most importantly our creation of the Hall of Fame. We chose to have the highest GLATA award be the Golden Pinnacle.



Continued refinement of using power point for business meetings so the membership was able to see discussion along with “going green” to reduce financial report. Vote in Los Angeles being 99-1...the membership was in support of using data base to build membership which affected how dues were collected.

**CHALLENGES:** Increasing membership and membership attendance when financial responsibilities were becoming more of the membership finances than institutions paying.

As always the ballot and voting continue to be a project that may never be solved. Getting the states to think alike for the betterment of the district at a time when each state was striving for their own identity.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “I am thankful for being able to increase my network of so many fine individuals proud to call themselves athletic trainers!!! There are mentors out there waiting to be tapped into if one is willing to step out of their comfort zone and ask for help. Kent Falb commenting on my first power point as President when each officer had a different background color and there was never a glitch in what he thought were many presentations appearing in the business meeting. Eve Becker Doyle attending my last meeting as President and color coordinating her introduction slide to the color of outfit she would be wearing without her knowing ahead of time. This all starting when we starting match District Director Marge Albohm slides to her district director report. But mostly, the wonderful people I was able to serve during my term as President of seeing their passion for our profession. It was truly an honor to be able to give to my association. For future leaders—get out of the room, reach out and shake hands with the membership, introduce yourself and get to know them. They too will be our future leadership if you are willing to invest your time into them. To the shy members—break out of your comfort zone and realize those leaders are athletic trainers just like you and are approachable.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2001 Milwaukee, Wisconsin | 2002 Columbus, Ohio

## RICK SHAW

**2002–2004**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2011**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Establishing the State Grants program providing more funds back to the individual states. Creating the GLATA Awards program. Re-writing the GLATA P&P Manual and moving it to a DVD format. Establishing a mechanism to recognize outstanding individual members and their contributions in their home venues. Creating the GLATA Student Senate.



**CHALLENGES:** The most difficult challenge during my Presidency was to build a leadership culture that embraced the entire District IV organization.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** "My favorite memories are the friendships made and the progress achieved moving the organization forward. It was an honor and a privilege to serve as GLATA President. I believe everyone has a responsibility to "give back" to their chosen profession. Lead with your heart, be fair, be strong and always do what is best for the future of athletic training."

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2003 Evansville, Indiana | 2004 Chicago, Illinois

## MARK GIBSON

**2004–2006**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2014**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2011**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 2007–2010**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Re-wrote the by-laws and the policy and procedure manual. Organized and developed the student senate by-laws and procedures. Re-did our committee structure. Moved to electronic balloting for officers. State Associations gained additional power within the GLATA.

**CHALLENGES:** We needed to envelop in the AT's that were practicing in clinics and were aligned in business rather than educational and professional settings. Their interests were not necessarily the interest of the majority so we had to communicate the benefits for all. Recognition, recognition, recognition.

We had states that wanted to succeed from GLATA so we had to communicate the necessity of the District. State Associations wanted complete autonomy and NATA did not want to recognize the State Associations.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** "Athletic Training is the excellent profession that it is because of the people who practice it. Our members are the most valuable members of their sports medicine teams. Without the athletic trainer, the health care of the physically active is compromised."

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2005 Toledo, Ohio | 2006 Madison, Wisconsin

### PRESIDENTS EVANSVILLE 2003

**L-R: BACK ROW** Dale Googins, Gary Lake, Jerry Bell, Rich Ray, Roger Kalisiak and Jerry Whetstone

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Rick Shaw and Mark Gibson



## KATIE GROVE

**2006–2008**  
**NATA HALL OF FAME 2014**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2009**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Plans for the 40th Anniversary of GLATA in Toledo were in development. Forty years earlier in March of 1969 at Denison University the first Athletic Training clinic in our District happened.

**CHALLENGES:** The experience of serving as President of District Four was one of challenges, hard work and being ready for anything at any time. But these are all qualities we have as athletic trainers so nothing is insurmountable.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** "What a special time it was. My time as President was filled with phone calls, emails, and meetings but through it all it was really the relationships formed and the insight and support I received from the Executive Committee, the Committee members and the membership that made it what it was...A time period of great growth for all of us and a period of great growth for the GLATA."

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2007 St. Charles, Illinois | 2008 Toledo, Ohio

## JULIE ROCHESTER

**2008–2010**  
**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2011**  
**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 2010–2014**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Complete re-write of the GLATA constitution/bylaws and policies and procedures manual. Advancements in the use of technology within the district (website improvements, use of social media to connect with members) Reduced restrictions on use of GLATA State grant funding Education committee reform.

**CHALLENGES:** State dues allocation program, Educational reform—bringing together winter meeting planners and educational committee, Needs of the states vs. the district/national, Discussions about the "need" of the district and conveying the VALUE of the district; and should the district split into 2 separate districts.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** "My best memories are the friendships that I have developed after 14 years on the GLATA Executive Board. It has been incredible to watch the evolution of the profession of athletic training from a leadership perspective. I will never forget my first GLATA executive committee meeting—I believe I was the only one using a laptop, and the only reason I was using one was because my institution had just become a "laptop" university—so I



had one. And sitting next to Jeff Monroe during my first meeting—he leans over and says ‘so how long have they been hiding you in northern Michigan?...I had no idea how to respond.

Looking back, it was exciting to see the evolution of the use of technology infiltrate our organization. From purchasing GLATA laptops, to developing a website, to online conference registration, to the use of social media as means to conduct GLATA business and communicate with our members—at times frustrating and challenging, but well worth the investment in our time and energy.

To future leaders of GLATA—never lose focus of what is truly most important. Sometimes that means being able to step back and let others take the lead. Stay passionate for your profession and hold on...because it can be a rollercoaster ride. There are times you will be afraid, fearful you are going in the wrong direction or making a bad decision—but you will never know unless you give it a shot...and the people you will meet along the way will change your life—they did for me.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2009 Ft. Wayne, Indiana | 2010 Detroit, Michigan

## TORY LINDLEY

**2010–2012**

**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2016**

**14TH NATA PRESIDENT 2018–2021**

**DISTRICT DIRECTOR 2014–2018**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Developed and executed the completion of a 33 goals association strategic plan. Formed a new committee, GLATA Young Professional Committee to serve the specific needs of athletic trainers in the first 10 years of their careers. Formalized structure and members of the newly formed GLATA Committee on Revenue. Formalized structure and members of the newly formed GLATA Governmental Affairs Committee. Selected a law firm out of Indianapolis, Hall Render, to serve on an ‘as needed’ basis for the GLATA. Created GLATA Governmental Affairs Legislative Alert Center for State Representatives. Redesignated the GLATA Website. Streamlined and improved the Honors and Awards evaluation process. Expanded the GLATA Finance Committee to include all 6 State Representatives. Created and initiated GLATA Student Mentor Program. Created a centralize GLATA Winter Meeting location with Association-based meeting committee leadership. Added a “Feature Article” to each GLATA E-Blast, authored by an Executive Board member. Instituted a quarterly GLATA Student Senate Newsletter. Organized a student mentoring program with the GLATA Student Senate. Delivered \$4000 in Professional Advancement Funds to each of the six member state associations. Established goal setting protocol and accountability for GLATA Standing Committees. Created a GLATA Meeting



Catastrophic Incident Plan. Funded five NATA Scholarship awards through GLATA contributions to the NATA Foundation endowment program. Increased GLATA Memorial Resolution donations. Initiated GLATA Membership Appreciation Night at the NATA Annual Meeting, awarding \$1500 to a number of GLATA members. Increased GLATA Facebook members and Twitter followers by over 150%. Created a GLATA Emerging Leaders data base for district and state association use. Created a GLATA Meeting Catastrophic Incident Plan.

**CHALLENGES:** Looking back on my term as President I don’t recall specific challenges. Instead, I was blessed with such an active and ambitious Executive Board, so the opportunities were endless. We all worked very hard to provide the necessary energy in multiple directions including new committees like COR, GAC, and Young Professionals along with established initiatives like Education Committee growth, and strategic financial assistance to the states. The uniqueness of this time was the aggressive work by both the Executive Board and committee chairs to complete each of the goals imbedded within the Strategic Plan. Beyond achieving so many goals in a two-year span, it was very rewarding to see collaboration, cooperation and accountability among countless dedicated and passionate members

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “The strongest memories from my Presidency are all tied to the people that make up the very best in our profession. Without exception, the relationships formed with colleagues are the most rewarding thing about volunteer service. I became a better athletic trainer, a better leader and a better person for serving. We were often pushed to our limits as volunteers, but we also learned a lot about our individual and collective capabilities. We grew tremendously as an organization from 2010 to 2012 while gaining a better understanding of the value of a District organization. We are six unified states, over 6,000 members, with one purpose—to advance the profession of athletic training. Yes, the GLATA has, does and will maintain an important role in severing our members while driving the future direction of our profession!”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2011 Minneapolis, Minnesota | 2012 Wheeling, Illinois

## PAUL PLUMMER

**2012–2014**

**GOLDEN PINNACLE 2015**

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the GLATA Student Senate. Because of the size of the district (>20% of NATA membership) the EB considered and decided not to pursue splitting the district into 2 distinct districts similar to Districts 1 and 2. Increased visibility of Committee on Revenue



to membership through specific workshops and resources to membership. Secured Bonding Insurance for entire EB. Updated GLATA policy and procedure manual. Updated Student Senate policy and procedure manual. Completed the 2012 Strategic Plan. Student Senate SMILE Mentorship Program celebrated first full year of implementation. Increased the number of sponsors and revenue to better support GLATA activities. Restructured the GLATA budget process and accounts to better serve the States and Committees. Became more efficient and reactive in being able to meet the timely needs of States and GLATA Committees. Granted \$20,000 to each state as part of the Budget restructure. Completed funding of GLATA endowments within the NATA Foundation. Improved the overall quality of the GLATA winter meeting educational program. Created the first EBP Courses BOC Approved and Implemented by any NATA district. Supported the Eve Becker-Doyle Scholarship creation by NATA. States were able to set their own dues. Selected Legal Counsel for GLATA through RFP process with Hall Render. Offices in 4 of the 6 states and specific Healthcare attorneys. Critical Response Team Workshops supported and encouraged within each state association. Created funding for GLATA home study courses as well as online CEU opportunities. Distributed gift cards from points collects as part of routine GLATA business from the PNC Points program as additional ways to support members.

**CHALLENGES:** The opportunity to complete the strategic plan implemented a couple of years earlier was a great foundation to springboard into additional projects to benefit the profession and GLATA members. Solidifying the quality of the educational program at our winter meeting, strengthening the budget process and responsiveness, supporting the States financially and with resources, building a strong synergistic and collaborative environment, and involving more members in the GLATA were focuses of the Executive Board. As a profession the continued journey of finding our rightful place in the healthcare arena was becoming more common place in our conversations. The business of our healthcare continued to be a strong desire but our traditional roles as times seem to be in conflict. It became more main stream to discuss our value in all settings.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** “As I reflect back on my time with the GLATA Executive Board, I think most of the relationships that were forged and less of the details of the work that was done. The members of the Executive Board, Committees, Student Senate, and of GLATA, had high expectations for the profession and there were many tasks that needed completed but the enthusiasm and encouragement are what resonates most. It was another example of what makes our profession so good. There wasn’t an Athletic Trainer that didn’t roll up their sleeves and help with the work of the GLATA.”

**MEETING LOCATIONS:** 2013 Wheeling, Illinois | 2014 Wheeling, Illinois



# CRAIG VOLL

2014–2016  
GOLDEN PINNACLE 2018

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The Change Management Committee was created as a standing committee. This committee will serve as the steering committee for the association going forward.

Completed the endowment of three foundation scholarships (GLATA was the first NATA district association to complete this).

Increased the district NATA Foundation donation from \$1 per member to \$6 per member (This puts D4 in the lead between other districts with amount of money donated to the foundation).

Started the process of completing the endowment of the Denny and Linda Miller Scholarship with the Foundation.

Created the Thomas Weidner Research Grant endowment.

Changed by-laws to require NPI number to serve on GLATA EC.

Changed by-laws to require NPI number to serve on a GLATA committee.

Changed by-laws to require NPI number to be eligible for GLATA Honors and Awards.

Created GSS Preceptor of the Year Award Restructured GLATA investment accounts and created spill over mechanisms which enable investment accounts to be self-perpetuating accounts going forward.

Changed by-laws to require student NPI number to serve on the GS.S

Restructured Research Assistance Committee by-laws to allow committee the opportunity to award research grants up to \$10,000 annually.

Safe School Grant program was created (First NATA district to have such a program)Launched new website and new GLATA logo (re-branding)Successfully advocated to NATA BOD to approve NATA 3rd party reimbursement pilot program (3 GLATA states are in the program; Ohio, Indiana, and Wisconsin) Created “Team 50” and appointed Jerry Whetstone chair to begin planning for the 50th anniversary celebration.

Restructured GLATA legislative grants from \$3,000 available 1 time every 3 years to a \$4,000 grant available yearly for each state in GLATA.



Increased professional development grant from \$4,000 annually to \$6,000 annually.

Changed name of Committee on Revenue to Committee on Practice Advancement  
D4 NATA HOF's and Golden Pinnacle Award winners get free registration to GLATA annual Meeting.

First NATA district to offer EBP CEU's at annual meeting and first NATA district to offer online EBP CEU's.

**CHALLENGES:** I would say the biggest challenge I faced as President was educating the membership on the importance of 100% of members attaining their NPI for the long term survival of our great profession.

**MEMORY/WORDS OF WISDOM:** "While many accomplishments occurred during my presidency, these good works were the result of our Executive Council members and Committee Chairs working together as a team.



**PRESIDENTS FT. WAYNE 2009**

**L-R: BACK ROW** Mark Gibson, Jerry Whetstone, Roger Kalisiak, Rod Moore, Bill Hughes, Rick Shaw

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Katie Grove and Julie Rochester



**PRESIDENTS WHEELING 2017**

**L TO R:** Scott Lawrance, Tory Lindley, Jerry Bell, John Schrader, Bill Hughes, Julie Rochester, Rod Moore, Lorin Cartwright, Mark Gibson, Roger Kalisiak, Paul Plummer, IATA President Tony Garofalo (1996-98) Bill Tessendorf, Rick Shaw, Craig Voll and Jerry Whetstone

**PRESIDENTS ST. CHARLES 2007**

**L-R: BACK ROW** Roger Kalisiak, Mark Gibson, Denny Miller, Bill Hughes and Jerry Whetstone

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Rod Moore, Katie Grove and Gary Lake



# REFLECTIONS FROM GOLDEN PINNACLE MEMBERS



## GOLDEN PINNACLE 2017

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Bob Gray, Jerry Bell, Tory Lindley, Bill Hughes, John Schrader, Julie Rochester, Rod Moore, Lorin Cartwright, Mark Gibson, Roger Kalisiak, Paul Plummer, Kip Smith, Rick Shaw, Tony Garafalo, Marion Vrugink, Jerry Whetstone, David Craig and Kevin Gerlach.

**NOT PICTURED** Gordy Graham, Bob Behnke, Carol Humble, Denny Miller, Cynthia “Sam” Booth, Dale Googins, Gary Lake, Marje Albohm, Katie Grove, Rich Ray, Ann Berry, Jan Lauer, Kent Falb and Bill Tessendorf.

Collected by the Class of  
2016 Student Senators



# REFLECTIONS FROM GOLDEN PINNACLE MEMBERS

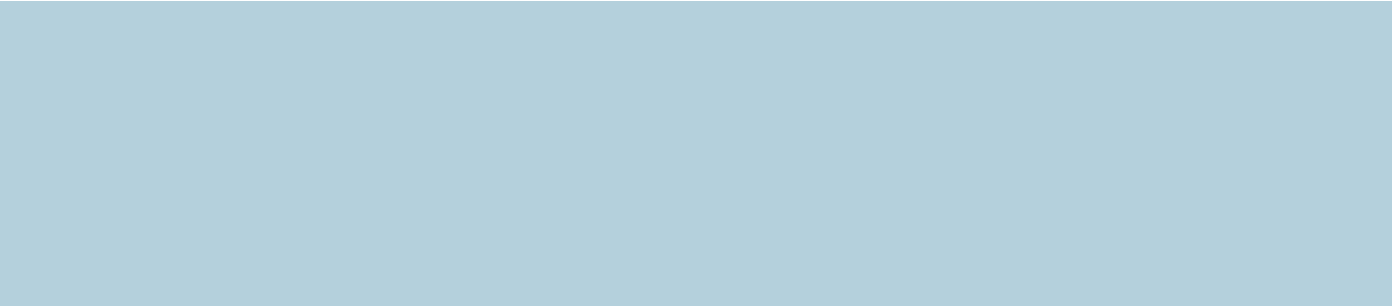
## COLLECTED BY THE CLASS OF 2016 STUDENT SENATORS

In 2016, President Scott Lawrance, in an effort for Student Senators to explore the history of the association while gaining an appreciation for some of the members that helped make the GLATA what it is today assigned them to interview some of GLATA’s Golden Pinnacle members. Through the interviewing process, student senators were able to learn about the many contributions made to the district and profession and in turn, were hopeful to become better prepared to grow as future young professionals.

Student Senators that interviewed GP members: Marissa Anderson (IL), Jake Campbell (IL), Connor Burton (IN), Kyliegh Brumley (IN), Hally Marmalick (MI), Madison Roskuszca (MI), Erin Arnez (MN), Jackie Karpe (MN), Brook Kapple (OH), Marin Schaffner (OH), Bianca Mendez (WI), Ricardo Vidal-Chavez (WI), Holly Nieman (NATA Student Leadership Committee–MI) and Helen Bulford (NATA Student Leadership Committee–OH).

**During the interview, the following questions may have been asked of the person interviewed:**

1. Why did you choose to become involved within the district?
2. What are your favorite memories associated with GLATA?
3. What do you see as the biggest challenges ahead for the profession?
4. What advice do you have for a student/young professional going into the profession?
5. Who are some of the influential individuals in your career?
6. Name one particular aspect of your professional service you are most proud of?
7. What was/is the most rewarding part of professional service?
8. The following is a summary of the GP member’s responses to the questions asked as reported by the student senator interviewer:



# 2002

## ROGER KALISIAK

Roger became an athletic trainer as the result of his high school experience in sports. He loved sports as a spectator and tried out for the golf team in hopes to become an accomplished athlete. But his coach had other ideas and wanted him to be the team manager and trainer. He eventually did become an athletic trainer and became involved at the district level having served as the first meeting coordinator in 1982.

Roger’s favorite memories with GLATA are the people, working with and knowing everyone on the executive council, writing the blue print for the annual meeting and seeing it continue, and being honored with the Golden Pinnacle Award.

Roger thinks that the biggest challenges ahead in the profession will be transitioning into the entry level masters programs, keeping young people in the profession, and making sure that people aren’t using athletic training as a stepping-stone to other professions. He also feels that transitioning into the entry-level masters programs will bring forth a lot of new challenges.

Roger’s advice for those entering the profession is “Be willing to listen to everyone you work with (athletes, parents, coaches etc.) and be willing to be part of something and not wanting all the recognition. Ask a lot of questions and don’t be afraid to give advice to your peers and mentors.”

Roger’s biggest contribution to the district and profession is the fact that he started a lot of what we do today. He made the blue prints for our annual winter meeting and he started the GLATA History and Archives committie.

## JOHN SCHRADER

John became involved at the District level because of his relationship with William “Pinky” Newell while attending Purdue University and later Sayers “Bud” Miller. His early professional involvement began with the NATA Education Taskforce.

While serving as President of the GLATA (1986-88) and District Director (1989-92), he enjoyed seeing the states come together and developed long lasting relationships.

John views the biggest challenges ahead for the ATs are education and 3rd Party Reimbursement.

John’s advice for those entering the profession is to “be engaged and take advantage of opportunities that will help you grow professionally. Seek out the opportunities while you are still in school. Especially if you plan to go to graduate school, be proactive during those years and obtain as much experience, academically and professionally, as you can from it.”

Some of the people that influenced John over the years are William “Pinky” Newell, Sayers “Bud” Miller, Gary Delforge, Robert “Bob” Behnke, Phil Donnelly, Richard Ray, and students.



John views working with the NATA educational taskforce to implement education reform for athletic training as one of his greatest accomplishments.

John feels the most rewarding part of being involved professionally is the people you get to work with and the individual growth you receive from professional service.

# 2003

## **GORDON “GORDY” GRAHAM**

Gordy becoming involved within the district is something he is very passionate about. It was a responsibility he volunteered for and hoped he could instill his passion for professional service in the students he worked with and mentored.

Gordy’s favorite memories associated with GLATA are the numerous conferences he was able to be a part of. He loved being able to gather for long weekends with other athletic trainers, who became close friends, and bounce ideas off of each other to help improve the profession of athletic training.

Gordy’s believes one of the best ways to overcome challenges and continue enhancing the profession of athletic training is to look at the historical timeline and use previous accomplishments of the profession as a guide. Many great athletic trainers have contributed outstanding ideas to grow the profession into what it is today.

Gordy’s biggest piece of advice for students and young professionals going into the profession is to be involved. This involvement should be more than just your athletic training job. There should also be involvement in the conferences and contribute ideas which can help grow the profession in the future.

Two of Gordy’s greatest influential peers over the course of his professional career have been Marje Albohm and Bob Behnke. Gordy states he spent numerous weeks at athletic training conferences with them. They would spend hours talking about the profession of athletic training and bouncing ideas off of each other.

## **ROBERT “BOB” BEHNKE**

Bob’s favorite memories associated with the GLATA include getting to know the athletic trainers in the district and building relationships with people in the same profession. He truly believes that District Four houses some of the best athletic trainers in the country.

Bob’s advice to students or young professionals is “do what is best for the athlete/patient and you will never be wrong.” He also stresses the importance of getting involved in the profession whether at the district or national level or even as simple as getting more involved in your school programs.

Bob’s biggest contribution to the district would be his “Model Act” for the regulation of athletic training through registration, certification, or licensure. That act early in his career opened doors for him to serve as a District President (1976-78) as well as the District Director (1980-1983)) to improve our profession.

