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Message from the President

Hello,

I hope you had a great summer and I know you are busy during this fall season. As many of you know Tom Bair has resigned as president of the GATA to seek a political position within the Georgia House of Representatives. Therefore I have been assigned the task of leading the GATA a few months earlier than expected.

Special congratulations to Dave Pursley of the Atlanta Braves on his retirement. Dave has provided quality athletic trainer services to the Braves organization over the last 50 plus years. Dave will always be recognized as one of the founding fathers of the GATA. Thank you Dave for all you have done for athletic trainers all over the state of Georgia.

This spring and summer many committees within our organization have been busy promoting the GATA. Georgia Link, in conjunction with the membership, did a great job in the passing of House Bill 1083. This legislation will place the standards to become a licensed athletic trainer in the state more in line with the NATABOC requirements. The bill also increases the minimum standards for other allied health care professionals to gain licensure in the state of Georgia as an athletic trainer.

The public relations committee has been spreading the word about the profession of athletic training to key personnel all over the state. This group has attended many conferences and career days along with publishing numerous press releases. A special thanks goes to Jeff Weems, and his committee members, for keeping the word about athletic training going strong.

A special thanks goes out to Lisa Cummings in Augusta for a job well done with the Georgia State Games. Lisa and her staff coordinated and organized the athletic trainer coverage for the 2002 Georgia State Games. The state games committee continues to be impressed by the level of care provided by the athletic

trainers from across the state. A thanks to all ATC's who volunteered their time to make this another successful event. This event will be held in the metro Atlanta area over the next two years.

In July the GATA executive committee met with a Columbus-based Certified Public Account. The purpose of this meeting was to determine the necessary steps for the GATA to become a 501c organization. This will enable interested groups or individuals to make contributions and receive tax credit for their donations. This will also allow the GATA to become a more financially secure organization and continue to promote the profession of athletic training. More news concerning the 501c situation will be discussed in January at the state meeting.

Jeff Weems and Andrew Graham are working close together to form a committee between the Georgia High School Association, Medical Association of Georgia and the GATA. This sports medicine society would be a great way for coaches, athletic trainers and physicians to be on the same page with regards to communication and education of coaches and other groups about new concepts and ideas as it relates to sports medicine.

Please make plans now to attend the GATA Members meeting January 17-18, 2003 at the Westin Hotel in North Atlanta. Chuck Conner and Michele Garber have put together an excellent educational session for this years meeting. Also we will be having the high school student workshop at the Westin this year on January 18 during the members meeting. If you are interested in helping with this please call me.

As you can see we as an organization have lot of positives taking place over the state of Georgia. Please feel free to call me or send an e-mail if there is anything that I can help you with. Remember, this is your organization and the more active the individual members are the better the entire group will be.

Thanks for being a part of the GATA look forward to seeing you in January!

Dana Cravey M.S. ATC.

2003 ANNUAL MEETING & SYMPOSIUM ANNOUNCED

Paul Higgs, ATC

The 2002 Annual Meeting & Symposium of the GATA will be held January 17-18, 2003 in Atlanta. The meeting offers an excellent opportunity to network with your peers as well as earn 8 CEU's. The Executive Committee has secured the Westin Atlanta North at Perimeter for the meeting. This site will provide us with more room for our meeting as well as for our exhibitors. The room rate for the meeting will be \$83.00/night and will be available Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night (and possibly Sunday) for those registered with the GATA. The meeting agenda and registration materials can be downloaded from the GATA website at <http://www.athletictraining.org>. The GATA is again working with Connections to secure the low room rate and all rooms should be reserved through them to guarantee this rate (1-800-262-9974).

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GATA WEBSITE UPDATE

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The GATA website is now located at <http://www.athletictraining.org> and space for the website is generously donated to us by Georgia State University. The old address (<http://www.gsu.edu/gata>) will still work but the new URL should be easier to remember. On the website, users can read past newsletter issues, find the GATA contact directory and read our current practice act. Members from outside Georgia can download a membership renewal application. Links to upcoming events, the GATA email list, and the Georgia Board of Athletic Training are also on the site.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chuck Conner, ATC

The 2002 Annual Business Meeting and Educational Symposium had the largest number of members in attendance to date. We hope to make this year's attendance even larger. The past several months have been spent preparing a proposal for the 2003 Educational Symposium that would offer our membership an opportunity to gain valuable information with regards to handling the various situations that we face each day.

The 2003 Educational Symposium will focus around sports related illnesses and conditions. We are also trying to arrange a presentation that will provide us with beneficial information regarding HIPPA. The symposium should provide 8 continuing education units.

Sincerely,
Chuck Conner, ATC/L
Co-Chair, Education Committee

Michele Garber, ATC/L
Co-Chair, Education Committee.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Jeff Weems ATC

Each year, the Georgia Games Championships provide amateur athletes of all ages and skill levels

a meaningful opportunity to participate in a true amateur sports competition. The GGC is a sports festival created for Georgia's amateur athletes and patterned after the Olympics, right down to the Opening Ceremonies. The 2002 Games featured 43 different sports over a nine-day span and were held in and around Augusta, GA. Through the GATA's formed partnership with the Games, the GATA, NATA, and the whole profession of athletic training, received tremendous exposure and recognition. In addition to our service and on-field presence, the GGC Commemorative booklet contained an ad dedicated to the GATA. This allowed us the opportunity to educate readers about who an athletic trainer is, what we do, and the different settings in which we can work.

A huge round of applause needs to be given to Certified Athletic Trainers Lisa Cummins and Mark Tillman for coordinating the medical coverage for the 2002 Games. This was a huge undertaking and both Lisa and Mark did a fantastic job. They were able to compile a staff of 16 ATCs and 5 student athletic trainers in addition to various other healthcare professionals. ATCs that contributed to the Games were: Lisa Adkins, Lori Bolgla, Lisa Cummins, Andy Eberheart, John Ellis, Heather Bryan, Jennifer Goodrich, Terrie Hicks, Brian Lancaster, Meghan Lee, Robert Leslie, Trish Leslie, Catie McCrail, Benetta McPherson, John Sullivan, and Mark Tillman. Student-athletic trainers included: Kevin Ard, Bob Brown, Tabby Davis, Kristina Palmer, and Dave Serrano.

As a token of appreciation for the GATA's partnership with the Games, the Georgia Games Executive Committee hosts a free eight-hour CEU course for all medical volunteers that worked the Games. This year's CEU course was a huge success and was anchored by none other than former NATA President, Kent Falb, ATC, PT. Kent, along with fellow ATC Jennifer Goodrich, presented On-Field Management of Head/Neck Injuries. Their presentation was then followed by a practical application session covering various scenarios that may be encountered.

ATHLETIC TRAINER REIMBURSEMENT COMMITTEE

Bruce Getz ATC

Well. Here we are. HB 93 is in the books. HB 1083 is in effect. The CPT codes have been changed to include Athletic Trainer evaluation (97005) and Athletic Trainer Re-Evaluation (97006). Insurance companies ARE paying athletic trainers for their services.

Five years ago this all seemed like a dream. It almost appeared to be a mirage, a goal that we could never reach. If we had listened to some folks, we never would have gotten here in the first place.

So, what do we do now? Are there still challenges out there? Are there still situations where the ATC is not recognized and is not being allowed to bill for their services? You bet there are.

Now the battleground is in YOUR employment setting. If you are in a situation where the ATC has the potential to be reimbursed for services rendered we need YOU to push that issue. I know it is hard and sometimes seems impossible. But, we are discovering the power of education more and more.

I had a conversation with a rehabilitation director this week. She was asking me about hiring an ATC to work in the clinic. After we talked for about 20 minutes she laughed and said that she received the exact opposite information from everyone else that she discussed this issue with. I asked her if she ever talked to an Athletic Trainer about this issue and she said that she had not. Now she knows the truth.