# 2004

## **CAROL HUMBLE**

Carol became involved professionally because she wanted to learn more about the inner workings of the organization and also wanted to network to find out if she was doing the best job she could be doing. Carol was Head Athletic Trainer and Director of the Student Athletic Training Internship program at University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). She decided that since she attended the state, district and national meetings it would be good to know more about other’s ways of navigating their professions at each level. Carol knew that she had an opportunity to serve the District and enrich her own practice as well. She considered the best way to do that was to run for office (District Secretary) at the District level. She was nominated...and to her surprise won the election (1994-96)!

Carol’s favorite memories are by and large positive, she learned so much from so many people. From the first Board meeting she knew she had made the right decision to be more involved, and knew that she was fortunate to be a part of a dynamic group of people who really cared about their profession...at so many different settings. Her positive experience serving the District helped her breathe more life into leading the UIC Internship Program...helped her see, first-hand the opportunities that were available out there for students. It also helped her lead, by example; thus encouraging students to become involved, to volunteer and get to know others in the field. Another favorite memory was the forces at work in the Board meetings as they were at first mind boggling...so many details, many opinions, and so much to be said while maintaining a professional attitude! And then the breaks in the business at hand for comical contributions and diversions from some of the more experienced members. The formal Board presentations in front of the membership were also memorable for Carol. Sitting in front of the membership, she recalls making our presentations, being responsive to questions and concerns from audience, proving our worth on the Board always was a thrill. Carol remembers no one was on that Board for anything other than providing leadership and guidance to the growing community... that was District 4.

Carol views the following as the biggest challenges for the profession are (1) Recognition by those outside Athletic Training as health care providers; (2) Developing methods to increase third party reimbursement is crucial in our ability to be employed; (3) Providing service outside the regular academic settings (Carol feels this has been an issue for the 30+ years that she has been an Athletic Trainer); (4) maintaining robust educational programming at the curriculum level and at the annual meeting level. Carol states we are only as good as what we know and what we successfully navigate and experience and (5) maintaining healthy work/life balance. Carol reports she worked long hours, weekends, holidays, etc. and maintained a family (wife, mother, household responsibilities, etc.). She included her family as often as possible in her professional settings, and felt they often benefitted from what I was doing. Carol feels making sure that there are options for Athletic Trainers to lead lives that are constructive, creative, and balanced to their own individual needs is important.

Carol’s advice to young professionals is “First of all, while what you learn didactically, in the classroom is the basis for your ability to provide safe, effective and efficient health care service, nothing is more important than getting your hands dirty and building on that classroom knowledge. Learn from each experience you have and open yourself to as many experiences as you possibly can. Diversify your

educational background—learn things that make you a better candidate than the person who has only had Athletic Training experience, familiarize yourself with business basics, marketing skills and with what goes on in the world, itself. The more you know, the more round your experiences and interests the more valuable you are in the job market. And lastly, get out there, meet others, listen to what they have to say; volunteer, absorb and soak up all the information and experience you possibly can. Learn something new every day!”

As far as her greatest accomplishment to the District, Carol feels that she truly doesn’t think she made any one significant contribution. She worked hard, gave her all, provided support and leadership when she could and always promoted the profession that she felt lucky enough to be a part of. Carol states in the words of Peter Marshall “Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned.”

**DENNY MILLER**

Denny’s initial involvement with the GLATA began while attending Purdue University and being inspired by William “Pinky” Newell. Another influential individual for Denny was Sayers “Bud” Miller.

Denny’s favorite memories are the comradely of the states coming together and developing lasting friendships.

Denny feels the number one challenge for the AT profession is Third party reimbursement. He believes this feat can have a lasting impact on the future of the profession.

Denny’s advice to students and young professionals going into the field is “Do not limit yourself professionally. Go out and experience opportunities outside of your hometown and home state. If you limit your opportunities early on it will limit the opportunities you have throughout your career. This applies to everything; clinical experience preferences, geographical limitations, family/friends limitations, etc.”

Some people that influenced his career are William “Pinky” Newell, Sayers “Bud” Miller, Eve Becker-Doyle, and George King (Purdue Athletic Director).

As far as professional accomplishments, Denny is most proud while serving as NATA President of being a part of the process for hiring the first full time executive director for the NATA (1993). He was also a part of the group that developed the standards of care for intercollegiate athletes. Denny reports the most rewarding part of professional service is having the opportunity to network and meet new professionals across the entire state. “You build the kind of relationships which you can go years without seeing someone and still remember who they are when you cross paths.”

**2005**

**CYNTHIA “SAM” BOOTH**

Sam wanted to make an impact on the profession of athletic training and knew the only way to do that was to get involved. Since she lived in Minnesota at the time, she started at the state level and then later became an officer with the GLATA. This progression also afforded her the opportunity to involve herself at the national level. Sam had lived in various states (districts) but found my home in the GLATA. Sam states in reference to District Four “Wow, what a wonderful district...”

Sam has many memories of the GLATA but the most memorable was being elected by her peers as the District Director, which also made her the first woman to serve in that role. Sam also shares “Certainly, serving on the GLATA Board was memorable in and of itself, and serving with so many wonderful people. Another moment that stands out, and one I will cherish always was being asked to present the William E. “Pinky” Newell Lecture alongside Kent Falb, Bill Tessendorf, and Roger Kalisiak. One other memorable time was when Gary Reinholz, Gordy Graham and I called Kent from Gordy’s hotel room to coerce Kent into running for GLATA President. Kent was not at the meeting as he and his wife were celebrating their anniversary and we interrupted their breakfast on the veranda! We did not take no for an answer. Long story short, our telephone call worked! Gary, Gordy, Kent, and I laughed about Kent’s road to the Presidency many years after that call. Last, but certainly not least, was being a recipient of the Golden Pinnacle Award. I would like to share also my two memorable events at GLATA were the Student Leadership Breakfast and the Social. These events allowed me the opportunity to impact students and the Social allowed me to meet new ATs and catch up with my current ATs.”

Sam sees the biggest challenge ahead for our profession is federal and state legislation on healthcare. ATs have to continue to be ever so vigilant on this front.

Sam’s advice for student / young professionals going into the profession is “Attend the annual symposia at the state, district and national levels to truly ‘feel’ the profession through networking with others. Once you have experienced a conference, then find a passion and involve yourself with a respective committee at the state, district and national levels.”

**DALE GOOGINS**

Dale choose to become involved within the district because his mentor at Bowling Green, Al Sawdy (NATA HOF member), felt it was important for him to get involved. Dale said “That’s all it took—when Al said I should do something, I did it.”

Dale’s favorite memories are helping to write the Constitution with Skip Vosler and Gary Lake; organizing and hosting the first Annual Meeting and Symposium in 1968; and representing GLATA at an NATA Board of Directors meeting. Dale reports Duke LaRue was the District Director and was unable to attend. Since Dale was District President he was asked me to go in his place. He roomed together with Frank George (Brown University) who represented District One.

Dale believes the biggest challenges ahead for the AT profession will be (1) The whole issue of establishing reimbursement of athletic training services by 3rd party payers and working through all the positive and negative aspects after achieving reimbursement; (2) Dealing with all the ever-changing practice settings and how to keep the profession cohesive with all the variables.; (3) The challenge of being able to cover all of the activities/sports adequately and still maintain a good work/life balance and (4) The GLATA is challenged to remain relevant as more importance is focused at the state level with their own licensure and state association issues and how to keep the district membership viable with member services.

Dale’s advice for a student / young professional going into the AT profession is to: (1) Become active in your state association and represent it well at the district and national levels; (2) Practice at a high level and continue to raise the bar for those who follow; and (3) Find a mentor, if you don’t already have one, and learn to become a mentor for those who follow.

# 2006

## **GARY LAKE**

Several years ago, there were no state associations, so the NATA and District Associations were the only ways to get involved. Dale’s mentor was Dale Googins, who hosted the first GLATA meeting in 1968. Gary was Dale’s student at the time, and got to play the role of secretary for the very first GLATA meeting due to the former secretary being unable to attend due to weather. Gary says that simply, he got involved because his mentors made it an expectation.

Gary was selected to be a newsletter editor for GLATA while his two mentors, Dale Googins and Skip Vosler were also serving on the committee. The three of them authored the GLATA constitution, and created the very first Pinky Newell student scholarship. He then served for 12 years as an officer of GLATA, and then helped create the OATA constitution and served as an OATA officer for 6 more years.

Gary stated that our biggest challenge is a need to be recognized by insurance companies and gain the ability to be reimbursed for our services for the public. Our entire profession is in jeopardy if we cannot find a way to be recognized by insurance companies.

Gary’s advice to students entering the profession is to “understand your profession. Students need to know the history. Young people don’t always know what we are fighting for. They think this profession has always been around, and that it will always be around, but that is not true. You need to understand the fights that athletic trainers have been through in the past, so that you can do your part to fight for us in the future. If you value our profession enough to become a member, you need to be passionate about it, learn its history, and fight for it.”

# 2007

## **MARJORIE “MARJE” ALBOHM**

Marje Albohm started her career in the early years of women in Athletic Training. When she attended her first District 4 meeting, she was the only woman. She met Pinky Newell and he told her to stick with him, he would show her the way. At the time she had no idea who he was. He exposed her to many of the District 4 and NATA leaders. Seeing how these guys led the district and the profession made her want to get involved and be like them.

Marje reports her favorite memories associated with GLATA are, like other Golden Pinnacle Award winners, the people. The camaraderie that is formed working with each other and sharing thoughts and philosophies. She really appreciates all the male mentors that took her under their wing and embraced her into the profession. She suspects they probably protected her from some things.

Looking ahead in the profession, Marje thinks being recognized as health care professionals, who can work in all healthcare settings, will continue to be a challenge. She hopes that the everyday layperson will know who we are and that re-payer systems will recognize that we are qualified professionals. Unless we fully integrate into the models of health care for today and tomorrow we won’t be able to maintain the

stature we deserve. She sees athletic trainers as successful parts of Accountable Care Organizations. With the increase in ‘mid-level’ providers like Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants, she feels we should be right there with them.

Marje encourages new athletic trainers to develop some of the camaraderie. She encourages young professionals to get involved and really mean it. Start at the state level, meet the leadership there and find mentors. Don’t miss the opportunity to get involved, but, don’t make it your whole life, keep a good balance in your life. Being open to risks and trying different practice settings is something she really encourages. There are so many different choices when entering the field of athletic training. She feels the best way to grow is to try out many different things, even if it is not in your comfort zone. To keep the profession open and growing we need to keep pushing the envelope and exploring new opportunities.

## **WALTER “KIP” SMITH**

Kip thought his involvement with the GLATA was a nice progression after being involved with the Indiana Athletic Trainers Association for many years. When elected IATA President (1996), he felt the President-elect should attend the GLATA EC meetings, even though non-voting, and learn the policies and procedures, the issues at that time, and get to know the EC members. As President, he was the Indiana Representative to the EC and a voting member. After that tenure, he ran for the office of GLATA Vice President and was elected. He has always felt it was important as an Athletic Trainer to be involved in the profession on the State, District, and National levels.

Kip’s favorite memories include being involved as an Indiana representative to the EC with decision-making issues and representing Indiana the best that Kip could be at the table. As VP of GLATA, he thought one of his big accomplishments was to work with President Shaw and the EC to revitalize the Honors and Awards Program. New awards were established: Golden Pinnacle, Dedicated Service, Honorary Membership, and Outstanding Educator. And lastly, just being involved and working with some of the best Athletic Trainers the district has to offer was indeed a pleasure for Kip.

When an AT goes into retirement, Kip feels one tends to lose touch with some of the issues of our profession. He thinks governmental-affairs on a national level still presents a big challenge for our profession. Kip also believes transitioning from the traditional undergraduate AT program to Masters entry-level still present problems for many schools. Additionally, he feels it is important to try to bring about some consistency of salaries ATs as a healthcare professional.

Kip’s advice to young professionals is “First of all, ATs have to have a great work ethic to survive. Then be persistent and organized with your clinical and administrative duties whatever they might be. Remember the Golden Rule of treating your student-athletes and your colleagues. And finally, to get involved in your profession! The State level is a great place to begin. You have more to offer than you think. I have a favorite quote from Vince Lombardi that I would always tell my athletic training students, “The quality of a person’s life is in direct proportion to their Commitment to Excellence.”



**JERRY WHETSTONE**

Jerry’s first GLATA meeting was when he was a student in college. Seeing what a meeting consisted of peaked his interest, and that if time permitted, he wanted to help. Jerry said that his involvement really did not happen until the OATA was off the ground and attendance for GLATA was able to become a priority. As a member of Ohio, he felt representation would lead to engagement. Jerry said this about his involvement process: “becoming the Vice President for OATA meant you were the Ohio Representative for GLATA. After 4 years of representation, transition to [OATA] President, then eventually GLATA President. The entire process can be summed up easily–INVOLVEMENT = ENGAGEMENT IN YOUR PROFESSION.”

Jerry shared his favorite memories include the friends he has made over the years, and the 1993 GLATA meeting specifically. “Working side by side with some of the ‘greats,’ creating the awards committee, and contributing to bylaw changes.”

Jerry believes that attaining work-life balance is the biggest challenge for the profession.

“Get involved at some level. Whether it is volunteering to work a shift at a convention, or attending a meeting. NETWORK. Who you know is as important as what you know. Your network will open doors for you for a lifetime.”

**2009**

**CATHERINE “KATIE” GROVE**

Katie shared “When I served as the President of the Indiana Athletic Trainers’ Association I also served as the state representative to District 4. Serving in the role got me excited about involvement on the district level.”

Katie’s favorite memories are “The relationships formed, generally serving a very active, forward thinking group.”

Katie views the biggest challenges ahead for the profession are “A lot around education, just like EBP is so important, epidemiology will become very important, acknowledgement of AT as Medicare providers”

Katie’s advice for young professionals is “Find your passion and stick with it. Don’t sit back and let anything come to you–you go to the challenges.”

**KEVIN GERLACH**

Kevin started as the first registration director for GLATA in 1994 at the meeting in Detroit, MI. He reports that he applied for the meeting planner position 1994 when the then meeting planner was elected to the President-Elect position on the GLATA board. There were 2 people who applied for the position and they were appointed co-meeting planners. “Our first meeting was in 1975 in Ft. Wayne, IN. I have been GLATA meeting planner for the past 21 years.”

Kevin’s favorite memories associated with the GLATA is seeing how our meeting has grown and continues to grow over the past 21 years to being one of the best district meetings in the NATA. He strives to continue to improve yearly with our speakers and presentations that the membership would like to hear. Another memory that he will not forget is receiving his Golden Pinnacle Award. “It’s one of those things that make you proud by being recognized by your fellow GLATA members.”

Kevin’s biggest challenge that he thinks we are facing is being recognized as health care providers. Third party reimbursement is a step in the right direction for Athletic Training. Another challenge that is getting athletic trainers in all schools that have sports programs so that all schools can be safe. The changing of athletic training to a master’s program is also a major challenge to our profession. “Schools complain that they can’t afford an athletic trainer now, what’s going to happen when all athletic trainers have a master’s degree?”

Kevin’s advice to students entering the profession is “As an athletic trainer you need to realize that you will have to work long hours. On game days you can easily put in as many as 10 hours and then have to get up the next morning early to get to work for the events of the next day. If you are a high school athletic trainer you need to let athletes, coaches, parents’ school administrators and teachers know who you are and what you do. When I first started as an athletic trainer they thought I was there to supervise the weight room. With all the information on injuries and concussions I would hope they know who you are what you do in this day and age. Volunteer, you need for your local, state, district and national organization. When you volunteer, people get to find out whom you are and if there are job opportunities you volunteering looks good on your resume.”

Kevin’s biggest contribution to the athletic profession is his 21 years of being meeting planner for GLATA. “I have seen our meeting prosper and grow in the past years to being one of the best district meetings in the NATA. It makes me proud to know that I was part of this along with the other members of the GLATA education committee. I was an athletic trainer for 43 years and in those years have started programs at 2 different high schools. I have 7 former student athletic trainers that went to college to be athletic and 3 that are still in college now and will finish in the next couple of years. I have treated many injuries and taped thousands of ankles in my 43 years and I am proud of what I have accomplished.”

**2010**

**RICHARD “RICH” RAY**

In college, Rich worked with several certified athletic trainers who were involved with shaping NATA policy. These individuals showed the importance of being involved in the profession and being active at the state level and beyond. Friendships also played a part in him being involved. Being involved helped him build his network as well.

Rich remembers his favorite memories as those when he felt a sense of accomplishment when they were able to complete different projects. He specifically remembers when they were fully able to endow the scholarship program. Rich also remembers feeling satisfaction from developing friendships and working together as a group to push the profession forward and the gratification that came from being involved and making a difference. Rich acknowledges that health care in general is challenged right now as the

country tries to re-examine its structure. Right now he sees the biggest challenge of structuring the profession to provide the best possible outcomes for the patients and dealing with the constant flow of change that is upon us.

Rich would give the same advice to any young person. He says that “Consider what your vocation is, how your gifts intersect with sense of responsibility for the world. Listening to and interrogating your call, Important to consider it, but you can’t teach what you (ATCs) will see in the real world when you will have jobs outside of textbooks.”

### **ROBERT “BOB” GRAY**

In 1984, Gary Lake appointed Bob as the GLATA Newsletter Editor, which was his first experience in a leadership position. He feels extremely fortunate to have met many of the icons of the GLATA through this because they challenged him to grow professionally. From that moment on, he knew that if he wanted to make a difference in the profession of athletic training, he needed to be involved. This involvement led Bob to be involved at the state, district, and national levels. About his involvement, he said, “I have NEVER regretted on day of my involvement!”

Some of Bob’s favorite memories associated with GLATA have been all of the friends that he has made over the past 3 decades; he knows that many of these individuals will be life-long friends. He says that being recognized for his service to the Association is also very close to his heart. Bob feels that “the GLATA is the BEST district within the NATA and it’s been an honor to serve our Association!”

Bob acknowledged that we have come far as a profession since the 1980s, but that there are still many challenges. He feels that workplace balance and decreasing or eliminating burnout is a huge challenge to our profession. He emphasized that we are not in a nine to five environment and we must stress to our employers that burnout is a real issue and accommodations need to be made. Bob feels that another challenge is the publication of quality research, which will “enhance our profession in the eyes of other healthcare professionals.”

“Get involved!!!!” Bob advises students to select a mentor who will challenge them and in turn, they can challenge them. He feels that the future of both the GLATA and the NATA lies with our Young Professionals, and that one area that the young professional needs to be part of is the NATA Foundation. “The Foundation plays an integral part in our Association and we must continue to keep our young professionals engaged, especially in the Foundation!!!”

### **WILLIAM “BILL” HUGHES**

After graduating from Illinois State University, Bill started practicing athletic training in Michigan and was only there for 8 years and then returned to Illinois. Don Nielsen was president of IATA at the time and they were good friends. He wanted to make a new position on the board and Don asked if Bill would be interested in becoming the special events coordinator and be in charge of placing ATs at all-star games. Bill eventually decided that he wanted to do what Don did, so he ran for President. He became the President of IATA and following his presidency, he became the GLATA Rep for Illinois. With the help of Mike Braid, they wrote the Illinois Licensure Act that transformed the then current Registration Act into the Licensure Act. Because of them, Illinois became the first state within the district and GLATA became the first district within the nation to get its licensure for athletic trainers.

Bill shares his favorite memory is “GLATA meetings are always fun. They used to switch from state to state within the district, which made going to the meetings always very fun.” Bill went on to tell “One meeting in particular that I really enjoyed was the meeting in Indy at the Adams Mark Hotel. When each state hosted a meeting, they would receive 40% of the profits, and the other 60% was split evenly between the states. The Minnesota rep was complaining because they never hosted as many meetings as Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan did. Minnesota thought they were getting cheated out of the profits. Minnesota wanted all of the profits to be divided evenly amongst all of the states. Once they all voted on the decision, there was a tie. When that happened, the president had to be the tie- breaker, so I decided that they would start the following year. It allowed Indiana the chance to receive the benefits that year because that was what they were expecting.” It was a stressful time for Bill but one he will never forget!

Another memory Bill talked about was how GLATA was running so well, and they were having a good string of good weather and good attendance and he wanted to keep it running smoothly. He was helping Michigan get their practice act through so he spent a lot of time that year up in Michigan to help the get their licensure. GLATA was the first to get all states with regulated licensure and practicing athletic trainers in the nation.

Bill reports he met really nice people and met people everywhere!

Because the annual meetings were always held in different places each year, the President’s Receptions were always at really neat and different places. (That is one thing Bill misses the most is traveling to different places for the meetings). Bill told of how it gave everyone the opportunity to see different towns and go to really cool local places and see all that the town had to offer. One year the meeting was in Rosemont and the President’s Reception was at a place called Tommy Guns Restaurant. When you got there, you would go around back and give a password to get in. All of the waiters and waitresses would sing and dance and they would put on a big production following dinner. A highlight of being on the executive board was being invited to the president’s receptions and going to all the new and cool places!

Bill says that he is upset that we have gone to an entry-level master’s program because it will now start to eliminate the number of secondary school athletic trainers. It will make high school a lot less appealing for a person with a masters and in the long run it will be a lot harder for high schools to find athletic trainers to fill their positions. What we should have is a 5 or 6 year track where students can become certified and get an education degree where they can get both degrees.

As far as advice for students entering the profession, Bill feels we have to do a better job about educating young students on the ungodly hours of this profession. He has had many assistants sit down and talk to him about how he has done the crazy schedule for so long. Especially in a high school setting, schedules are that much more intense having to cover multiple sports. We need to start educating better about what the job entails and also improve the verbal and communication skills and not rely so much on electronic communication. Athletic training is a one on one job and you need to be able to communicate that with the athletes, coaches, physicians, parents, and students under you. They need to be improved and it is becoming a weakness in our generation. People persons are the best ATs!

# 2011

## **RICK SHAW**

Rick became involved with the district when he was elected President of the Indiana Athletic Trainers’ Association and served as the Indiana State Representative to District IV. He enjoyed this involvement expanding the states opportunities and making the district stronger nationally. Serving on various committees, he chose to run for GLATA President.”

Rick’s favorite memories include “I set an aggressive agenda as GLATA President and we achieved all our goals. I think the most rewarding was the establishment of the GLATA Student Senate that created the opportunity for students to get more involved and become the future leaders of the organization. This was my ‘brainchild’ and I am so pleased to see how students have embraced the opportunities.”

Rick feels the greatest challenge our profession faces is expanding opportunities for all athletic trainers with Third Party Reimbursement.

Rick’s advice for a student going into the AT profession is “Get involved in your chosen profession at the committee level and grow personally and professionally.”

## **MARK GIBSON**

In high school, Mark’s athletic director was also an athletic trainer for the Buffalo Bills. At the time, Mark wanted to choose a profession that not a lot of people were choosing, so he did some research on the athletic training profession and decided that’s what he wanted to do. At the beginning, Mark was helping on the side by running a couple of state and district meetings. He would also run the slide projectors at the meetings. While doing that he realized that he wanted to keep helping the district members, so he got more involved with at the district level.

Mark’s favorite memories are the camaraderie, getting to serve the district members, the hard work that goes into every project and then seeing it come together, and being with other people from the district and getting to work alongside them.

Mark thinks that the biggest challenges ahead for the profession will be to keep leaders that maintain a vision for the future. Our leaders seem to want to stick to what they know and to what currently exists. We need to see into the future and look for change. As an example, entry-level masters educational programs.

Mark’s advice for young professionals is “What you learn in your program is just the foundation. AT is a 40-year learning adventure and you have to keep researching and learning as you go along. Continue your education and learn what is relevant at that time.”

Mark’s biggest contribution to the district and to the profession was his efforts to reorganize NATA. Mark talked about how when he started on the NATA board, the NATA was missing 25% of athletic trainers. Meaning that 25% of the people taking the BOC did not become NATA members. So the NATA board created the concept for the student senate, and developed the young professionals committee as an effort to raise the number of NATA members.

## **JULIE ROCHESTER**

Julie is not 100% sure why she chose to become involved within the district... she knew that she wanted to get more involved in the profession and she had already done some things with the MATS Education Committee. Once she moved into a full time academic position at NMU, she decided to “throw her name in the hat” and run for GLATA secretary. She did not expect to win the election–as nobody in the district knew of her, but to her surprise, she won the election and immediately wondered what the heck she had just gotten herself into. This lead to her involvement in 14 years of leadership in a variety of capacities with GLATA and NATA (secretary–6 years, president-elect–2 years, president–2 years, district director-elect–15 months, district director–2 years)

When I asked Julie what her favorite memories associated with GLATA were, she replied with... “The PEOPLE!!!! Some of my best friends are the people that I’ve met during my involvement with GLATA/ NATA. Athletic Trainers are the bomb!”

According to Julie... the following are challenges that lay ahead for our profession: Maintaining our identity as “Athletic Trainers”. We are and have always been a unique fit in the world of healthcare–but that is what makes us special. I understand that we have to evolve and work to advance ourselves, but I believe that we need to do this in a way that does not diminish who we are and what we do. As such, we must continue to educate the public and work to ensure that AT’s are compensated and treated appropriately in the workplace–regardless of the workplace setting. I struggle to understand how requiring the master’s degree in AT is going to increase salaries and I have a hard time with the fact that students will now have to invest in a minimum of 2 additional years of graduate study in order to practice in this profession. Grad students are not Pell grant eligible and graduate credits are significantly more costly, and the graduate assistant model that helped with grad school costs and transition to practice, as we knew it, will soon be gone.

Athletic training is a great profession and I have enjoyed most of my career. Julie’s greatest piece of advice to young professionals is “Find some type of balance, which may tilt to one side or the other from time to time–but you should think about it regularly. Enjoy your days–have fun. Athletic training is FUN. Trust me, if it wasn’t, I would not still be doing what I am doing. Define your job or the job will define you–take a role in creating and molding your position, share your ideas and listen to others who have ideas, be innovative, take risks, stand up for yourself and what is right, and exercise your sense of humor on a daily basis!! Keep in mind that not everyone is going to like you–because honestly, what others think about you is none of your business–be OK what that! If you are in a personal relationship, make sure it is healthy. If your spouse, partner or significant other has a problem with what you do as a profession, you will struggle. Find someone who supports what you do and do the same for them.”

Julie feels her contributions to the profession are “I would like to say that I helped move our profession forward during my tenure on the GLATA and NATA Boards.” She was particularly involved with the following:

Significant bylaws and policy/procedure revisions for the district; also assisting GSS with their bylaws

Integrating technology into the operations of the district–I believe I was the first one to use a laptop to take minutes at a GLATA board meeting :) They looked at me like I was crazy!!



Helping to integrate social media as a form of communication at the district level helping to reorganize the GLATA Education/Winter meeting committees into a system that provides better educational opportunities/sessions for the members.

Assisted with the development of the GLATA Student Senate–under the great direction of former GLATA President–Rick Shaw. I was the GLATA secretary when the GSS came to be.

Worked with the NATA Secretary/Treasurer committee to help implement membership information disbursement to the districts, provision of member information for research purposes, etc.

## 2012

### **ANN BERRY**

Ann chose to become involved within the district because of the many mentors she had as a student. Seeing her professors at CMU involved set a good example and she followed suit.

Ann’s favorite memories are the friends and colleagues she got to work beside and together push the profession forward. The programs offered and the expansion of the district was also a fond memory for her.

Ann sees the biggest challenge ahead as the time it is going to take to be fully respected in the healthcare field. She sees that we should be treating our athletes and patients alike and that we can broaden our services to non-athlete patients. Ann would tell Young Professionals to get involved and stay focused on being seen as a professional in the health care field. She thinks they should be proud their skill set and knowledge from their education and not be deterred from certain paths just because they are a young professional.

Ann is known for being the first licensed ATC in the state of Michigan. She has surely given back to the profession in her time spent involved with MATS and GLATA.

### **JAN LAUER**

Jan feels that every AT should be interested in being an advocate for their profession. She has always felt that one couldn’t complain about how things were done if they never helped or volunteered to make a difference. She initially got involved at the state level over 25 years ago and has pursued further involvement on the district and national level in many different capacities, currently being the Treasurer for the BOC Board.

Jan’s favorite memories include networking and meeting great AT’s, vendors and physicians.

Jan feels our greatest challenges as a profession are recognition as a health care provider along with Medicare recognition nationally.

Jan’s advice to young professionals is “Get involved in your profession, don’t expect everyone to do things for you, you need to make your own path in the profession.”

Jan believes that all of her contributions were on a group level for the profession of athletic training. “It takes a village, and even though I was in leadership positions, it was the group that worked together to improve things, whether at the state, district or National level.”

## 2014

### **ROD MOORE**

Rod choose to become involved within the district because one of the very interesting facts about sports medicine and especially athletic training is the ability to network with many of the other ATs on both a personal and a professional level. Rod feels all of us have learned so much from the great ATs who preceded us as we developed our skills and the ability to handle athletes, coaches, administrators, and parents.

Rod shares the story of when he was sitting at a GLATA meeting in Madison, WI, the topic of the district meeting came up. Fred Zamberletti was sitting next to Rod and told him that Valparaiso University was in the center of the district and should host the next meeting. Rod felt he and his staff were railroaded but it turned out to be a great meeting and allowed all the staff to network with many athletic trainers and physicians they had not known before.

Some of the individuals that influenced Rod are Pinky Newell, Doc Turner, Snapper Stein, Fred Zamberletti, Jim Morris, and Robert White. Rod reports they were among a vast array of the greats who were always willing to give their time to help ATs learn the science and art/skills behind this profession.

One of Rod’s favorite memories includes “As the AT network base expanded and the variety of sports increased, the need for ATs also blossomed. This allowed us to do state games, national championships and international events like the Olympic Games. This further allowed us to mentor younger ATs.”

Rod sees as one of our biggest challenges ahead for the profession will be the explosion of the knowledge base and the subsequent skill level which must also be mastered for its proficiency as it is becoming greater almost daily.

Rod’s advice to students/young professionals is “Study, ask questions, and network so questions become easier to ask and also listen to the athletes, physicians and the other ATs so you get the entire picture of each injury. Finally, keep some empathy for the athlete and his or her situation.”

### **TONY GARAFALO**

Tony felt like it was time to give back to the profession because over his time in the profession, it was so good to him. Being involved in baseball, he never had time for much, but he finally decided it was time to get involved in IATA and he decided to join the board. At that time, his friends were on the GLATA board. He became president at the state level and became one of the founding members.

Tony’s favorite memory about GLATA was all of the relationships that he has built and maintained over the 30+ years. Most of the people that were on the board with him are still some of his good friends today. It allowed him to make a lot of friends not only in the state, but all across the district and throughout the nation.

A few other great memories he has gained from being a part of GLATA were some of the amazing accomplishments. The state of Illinois and GLATA were going through financial turnaround and were

receiving a large influx of money and they all had to work together to figure out how & where they can use that money to help the future generations of athletic trainers. At that time, there was only 1 scholarship in place, but as the money kept coming in, the number of scholarships increased dramatically.

As far as challenges the profession faces, Tony feels “as athletic trainers, we are straying too far away from our roots. We are definitely doing great at the national level and at the district level, but we need to remember what got us here and not be so preoccupied with change. As a society and profession we definitely need change, but we are doing a disservice because we are focusing too much on academia and forgetting where we came from and what we are supposed to be doing as a profession. With the whole switch to entry-level masters he feels that it may scare a lot of people out of the profession. We are starting to do a disservice to the students because we are mainly focusing on their education in the classroom and not the real world of athletic training. They are being too sheltered and once they are entering the real world they do not understand how to communicate with doctors, athletes, staff members, etc. They are relying too much on academia and not their brains, hands, and bodies.”

Tony was very lucky when he started out in athletic training because his three mentors were the founders of the NATA. He learned very young that in this profession you need to learn something every day. Whether it is from old athletic trainers, athletes, doctors, or young athletic trainers, there is always something to learn. His advice to students going into the profession is to “Be a sponge and try and learn as much as you can from the people you are working with. Learn how to use your head, hands, and rehab tools without ultrasound, weights, etc. Learn to do things with your hands and don’t rely so much on the technology, we are skilled professionals! Believe in your profession, you have to work for it! Try and get to the point where you don’t have to work a day in your life because you love what you do.”

## 2015

### MARION VRUGGINK

In 1998, while serving as Indiana communications chair, GLATA had an opening for Public Relations Director. Rick Shaw, IATA President, saw the opening and encouraged her to apply, and through that opportunity she has continued to be involved at the district level.

Marion shares that her favorite memories include getting to know other athletic trainers across state borders, and many of those ATs have become lasting friends. In the early years as Public Relations Director of GLATA (currently called Public Relations Coordinator), Marion recalls sitting around the table for several hours and just talking about how we (PR Committee) were going to market and educate people about the athletic training profession. This was before internet days. The passion and excitement ran so high!! The Executive Council knew that the PR committee was an amazing group that was going to succeed! Another favorite memory is the 40th celebration of GLATA working with Roger Kalisiak–Co-Producing a DVD video of the history of GLATA ...working with so many people on this project that captured our history was fun.

Marion views one of our biggest challenges as a profession is apathy. “We have experienced a lot going forward especially with education reform and even within the public eye- we have so much to be proud of. Athletic Training is now a respected medical profession. But I think some ATs would like to see some

issues resolved at a faster rate than we have been able to achieve especially where salaries are concerned... consequently apathy creeps in.” She also feels we need to find ways to encourage members to feel the need to volunteer and serve within the profession. “We all are busy...finding the balance is key. Also finding ways to stay connected is important. With more technology coming, there is less opportunities to meet face to face/have real conversations, and that is where we all really grow. We may lose that- so how do we keep that–have opportunities were relationships and friendships can grow and develop.”

Marion’s advice to students is to investigate the many choices that you have–explore all options available to you before settling into your practice setting (like young athletes figuring out what sports they like and what they don’t like), similar advice. She also encourages students and young professionals to get involved and serve. “That decision will be life changing and one that you will not regret!”

### PAUL PLUMMER

Paul was mentored early in his education that you gave back to the profession. He is not sure that he had a conscious thought that he was trying to give some back but it was a way to be involved with other professionals and leaders within this district. He loves the great things this district has done and the creative ways of moving the profession forward.

Paul has many fond memories that come to mind–Catching up with colleagues and friends at the Winter Meeting, discussions within the Board Rooms during GLATA Board meetings, watching many of our students develop within the profession, and watching GLATA continue to Lead the profession.

The biggest challenge Paul shares may be for us as individuals to be willing to step out from behind the scenes and show what a great asset we are to the healthcare world. We all know what the value is and see the great things that are done by Athletic Trainers but we shy away from letting the public in general see these same things. We assume that the general public “knows” what we do but they don’t get to see behind the scenes. Once someone is able to see what we do and compares it to other services, there is no comparison, they will easily choose an Athletic Trainer. But we have to become more comfortable with that.

Paul’s advice to young professionals “Become the professional that you would hire to take care of you. If you had an injury or needed the services of an Athletic Trainer, whom would you seek out? If you or your colleagues don’t have you in their top 5, then you need to work to become the person that others would seek out for advice or direction.”

## 2016

### LORIN CARTWRIGHT

Her step into involvement with the profession of Athletic Training began with running for a position on the Michigan Board of Athletic Trainers. Richard Ray, another Michigan Athletic Trainer and former GLATA board member, encouraged her to run for a GLATA position. At the time the only available position was Secretary-Treasurer so she ran for it and was elected. She would later become the first female GLATA president. When asked what she feels she gained from being involved in GLATA, Lorin says she believes that going through the leadership process with GLATA is what prepared her for the job that allowed her to be successful and retire early.

Lorin’s favorite memory associated with GLATA is not just one specific instance but also the connections she made with so many different people. She found that the people surrounding you at GLATA events could make or break the experience. Two specific situations do stand out to Lorin. The first is during her time as President she wanted to cut meetings down from two days to eight hours. It turns out, other board members would take bets on if she could get the meeting finished in eight hours. The other event is when a group of them were at a NATA convention in St. Louis and they were getting dinner at a steak house. She went to the restroom and when she got back, the others had ordered her the biggest steak available.

Looking ahead with the profession, she feels continuing education units and tracking them is a main challenge. She feels there is no good way to truly track CEUs and check to make sure people are actually learning. For young professionals just entering the profession she continues to stress education. She encourages new ATs to learn as much as possible from many different people. Everyone has his or her own style and techniques. “Learn as much as possible so you can treat your patients as well as possible.”

### **KENT FALB**

Kent Falb has always admired those who took ownership of what they were a part of. That is how Kent prefers to describe being involved, taking ownership of his profession. He took his first steps when an employer encouraged him to take on some volunteer roles.

Kent’s favorite memory associated with District 4 is all of the friendships he developed over the years. As a leader at many meetings, he had opportunity to meet and get to know many different people and would walk away from things as friends. Kent has been out of the district for 15 years, so the number of people shocked him he knew attending the meeting when he received the Gold Pinnacle Award. Those friendships really mean a lot to him. He was extremely honored to receive the Gold Pinnacle award. He retired 16 years ago and since he has moved to District 3, he saw himself as a D4 outcast. Receiving the honest honor in District 4 left him a little overwhelmed but grateful. To Kent, District 4 is home.

For the future of Athletic Training, he sees the upcoming transition to master’s level education programs the greatest challenge. He remembers when the change from the internship model to the present, bachelor’s degree requirement occurred, there were many who opposed it. He has come to realize that people are resistant to change simply because it is change. Over the years he has become more and more welcoming to change because he sees it as a necessity. What does concern Kent, however, is that he feels we may be losing the ‘artistry’ of athletic training. He feels current students, while very intelligent, perhaps lack initiative and imagination.

He encourages young athletic trainers just starting out to take ownership of the profession. The profession as progressed and we are no longer just icers and tapers any more. We are now judged on our ability to be experts on rehabilitation. The only way we can compete against other professions is to have those just entering the profession to take ownership of the community they are entering. He encourages volunteerism to the profession. He encourages athletic trainers to volunteer for the profession but not to volunteer their professional services. Kent says, “There is no sin in charging for athletic training services.” He is of the opinion that Athletic Trainers do themselves a disservice by volunteering our skills for free.

Another piece of advice for newly certified AT’s is to understand people. We have to treat everyone in our profession equally but you need the ability to treat everyone differently at the same time. You need to know how to motivate those patients that will slack off but still give all your patients the same amount of time and attention.

### **TORY LINDLEY**

Tory has served in several state leadership positions, which led to involvement at the district level as a State Representative. He also had influence from many of his mentors.

One of his favorite memories associated with GLATA is service. During his first GLATA Executive Board meeting he looked around the room and noted he was in the same room as six or seven of his athletic training heroes. He has also loved the ability to work with some of his greatest mentors and role models.

As a profession we have accomplished so much in such a small amount of time. Some of the biggest challenges ahead for the profession are salary and the value of athletic trainers to the public. Tory believes the next five to ten years will be exciting to watch as the profession continues to grow.

Tory’s advice to young professionals is to get involved and become an expert in networking. “ It is important to develop good mentors, learn to network the proper way, and keep close contact with those individuals within your network. Students need to learn how to acquire good mentors. Leadership and professional service are not things which require x number of years as a practicing athletic trainer. You can begin it immediately after graduation. Surround yourself with people smarter than you and you can accomplish great things.”

Some of a few of the individuals that have influenced his career include the Michigan State University staff and faculty, Denny Miller, Sam Booth, and Jim Thornton. Tory also sees every one of his peers and colleagues as an influential individual for his career.

Tory states it is important for young professionals wanting to become involved to read and research. The newsletters, E-Blasts, and websites are great resources. Once you have learned about the potential areas of leadership and specific positions, pair them with your own interests.

Tory’s one aspect of professional service he is most proud of is assisting in the implementation of the GLATA Strategic Planning and the formation of the IATA Student Congress.

Tory states “The most rewarding parts of professional service are the relationships that develop. There is also a great deal of professional growth, which comes with professional service.”

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### **GERALD “JERRY” BELL**

Jerry choose to become involved at the district level because he felt the states would be better served if he had a leadership role. Before becoming involved with D4, he had served as NorCal Rep in District 8 for five years prior to his recruitment to U of Illinois. Additionally, Jerry had served on the IATA Board for five years and most of the state reports to the GLATA discussed licensure efforts. Jerry was asked to serve and he accepted the challenge!!



Jerry was pleased with the growth and development of the winter meeting, a balanced budget and a continual commitment to strengthen the financial status of the district to take on additional challenges. Most of all, he appreciated the willingness of the membership to step-up to the organizational challenges.

Jerry views the continual billing acceptance for services rendered in a very tight health care market is a challenge for the profession. Additionally, he feels the explanation to parents of the additional one to two years of education to develop the credential which at one time was done in four years may be a challenge we will face as a profession. Jerry states “the structured clinical experiences should have been incorporated all along.”

Jerry advises young professionals to look at all educational opportunities as well as personal goals. He states “MAKE SURE you have all the ducks in a row. It’s all right to dream, but dreams do have nightmares along the way. Be realistic. Practice the Golden Rule and try to live the 10 commandments as well as review the ‘10 Marks of a True Professional.’”

**DAVID CRAIG**

Ultimately, Mr. William “Pinky” Newell has been David’s motivation for all involvement he has had throughout his athletic training career, in any organization. David’s early professional service began with being the first President of the Indiana Athletic Trainers’ Association. Because he was the athletic trainer for the Indiana Pacer’s he was unable to attend GLATA most of the time and could not be as involved in the district. Once he retired from the Pacers, Marje Albohm encouraged him to becoming involved in the GLATA and the NATA.

“The GLATA is the best district and has some of the finest athletic trainers.” David has loved being a part of the NATA Hall of Fame committee and reviewing all of the applications over the years. It is very eye opening for him to see how many quality athletic trainers have come out of the GLATA. He also has very fond memories of being the Vice-President of the GLATA and running the Honors and Awards.

The biggest challenge ahead for the profession is that we need to diversify more. David thinks athletic trainers can really make a name for themselves with manual therapy. He says “Sometimes athletic trainers are so wrapped up in using modalities and forget their hands can be the greatest modality they have access to!” Another challenge he sees for the profession is that we have gotten away from preventative care. Early in David’s career it was expressed to him that athletic trainers make 85% of their worth on preventing injuries. So many athletic trainers just wait for the injuries to walk into the room instead of actively preventing them.

David’s advice to young professionals is “It is very important to remember that awards for professional service are not truly awards. They are actually honors. People should not get into service for the awards, but because it is bestowed on their heart to give back to the profession which gives to them. Clinically, it is important to interact with many different clinicians. Note the things they do and use those things that will work well for your own interests and abilities. It is not written down anywhere that you must model exactly after someone else. Combine many different styles and make your own unique practice.”

Individuals that have influenced David’s career have been William “Pinky” Newell, Millard Kelly, Duke Larue, and Fred Zamberletti.

David is proud that he was a part of the group that transitioned the Honors and Awards from a small dinner to a large event open to all the membership. Clinically, he loves the fact he has worked with every demographic of the active individual.

The most rewarding part of being an AT for David is being able to make a difference. He is blessed to be in a profession that is all about serving others. Being an athletic trainer is like providing an artistic form of healthcare.

**WILLIAM “BILL” TESSENDORF**

Bill was asked to run for the presidency of the GLATA by several members of the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association because they felt that Ohio was not being represented as well as it should have been based on the size of the organization.

Serving as President was Bill’s first involvement at the district level. He reports he was extremely fortunate to be able to work with great visionary officers and state representatives who became good friends and colleagues. Together they were able to set up a program for the financial future of the GLATA. The district and state associations would share revenue generated by the GLATA winter meeting. Secondly, they identified a company to invest and grow the association’s assets. Additionally, they were able to create named–research grants to recognize the founders and leaders of the GLATA and fund athletic training research.