This tells me that we are letting ourselves down when it comes to telling our own story. This is not the fault of anyone. It is almost natural to be humble and unassuming. We do not want to brag or bring attention to ourselves. But, we need to tell everyone involved what we CAN do.

So, I challenge you all to explore your setting and see if there is someone that you can educate on the potential that the Athletic Trainer has in bringing revenue into the system. You need to be the person

that creates more jobs for the Athletic Trainer. You can make it happen.

Whether it is as a physician extender, emergency room athletic trainer, industrial athletic trainer, etc. There are more ways than ever before of creating a revenue stream for your employer. Many athletic training programs have been eliminated in the last few years because they did not create any revenue for their employing facility. Don't let this happen to you.

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Reminder

GATA dues are taken out of your annual SEATA dues. NATA/SEATA members with a Georgia mailing address DO NOT need to pay GATA dues separately.

HB1083 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR BARNES

Jeff Weems, ATC

On May 15, 2002, Georgia's Governor, Roy Barnes, signed GA House Bill 1083 into law. HB 1083 represents legislation that the Georgia Athletic Trainer's Association (GATA) sought to pass in order to strengthen consumer protection and to bring the educational requirements for state licensure in-line with the newly implemented NATABOC educational requirements for Certification. HB 1083 was sponsored by Representative Louise McBee, and co-sponsored by Representatives Ralph Hudgens, Keith Heard & Don Wix.



HB 1083 found it's way to Governor Barnes' desk after a 156-1 vote in the GA House on May 19th and

a 43-0 vote in the GA Senate on April 4, 2002. In attendance of the Governor's signing were Representative Louis McBee, GaLink lobbyist, Skin Edge, GATA President Tom Bair, GATA Vice-President, Dana Cravey, Warren Morris, Debbie Morris, Steve Bryant, Ron Medlin, Harold King, Thomas Reed, Lori Mobley, Paul Higgs, Gene Patterson, and Jeff Weems.

Prior to the signing of HB 1083, a loophole existed within the state practice act that allowed unlicensed individuals to perform the duties of an athletic trainer, so long as these duties were "not primarily for compensation" and performed "under the supervision of a coach, physician or a licensed athletic trainer". HB 1083 closed this loophole by eliminating coaches as a supervisor of unlicensed individuals performing athletic training duties. An unlicensed individual acting as a "student-trainer, assistant-trainer or any similar position" must now do so "not primarily for compensation" and only under the supervision of a "physician or licensed athletic trainer". This portion of HB 1083 improves consumer protection by eliminating any confusion about who is a licensed athletic trainer and by putting the supervision of unlicensed individuals, performing athletic training duties, into the hands of medical professionals.

Educationally, HB 1083 requires that any applicant for a GA athletic training license, "have met the athletic training curriculum requirements of a college or university.... and give proof of graduation". State reciprocity of licensed athletic trainers remains intact, as does the GA Athletic Trainer Board's ability to issue a license, without examination, to any applicant who holds NATABOC certification. Under HB 1083, athletic trainers who receive their license prior to July 1, 2004 will not have to meet the new educational requirement, so long as their licensure remains current. The new educational requirement in HB 1083 eliminates several avenues in which non-NATABOC certified applicants could legally gain licensure as an athletic trainer. These new educational requirements protect consumers by ensuring that licensed athletic trainers have attained the appropriate level of professional education.

There are many individuals whose diligent work enabled HB 1083 to arrive on Governor Barnes' desk. GATA President Tom Bair, ATC, and Vice-President Dana Cravey, ATC, lead the charge as they again utilized the lobbying services of GaLink and lobbyist, Skin Edge, to successfully navigate this legislation through the difficult political process. However, Tom Bair was quick to point out that "with any success the GATA experiences, it is made possible only by the efforts of the membership. Our membership's diligence and willingness to do what the Executive Committee asked was the key to yet another GATA success".

HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Darren Gravat, ATC

The GATA High School Committee is trying to get an idea of how many high school athletic trainers there are in the state of Georgia and their work setting. This information will be used to produce an accurate listing of all Georgia high schools with a certified athletic trainer. In addition, the national secondary education committee is gathering information and the GATA High School Committee will need some of this information. We strongly request ALL athletic trainers in the state who work with a high school to complete this survey. Please send your responses to:

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HONORS AND AWARDS

Lori Howard, ATC

GATA Scholarships: The award amounts for GATA scholarships have increased: High School \$200.00, Undergraduate \$500.00, Graduate \$800.00. Thank you for supporting the SEATA Golf Tournament, which funds the scholarship program. Please nominate your students and help us give away these scholarships.

Scholarship applications are available on the GATA website. The deadline is December 1, 2002 at 5 PM. In order to be considered applications must be complete.

GATA Awards: The GATA is fortunate to have great support from its membership, physicians, and sponsors. We want to recognize and honor the people who have made significant contributions to the GATA. Please nominate deserving individuals for the following awards: Dr. Jack Hughston Physician of the Year Award, Jerry Rhea Certified Athletic Trainer of the Year Award, and the Warren Morris Sports Medicine Person of the Year.

Dr. Jack Hughston Physician of the Year Award Criteria: The physician must have served the state of Georgia for at least 5 years working. Two (2) letters of recommendation from certified athletic trainers detailing the physician's dedication to providing Sports Medicine coverage to athletes of the state of Georgia to include statements of personal character and specific contributions making the nominee an appropriate choice for the award. In addition, a completed nomination form available from member of the Honors and Awards Committee or the GATA website. The recipient will be notified and invited to the GATA Annual Symposium and will be recognized during the luncheon.

Jerry Rhea Certified Athletic Trainer of the Year Award Criteria: To be eligible for the award any worthy individual must be a certified member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association, licensed by the Georgia Board of Athletic Training, and demonstrate exemplary service to the profession of athletic training and the GATA. Any member of the GATA can submit a nomination. In addition to the sponsor's recommendation, three additional letters of recommendation are to be included (1) an employee from the nominee's place of employment (administrator, coach, fellow staff member, etc.), (2) a certified athletic trainer within the GATA, (3) a certified athletic trainer within the NATA. Included in these letters should be details of the personal character and specific contributions, which would make the nominee an appropriate choice for the award. In addition, a completed nomination form available from member of the Honors and Awards Committee or the GATA website. The recipient will be notified and invited to the GATA Annual Symposium and will be recognized during the luncheon.

Warren Morris Sports Medicine Person of the Year Award Criteria: Recommendation by 3 persons (2 of which must be NATABOC, GATA members) detailing the individual contributions to the GATA or the profession of Athletic Training, and a completed nomination form available from member of the Honors and Awards Committee or the GATA website. The recipient will be notified and invited to the GATA Annual Symposium and will be recognized during the luncheon.

The deadline for all awards is December 1, 2002 at 5 PM.

GATA Hall of Fame

The Honors and Awards Committee is very pleased to announce the creation of the GATA Hall of Fame. Induction into the Hall of Fame is **the** highest honor the Georgia Athletic Trainers' Association can bestow. The GATA invites its members to nominate eligible and deserving candidates for this prestigious distinction.

Candidates will be reviewed based on their contribution to the GATA and the profession of athletic training. The nomination must originate from a GATA member and will be received and reviewed by the honors and Awards committee and forwarded for approval to the GATA Executive Committee.