Bill feels the challenges are the same as they have been over the years. “The athletic training profession needs to continue to educate and demonstrate to the public and other health care professionals that the athletic trainer is a valuable component to the medical profession. The athletic trainer serves a critical role in providing healthcare to the athletic population, no matter what the setting. As we continue to upgrade our education and skill requirements, additional duties and responsibilities will allow us to work in roles not normally considered traditional for the athletic trainer. We need to continue to work to receive reimbursement for the role that we play in healthcare.”

Bill’s advice is to continue to look for educational opportunities to grow in the profession. He tells young professionals “Your education never ends. Interact with other medical professionals, as they can be a great learning resource. This interaction gives you an opportunity to educate them about your skills and expertise. Get involved in your professional organizations because participation provides leadership and organizational skills that will benefit you throughout your career. The advice that was provided to me by one of my orthopedic surgeons, Dr. John Bergfeld, became my guiding principle: ‘Attention to detail is the key to success.’” Bill says has always found this to be true.

**REFLECTIONS AND LESSONS LEARNED:** *So what did GLATA's future leaders learn from this exercise of interviewing those that have received the highest honor for a D4 member for providing outstanding leadership to the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers' Association? Here are a few of their responses:*

Being a female in such a closed off profession, especially at the professional and division one collegiate levels, I can take a lot from Julie (Rochester). Not only is she a brilliant woman, but also she does not let herself get pushed around by anyone. She defines to herself where the "glass ceiling" is at, and does not let her gender get in the way of her successes. She not only offered a handful of contributions to our profession, with bringing laptops into meetings and being around for the start of the student senate, but she was a female at a time where it was taboo. Also, being that Julie is my professor, I have gotten to know her on a more personal level. One of the only reasons I am where I am with my volunteer efforts and academic achievements is due to Julie. She pushed me to apply for the student senate and has helped me in every step of my student career thus far. It is great to have a professor who isn't only a professor, but an academic confidant and a very outstanding mentor (for obvious reasons). I will take everything she has taught my into my professional career, and I know I will start out at a higher level once I begin my career because of everything she has taught me.

Richard "Rich" Ray is known for his dedication to the profession and helping build and shape the undergraduate education as well as his published textbooks. He is well known and loved around Hope College as well as around the district and national level. I can personally learn from Rich as he is still on campus at Hope College. He is very insightful and goes deeper into knowing his peers that most people would. He cares deeply for those around him and wants to make sure they are considering their calling and following it to their best of ability. I can take away from Rich his passion toward helping those around him and use that as a reminder of how to care for and respect the patients, other students, preceptors and all those I will encounter for the rest of my education.

Jan (Lauer) is a very humble individual, and what I can learn from her is to never take complete credit for what more than one person spent time and energy to make great. This can help me on a professional level in the student senate, to be aware that NOTHING can be completed unless it is a group effort. This also helps on an educational level. Group work may be one of the most difficult things going through an athletic training program, but it is important to remember one person can't do it all—what one person could make average on their own, a group of 4 can make phenomenal together.

Bob (Bob Gray) is known for his countless contributions to the profession, as well as the OATA, GLATA, and NATA. He is also widely recognized for his passion for the profession and its development and improvement; Bob's passion is unmistakable and hard to overlook, and has made a mark on numerous individuals throughout the state, district, and nation. Bob has taught me that passion is contagious; when you have a passion for your work and your mission, others will see that passion and will support you and follow you.

Jerry (Whetstone) is well-known for his incredible commitment; whether it is at the state, district, or national level, he is completely committed to improving the profession and the associations. Whatever project or task he is assigned to or helps with, he gives his full effort to ensure that it is completed and it reaches its full potential. Jerry has taught me that commitment is something that every organization needs, and that when members are committed, things are accomplished efficiently and effectively.

Don't stick to the status quo. Be a leader and make sure you look into the future. Athletic training is always changing and we have to change with it. Also, continuing education is one of the most important aspects of athletic training and in order to be successful, athletic trainers have to keep up with the research of current times. I think that with speaking to Roger (Kalisiak) I learned that we can't be afraid to get involved and to take on projects. The things we start today can be continued for many years to come. Also I learned that you have to enjoy the journey and make the most of every opportunity you get.

Being in my junior year as an athletic training student, I am faced with challenges every day with academics. Through conversing with Dr. Bob Behnke over the last few months I have sensed an extra drive to become better in all aspects of my life. The advice I have been given throughout this project has certainly helped shape me into a better student and hopefully a great athletic trainer someday.

The main topic that I took away from both of these athletic trainers (Bill Hughes and Tony Garofarlo) was the advice that they would give a future athletic trainer. I really enjoyed listening to what they had to say, especially knowing that they have experienced a lot and have seen the way that our profession has changed over the years.



# DISTRICT FOUR WOMEN IN ATHLETIC TRAINING

By Katie Grove



**WOMEN IN ATHLETIC TRAINING RECEPTION (2007)**

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Julie Rochester, Marion Vruggink, Angela Perusek, Kathy Schneidwind, Rene Shingles, Ann Berry and Lisa Schoene

**L-R: BACK ROW** Pat Troesch, Linda Treadway-Dillmon, Malissa Martin, Marje Albohm, Carol Humble, Sally Nogle, Holly Wilson Greene, Kim Peer, Katie Grove, Sam Booth, Gretchen Schlabach and Lorin Cartwright

## THE HISTORY OF WOMEN OF THE GREAT LAKES ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATION

**THE EARLY YEARS:** Many of the early female pioneers in athletic training were members of the National Athletic Trainers' Association before there were districts. The challenges experienced ranged from lack of access to athletic training rooms, athletes and athletic events, name calling, and not being allowed into athletic training classes. There were brave women during this time who, no matter what they were told, continued to move ahead and push past all of the road blocks. Some female athletic trainers during this time were actively involved in the early clinics and workshops run jointly with the NAGWS and Cramer Products. The eventual passage of Title IX in 1972 helped women begin to integrate into athletic training but not all women had support. There were so few women scattered across the country during that time that they did not know each other. This lack of support and opportunities meant that many women did not stay in athletic training. But there were many women who had good experiences in



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the athletic training room with support from men who heard and saw what they were experiencing yet continued to support them in their pursuits.

It is true that times have changed because of women and men who have challenged systems, administrators and administrations. While we are finally seeing women in the athletic training rooms of professional football teams, some doing internships and some hired, not all teams have hired women as athletic trainers yet. Likewise women as head athletic trainers at colleges and universities are few and far between. A few in this story have bucked that system.

Although the NATA was officially formed in 1950 it would not be until the 1980's that women began to see opportunities to serve within the NATA. There are exceptions to this (see Linda "Twilda" Treadway), involvement in the NATA came late for many women as there were not many opportunities for them early on in their careers. At the same time district associations were fledgling in the late 70's and it was not until—that many district associations began to gain a foothold. So many of the earliest members who were women did not have opportunities to serve at the district levels so instead became involved in other opportunities volunteering to work with local and state medical organizations, national teams, and with the Olympics and Pan American Games or with the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW).

In 1970 five women were "grandfathered in" as certified athletic trainers one of those was Holly Wilson Greene (IN). Wilson Greene was employed at Indiana State University and wrote a series of articles for the NATA Journal from 1973–1976 titled "Not for men only". The first article was titled "Alpha...a beginning for women". Wilson Greene also chaired the first NATA Ad Hoc Committee on Women, 1973. This committee lasted a short time but the framework was set for supporting other women who joined the NATA. Wilson Greene also authored the first athletic training text geared toward women in athletic training entitled Workbook: Fundamentals of Athletic Training for Women.

Other pioneers from District IV who served on the Ad-Hoc Committee on Women included Marje Albohm (IN), Linda "Twilda" Treadway Dillman (MI), and Gail Weldon (IN). In 1972 the NATA began a certification process and between 1972 and 1974 some of the earliest women to become certified were from District IV: Marje Albohm, Maryann Zickler (MI), Linda "Twilda" Treadway Dillmon, Linda Weber Daniel (OH), Dorothy Dot" Cohen, and Gail Weldon.

A Look at Some of the Pioneers: In 1966 Dorothy "Dot" Cohen (IN) was the first female to join the NATA as a graduate student at Indiana University. Thus District IV does have the honor of having the first female to join the NATA. Cohen went on to receive a chiropractic degree and practice in California.

Gail Weldon (IN) was the second woman to join the NATA in 1972 and the first female athletic trainer hired by the United States Olympic Committee. She continued to provide health care for the Olympics and Pan American Games, eventually Weldon became the founder/owner of Women's TRACC (Training Room and Conditioning Center). Weldon passed away in 1991. She was inducted posthumously in the NATA Hall of Fame in 1996.

Marjorie Albohm (IN) was the first female full-time athletic trainer employed at Indiana University (1974–1982), the first woman to receive the Indiana Athletic Trainer's Association (IATA) Athletic Trainer of the Year award (1988) and the first woman inducted into the IATA Hall of Fame (1993). Albohm co-



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**L-R: TOP ROW** Linda Treadway–Dillmon, Julie Rochester, Rene Shingles

**L-R: LOWER ROW** Linda Weber Daniel, Kathy Tate Meyer, Katie Grove & Marje Albohm, Lorin Cartwright

chaired the IATA Licensure Committee in 1989 and was on the IATA HOF Committee in 1990. Nationally Albohm was inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame in 1999 and served as the NATA District Director (2001–2007) and NATA President (2008–2012). Marge is a member of the NATAHOF

Linda Weber Daniel (OH) became certified in July of 1974 and began her career at Ohio State University as an athletic trainer and physical therapist. Weber Daniel received the Eddie Wojecki for the highest score on the NATABOC exam. She was a clinical instructor and lecturer. Besides her activities with various local and state committees Daniels was an AT-Large representative for the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association and a guest speaker at their state meetings. Weber Daniel passed away in 2000 and the OATA established the Outstanding Mentor Award in her honor.

Katie Grove (IN), certified in January 1975, received her master's degree from Indiana State University in 1974 and has held jobs at two Indiana higher education schools (Indiana State University 1980–1983 and Indiana University 1990–present). She started the IATA Gender & Minority Committee in November of 1995. Grove proposed in 1994 the third iteration of the Women in Athletic Training Task Force which the NATA Board of Directors approved in January of 1995. On that Task Force were three individuals who received their degrees in Indiana: Kaye Crosby (Indiana State University), Kathleen Stroia (Purdue University) and Gretchen Schlabach (Indiana University). Grove was the first female elected to serve as IATA President (2000–2002). In 2003, Grove was elected GLATA President. She currently serves as chair of a national committee and on the IATA Governmental Affairs Committee. Grove has received the Golden Pinnacle Award and is in the NATAHOF.

In 1996 Linda Treadway Dillman (MI) became an assistant professor, program director, and assistant athletic trainer at Central Michigan University. Originally from West Chester State College in Pennsylvania Treadway Dillman served on the medical staff at the US Olympic Women's Track and Field Trials and A.A.U. Jr. World Wrestling Championships. She was involved during the mid to late 70's on the NATA on the Placement Committee, Program Director's Council, and Ethics Committee. Treadway Dillman currently serves as a stuntwoman in California.

Gretchen Schlabach (IL) is a Professor Emerita having retired from the Program Director position at Northern Illinois University. Certified as an athletic trainer in 1977 Schlabach was an assistant athletic trainer at Western Michigan University and the Head Women's Athletic Trainer at the University of Mississippi. She has served her profession well as a member of several committees, the NATA Ethics Committee, NATAREF Research Committee, GLATA Research Committee, NATAEC Post Certification Graduate Education Committee and most recently is the Chair of the Professional Responsibility Committee. The existence of the Professional Responsibility Committee shows the power of one. Schlabach had an idea, developed it, and brought it forward to the NATA Board of Directors where it was approved. Schlabach was also one of the founding mothers of the NATA Women in Athletic Training Committee where she served as District 4 representative. Schlabach and Kim Peer (OH) wrote the first book on ethics in athletic training titled Professional Ethics in Athletic Training. The research of Schlabach and Peer examined professional values in GLATA, among program directors and head athletic trainers, professional values among NATA Hall of Fame Inductees, who have worked in GLATA, and professional values among athletic training students in Ohio and Illinois.

Besides her work as co-author with Schlabach of the only book on professional ethics in athletic training, Kim Peer (OH) has been an accomplished speaker in the area of professional ethics. Peer is an associate professor at Kent State University where she serves as the Athletic Training Education Program Coordinator. Peer has been the recipient of several awards among them the GLATA Educator's Award, NATA Fellow and is in the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association Hall of Fame. She currently serves as a member of the NATA Committee on Professional Ethics and the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education Ethics Committee. Peer is also the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Athletic Training Education.

Patricia Troesch (OH) was a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (since 1974) when she was an undergraduate student and was certified as an athletic trainer in 1977. She was an active member of the district serving as the district representative to the NATA History and Archives Committee, and

Secretary-Treasurer for GLATA from 1980–1988. Troesch also served as Program Co-Chair, 1993 Winter District Meeting. Dayton, OH. Her volunteer work extended to the national level where she served on the Membership Committee. 1980–1988 and a reviewer for Journal of Athletic Training. Official June 1994–2005 and to the state level where she served on the executive committee and student committee.

In 1981 Cynthia “Sam” Booth (MN) became the first female Head Athletic Trainer at Minnesota State University-Moorhead, a position she served in for 12 years. Booth became a member of the NATA Board of Directors in 1995 and was the second liaison from the NATABOD to the NATA Women in Athletic Training Committee. Booth was a leader for the Minnesota Athletic Trainers' Association (MATA), serving as the state representative to GLATA subsequently elected as Vice President and finally as District Four Director in 1995, a position she held for 6 years. She was the first female to serve as NATA District 4 Director. Booth is in the NATAHOF.

Rene' Reves Shingle (MI) was a head athletic trainer for collegiate football, traveled to Japan for the World University Games, was an athletic trainer on the 1996 U.S. Olympic Team, provided leadership positions in the NATA/GLATA serving as the first female chair of the NATA Ethnic Diversity Advisory Council from 1995 until 2000, and D4 Representative on the Research and Education Foundation Board of Directors from 2004 until 2008. She is currently the Program Director at Central Michigan University. Reves Shingles has traveled extensively around the world imbedding these experiences in her teaching and research. Ultimately co-authoring a textbook Cultural Competence in Sports Medicine with Lorin Cartwright (MI) in 2011.

Lorin Cartwright (MI) serves as an assistant principal and athletic director at a high school in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Cartwright also served as the school's head athletic trainer for more than 15 years. Cartwright was the first woman and first high school athletic trainer to serve as the president of the GLATA and the first female to receive the NATA Athletic Trainer Service Award in 1997. Besides co-authoring the book Cultural Competence in Sports Medicine with Revis Shingles she authored Preparing for the Athletic Trainers' Certification Exam and Athletic Training for Student Assistants, a text for high school student aides.

Sally Eave Nogle (MI) has served as an athletic trainer at Michigan State since 1983 and in 2013 became the first woman to serve as the Head Athletic Trainer at Michigan State University concurrently becoming the woman to serve as a head athletic trainer at a Big 10 University. Nogle was instrumental in the transitioning of the athletic training internship program to a professional educational program. Nogle has served as an athletic trainer at Olympics festivals, summer Olympics and World University Games. Eave Nogle is in the NATAHOF.

Kathy Schneidwind (IL) was the first woman to serve as the head athletic trainer at Illinois State University and did so from 1976–2006, an amazing 30 years. Schneidwind served on the NATA Research and Education Foundation Board of Directors as the District 4 Chair, and Membership Director and Treasurer on the Executive Board. She also served on the District 4 Scholarship Committee and chaired the National Athletic Trainers' Association College and University Athletic Training Student Committee. Schneidwind is in the NATAHOF.

Karen Toburen (WI) began her career as a very successful field hockey and basketball coach. Toburen became an athletic trainer and served as the Program Director at Missouri State University and the



University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. She began the first Athletic Training Curriculum Program in the state of Wisconsin recognized by the NATA-PE. Toburen served at the national level as the convention committee chair for five (5) years. Toburen is in the NATAHOF

Jan Helwig (WI) earned her Master's Degree from the University of Wisconsin–Madison in 1977. Her first job was at Yale University when there were few women in the field of athletic training. In 1978 she became the first female athletic trainer at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Helwig was a member of medical staff for the 1980 Winter Olympics in Lake Place, and volunteered for other Olympics Festivals. She was the co-Medical Director at the first Badger State Games all while continuing to teach in the athletic training curriculum.

Marion Vrugink (IN) was Indiana high school representative of the Indiana Athletic Trainers' Association (IATA) from 1986–90 and later served on a Secondary School Task Force in the state of Indiana. In 1996, Marion was appointed IATA Communications Chair and served until 1998 when she was appointed to serve as GLATA's PR Director which she served on for the next eight years. Marion continued her involvement with GLATA by joining the History and Archives Committee in 2006 which lead to co-producing the DVD "We are Here Because" a celebration of the GLATA's 40th Anniversary, video and history document. In 2010, Marion was appointed to Chair the IATA History and Archives Committee and is now co-spearheading the project to write the GLATA History. She also has been appointed to serve on the NATA Historical Commission.

Carol Humble (IL) found athletic training as she was completing a degree in recreation and at the ripe old age of 34. In 1995 she became co-Head Athletic Trainer at University of Illinois at Chicago and in 1997 became the Head Athletic Trainer. Humble was a founding members of the Chicago Sports Medicine Society, which was an educational and social avenue for sharing sports medicine information in the Chicago area. Humble was elected as the first female president of the Illinois Athletic Trainers' Association from 1996–2001.

Angela Perusek (OH) has worked in three different districts (District 2, 4, 9) and gained experience in various settings ranging from high school to college. She has spent 9 years in the Midwest as the Head Athletic Trainer at Hamline University in Minnesota before moving to Mount St Mary's in Ohio. While living in Minnesota she served as the State Representative to GLATA for five years. In 1998, Perusek received the ATC Recognition Award from the Minnesota Athletic Trainers' Association. Perusek also served two terms as the GLATA Vice President.

Julie Rochester (MI) is a tenured Associate Professor at Northern Michigan University. Julie formerly served as a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association Secretary/Treasurers Committee. She is the former Secretary of the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association—a position she held for 6 years, and the former Co-Chair of the MATS Professional Education Committee. Rochester served as the President–Elect of the GLATA and GLATA President from 2008–2010.

Ann Berry (MI) graduated from Central Michigan University and became a Certified Athletic Trainer in 1987. Berry was also the first licensed athletic trainer in Michigan. Berry served as the President and past-President of the Michigan Athletic Trainers Society and was instrumental in gaining licensure for athletic trainers in the state of Michigan. Berry along with Jan Lauer (MI) are co-owners of Tri-Rehab, Earning Results LLL, and Assured Medical Billing.

Jan Lauer (MI) became a certified athletic trainer in 1985, has served as District Secretary (1996-2000) and in several roles for the NATA. She currently serves as an Athletic Training Director of the Board of Certification (BOC).

The 21st Century: There are women in District IV who are continuing the story of the history of women in athletic training. The list of women who continue to serve as volunteers at the state, district and national level is long. These women continue to bring a fresh perspective to their roles as educators, researchers, and leaders. Some of these women, just to name a few, are Hollie Kozak (OH), Lisa Kluchurosky (OH), Dawn Hammerschmidt (MN), Ronda Peterson (MN), Amy Brugge (MN), Theresa McKey (MN), Christine Eyers (MI), Alice Wilcoxson (IN), Carrie Docherty (IN), Lindsey Eberman (IN), Stacey Walker (IN), Christine Lauber (IN), Jessica Rager (IN), Jessica Emlich Jochum (IN) Katie Scott (IL), Kathy Tate Myer (IL) Katie Scott (IL), Rochelle Rittgers (IL), Kristen Streeter (IL) Laura Harris (OH) Jill Ponzi (OH), Kari Waple (OH), Jennifer Earl Boehm (WI) and Tina Koyen (WI).

The formation of the GLATA Student Senate as well as the Young Professional Committee continues to give young women the opportunity to develop the skills to excel in their chosen areas of focus.

The future is very bright for women in athletic training but we must continue to invite them to the serving table. Since our national association is more than 50 percent female we must all work to encourage and support women to serve as elected members of their states, district, and on national committees. We are so fortunate to have young women who are waiting in the wings, ready and willing to serve to make our profession open and viable for all.