TIME: The award will be presented at the luncheon of the GATA Annual Educational Symposium.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. 10 years membership or service to the GATA.
2. NATABOC and licensed by state of Georgia
3. Exemplary contributions to the profession of athletic training at the local, state, or national level, to include education, speaking, research, or writing, etc.
4. The nominee can be eligible if he/she were retired or deceased prior to the formation of the GATA.
5. Consideration will be given to community involvement.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

1. Any GATA member may nominate an individual for this award must send the completed application form, a curriculum vita, 3 letters of recommendation and an 8 x 10 glossy black and white photo of the nominee.
2. The complete nomination materials must be submitted to the Chairperson of the Honors and Awards committee by December 1 at 5 PM.
3. The members of the honors and Awards committee will review the nominations and submit the names to the GATA Executive Committee.
4. The Executive Committee need not select a recipient every year.
5. Non-selected nominees will be considered one additional year following the initial nomination.
6. In the event no nomination is received, the honors and awards committee rejects all nominees, or the Executive Committee rejects the nominees, the Honors and Awards Committee is then responsible for nominating and recommending a candidate to the Executive Committee.
7. The actions of the Executive Committee are to remain private with the exception of announcing the recipient or the decision not to present the award.

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

Mike Dillon, ATC, NREMT-I, CSCS

I need any new information concerning possible corporate sponsors or vendors sent to me. The first contact letters for corporate sponsors and vendors for the state meeting will go out in October. Any leads on corporate sponsorship should be sent at mdillon@sports.uga.edu or to:
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Tom Bair, GATA President, presents Dave Pursley with a Callaway Gardens vacation package on behalf of the GATA. (photo courtesy of Brad Henderson, St. Louis Cardinals)

Dave Pursley retires after 52 years with the Braves

Press Release courtesy of the Atlanta Braves

ATLANTA -- Longtime trainer Dave Pursley, who will retire at the end of this season after 52 years of service to the franchise, was recognized with an on-field tribute before Thursday's game. He has spent 44 of those years at the Major League level.

"He's definitely going to be missed," Tom Glavine said of Pursley. "He's one of those guys behind the scenes that probably doesn't get enough credit for the success this team has had."

Glavine indicated that Pursley has had a lot to do with the Braves' pitching staff being able to stay healthy and avoid many major injuries for such a long time.

"They say if you stay around the game long enough, you're going to see everything," Glavine said. "I think Dave has seen everything and knows how to deal with different situations. You can't put a price tag on that."

In appreciation, the entire Braves team and coaching staff presented Pursley with a Lexus LS 450 during the pregame ceremonies. The longtime employee also received various gifts that included two round-trip tickets on Delta to anywhere in the world.

Another highlight came when Braves general manager John Schuerholz announced that the training room inside Turner Field will now be called "Pursley's Place."

Giant manager Dusty Baker, who played with the Braves from 1968-75, stood along the first-base line with the entire Braves team during the ceremony, which was emceed by Braves Hall-of-Famer Ernie Johnson.

Baker presented Pursley with autographed jerseys from Orlando Cepeda, Willie Mays and Willie McCovey. From the Braves, Pursley received autographed jerseys from Greg Maddux, Tom Glavine, John Smoltz, Hank Aaron, Phil Niekro, Lew Burdette, Warren Spahn and Bobby Cox.

Former Braves Pete Smith, Mark Lemke, Otis Nixon and Niekro were all present for the festivities.

SPIT TOBACCO: ONE STRIKE AND YOU'RE OUT

Sue Dodd, Executive Director, Georgia Spit Tobacco Education Program

With spring in the air, Little League teams are practicing hard to bring home a trophy, while professional teams are battling out the latest trades in hopes of going to the World Series. Young people often want to emulate their baseball heroes, but unfortunately, many associate the image of spit tobacco with high-achieving athletes.

The use of spit tobacco is a growing concern in Georgia. Data from the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids shows that one in five male high school students in the state uses smokeless or spit tobacco products. Young people may see their athlete role models using the products, but they don't see the harms associated with smokeless tobacco usage.

Although anti-smoking campaigns create the impression that smokeless tobacco is safer, this is far from true. Spit tobacco contains nicotine and at least 28 cancer-causing chemicals. And, if you hold an average-size dip in your mouth for 30 minutes, you get as much nicotine as with 2-3 cigarettes. Use of the product can lead to cancer of the mouth,

throat and voice box. Mouth cancer is deadly -- on average, half of oral cancer victims do not survive for five years.

With spit tobacco usage on the rise, it's now more important than ever for coaches to demonstrate to young players that smokeless products do not enhance their athletic performance.

Information is available through the Georgia Spit Tobacco Education Program (GSTEP), a non-profit organization that works throughout the state to raise public awareness about the dangers of spit tobacco. GSTEP provides programs and materials that can help coaches, teachers, parents and health professionals educate people about the implications and health hazards of smokeless tobacco.

For more information about the risks of using spit or smokeless tobacco, e-mail GSTEP Executive Director Sue Dodd, scdodd@mindspring.com.



ATTENTION:

The current CEU reporting period for the NATABOC ends Dec. 31, 2002. All CEU reports should be sent to the NATABOC by the end of 2002.



GATA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 1ST AT 5 PM. PLEASE MAIL APPLICATIONS TO:
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(O) 912-538-5513, (F) 912-538-5341

All Applications Must Be Typed

Section 1: General Information

Name: _____
Last First Middle initial

HS / College / University: _____

Check scholarship for which you are applying: _____ HS _____ Undergrad _____ Postgrad

Applicants School Address: _____

Applicants Permanent Address: _____

Telephone Number: (School / Home): _____

Class: _____ Senior _____ Junior _____ Sophomore _____ Freshman

Hours Completed: _____ GPA on a 4.0 Scale: _____

Undergraduate Major: _____

Graduate Major: _____

Organizations/ Activities / Positions Held: (If not enough room please list on separate sheet of paper):

Athletic Training Experience:

Any Previous Scholarships and Year Received:

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

SECTION 2: ESSAY

Please state in 500 WORDS OR LESS why you desire this scholarship. Include personal and professional goals, what you feel you can contribute to the profession, and what you expect the profession to contribute to you. Applicants for the postgraduate scholarship must include a statement that addresses their planned or undertaken research study. *ALL ESSAYS MUST BE TYPED AND SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT.*

Please forward a copy of your official transcript with application. APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED INCOMPLETE WITH OUT THIS.

SECTION 3: RECOMMENDATION / EVALUATION FORM

Someone who knows the applicant well should complete the following form. This person should *not* be a family member of the applicant.

Student's Name: _____

Rating	Outstanding Top 5-10%	Excellent Top 25%	Good Top 40%	Unable to Judge
1. Initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. Persistence	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. Independence	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Responsibility	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. Judgment	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. Works well with others	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. Leadership	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. Communications	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. Enthusiasm toward profession	_____	_____	_____	_____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Title/Occupation: _____

Signature: _____

In the space below, make a statement in support of your ratings in the above section. Please make note of any particular strengths. Use the back of this form if necessary.

**GATA
Secondary School Setting Survey**

Name: _____

Phone Numbers: Home - _____ Work - _____
Cell - _____

Work address: _____

Home address: _____

E- mail address: _____

Work setting check the one that applies to you):

Teacher / athletic trainer - _____ Clinic / out reach - _____
HS trainer with no teaching - _____ Other (explain) - _____

How many high schools do you cover each week? _____

Name (s) of high school (s):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____

(PLEASE LIST ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS IF NECESSARY)

How many hours a day do you work in the training room at each high school? _____

How many hours a week do you work in the training room at each school? _____

If you are a teacher / trainer how many periods are in your school day? _____

If you are a teacher / trainer how many periods a day do you teach? _____

- If you are a teacher / trainer what subjects do you teach?
- 1) _____
 - 2) _____
 - 3) _____
 - 4) _____

If you are in a clinical setting, how many hours each day do you work in the clinic? _____

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