# ELECTED OFFICERS, STATE REP, AND APPOINTED CHAIRPERSONS

## ELECTED OFFICERS, STATE REPRESENTATIVES, AND APPOINTED CHAIRPERSONS

### DISTRICT DIRECTOR

Al Sawdy	1950–1951
Jay Colville	1951–1953
Ernie Biggs	1953–1954
Spike Dixon	1954–1955
Ed Gabel	1955–1956
Walter Bakke	1956–1957
Jim Hunt	1957–1958
Bob White	1958–1959
Bob Weingart	1959–1960
Mel Blickenstaff	1960–1962
Tom Healion	1962–1964
Gayle Robinson	1964–1966
Millard Kelley	1966–1967
Alan Hart	1967–1970
Roland LaRue	1970–1974
Bob White	1974–1978
Gordon Stoddard	1978–1980
Bob Behnke	1980–1983
Gordy Graham	1983–1986
Dennis Miller	1986–1989
John Schrader	1989–1992
Kent Falb	1992–1996
Cynthia “Sam” Booth	1996–2001
Marjorie J. Albohm	2001–2007
Mark Gibson	2007–2012
Julie Rochester	2012–2014
Tory Lindley	2014–2018
Craig Voll	2018–2021

### PRESIDENT

Alan Hart	1967–1970
Roland “Duke” LaRue	1970–1972
Dale Googins	1972–1974
Kent Falb	1974–1976
Bob Behnke	1976–1978
Rod Moore II	1978–1980
Gordon Graham	1980–1982
Dennis Miller	1982–1984

Gary Lake	1984–1986
John Schrader	1986–1988
Gerald Bell	1988–1990
Rich Ray	1990–1992
Bill Tessendorf	1992–1994
Lorin Cartwright	1994–1996
Roger Kalisiak	1996–1998
William Hughes	1998–2000
Jerry Whetstone	2000–2002
Rick Shaw	2002–2004
Mark Gibson	2004–2006
Katie Grove	2006–2008
Julie Rochester	2008–2010
Tory Lindley	2010–2012
Paul Plummer	2012–2014
Craig Voll	2014–2016
Scott Lawrance	2016–2018
Ryan Wilkinson	2018–2020
Mike Sullivan	2020–2022

### VICE PRESIDENT

Roland “Duke” LaRu	1968–1971
Dale Googins	1971–1972
Kent Falb	1972–1973
Bob Young	1974–1977
Al Green	1977–1980
Gary Lake	1980–1982
Glen Snow	1982–1984
Gary Reinholtz	1984–1986
Wayne Vaupel	1986–1992
Cynthia “Sam” Booth	1992–1994
Dan Davis	1994–1996
Jeff Monroe	1996–2001
Kip Smith	2001–2003
Angela Perusek	2003–2007
Ann Berry	2007–2009
Mark Stoessner	2009–2011
David Craig	2011–2015
Jessica Rager	2015–

### SECRETARY/TREASURER

Roland LaRue	1966–1968
Dale Googins	1968–1970
Lindsay McLean	1971–1973
Skip Vosler	1973–1977
Marje Albohm	1977–1980
Pat Troesch	1980–1988
Lorin Cartwright	1988–1992
Sherrie Springer Boyd	1992–1994

### SECRETARY

Carol Humble	1994–1996
Jan Lauer	1996–2000
Julie Rochester	2000–2006
Jill Ponzi	2006–2010
Kristen Streeter	2010–2012
Laura Harris	2012–2016
Dawn Hammerschmidt	2016–2018
Jennifer Popp	2018–

### TREASURER

Sherrie Boyd	1994–1996
Jay Bradley	1996–1997
Dale Burkhouse	1997–2003
Bob Gray	2003–2011
Justin Miller	2011–2017
David Berry	2017–2019

### MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Gordon Stoddard	1971–1972
Kent Falb	1972–1975
Gordon Graham	1975–1978

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
STATE ADVISORS

1973–1974

Bill Kauth  
Mel Blickenstaff  
Ken Kopke  
Gordy Graham  
Ken Wolfert  
Gordon Stoddard

1974–1975

Bill Kauth  
Mel Blickenstaff  
Ken Kopke  
Gordon Graham  
Ken Wolfert  
Gordon Stoddard

1975–1976

Mel Blickenstaff  
Ken Kopke  
Gary Smith  
Ken Wolfert

1976–1977

Fred Turner  
Mel Blickenstaff  
Ken Kopke  
Gary Smith  
Ken Wolfert  
Gordon Stoddard

STATE  
REPRESENTATIVES

1977–1978

Fred Turner  
Mel Blickenstaff  
Dan Minert  
Gary Smith  
Ken Wolfert  
Hal Henderson

1978–1979

Fred Turner  
Dan Minert

Gale Newton  
Brian Thorsin/Hal Henderson

1979–1980

John Schrader  
Jack Jones  
Dan Minert  
Hal Henderson

1980–1981

Skip Piking  
John Schrader  
Dan Minert  
Jeffrey Monroe  
Jack McNeely  
Brad Sherman

1981–1982

Jeff Sunderlin  
Jim Dickerson  
Wally Sande  
Brian Siddall  
Brad Sherman

1982–1983

Steve Pickering  
Jay Bradley  
Wally Sandy  
Jack McNeeley  
Brad Sherman

1983–1984

Wayne Vaupel  
Steve Risinger  
Richard Ray  
Kent Kalm  
Jack McNeeley/Roger Shipper  
Brad Sherman

1984–1985

Wayne Vaupel  
Steve Risinger  
Richard Ray  
Kent Kalm/Leah Wollenburg  
Jack McNeeley/Dale Googins  
Brad Sherman

1985–1986

Wayne Vaupel  
Steve Risinger  
Ken Kopke  
Leah Wollenburg  
Dale Googins  
Brad Sherman/Dennis Helwig

1986–1987

Wayne Vaupel  
Steve Risinger  
Ken Kopke  
Leah Wollenburg  
Dale Googins  
Dennis Helwig

1987–1988

Mike Petty  
Steve Risinger  
Ken Falb  
Leah Wollenburg  
Dale Googins  
Dennis Helwig

1988–1989

Don Nielsen  
Jack Mansfield  
Ken Falb  
Leah Wollenburg  
Jerry Whetstone  
Dennis Helwig

1989 –1990

Don Nielsen  
Jack Mansfield  
Dave Carrier  
Cynthia “Sam” Booth  
Jerry Whetstone  
Dan Davis

1990–1991

Al Howard  
Steve Risinger  
Glen Porter  
Cynthia “Sam” Booth  
Jerry Whetstone  
Dan Davis

1991–1992

Bill Hughes  
Sherman Izsak  
Glen Porter  
Cynthia “Sam” Booth  
Jerry Whetstone  
Dan Davis

1992–1993

Bill Hughes  
Sherman Izsak  
Glen Porter  
Cynthia “Sam” Booth  
Jerry Whetstone  
Dan Davis

1993–1994

Bill Hughes  
Sherman Izsak  
John Robinson  
Gary Reinholtz  
Skip Vosler  
Dan Davis

1994–1995

Hal Hilmer  
Mike Ferrara  
John Robinson  
Gary Reinholtz  
Greg Behrens  
Charlie Crandall

1995–1996

Hal Hilmer  
Mike Ferrara/Rick Shaw  
Greg  
Zimmerman/Dale Burkhouse  
Karen Swanson  
Greg Behrens  
Charles Crandall

1996–1997

Anthony Garofalo, Jr.  
Rick Shaw  
Dale Burkhouse  
Karen Swanson  
Greg Behrens

Charles Crandall

1997–1998

Anthony Garofalo, Jr.  
Rick Shaw  
Ken Kopke  
Karen Swanson  
Greg Behrens  
Mark Gibson

1998–1999

Antony Garofalo/Carol Humble  
Rick Shaw/Kip Smith  
Ken Kopke  
Karen Swanson/Angela Perusek  
Todd Keasling  
Mark Gibson

1999–2000

Carol Humble  
Kip Smith  
Ken Kopke  
Angela Perusek  
Todd Keasling  
Mark Gibson

2000–2001

Carol Humble  
Kip Smith/Katie Grove  
Kim Peer  
Ken Kopke  
Angela Perusek  
Mark Gibson

2001–2002

Phil Voorhis  
Katie Grove  
Ann Berry  
Angela Perusek  
Kim Peer  
Mark Gibson

2002–2003

Phil Voorhis  
Katie Grove/Joe Harvey  
Ann Berry  
Angela Perusek

Kim Peer  
Michael Moll

2003–2004

Phil Voorhis/Rochel Rittgers  
Joe Harvey  
Jan Lauer  
Angela Perusek/Neal Dutton  
Kim Peer  
Jean Kutzke

2004–2005

Rochel Rittgers  
Joe Harvey/Ned Shannon  
Jan Lauer/Jeff Weir  
Neal Dutton  
Hollie Kozak  
Denny Helwig

2005–2006

Steve McNerney  
Ned Shannon  
Jeff Weir  
Neal Dutton  
Hollie Kozak  
Denny Helwig

2006–2007

Steve McNerney  
Paul Plummer  
Jeff Weir  
Neal Dutton  
Hollie Kozak  
Dennis Helwig

2007–2008

Tory Lindley  
Paul Plummer  
Jan Lauer  
Neal Dutton/Paul Brunning  
Hollie Kozak  
Dennis Helwig/Ryan Wilkerson





**FIRST MEETING OFFICERS AND SPEAKERS IN GRANVILLE, OH 1968**

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Dale Googins *Clinic Chair*, Denison University, Al Hart *President* Ohio University, Duke LaRue *Secretary-Treasurer*, Western Illinois University

**L-R: BACK ROW** William “Pinky” Newell *Speaker*, Purdue University, Dr. Irv. Nickerson *Speaker*, Denison University, Robert Livengood *Speaker*, Bowling Green State University, Robert White *Speaker*, Wayne State University

**2008–2009**

Kristin Streeter  
Craig Voll  
Jan Lauer  
Lisa Kluchurosky  
Paul Brunning  
Ryan Wilkerson

**2009–2010**

Kristin Streeter  
Craig Voll  
Jan Lauer  
Dean Wennerburg  
Laura Harris  
Ryan Wilkerson

**2010–2011**

Eric Streeter  
John Locke  
Jan Laur  
Dean Wennerburg  
Laura Harris  
Keith Owsley

**2011–2012**

Eric Streeter  
John Locke  
Jan Laur  
Dawn Hammerschmidt  
Mike Medich  
Keith Owsley

**2012–2013**

Joe Whitson  
Scott Lawrance  
Kirk Brummels  
Dawn Hammerschmidt  
Chris Mizer  
Brian McWilliams

**2013–2014**

Joe Whitson  
Scott Lawrance  
Mark Stoessner  
Dawn Hammerschmidt  
Chris Mizer  
Brian McWilliams

**2014–2015**

(IL) Joe Whitson  
(IN) Brad Gerig  
(MI) Bill Shinavier  
(OH) Dawn Hammerschmidt  
(MN) Chris Mizer  
(WI) Keith Owsley

**2015–2016**

(IL) Joe Whitson  
(IN) Brad Gerig  
(MI) Bill Shinavier  
(MN) Neal Dutton  
(OH) Chris Mizer  
(WI) Michael Moll

**2016–2017**

(IL) Joe Whitson  
(IN) Bruce Willard  
(MI) Gretchen Goodman  
(MN) Neal Dutton  
(OH) Chris Mizer  
(WI) Micheal Moll

**2017–2018**

(IL) Joe Whitson  
(IN) Bruce Willard  
(OH) Chris Mizer  
(MI) Gretchen Goodman  
(MN) Neal Dutton  
(WI) Micheal Moll

**WINTER MEETING  
COORDINATORS/  
PLANNERS**

(IL) Roger Kalisiak 1982–1994  
(IN) Mark Schauer 1994–2008  
(OH) Kevin Gerlach 1994–  
(WI) Chris Schommer 2008–

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

(IL) Dale Googins 1968–1969  
(IN) Lindsay McLean 1970–1971  
(MI) Ron Venis 1971–1974  
(MN) Gary Lake 1974–1980  
(OH) Gary Reinholtz 1980–1984  
(WI) Bob Gray 1984–1996

Mike Sullivan 1996–2001  
Cecily “Ces” Dawson 1998–2001  
Kanella Diakoumis 1998–2001  
Lance McFarren 1998–2001  
Jill Ponzi 2001–2006

**PUBLIC RELATIONS  
DIRECTOR/  
COORDINATOR**

Larry Starr 1990–1992  
Bruce McAllister 1994–1996  
Kim Peer 1996–1998  
Marion Vrugink 1998–2006  
Kerry Waple 2006–2012  
Ryan Weible 2012–2017  
Scott Sell 2017–

**WEBMASTER/TEAM  
COORDINATOR**

Pat Sexton 1995–2000  
Chris Huot 2000–2009  
Alex Wong 2009–2016  
Andrea Cripps 2016–

**MEMORIAL  
CHAIRPERSON**

Daniel Minert 1990–1992  
Brian Curless 1996–2000  
Craig Voll 2001–2012  
Bob Gray 2012–2016  
Haley Zimmerman 2016–

**PLACEMENT/  
CAREER ASSISTANCE  
CHAIRPERSON**

Greg Williamson 1990–2002  
Jeff Taylor 2002–2004  
Tony Sutton 2004–2007  
Alex Wong 2007–2009

**HISTORY AND  
ARCHIVES COMMITTEE  
COORDINATOR**

Patricia Troesch 1990–1992  
Roger Kalisiak 2004–2012  
Patrick Ohaver 2012–



**FUND DEVELOPMENT  
CHAIRPERSON**

Mike Petty 2000–2006  
Allen Passerallo 2006–2008

**EDUCATION  
CHAIRPERSON  
COORDINATOR**

Shari Bartz Smith 2007–2009  
Catherine Stemmans  
Paterson 2009–2011  
Jessica Emlich Jochum 2011–

**RESEARCH ASSISTANCE  
COORDINATOR**

Tom Weidner 1992–2017  
William Pitney 2017–

**PHOTOGRAPHER**

Jim Moore 2007–

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS  
COMMITTEE  
COORDINATOR**

Ashley Minnick Mar.–Nov. 2011  
Jessica Rager 2011–2014  
Kent Games 2014–2018



**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL IN WHEELING 2017**

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Chris Mizer, Bruce Willard, Joe Whitson, Gretchen Goodman, Michael Moll and Neal Dutton

**L-R: BACK ROW** Justin Miller, Jessica Rager, Tory Lindley, Scott Lawrance, Ryan Wilkinson and Dawn Hammerschmidt



Jessica Emlich-Jochum (2011–19)  
Education Coordinator

Kent Games (2014–18)  
Young Professionals  
Committee Coordinator

**GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS  
COORDINATOR**

Mike Medich 2011–2015  
Jim Miller 2015–2019

**REVENUE COORDINATOR**

Ann Berry 2009–2011



**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL IN TOLEDO 2005**

**FRONT TO BACK** Mark Gibson, Denny Helwig, Bob Gray, Steve McNerney, Marje Albohm, Holly Kozak, Katie Grove, Jill Ponzi, Ned Shannon, Jeff Weir, Julie Rochester, Marion Vrugink, Roger Kalisiak, Chris Huot, Neal Dutton and Angela Perusek



**HISTORY/ARCHIVES COMMITTEE 2012**

**L-R:** Patrick Ohaver, Rich Carey, Marion Vrugink, Roger Kalisiak and Donna Wisely

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE 2006**

**L-R:** Erin Buenzli (WI), Marion Vrugink (IN), Kerry Waple (OH)

**BACK ROW** Dan Rasor (OH), Kyle Momsen (MN), Matt Marzullo (IL) and Bryan Goike (MI)



# STUDENT SENATE MEMBERS



**STUDENT SENATORS 2017**

**L-R: FRONT ROW** Rebecca Carson (MI), Jackie Karpe (MN), Julia Peterson (IL), Halie Marmalick (MI), Brooke Daniell (OH), Madison Roskuszka (MI), Kacey Ohlemeyer (IN), Bianca Mendez (WI), Rob Pawlak (IN)

**L-R: BACK ROW** Trevor Bates, Erin Arnas (MN), Ricardo Chavez (WI), Connor Burton (IN), Marin Schaffner (OH), Carolyn Meder (OH), Marissa Anderson (IL), Aaron Bestul (WI), Jake Campbell (IL), Helen Bulford (OH), David Berry



Connor Burton  
STUDENT SENATE CHAIR



David Berry (2015–2017)  
ADVISOR



Trevor Bates (2016–2018)  
ADVISOR



2003–2018

STUDENT SENATOR ALUMNI LOG

YEAR	ILLINOIS	INDIANA	MICHIGAN
2003–04	Jeanne Davis (Southern IL U.)	Megan Hubbard (Indiana U.)	Carrie Janiski (Western MI)
2004–05	Jeanne Davis (Southern IL U.)	Megan Hubbard (Indiana U.)	Carrie Janiski (Western MI)
	Ben Black (Lewis U.)	Elizabeth Gillis (Indiana U.)	Ellen Hector (Central MI U.)
2005–06	Jeanne Davis (Southern IL U.)	Megan Hubbard (Indiana U.)	Carrie Janiski (Western MI)
	Ben Black (Lewis U.)	Elizabeth Gillis (Indiana U.)	Ellen Hector (Central MI U.)
2006–07	Ben Black (Lewis U.)	Elizabeth Gillis (Indiana U.)	Carrie Janiski (Western MI)
	Candice Bracket (Northern IL)	Andi (Clifford) Banet (Indiana St U)	Ashley Reed (Central MI)
2007–08	Candice Bracket (Northern IL)	Andi (Clifford) Banet (Indiana St U)	Ashley Reed (Central MI)
	Stephanie (Brown) Olsen (Northern IL.)	Pete Dewar (Purdue U)	Leslie Brogdon (Western MI)
2008–09	Stephanie (Brown) Olsen (Northern IL.)	Pete Dewar (Purdue U)	Leslie Brogdon (Western MI)
	Nicole Greening (Aurora U)	Sam Zuege (Purdue U)	Kenneth Games (Grand Valley State)
2009–10	Nicole Greening (Aurora U)	Sam Zuege (Purdue U)	Kenneth Games (Grand Valley State)
	Aaron Walker (U. of IL—Urbana-Champaign)	Alyssa McPherson (Purdue U)	Brad Toepper (Western MI)
2010–11	Aaron Walker (U. of IL—Urbana-Champaign)	Alyssa McPherson (Purdue U)	Brad Toepper (Western MI)
	Megan (Postema) Bowers (North Central College)	Lucas Dargo (Ball State U)	Emilee (Anderson) Van Hoven (Hope College)
2011–12	Megan (Postema) Bowers (North Central College)	Lucas Dargo (Ball State U)	Emilee (Anderson) Van Hoven (Hope College)
	Katie (Moore) Bolf (N. Central College)	Amy Gibson (Franklin College)	Alison Reddick (Grand Valley St)
2012–13	Katie (Moore) Bolf (N. Central College)	Amy Gibson (Franklin College)	Alison Reddick (Grand Valley St)
	Erin Awtry (Eastern IL University)	Jessica Trcka (Ball State U)	Rachel Katch (Saginaw Valley St)
2013–14	Erin Awtry (Eastern IL University)	Jessica Trcka (Ball State U)	Rachel Katch (Saginaw Valley St)
	Eleanor Spencer (Millikin U.)	Allison Riley (U. of Indianapolis)	Brooke Dippel (Hope College)
2014–15	Eleanor Spencer (Millikin U.)	Allison Riley (U. of Indianapolis)	Brooke Dippel (Hope College)
	Secily Moss (Millikin University)	Steven Jarrett (Indiana State U)	Emily Florek (Hope College)
2015–16	Secily Moss (Millikin University)	Steven Jarrett (Indiana State U)	Emily Florek (Hope College)
	Marissa Anderson (Illinois State)	Connor Burton (U. of Indianapolis)	Halie Marmalick (Northern MI U.)
2016–17	Marissa Anderson (Illinois State)	Connor Burton (U. of Indianapolis)	Halie Marmalick (Northern MI U.)
	Jake Campbell (Illinois State)	Kyleigh Brumley (Ball State)	Madison Roskuszka (Hope College)
2017–18	Jake Campbell (Illinois State)	Robert Pawlak (Indiana State U.)	Madison Roskuszka (Hope College)
	Julia Peterson (Millikin University)	Robert Pawlak (Indiana State U.)	Rebecca Carson (Saginaw Valley State U.)

MINNESOTA	OHIO	WISCONSIN	ADVISORS
Jennifer Jennings (Winona State)	Courtney Dolphin (Otterbein C.)	David Bazett-Jones (U. of WI—LaCrosse)	Meg Frens (Hope College)
Jennifer Jennings (Winona State)	Courtney Dolphin (Otterbein C.)	David Bazett-Jones (U. of WI—LaCrosse)	Meg Frens (Hope College)
Jeff Sanquist (Winona State)	Matthew Lawson (Kent State)	Michael Wasmundt (U. of WI—Stevens Pt)	Brian Zeller (Wiona State U.)
Jennifer Jennings (Winona State)	Matthew Lawson (Kent State)	David Bazett-Jones (U. of WI—LaCrosse)	Meg Frens (Hope College)
Jeff Sanquist (Winona State)	Ashley Jones (Ohio State)	Michael Wasmundt (U. of WI—Stevens Pt)	Brian Zeller (Wiona State U.)
Jeff Sanquist (Winona State)	Ashley Jones (Ohio State)	Michael Wasmundt (U. of WI—Stevens Pt)	Christina Eyers (Central Michigan)
Kayla Malecek (MN State)	Julie Kruessel (University of Cincy)	Kristin Kolodziej (U. of Wisconsin)	Brian Zeller (Wiona State U.)
Ethan Formo (Bethel University)	Julie Kruessel (University of Cincy)	Kristin Kolodziej (U. of Wisconsin)	Christina Eyers (Central Michigan)
Angela Colvin (Gustavus Adolphus College)	Joe Whetstone (Wright State)	Chad Moeller (Concordia U-Wisconsin)	Kari Odland (Central Michigan)
Angela Colvin (Gustavus Adolphus College)	Joe Whetstone (Wright State)	Chad Moeller (Concordia U-Wisconsin)	Christina Eyers (Central Michigan)
Matthew Voss (U. of MN—Duluth)	Andrea Johnson (Otterbein College)	Michele Holzer (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Kari Odland (Central Michigan)
Matthew Voss (U. of MN—Duluth)	Andrea Johnson (Otterbein College)	Michele Holzer (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Dawn Hammerschmidt (MN St—Moorhead)
Amber Brandenburger (MN State—Moorhead)	Nate Hines (Wright State University)	Natalie Kramer (U. of WI—LaCrosse)	Kari Odland (Central Michigan)
Amber Brandenburger (MN State—Moorhead)	Nate Hines (Wright State University)	Natalie Kramer (U. of WI—LaCrosse)	Dawn Hammerschmidt (MN St—Moorhead)
Lauren Hawkinson (Winona State)	Trevor Rice (University of Toledo)	Shanna Karls (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Amy Brugge (C of Saint Scholastica)
Lauren Hawkinson (Winona State)	Trevor Rice (University of Toledo)	Shanna Karls (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Rob Sipes (U. of WI—Oshkosh)
Nick Rardin (U. of MN—Duluth)	Brooke Shinkle (University of Cincy)	Ryan Jarema (Marquette)	Amy Brugge (C of Saint Scholastica)
Nick Rardin (U. of MN—Duluth)	Brooke Shinkle (University of Cincy)	Ryan Jarema (Marquette)	Rob Sipes (U. of WI—Oshkosh)
Christopher Ibach (Winona State)	Genna Fusco (Heidelberg University)	Abby Reynolds (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Haley Zimmerman (Northwestern)
Christopher Ibach (Winona State)	Genna Fusco (Heidelberg University)	Abby Reynolds (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Rob Sipes (U. of WI—Oshkosh)
Stacy Schurr (MN State—Moorhead)	Tyler Wright (University of Akron)	Brandon Yach (U. of WI—Oshkosh)	Haley Zimmerman (Northwestern)
Alex Johnson (Gustavus Adolphus College)	Tyler Wright (University of Akron)	Brandon Yach (U. of WI—Oshkosh)	David Berry (Saginaw Valley St.)
Kristen Semrow (Winona State)	Jonah Speorndle (University of Akron)	Matthew Giordanelli (Marquette)	Haley Zimmerman (Northwestern)
Alex Johnson (Gustavus Adolphus College)	Brooke (Kapple) Daniell (Ohio U)	Matthew Giordanelli (Marquette)	David Berry (Saginaw Valley St.)
Kristen Semrow (Winona State)	Katie Lee (Ohio State University)	Ricardo Chavez (U. of WI—Milwaukee)	Trevor Bates (Heidelberg U.)
Erin Arnas (Winona State)	Brooke (Kapple) Daniell (Ohio U)	Ricardo Chavez (U. of WI—Milwaukee)	David Berry (Saginaw Valley St.)
Jackie Karpe (Bethel University)	Marin Schaffner (Heidelberg U.)	Bianca Mendez (U. of WI—Oshkosh)	Trevor Bates (Heidelberg U.)
Erin Arnas (Winona State)	Marin Schaffner (Heidelberg U.)	Bianca Mendez (U. of WI—Oshkosh)	Trevor Bates (Heidelberg U.)
Jackie Karpe (Bethel University)	Carolyn Meder (U. of Cincinnati)	Aaron Bestul (U. of WI—Stevens Point)	Alyssa Anderson (North Park University)





Meg Frens (2003–2006)  
ADVISOR



Brian Zeller (2004–2007)  
ADVISOR



**FIRST CLASS OF STUDENT SENATORS 2003**

LEFT TO RIGHT Megan Hubbard (IN), Carrie Janiski (MI), Jennifer Jennings (MN),  
ABOVE LEFT Courtney (Dolphin) Siegel (OH) and David Bazett-Jones (WI)  
Not pictured: Jeanne Davis (IL)

LEFT TO RIGHT Courtney (Dolphin) Siegel (OH), Carrie Janiski (MI), President  
ABOVE RIGHT Rick Shaw, Megan Hubbard (IN) and David Bazett-Jones (WI)  
Not pictured: Jeanne Davis (IL)



**GLATA'S FUTURE LEADERS—STUDENT SENATORS 2013**

FRONT ROW Jessica Trcka (IN), Abby Reynolds (WI), Ryan  
Jarema (WI), Chris Ibach (MN), Nick Rardin (MN),  
Katie Moore (IL))

BACK ROW Haley Zimmerman-advisor (IL), Aly Riley (IN),  
Brandon Yach (WI), Brooke Shinkle (OH), Ben  
Dixson (OH), Erin Awtry (IL), Tyler Wright (OH),  
Brooke Dippel (MI), Rachel Katch (MI), Genna Fusco  
(OH), Amy Gibson (IN), Allison Reddick (MI), Stacey  
Shurr (MN), Robert Sipes-advisor (WI)

# QUIZ BOWL WINNERS

1999–2017

## QUIZ BOWL WINNERS

YEAR	STATE	SCHOOL
1999	Indiana	Valparaiso University
2000	Michigan	Central Michigan University
2001	Minnesota	MSU–Morehead/Mankato, & Gustavus Adolphus College
2002	Illinois	University of Illinois–Chicago and Lewis University
2003	Illinois	Lewis University
2004	Ohio	Marietta College
2005	Ohio	Ohio State University
2006	Minnesota	MSU–Mankato
2007	Indiana	Franklin College
2008	Michigan	Grand Valley State University
2009	Ohio	Wilmington College
2010	Illinois	Illinois State University
2011	Ohio	Wilmington College
2012	Indiana	University of Indianapolis
2013	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh
2014	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin–Seven’s Point
2015	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh
2016	Ohio	Otterbein University
2017	Minnesota	Minnesota State University–Moorhead







ABOVE 2017 Quiz Bowl Teams Compete

BELOW 2004 Quiz Bowl Team Winner Marietta College (Ohio). Sam Crowther with team members Robert Jonath, Justin Thibeault, and Julia (Stobierski) Brown

TOP RIGHT 2017 Quiz Bowl Team Winner Minnesota State University Moorhead. Jesse Differding, Shae Brown and Shawn Sherman.

BOTTOM RIGHT 2013 Quiz Bowl Team Winner University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. Mike Petty and Rick Shaw (far left) along with Bill Hughes (far right) with team members Michael Deal, Dalton Venden, and Steven Klein. This team also won the 2013 NATA Quiz Bowl.



QUIZ BOWL TROPHY



# AWARDS AND HONORS



GOLDEN PINNACLE  
DEDICATED SERVICE  
OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR  
HONORARY MEMBERSHIP  
CAPTAIN OF THE GREAT LAKES/  
PRESIDENT'S EXCELLENCE  
PRECEPTOR OF THE YEAR

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE GRANTS  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS  
PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTEST  
NATA AWARD RECIPIENTS  
HALL OF FAME  
MOST DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC TRAINER  
DEDICATED SERVICE

## GOLDEN PINNACLE AWARD

YEAR	RECIPIENT		
2002	Roger Kalisiak	2011	Rick Shaw
	John Schrader		Mark Gibson
2003	Gordon "Gordy" Graham		Julie Rochester
	Robert Behnke	2012	Ann Berry
2004	Carol Humble		Jan Lauer
	Dennis Miller	2013	No award
2005	Cynthia (Sam) Booth	2014	Rod Moore
	Dale Googins		Tony Garafalo
2006	Gary Lake	2015	Marion Vrugink
2007	Marjorie Albohm		Paul Plummer
	Walter "Kip" Smith	2016	Lorin Cartwright
	Jerry Whetstone		Kent Falb
2008	No award		Tory Lindley
2009	Catherine Grove	2017	Gerald "Jerry" Bell
	Kevin Gerlach		David Craig
2010	Richard Ray		William "Bill" Tessendorf
	Robert Gray	2018	Craig Voll
	William Hughes		

DEDICATED SERVICE

YEAR	RECIPIENT		
2002	Gerald Bell		Julie Rochester
	Dan Campbell	2008	Gretchen Schlabach
	Lorin Cartwright		Angela Perusek
	Robert Gray		Chris Huot
	Wayne Vaupel		Allen Passerallo
2003	Gray Lake	2009	Christina Eyers
	Gary Reinholtz		Hollie Kozak
	Brad Sherman		Tory Lindley
	Patrick Sexton	2010	No award
2004	Dale Burkhouse	2011	Lisa K. Kluchurosky
	Lisa Schoene		Jill B. Ponzi
	William "Sully" Sullivan	2012	Roger Kalisiak
2005	Katie Grove		Larry Leverenz
	Kevin Gerlach		Kerry Waple
	Jan Lauer		Tom Weidner
	Mark Schauer	2013	Kari Odland
2006	Ann Berry		Mark Stoessner
	Steve Risinger	2014	Bret Millikin
	Rene Revis Shingles		Jessica Jochum
	Marion Vrugink	2015	Justin Miller
2007	Mark Gibson		Jim Moore
	Matthew Marzullo	2016	Megan Streveler
	Dan Rasor	2017	Michael Medich
			Craig Voll

OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR

YEAR	RECIPIENT		
2002	George Davies		Stacy Walker
	Christopher D. Ingersoll	2015	Jessica Emlich
2003	Thomas G. Weidner		Jennifer Popp
2004	Gerald W. Bell	2016	David Berry
	Richard Ray		Lindsey Eberman
2005	Kim Peer		Mark Merrick
2006	Jeff Oliphant		Michael Miller
2007	No award		Alice Wilcoxson
2008	Andrew Winterstein		Ryan Wilkinson
	Malissa Martin	2017	Rebekah "Becky" Bower
	Patrick Sexton		Carrie Docherty
2009	Gretchen Schlabach		Catherine "Katie" Grove
	Larry Leverenz		Laura Harris
2010	Rene' Revis Shingles		Brian Hatzel
	Lorin Cartwright		
	John Schrader		
2011	No award		
2012	David Carrier		
2013	Christine A. Lauber		
	William A. Pitney		
2014	Scott Lawrance		

HONORARY  
MEMBERSHIP

YEAR	RECIPIENT
2001	Gerry Detty
2002	John Bergfeld
	Gary Calabrese
2003	Peter Hovorka
2006	Elizabeth Arendt
2007	David Fisher
2009	Michael “Mickey” Collins
2010	Bev Knight
2011	Kenneth Zisholz
2012	Richard Parker
	Lou Belch
2013	Joe Egan
2014	Brian Matix
2015	Scott Euype
2016	No award
2017	Paul Strandquist

CAPTAIN OF THE GREAT  
LAKES/PRESIDENT’S  
EXCELLENCE

YEAR	RECIPIENT
11–02	Phil Voorhis
10–03	Chris Diaz (IN)
	Sue Finkam (IN)
	Katie Grove (IN)
	Joe Harvey (IN)
	Walter “Kip” Smith (IN)
	Marion Vruggink (IN)
	Tom Weidner (IN)
11–03	Mike Petty (IL)
	Mark Gibson (WI)
03–04	<b>LOCAL CHICAGO WINTER MEETING COMMITTEE</b>
	Tony Garofalo (IL)
	Carol Humble (IL)
	Matt Marzullo (IL)
	Kathy Powell (IL)
	Lark Welch (IL)
	Steve Mayo (IL)
	Jennifer Garofalo (IL)
	Ann O’Brien (IL)

The President’s Excellence Award is given to a GLATA member in recognition of service, leadership professionalism and/or contributions to the GLATA. Because this award may be given at any time and not always part of the annual awards program, this listing may not be complete.

	Bill Hughes (IL)
	Bill Frey (IL)
	Jerry Bell (IL)
	Guido Arguilla (IL)
	Steve McInerney (IL)
	John Wator (IL)
	Donna Wisely (IL)
	Rich Carey (IL)
	Dale Grooms (IL)
	Don Nielsen (IL)
	Gretchen Schlabach (IL)
	Mike Petty (IL)
	Phil Voorhis (IL)
	<b>ANNOUNCEMENT AND PROCLAMATION BY CHICAGO MAYOR DALEY</b>
	Sandy Krumm
	Jim Allivalto
03–04	Eve Becker-Doyle (NATA)
	Kevin Gerlach (IL)
	Dale Burkhouse (MI)
	Julie Rochester (MI)
	Angela Perusek (MN)
	Pat Sexton (MN)

	Greg Behrens (OH)
	Jill Ponzi (OH)
	Mark Shauer (OH)
	Chris Hout (WI)
	Joe Greene (WI)
	Craig Halls (WI)
2011	Meg Frens (MI)
2012	John Locke (IN)
	Paul Plummer (IN)
	Rick Shaw (IN)
	Walter “Kip” Smith (IN)
	Craig Voll (IN)
2013	Kevin Gerlach (IL)
	Chris Schommer (OH)
2014	Clark Simpson (IN)
	Tonya Baker (IL)
2016	Joseph Greene (WI)
	Rick Shaw (IN)
	Michelle Kahler-Campbell (OH)
	Tanya Marquez (IL)
2017	Tom Weidner (IN)



PRECEPTOR OF THE YEAR

YEAR	RECIPIENT	INSTITUTION AFFILIATION/WORK PLACE
2016	Brandon Donahue (MN)	Winona State University/Winona State University
2017	Philip Frank (OH)	Ohio State University/Central Crossing High School

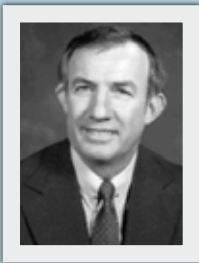
RESEARCH  
ASSISTANCE  
GRANTS



Bob Behnke



Gordy Graham



Gordy Stoddard



Tom Weidner

Since 1995, over 160 research grants have been awarded in monetary amounts ranging from \$200–\$1500, totaling over \$183,000. In 2003, the GLATA began to name grant awards after legendary educators, the first being Gordy Stoddard. As of 2016, four grants are named after educators Robert Behnke, Gordy Graham, Gordy Stoddard and Tom Weidner.

REVIEW CYCLE	INVESTIGATOR	TITLE
Fall 2016	Eric Post	Knowledge of Sport Volume Recommendations and Attitudes and Beliefs Towards Sport Specialization Among Youth Sport Coaches
	Tamara Sagadore	The effectiveness of a 4-week yoga intervention on the activation and timing of transverse abdominis and lumbar multifidus muscles, pain and functional disability among healthy and low back pain participants
	Leif Madsen	Cutaneous reflex modulation during functional movement in subjects with chronic ankle instability
	Zachary Winkelmann	The Comparison and Reliability of a Harness System with the SWAY Balance Application in Assessing Postural Control in Healthy Subjects
	Darrin Smith	Utilizing Alternative Planes of Motion for Hamstring Stretching: Can it Reduce Pain, Improve Range of Motion, Increase Muscle Strength, and Facilitate Early Return to Performance in Recreational Athletes with Acute Exercise-Induced Muscular Damage?
	Heather Schuyler	Post-concussion Care of the Student: a pilot study coordinating return to learn processes and faculty education.
Spring 2016	William Pitney	Athletic Trainers Perceptions of Organizational-Professional Conflict in Athletic Training Practice Settings
	Adam Kelly	The Impact of Arthroscopic Partial Meniscectomy on Clinical measures of Functional Performance
	Ellanora Kraemer	Interprofessional Collaborative Practice: Athletic Trainers Perceptions and Experiences
	Zachary Winkelmann	An Examination of Deep Oscillation Therapy in the Mitigation of Delayed-Onset Muscle Soreness
	Patty Estock	Exposure to catastrophic athletic injury events and burnout among athletic trainers
	Kirk Armstrong	The Feasibility of Implementing Standardized Patients in Athletic Training Education
Fall 2015	Dorice Hankemeier	Collegiate Athletic Trainers' Perceptions of Interprofessional and Collaborative Practice
	Stephanie Trigsted	The Effect of Fear on Neuromuscular Control during Clinical Tests following ACL Reconstruction
	Kevin C. Miller	Effectiveness of a cooling garment worn beneath American football uniforms during exercise in the heat
	Ryan Moran	Vestibular and Ocular Motor Assessment in Youth Athletes
	Kristine Ensign	Factors of Persistence: How minoritized athletic training students compare to non-minoritized students
	Tia Jandrin	Decreasing ACL Injury Risk Factors Using a Method of Amplification of Error and Differential Learning.
Spring 2015	Gayle Thompson	Barriers to Persistence of Underrepresented Students in Athletic Training Education
	Jessica Kirby	Exploring Transition-to-Practice and Mentoring of Newly Credentialed Athletic Trainers Working in the Secondary School Setting

	Carrie Docherty	The First Step in Identifying Return to Play Criteria following a Lateral Ankle Sprain
	Emma Nye	Comparison of Whole Body Cooling Techniques
	Miranda Lofgren	Effects of Kinesiology Tape on reducing Swelling following at Lateral Ankle Sprain
	Andrew Doyle	Investigating the Potential Performance Enhancement Benefits of the Astym® Protocol
Fall 2014	Jennifer Popp	Supplemental Oxygen Administration Knowledge and Skill Retention in Athletic Training Students
	Kelly Potteiger	Perceptions and Experiences of Athletic Training Students and Preceptors on Integration to the Clinical Setting
	Kyle Kosik	Neural Changes in Chronic Ankle Instability Individuals
	Sinichiro Sugiura	The Effects of High Intensity Interval Training (HIT) versus HIT with L-arginine Supplement on Cardiovascular Function
Spring 2014	David Bazett-Jones	Hip and knee strength and mechanics of individuals with differing knee pain conditions
	Erika Roemer	Evaluation of core body temperature, urine specific gravity, and hydration status in collegiate modern dancers
Fall 2013	Stacy Walker	The Professional Socialization and Transition to Practice of Newly Certified Athletic Trainers’
	Rhiannon Seneli	Foot Joint Coupling and EMG Patterns in Habitual
	Lisa Chinn	The effects of Graston® technique and low-level laser therapy on functional outcomes following induced muscle soreness
	Jessica Walker	Knowledge of Concussion and Reporting Behaviors of Urban and Suburban High School Student Athletes
	Megan Quinlevan	Clinical and Biomechanical Risk Factors for Running
Spring 2013	William Pitney	The Experiences and Perceptions of Workplace Bullying Among Athletic Trainers in the Secondary School Setting
	Stacy Walker	A Grounded Theory Study of Newly Certified Athletic Trainers’ Transition to Practice
	Janet Simon	Health Related Quality of Life and Physical Measurements of Former Collegiate Athletes
Fall 2012	Brian Pietrosimone	Understanding the Progression from ACL-Reconstruction to Knee Osteoarthritis
	Dustin Grooms	Visual Interference Training Effects on Lower Extremity Movement Patterns in Anterior Cruciate Ligament Reconstructed and Healthy Controls
	Jennifer Popp	The Effects of a Simulation Experience on Perceived Confidence and Communication Skills of Athletic Training Students
	Noelle Selkow	Effect of Cooling Agents on Proprioception at the Knee
Spring 2012	Phillip Gribble	An Examination of Modifiable Factors Influencing Dynamic Postural Control in Participants at Risk for Ankle Injury
	Ashley Thrasher	The Professional Socialization of Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainers in Collegiate Settings

	Heather Gulgin	Effect of Adopting Proper Running Form Techniques on Hip Strength in Healthy Females
	Meghan Miller	Analysis of Running Kinematics in Patients Pre/Post-Surgical Intervention for Femoroacetabular Impingement
	Tisha Hess	The Impact of Nutrition Education and Intervention on Rates of Injury and Cramping during Game Play Among Collegiate Male Soccer and Football Players
	Steve Middleton	Comparison of Instrument Assisted Soft Tissue Mobilization and Static Stretching in the Treatment of Achilles’ Tendon Stiffness
Fall 2011	Christine Lauber	Are Approved Clinical Instructor Perceived Strengths Regarding Important Clinical Instructor Behaviors Influenced by Personal, Employment, or Professional Experience?
	Masafumi Terada	The Effect of Chronic Ankle Instability on the Location of Center of Mass and Lumbo-Pelvic-Hip Kinematics during Landing
	Nathan Dorpinghaus	The Effects of a Gluteus Medius Training Protocol on Muscle Activation and Postural Control
	Kyle Momsen	An Exploration of the NCAA Concussion Policy of 2010
	Heather Gulgin	Effect of Adopting Proper Running Form Techniques on Hip Strength in Healthy
	Matthew Kutz	Leadership Behaviors: Frequency of use in Athletic Training
Spring 2011	Adam Lepley	The Effect of Knee Injury on Brain Function
	Laura Harris	Examination of the Psychological Impact of Sport-Related Concussion on the Adolescent Patient
	Matt Gage & Lisa Jutte	Reliability of Measuring Cross-Sectional Area of Various Lower Extremity Muscles Using Ultrasound Imaging
	David Bazett-Jones	The role of pain and muscular endurance in strength and lower extremity biomechanics in those with and without patellofemoral pain syndrome.
	William Pitney	Perceptions of Access and Treatment Discrimination Among Athletic Trainers in the College Setting
	Robert Lynall	Concussion Assessment and Management Practices Among Certified Athletic Trainers
	Ashley Hardbager	Presence of Community Acquired Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus on Rural High School Athletic Trainers
	Christine Lauber	The Relationship Between Approved Clinical Instructor Demographic Characteristics and Perceived Strengths Regarding Important Clinical Instructor Behaviors — Do ACI Demographic Profiles Exist?
	Andrew Niemann	Effect of Instrument Type on the Measure of Hydration Status
	Heather Adams	The Effect of Urine Agitation on Hydration Status
	Margaret Frens	Static Versus Active Isolated Stretching on Hamstring Flexibility in a Rehabilitation Setting
Fall 2010	David Bazett-Jones	Are lower extremity mechanics more related to muscle function or pain-related measures during and after running in individuals with patellofemoral pain syndrome compared to those without pain?
	Karrie Hamstra-Wright	Lower Extremity Alignment, Strength, and Range of Motion in Healthy and Chronically Injured Individuals

	Susan Hoppe	Transitioning From a Student to a Professional in Athletic Training: A Phenomenological Review of Graduate Assistants/ Fellows
	Christin Lauber	The Relationship Between Approved Clinical Instructor Demographic Characteristics and Perceived Strengths Regarding Important Clinical Teaching Behaviors
	Margaret Taylor	Investigating the elements of the multidisciplinary treatment approach for patients with chronic low back pain
Spring 2010	Lisa Jutte	Validation of Cryotherapy Application Times for Various Body Parts
	Junji Shinohara	Effects of Five-Toed Socks with Grippers on the Foot Sole and Ankle Bracing on Dynamic Postural Control and Ankle Joint Kinematics in Individuals with Chronic Ankle Instability
	Lindsey Eberman	Effect of body somatotype and fat composition on cooling rates
	Matthew Gage	Comparison of Lower Extremity/ Trunk Muscle Activation during Single Drop Landings With and Without Abdominal Hollowing
	Victor Liberi	Utilizing flouresence technology to screen high risk collegiate athletes for oral cancer and HPV
	Brian Pietrosimone	The effects of cortical and spinal level excitability on quadriceps activation in people with anterior cruciate ligament reconstructions
	Melissa Zimmerman	Force dissipation of shinguards over time in college, high school, and youth female soccer players
Spring 2009	Stacy Walker	The Influence of Small Group Standardized Patient Encounters and Case-Based Simulations on the Clinical Decision-Making of Athletic Training Students
	David Bazett-Jones	Jones-Relationships between Static and Dynamic Strethn and Endurance Measures in the Hip and Core Musculature
	Abbey Thomas	Lower Extremity Muscle Strength Following Anterior Cruciate Ligament Reconstruction
	Julie Young	Effects of Injury Prevention Program with and without Fatigue Protocol on Landing Mechanics
	Kathryn Zomer	Nicotine and its Effects on Anaerobic Muscle Function
	Tamerah Hunt	The Effect of Attention Deficit Disorder/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder on Baseline Neuropsychological tests in Collegiate Athletes
	David Dominguese	Using Radiology as a Teaching Tool to Enhance Athletic Training Students Learning of Anatomy
	Chris Curless	Sports Physical Therapists’ Perception of the Certified Athletic Trainers’ Role in Healthcare
	Angela Stahl	Self-Reported Comfort of Collegiate Student Athletes Towards Athletic Training Students
Fall 2008	William Pitney	Work Family Conflict Among High School Athletic Trainers
	Lisa Jutte	Effect of Anti-histamine on Signs and Symptoms of Eccentric Muscle Damage
	Junji Shinohara	The Effect of Five-Toed Socks on Dynamic Postural Control in Individuals With and Without Chronic Ankle Instability
	Junji Shinohara	The Effect of Five-Toed Socks on Dynamic Postural Control in Individuals With and Without Chronic Ankle Instability
	Andrew Krause	Spinal Reflex Activity and Muscle Force Responses to Functional Immobilization

	Christina Eyers	Personality Patterns of NCAA Wrestlers and Their Relationship to Disordered Eating
	Catherine Boulant & Bonnie Goodwin	Effect of Hypohydration on Anaerobic Exercise Performance, Memory, and Assessment of Concussion in Females
	Karen Engfehr	Self-reported Comfort of Collegiate Student Athletes Towards Athletic Training
Fall 2007	Steven Broglio	
	W. Steven Tucker	
	Matthew Hoch	
	Tara Robinson	
	W. Steven Tucker	
Spring 2007	Kirk Armstrong	Continuing Education for Certified Athletic Trainers: Participation and Perceived Impact on Professional Practice
	Phillip Gribble	The effects of chronic ankle instability and ankle bracing on dynamic stability and knee positioning during landing
	Steven Broglio	Reliability of balance assessment devices
	Matthew Hoch	The effect of fatigue on motor neuron excitability in subjects with functional ankle instability
	Shigeru Takeuchi	The Effect of Lower Extremity Ergometry Exercise on Deltoid Intramuscular Temperatures During and Following a 30-minute 1-kg Ice Bag Treatment
	Jeffrey Doeringer	The effects of cryotherapy on functional ankle instability
	Allison Moore	The Effect of Increasing Intramuscular Tissue Temperature on Hamstring Extensibility
	Tyann Lange	Effect of Under Armour shorts compared to nylon shorts on intramuscular and interface temperatures when icing following exercise
Fall 2006	Christopher Geiser	The Effect of Isolated Hip Abductor Fatigue on Lower Extremity Mechanics
	Michael Miller	An Investigation of clinical instructor/supervisors behaviour with athletic training students
	Steven Broglio	The reliability of postural control assessments
	Catherine Stemmans	Comparison of expected versus actual number of athletic trainers at NCAA colleges and universities in Indiana and Illinois during the 2006-2007 academic year
Spring 2006	Kim Mller	Changes in performance and muscle activation of the knee and ankle on different playing surfaces
	Karrie Hamstra-Wright	The influence of an attention demanding task on step width and trunk control during treadmill walking in older adults
	Karrie Hamstra-Wright	The influence of fear of falling and falls self-efficacy on compensatory step response training and rehabilitation for older adults
	Gretchen Schlabach	In Search of our Professional Identity: Discovering Professional Values of NATA Hall of Fame Inductees in District 4



	Tim McGuine	Incidence, Mechanisms and Risk factors for Injury in Female High School Volleyball Players
	Michael Miller	An Investigation of Clinical Instructor/Supervisors Behaviors with Athletic Training Students
	Andrew Doyle	The Effects of Dexamethasone Iontophoresis on Acute Muscle Injury
	James Leone	Physician Perceptions of Certified Athletic Trainers, Knowledge, Attitudes and Behaviors
	Audry Hansen	What Defines a Quality Athletic Training Education Program. Excellence Beyond Accreditation.
	Lori Dewald	Attitudes Towards Menopause in Physically Active Verses Physically Inactive Women
Fall 2005	Stacy Walker	Methods of Clinical Proficiency Evaluation in Athletic Training
Spring 2005	William Pitney	Maintaining Commitment to Health Care by Certified Athletic Trainers in the High School and Clinical Setting
	Phillip Gribble	The effects of chronic ankle instability on proximal muscle group strength deficits
	Michelle Kania	Burnout related factors among certified athletic trainers employed at NCAA colleges/universities
	Bryan Anderson	The effects of ankle taping on peroneal muscle activation during a functional task.
	Steven Tucker	Electromyography of the scapular muscles: A comparative analysis of the Cuff Link
	Katherine Newsham	Incidence of disability among athletic training students
Fall 2004	Jason Scibek	Shoulder kinematics in patients with full-thickness rotator cuff tears following a subacromial injection.
	Phillip Gribble	The effects of an unstable take-off surface on landing stability in the lower extremity
Spring 2004	Jennifer Earl	Reliability and validity of the Smart System for analyzing lower extremity functional alignment
	Phillip Gribble	The effects of different take-off surfaces on landing techniques in the lower extremity
Fall 2003	Ronald Wagner	Efficacy of Computer-Based Instruction in Teaching Orthopedic Assessment Skills
	Kavin Tsang	The Effectiveness of Compression Modalities Applied in a Gravity Dependent Position on Ankle Volume
	Michaelyn Sebold	Effects of Emu Oil on Delayed Onset Muscle Soreness of the Quadriceps
	James Leone	An Epidemiologic Investigation of Disease-Causing Pathogens In Ice Machines In Various Health Care Settings
Spring 2003	Gary Noble & Tom Weidner	Athletic Training Students Perception of Supervision during Clinical Education Experience
	Kyle Ebersole	Neuromuscular Fatigue Characteristics of Division I Collegiate Track Athletes
	Jeff Seegmiller	Assessment of quality characteristics in post certification graduate ATEP's
Fall 2002	Tim McGuine	Knowledge of educational practices in Wisconsin Health Education

	Emily Reliford	Certified Athletic Trainers perceived adequacy of professional...
	Rebecca Northrup	The Effectiveness of the OAR/BMM in the H.S. setting
Spring 2002	Riann Palmieri	Is arthrogenic muscle inhibition present in the quadriceps musculature of the uninjured limb following a unilateral knee joint effusion?
	Kimberly Peer	Achievement Goal Orientation: An Investigation of Athletic Training Students in CAAHEP-approved, Entry Level Athletic Training Education Programs in District IV
	Chad Kelsey	Athletic Training Burnout: Psychological Aspects and Prevention
	Robert Dingle	Causes of Occupational Stress and Coping Strategies Amongst Athletic Trainers
	Angela DiPasquale	The Effects of Plyometric Training on Neuromuscular Characteristics in Female Athletes
2001	Jolene Henning	
2000	None Awarded	
1999	Catherine Stemmons	
1999	John Storsved	
1998	Tim Laurent	
1998	Rene Revis Shingles	
1998	Thomas Weider	
1997	Rob Recker	
1997	Theresa Mackey	
1997	Phil Voorhis	
1996	Gerald Bell	
1995	Tom McGuine	
1995	Linda Hilinski	
1995	Brenda Dolejs	

# SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

YEAR	RECIPIENT	INSTITUTION
1976	William Michael Sherman	Ohio University
1977	John Rosselle	Valparaiso University
1978	Richard Ray, Jr.	University of Michigan
1979	Alice McNeill	Ohio University
1980	Glen Brickey (Undergraduate)	Indiana State University
	Sherrie Springer (Graduate)	Indiana University
1981	Tim Sanidas (Undergraduate)	Indiana State University
	Lori Waltman (Post Graduate)	Mankato State University
1982	Janet Putzier (Undergraduate)	Ohio University
	Glen Brickey (Post Graduate)	Indiana State University
1983	Paul Downing (Post Graduate)	Graduate School Undicided
1984	Connie Oetaman (Undergraduate)	Mankato State University
	Thomas Kaminski (Post Graduate)	Marietta College
1985	Brent Lee Arnold (Undergraduate)	Indiana University
	Lawrence Steinbeck (Post Graduate)	Ball State University
	Jody Anderson (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Mankato State University
1986	Scott Goble (Undergraduate)	Anderson College
	Teresa Smethers (Post Graduate)	Purdue University
	Jodi Pelegrin (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
1987	Katherine Stephens (Undergraduate)	Miami University
	Scott Goble (Graduate)	Anderson College

	Mona Adams-McClellan (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Purdue University
1988	Debora Sue Klinger (Undergraduate)	Western Michigan University
	Timothy Carver (Graduate)	Purdue University
	Richard Ray (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Western Michigan University
1989	Tom Bossung (Swedo-O-Universal)	Indiana State University
	Gwen Van Ryen (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin
	Kim Baker (Undergraduate)	Northern Illinois University
	Julie Fritz (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Hope College
1990	Gayle Maurer (Undergraduate)	N/A
	Joseph Greene (Graduate)	University of Oregon
	Barbara Meeker (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Purdue University
1991	Kristin Pazdernik (Swedo-O-Universal)	Ohio University
	Melissa Wilkie (Undergraduate)	Anderson University
	Jolene Johnson (Graduate)	Mankato State University
	Diane Shuler (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
1992	Lori Bammer (Swedo-O-Universal)	Southern Illinois University
	Yenti Terry (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
	Garrick Larson (Graduate)	University of Minnesota
	Jeremy Hunt (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Ball State University
1993	Craig Voll (Swedo-O-Universal)	Eastern Michigan University
	Lori Bammer (Undergraduate)	Southern Illinois University
	Kimberly Whitehair (Undergraduate)	Miami University of Ohio
	Paul Bruning (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Mankato State University
1994	Susan Alford (Swede-O-Universal)	Purdue University
	Karla Kruse (Undergraduate)	Western Illinois University

	Craig Voll, Jr. (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Eastern Michigan University
	Kari Reynolds (Postgraduate)	University of Findlay
1995	Patrick Ohaver (Swedo–O–Universal)	Northern Illinois University
	John Watson (Undergraduate)	Ball State University
	Craig Voll, Jr. (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Eastern Michigan University
	Denise Schoenborn (Graduate)	Moorhead State University
1996	Erin Bavougian (Swedo–O–Universal)	U of Illinois, Urbana/Champaign
	Benjamin Westby (Undergraduate)	Moorhead State University
	Tricia Steffen (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Western Michigan University
	Michele Anton (Graduate)	Ohio University
1997	Jonathan Corneil	Moorhead State University
	Justin Boot and Mobile Sports Medicine (\$500)	Moorhead State University
	Lisa Jutte (Swedo–O–Universal \$500)	Hope College
	Rachel Johnson (Undergraduate \$500)	Eastern Michigan University
	Robert Hunt (Post Graduate \$1000)	Ball State University
	Kari Langley (William E. "Pinky" Newell \$2,000)	Michigan State University
1998	Jill Smiley (Swedo–O–Universal)	University of Illinois
	Dense Carlson (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
	Lisa Jutte (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Hope College
	Jonathan Corneil (Graduate)	Moorhead State University
1999	Jennifer Williams (Swedo–O–Universal)	Indiana University
	Kathleen Lendel (Undergraduate)	Western Michigan University
	Amy Hile (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Valparaiso University
	Matthew Rothbard (Graduate)	Michigan State University
2000	Eric Streeter (Swedo–O–Universal)	Northern Michigan University

	Jennifer Quninter (Undergraduate)	Miami University
	Jennifer Stack (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
	Amy McKean (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Kent State University
	Sara Zickgraf (Graduate Masters Level)	Ball State University
	Sally Nogle (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Michigan State University
2001	Eric Streeter (Undergraduate)	Northern Michigan University
	Anne Bradley (Undergraduate)	Hope College
	Chiaki Hara (William E. Pinky Newell)	Western Illinois University
	Jeremy Cleven (Graduate Masters Level)	University of Wisconsin, Green Bay
	Brian Zeller (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Winona State University
2002	Kathleen Riegert (Undergraduate)	Michigan State University
	Rebecca Wieferich (Undergraduate)	Hope College
	Brent Amble (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	Silver Lake College
	Ryan McDivitt (Graduate Masters Level)	Anderson University
	Shellie Nelson (Graduate Doctoral Level)	St. Mary's University of Minnesota
2003	Eric Brooks (Undergraduate)	University of Cincinnati
	David Bazett-Jones (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
	Rebecca Kujawa (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	University of Illinois
	Megan Woodruff (Graduate Masters Level)	Wilmington College
	Joanne Turk-Klossner (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Indiana University
2004	Laura Korona (Undergraduate)	U. of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign
	Dawn Brancheau (Undergraduate)	University of Cincinnati
	Carrie Janiski (NASM)	Western Michigan University
	Michael Doyle (William E. "Pinky" Newell)	University of St. Thomas
	Jessica Van Handel (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Minnesota State University, Mankato



2005	Valerie Glysson (Undergraduate)	Indiana University
	Brianne Lesch (Undergraduate)	U. of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign
	Jason Hageman (Nat. Academy of Sports Medicine)	Ohio State University
	David Bazett–Jones (William E. “Pinky” Newell)	Ball State University
	Tiffany Hehmeyer (Graduate Masters Level)	Ohio University
	Thomas Machowiak (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Michigan State University
2006	Ashley Rockey (National Academy of Sports Medicine)	University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
	Haley Orwick (Undergraduate)	Wright State University
	Audra Piszynski (Undergraduate)	U. of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign
	Julie Kruessel (William E. “Pinky” Newell)	University of Cincinnati
	Stephen Herrmann (Graduate Masters Level)	Minnesota State University, Mankato
	Marketa Scublova (Graduate Doctorate Level)	Ohio University
2007	Brian Kosan (Nat. Academy of Sports Med–\$1950)	Ball State University
	Audrea Piszynski (Undergraduate–\$1,000)	U. of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign
	Elizabeth Sibilsky (Undergraduate–\$1,000)	University of Michigan
	Matthew Hoch (William E. “Pinky Newell–\$2500)	Ohio University
	Jeffrey Doeringer (Graduate Masters Level–\$1,000)	Ohio University
	James Leone (Graduate Doctorate Level–\$2,000)	Southern Illinois University
2009	Craig Voll (William “Pinky” Newell Graduate)	Purdue University
	Molly Day (William “Pinky” Newell (Undergraduate)	University of Wisconsin–LaCrosse
	Abby Thomas (Graduate)	University of Michigan
2010	Janet Simon–William E. Newell Doctorate	
	Amanda Sabin–Living Memorial Graduate	
	Alyssa McPherson–Living Memorial Undergraduate	
2011	Alison Reddick Living memorial	Grand Valley State University

	Hayley Ericksen–Living Memorial Doctorate	University of Toledo
	Michelle Lamb–GLATA Living Memorial Graduate	Ball State University
	Raeann Bennett–Z Mel Blickenstaff Memorial Scholarship	University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh
	Lindsey Klykken–Linda Weber Daniel Memorial Scholarship	University of Michigan
2012	Kelly Potteiger–GLATA Living Pinky Newell Graduate (Doctoral)	IL
	Jeanette Limberg–GLATA Living Pinky Newell (Undergrad)	WI
	Alyssa McPherson–GLATA Living Pinky Newell (Masters)	IN
	Dustin Grooms (Doctoral)–Linda Weber Daniel	OH
	Z. Mel Blickenstaff	
	Brianna Papotto (Undergraduate Junior)	OH
2013	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Graduate Scholarship	
	Michelle McLead	OH
	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Undergraduate	
	Kelleen Scott	OH
	GLATA Living Memorial Graduate Scholarship	
	Ashley Thrasher	IN
	Linda Weber Daniel Scholarship	
	Eric Post	WI
	Z. Mel Blickenstaff Scholarship	
	Emily Franz	WI
2014	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Graduate Scholarship	
	Megan Quinevan	OH
	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Undergraduate Scholarship	
	Eden Embree	IN
	GLATA Living Memorial Graduate Scholar	

	Schinichiro Sugiura	OH
	Linda Weber Daniel Scholarship	
	Christina Hirsch	MN
	Z. Mel Blickenstaff Scholarship	
	Michael Borst	WI
2015	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Graduate Scholarship	
	Jeffrey Huston	OH
	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Undergraduate Scholarship	
	Lena Grunloh	IN
	GLATA Living Memorial Graduate Scholarship	
	Noah Thaman	IN
	Linda Weber Daniel Scholarship	
	Jared Rush	OH
	Z. Mel Blickenstaff Scholarship	
	Alexandra Spillman	IN
2016	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Graduate Scholarship	
	Jenna Neumann	IN
	GLATA Living Pinky Newell Undergraduate Scholarship	
	Andrea Patterson	WI
	GLATA Living Memorial Graduate Scholarship	
	Eric Post	WI
	Linda Weber Daniel Memorial Scholarship	
	Connor Burton	IN
	Z. Mel Blickenstaff Memorial Scholarship	
	Megan Keen	MI

## PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTEST

YEAR	RECIPIENT
2002	Melanie Pennington/St. Francis Hospital (IN)
2003	Shane Wells (OH)
	Steven Pinkston (MI)
2004	Robert Flynn/Minooka Community HS AT Student Aides (IL)
	Northern Michigan Senior AT Students/Julie Rochester and Glenn Edgerton (MI)
	Shane Wells (OH)
2005	Robert Flynn/Minooka Community HS AT Student Aides (IL)
	Hollie Kozak (OH)
	Jamie Dolieslager (MN)
2006	Robert Flynn/Minooka Community HS AT Student Aides (IL)
	Darrell Reed (OH)
2007	Emily Whitson/Hopedale Sports Medicine (IL)
	Erin McLaughlin (IN)
	Alison Morley (MN)
	Laura Boucher (OH)
	Rick Fail - Honorable Mention (OH)
	Ryan Wilkinson (WI)
	Mark Gibson/U. of WI LaCrosse Students Molly Uhurich and Ashley Rocky (WI)
2008	Hopedale Sports Medicine (IL)
	Indiana State University (IN)
	Wendy Portatz (MN)
	Summa Center for Sports Medicine (OH)

	Robert Flynn/Minooka Community HS AT Student Aides - Honorable Mention (IL)
2009	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)
	Nationwide Children's Hospital (OH)
2010	Hopedale Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine (IL)
	Hope College AT Students (MI)
	Nationwide Children's Hospital (OH)
	Concordia University (WI)
	Summa Center For Sports Medicine - Honorable Mention (OH)
2011	Hopedale Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine (IL)
	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)
	Marion Vrugink (IN)
	Nationwide Children's Hospital (OH)
	Summa Center for Sports Medicine (OH)
	Hope College AT Students (MI)
2012	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)
	Albion College Athletic Training Education Program (MI)
	Minnesota State University Athletic Training Club (MN)
	Nationwide Children's Hospital (OH)
2013	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)
	ATI Physical Therapy (IL)
	Nationwide Children's Hospital Sports Medicine (OH)
	University of WI Milwaukee & Concordia University ATEP (WI)
2014	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)
	OhioHealth Sports Medicine (OH)
2015	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)

	OhioHealth Sports Medicine (OH)
	Kelsey Gleich and Student Aide Alex Llyushev (MN)
2016	Athletico Physical Therapy (IL)

## NATA AWARD RECIPIENTS

HALL OF FAME  
MOST DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC TRAINER  
DEDICATED SERVICE

NAME	STATE	HOF	MDAT	ATS
Angelo, Thereasa	Ohio			2015
Barnish, Michael	Illinois			2011
Behnke, Robert	Indiana	1990		
Behrens, Gregory	Ohio			2000
Bell, Gerald	Illinois	2005	1996	
Berry, David	Michigan		2015	2013
Blackburn, Kimberly	Ohio			2001
Bower, Rebekah	Ohio			2001
Bricker, Sandra	Ohio			2002
Bruce, Scott	Ohio			2014
Brumels, Kirk	Michigan			2016
Calland, Douglas	Ohio			2012
Carrier, David	Michigan	2015	2005	1998
Cartwright, Lorin	Michigan			1997
Clifton, Rebecca	Indiana			2006
Collins, Robert	Ohio			2006



Craig, David	Indiana	2016	2001	
Delmont, Gina	Illinois			2008
Dooley, Jeffrey	Illinois			2002
Doughty, Mark	Ohio			2001
Doyle, Michael	Minnesota			2012
Dutton, Neal	Minnesota			1999
Earl-Boehm, Jennifer	Wisconsin			2014
Emlich-Jochum, Jessica	Indiana			2014
Freedman, Alan	Michigan			2016
Gaa, Gregory	Illinois			2011
Galpert, Aaron	Ohio			2017
Garofalo, Anthony	Illinois			2016
Gibson, Mark	Wisconsin	2014	2004	
Glover, Lori	Minnesota			1997
Googins, Dale	Ohio	1999	1998	
Graham, Gordon	Minnesota	1994		
Gray, Robert	Ohio	2016	1998	1997
Greene, Joseph	Wisconsin		2013	2007
Grove, Catherine	Indiana	2014	1998	
Harris, Laura	Ohio		2017	2014
Hazen, Neal	Indiana			2006
Hilmer, Hal	Illinois			2016
Hoover, Richard	Indiana	2000	1998	
Hortz, Brian	Ohio			2015
Houglum, Peggy	Wisconsin	2002	1996	

Hughes, William	Illinois			2006
Humble, Carol	Illinois			2011
Ingersoll, Christopher	Ohio		2011	2004
Kalisiak, Roger	Illinois	2012	1995	
Keller, Owen	Ohio			2017
Kingma, Jackie	Indiana		2014	2004
Kluchurosky, Lisa	Ohio		2017	2014
Kopke, Kenneth	Michigan	2001		
Krieger, Oscar	Illinois			2011
Kulju, William	Ohio			2003
Lake, Gary	Ohio		1997	
Larson, Melinda	Michigan			2010
Lauber, Christine	Indiana			2014
Lauer, Jan	Michigan		2015	2004
Lawrance, Scott	Indiana			2014
Leverenz, Larry	Indiana	2011	2003	
Lindley, Tory	Illinois		2012	2007
Locke, John	Indiana			2013
Marti, Steven	Minnesota			1996
Martin, Malissa	Indiana	2015	2005	1998
Massie, J	Ohio			2005
Medich, Michael	Ohio			2015
Merrick, Mark	Ohio		2016	
Meyer, Kathy	Illinois			2015
Miller, Dennis	Indiana	2001	2000	

Miller, Michael	Michigan		2015	
Miller, Paul	Ohio			2000
Millikin, Brent	Minnesota			2014
Mizer, Chris	Ohio			2016
Monroe, Jeffrey	Michigan		2009	1999
Murphy, Leo	Ohio	1982		
Neal, Timothy	Michigan		2010	
Newman, Paul	Ohio		2006	2006
Nielsen, Donald	Illinois			2011
Nogle, Sally	Michigan	2012	2004	1998
Odean-Carpenter, Holly J.	Illinois			2017
Ortiz, Luis	Ohio		2001	1998
Parsons, John	Indiana		2016	2011
Peer, Kimberly	Ohio		2010	2003
Peterson, Ronda	Minnesota			2015
Pitney, William	Illinois		2015	
Plummer, Paul	Indiana			2011
Ponzi, Jill	Ohio			2015
Powell, John	Michigan	2012	2005	
Powell, Kathryn	Illinois			2011
Polubinsky, Renee	Illinois			2017
Rasor, Dan	Ohio		2000	
Rauch, Dave	Ohio			2016
Ray, Richard	Michigan	2006	2004	
Reiff, Ralph	Indiana	2013	2007	

Remsburg, Katherine	Indiana			2007
Risinger, Steven	Indiana		2000	2017
Robinson, Brian	Illinois	2015	2008	
Routhier, James	Indiana			2002
Schlabach, Gretchen	Illinois		2000	
Schniedwind, Kathleen	Illinois	2004	1998	
Schrader, John	Indiana	1998	1995	
Sendre, Ronald	Indiana		1998	
Sexton, Patrick	Minnesota	2016	2010	2007
Shaw, Rick	Indiana		2010	2015
Sherman, Bradley	Wisconsin			2007
Shinavier, William	Michigan			2016
Shingles, Rene'	Michigan		2010	
Simpson, Clark	Indiana		2015	
Smith, John D.	Ohio			2017
Smith, Walter	Indiana	2012	2000	
Snow, Glen	Indiana		2000	
Sparks, Kathleen	Indiana			2010
Starkey, Chad	Ohio	2009	2005	2001
Stento, Bernie	Indiana			2017
Stephens, Daniel	Illinois			2011
Stoddard, Gordon	Wisconsin	1993		
Sullivan, William	Illinois		2011	2006
Troesch, Patricia	Ohio		1998	
Van Veghel, Michael	Wisconsin			2012

Voll, Craig	Indiana		2014	2011
Voorhis, Phillip	Illinois			2008
Vosler, Charles	Ohio		1998	
Vruggink, Marion	Indiana			2004
Walker, William	Ohio		2011	
Weidner, Thomas	Indiana	2015	2007	
Wennerberg, Dean	Minnesota			2013
Westermann, Scott	Minnesota			2013
Whetstone, Jerry	Ohio		2002	1997
Will, Jeffrey	Ohio			2000
Willets, Michael	Ohio		2002	1997
Williams, Robb	Ohio		2012	2010
Winterstein, Andrew	Wisconsin		2016	
Wisely, Donna	Illinois			2015
Zeller, Brian	Minnesota			2014



# PHOTOS FROM THE ARCHIVE



## AWARDS

- L-R: ABOVE** Scholarship Recipients 2006 : Haley Orwick, Stephen Herrmann, Ashley Rockey, Audra Piszynski and Julie Kruessel. Not Pictured: Marketa Scublova.
- L-R: ABOVE** Dedicated Service 2005: Katie Grove, Mark Schauer, Jan Lauer and Kevin Gerlach.
- BOTTOM LEFT** Outstanding Educator 2003: Dale Googins and Tom Weidner.
- BOTTOM CENTER** Golden Pinnacle 2004: Carol Humble and Denny Miller.
- BOTTOM RIGHT** Preceptor Award 2017: Philip Frank.







**NATA HALL OF FAME MEMBERS  
FROM D4 (2017)**

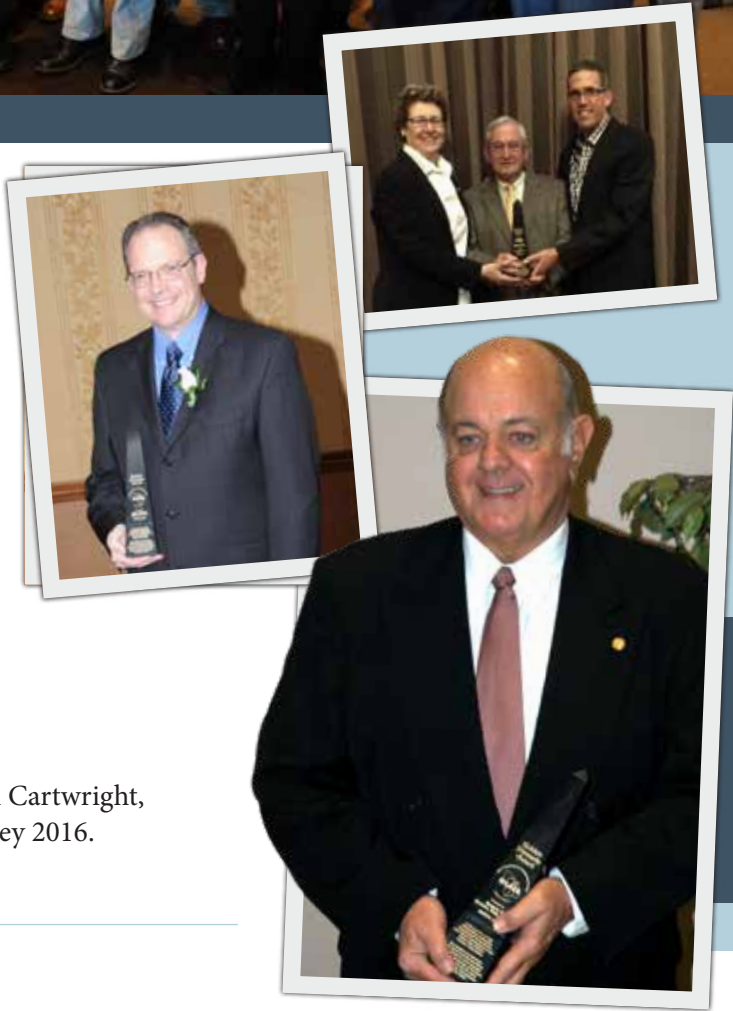
L-R: ABOVE

Roger Kalisiak, Tom Weidner, Bob Gray, Malissa Martin, Brian Robinson, Kip Smith, Larry Leverenz, Bill Tessendorf, Katie Grove, John Schrader, Jerry Bell, Mark Gibson, David Craig and Pat Sexton.

**GOLDEN PINNACLE AWARDS**

L-R:

Mark Gibson 2011. Lorin Cartwright, Kent Falb and Tory Lindley 2016. Bob Behnke 2003.



**GOLDEN PINNACLE MEMBERS (2016)**

L-R: ABOVE

Bob Gray, Mark Gibson, Roger Kalisiak, Marion Vrugink, Rod Moore, Lorin Cartright, Kent Falb, Tory Lindley, Julie Rochester, Denny Miller, Bill Hughes, Paul Plummer and Katie Grove.





**REGISTRATION (2017)**

- ABOVE LEFT** Chris Schrommer and Kevin Gerlach, Meeting Planners.
- L-R: ABOVE** Hal Hilmer, Roger Kalisiak, Brian Katzmann and Bruce Romaine.
- RIGHT** Joe McCudden (has green shirt).
- BOTTOM LEFT** Carol Humble sells raffle tickets to benefit NATA Research and Education Foundation.
- BOTTOM CENTER** “On Site” Candice Dunkin and Carmen Smith.
- BOTTOM RIGHT** Krista Bennett (left) and Sarah Coon work registration table.



**GOOD TIMES**

- L-R: ABOVE** Rich Carey with Note-Torius Quartet serenades Marion Vrugink 2012.
- L-R: ABOVE** Jeff Will and Todd Keasling work registration at 2002 meeting in Columbus.
- LEFT** Jim Moore, GLATA Photographer, takes photos at 2017 GLATA Winter Meeting.
- ABOVE LEFT** Pat Sexton gives Past President Gordy Graham a Golden Pinnacle lapel pin 2016.
- ABOVE RIGHT** Sam Booth and Katie Groove, 2003 Winter GLATA Meeting.





**GLATA PHOTOGRAPHERS**

L-R: ABOVE Jim Moore and Jerry Whetstone.

**MORE GOOD TIMES**

L-R: Educators–Present and Future: Jessica Emlich Jochum and students 2013.

L-R: Mentors: Bill Hughes, Jerry Whetstone and Mike Petty 2013.



**PINKY NEWELL LECTURE 2013**

L-R: ABOVE Sam Booth, Kent Falb, Bill Tessendorf and Roger Kalisiak, NATA Hall of Famers, share stories that have shaped the AT profession.

**CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF THE GLATA**

L-R: Roger Kalisiak conducts interview with GLATA Presidents Julie Rochester and Katie Grove.

L-R: BELOW Past Presidents Rich Ray and Lorin Cartwright are interviewed for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary DVD.



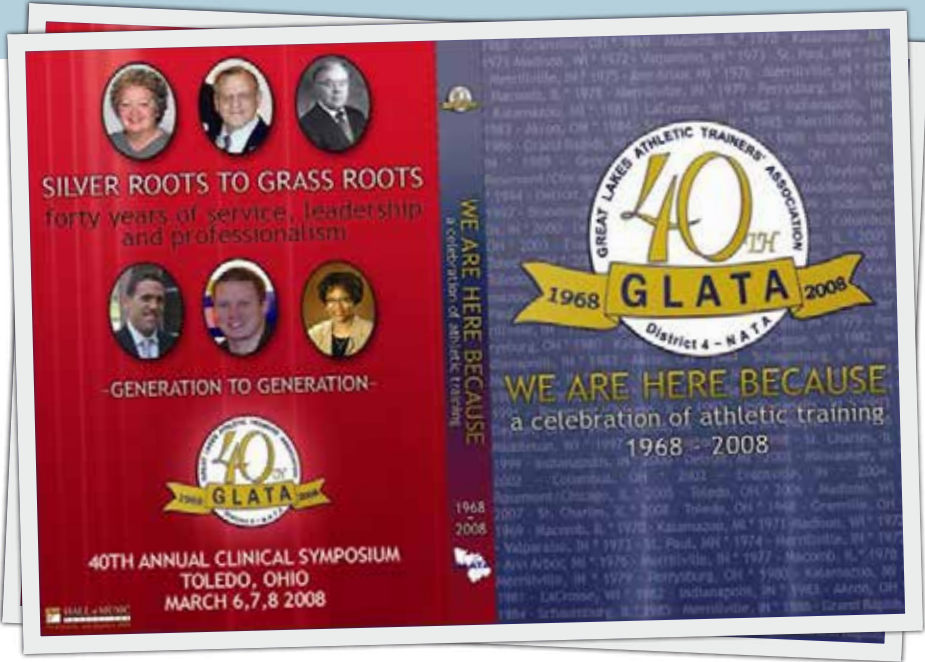




**CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF THE GLATA**

L-R: ABOVE Roger Kalisiak, Marion Vrugink, GLATA President Katie Grove and Rich Carey work with Louis Dierkman from Purdue University Hall of Music Productions on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary DVD.

BELOW Cover for the GLATA 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary DVD.



**MARKETING, SPEAKER GIFTS & MEMORIES**





**THEN AND NOW**

GLATA'S 3<sup>rd</sup> President, Dale Googins, and GLATA's first meeting recording secretary, student Gary Lake, who later became GLATA's 9th President.

**L-R: ABOVE** Dale Googins and Gary Lake 2017.

**L-R: CENTER** Dale Googins, Denison University AT, and Gary Lake, student, in 1968.

**RIGHT** Gary Lake shows Denison University athletic trainer student t-shirt from 1968.

**RIGHT** First GLATA Meeting Certificate of Attendance 1968.

**L-R: BOTTOM** Gary Lake and Dale Googins view photo from first GLATA meeting 2017.

**OLDIES BUT GOODIES**

**L-R: TOP** Edmond Flexman, MD., Al Kranz, Randy Ryan, Mike Hall, Roger Kalisiak and Bill Meyer. Northern Illinois University 1970.

**L-R: ABOVE** Doug Farnsworth, Pat Mackowiak, Jerry Bell, Glen Snow, Ron Sendre, Steve Scroggins, Bill Meyers, Jim Dickerson, Corky Lang, Jim Sopko, George Kirkendoeffer and Gene Crabill. Ball State University Athletic Training Staff 1969.

**CENTER** Pinky Newell 1950's.

**L-R:** Bill Tessendorf, Al Kranz, Roger Kalisiak, Mike Hall, Bill Meyer and Randy Ryan. Northern Illinois University 1971.

**BOTTOM** Mel Blickenstaff (far right). Purdue University 1950's.





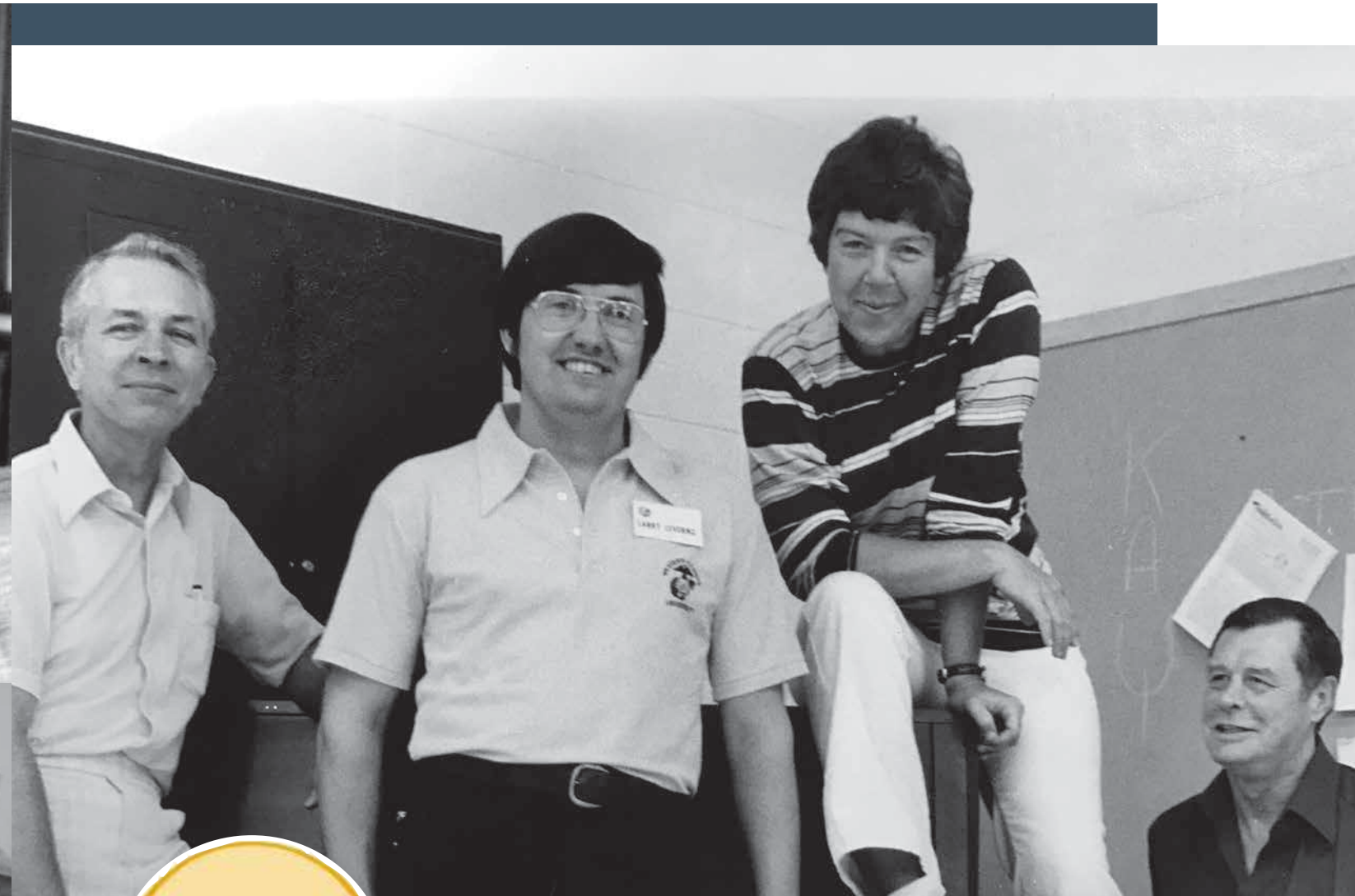
## JEWELS FROM ARCHIVES

TOP RIGHT Dwayne "Spike" Dixon.

**CENTER** Peg Houglum, Katie Grove, Bob Behnke and Ken Knight. Indiana State University 1982

**LEFT** The Dixonary of Athletic Training by Dwayne “Spike” Dixon. The book was one of the first text books for athletic training students. Mr. Dixon was an athletic trainer at Indiana University from 1946 to 1972. First printing was in 1956.

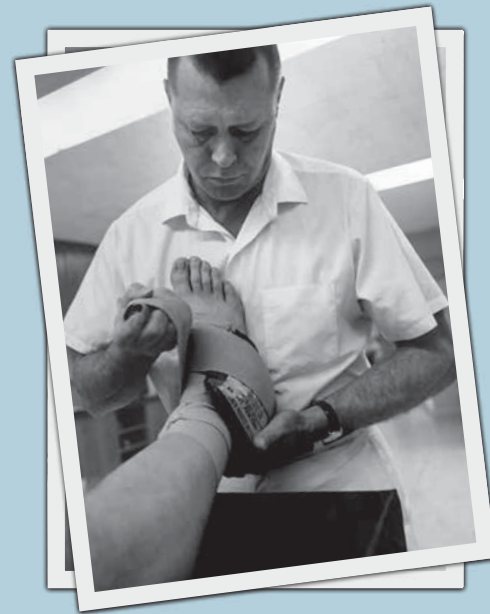
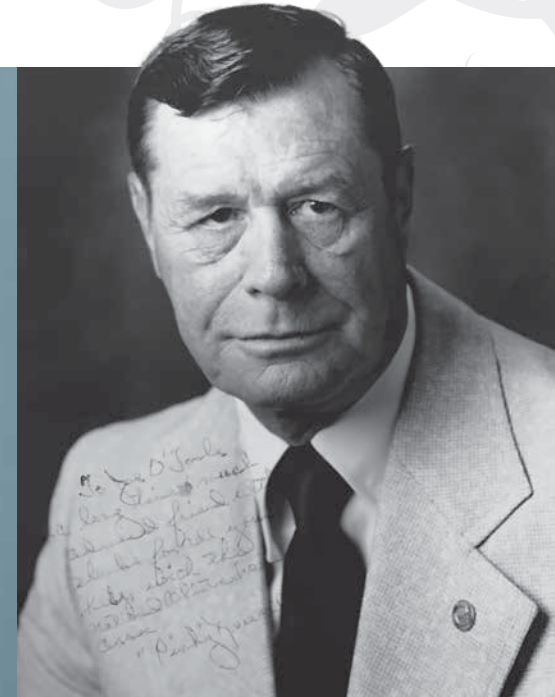
**RIGHT** Robert Livengood (Bowling Green State University), Gary Lake (Ashland College), Pat Troesch (Ohio State University) and Dale Googins (Denison University). 13th Annual Livingston Trainers' Clinic 1978.



## WESTERN ILLINOIS CRAMER CAMP

**L-R:** Roland “Duke” LaRue, Larry Leverenz, Valerie “Val” Lindbloom and William “Pinky” Newell, Cramer Camp, Western Illinois University 1978.





IN MEMORY OF  
**WILLIAM E. "PINKY" NEWELL**

**JUNE 22, 1920–OCTOBER 13, 1984**

—Reflections by David Craig

**WILLIAM E. "PINKY" NEWELL** is considered the "Father of Modern Athletic Training." As one of the many students at Purdue University under Pinky's tutelage, I learned from the best. Like a father, Pinky mentored to his students and taught many life lessons. Here are a few to mention:

- Learn all you can...be the best athletic trainer you can be to serve your patients well.
- Learn from each other and be a good teacher...share with others knowledge and practice craftsmanship.
- Leadership is important...volunteer and serve your profession so that it will grow and flourish.
- Treat each other well...each person is of great value.
- Have fun...enjoy life to its fullest.

Pinky will always live in the hearts of those who knew him. As the founder of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) and serving as the NATA's first Secretary (1956-1968), Pinky is credited for planting the seeds to make the athletic training profession what it is today, a well-respected allied health profession with the AT being an educated, credentialed health care provider.



David Craig



**WILLIAM E. "PINKY" NEWELL**  
FATHER OF ATHLETIC TRAINING



## OUR MISSION FROM FOREFATHERS TO 2018

The Great Lakes Athletic Trainers' Association (GLATA) represents District Four of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA). As part of the federation of the 10 NATA districts, the GLATA is integrated with the national association, but operates independently with an executive board and council. The GLATA strives to enhance the quality of health care for the physically active, promotes the athletic trainer and advances the profession of athletic training through education and research in the prevention, evaluation, management and rehabilitation of injuries.

