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## NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINING MONTH

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MARCH 2018

### Mark Your Calendars

- March 2-4 [NCATA 41st Clinical Symposium & Awards Meeting](#)
- March 3 [Mobile Simulation Unit demonstration](#)
- March 3 [NCATA Social on the USS North Carolina Battleship](#)
- March 4 [Lifesaver Tree Dedication](#), Legion Field, Wilmington
- March 17 [St Patrick's Day Parade](#), Downtown Charlotte
- March 24 [Discovery Place](#), Charlotte



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## President's Message



Greetings Fellow AT's:

Well finally Spring sports have kicked off and hopefully the weather will begin to warm-up and dry up again.

With great reservation, this will be my last newsletter as your NCATA president. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve such a fine group of athletic trainers, organization and a changing profession for the last five and half years. I feel the association

has had some growth as well as challenges over the last few years. New partnerships have been formed with the NC Museum of History which host the NC Sports Hall of Fame, NC Office of Emergency Medicine, NC High School Athletic Association and the NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners to name a few. Some of these groups are very supportive and involved in our fight to maintain our licensure in North Carolina.

Legislatively, the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee in the General Assembly continues to discuss occupational licensure status in NC. Our lobbyists and governmental affairs committee are continuing to keep an eye on this and other issues going on in Raleigh and across the U.S. It is important for each and every one in our membership to connect with your local legislators to build strong, friendly relationships. We need to continuously remind our legislators we are licensed healthcare providers who spend countless hours daily providing care for athletes and active individuals of all ages across our state. You will never know when the time may arise to ask you

to step up for a "Call to Action" with your legislator to support our profession.

Please mark your calendars to attend the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual NCATA Spring Symposium and Awards Meeting at the Holiday Inn Sun spree Wrightsville Beach March 2-4, 2018. The Program Development Committee has a great list of speakers on the schedule that you will not want to miss. EBP courses will also be included at no additional charge during the meeting.

The Public Relations Committee has been hard at work setting up a variety of events to highlight the NCATA and our athletic training profession during the weekend. We will host a social at the Battleship US North Carolina in Wilmington on Saturday night. Your participation and attendance at these would be greatly appreciated. A shuttle service will be provided to and from the hotel to the Battleship reception at no charge.

If I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me via phone or email.

Thanks for your continued dedication and hard work for the athletes and individuals you as athletic trainers care for each and every day.

Respectfully,  
 Scott Barringer, M.Ed., LAT, ATC, SCAT, CAA  
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## Vice President's Message

Nina Walker MA, LAT, ATC

Dear Colleagues,  
Wishing everyone a healthy and safe New Year. This year will be filled with great events and new faces in our leadership positions. I would like to welcome TJ Morgan to the Eboard as secretary and Jim Bazluki into his new role as our President! I can't express how grateful we have been for Scott Barringer's

leadership. He has set such an tremendous foundation for this amazing organization and are go grateful he will be sticking around as an integral part of our committees.



What a wonderful time of year to start planning your personal advocacy programs for National Athletic Training Month 2018 "Compassionate Care for All". The NCATA is really excited about some great events that can help you get involved and promote our association and profession. In March we will have a social during the conference on the USS North Carolina battleship, tree dedication to athletic trainers that have saved lives on the Sunday of the conference, as well as some of our favorite events like the athletic training display at the NC Sports Hall of Fame ( All March) Charlotte St. Patrick's Day Parade (March 17<sup>th</sup>) and Discovery Place Charlotte ( March 24<sup>th</sup>). Please consider joining us for some or all of these events. The PR committee has been working tirelessly to create these opportunities that celebrate and advocate our great profession.



### Mobile Simulation Lab Demonstration at NCATA

Holiday Inn Sunspree, Wrightsville Beach, NC

March 3, 2018

Session 1: 10:00 a.m.

Session 2: 11:00 a.m.

The first 2 groups of 6 NCATA members (12 individuals) to sign up will participate in pre-planned simulations, demonstrating and testing their clinical skills. Please email [ngroh@highpoint.edu](mailto:ngroh@highpoint.edu) to reserve your space now!

Simulation Themes  
Concussion  
Heat Illness  
Cardiac Emergency



Sadly our license plate efforts fell short of the Feb 15<sup>th</sup> deadline so we will be opening it up again for next year. Please consider this really easy and creative advocacy effort. We will have some printouts at the symposium so bring your vehicle registration and fill it out on site.

Please check out our [photo gallery](#) for pictures of the amazing memorial tree event we had in Charlotte in November. Thanks for all who attend both that and the reception hosted by our friends at Blue Blaze in Charlotte. Attendance was a little low so we would love it if everyone in our state would for their "New Year's resolution"/ NATM resolution attend or support one (hopefully more) PR event this March. If we don't advocate for ourselves no one will! Have a wonderful spring and continue to provide the outstanding care that you do!





### Secretary's Message

Jim Bazluki, MAEd, LAT, ATC

Greetings AT's -

I am with mixed emotions saying good bye as I write my last note to you all from the secretary's desk. This is my last message before I officially transition to my newly elected position as your President of the NCATA for the next two years. I am looking forward to this new and exciting role and hope that I can live

up to the expectations placed on me by the membership.

I would like to express my thanks as we head into the NCATA annual meeting in Wrightsville Beach, NC this March 2-4, 2018. I know how much time and effort it takes to plan and execute a quality meeting for the membership. This meeting will have something for everyone, from every setting. Jill Manners and her committee have done an outstanding job. In addition to the high quality educational program and excellent speakers – we will have the opportunity to enjoy a social event on the deck of the USS North Carolina Battleship. If you have never been on the ship or to a social event – you definitely will not want to miss this event. What a better way to kick off National Athletic Training Month than a great meeting at the beach!

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting, honoring our award winners, and kicking off OUR month together.

Keep 'em healthy!

Jim Bazluki, MAEd, LAT, ATC

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**Scott Barringer, M.Ed., LAT, ATC, SCAT, CAA**

For your time, talent, wisdom and guidance, as president of the NCATA.



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AND I PLEDGE TO MAINTAIN  
AND PROMOTE THE  
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OF HEALTH CARE.**





# Memorial Tree Dedication



On November 18<sup>th</sup>, NCATA hosted an event honoring the student athletes that have passed away playing sports in NC, by putting a memorial tree and plaque on the Charlotte Greenway. The event was attended by Senator Jeff Jackson, Representative Harry Warren, representatives from the National Center for Catastrophic Sports Injury Research, North Carolina High School Athletic Association, Novant Health and Carolinas Healthcare System, Marquise Gaddy a student athlete who sustained multiple cervical fractures and Carolina Panthers Mascot Sir Purr. Please visit our [Facebook](#) page for full videos of the entire event.





# Lets Go Fly A Kite!

College and University Kite Decorating Competition

NCATA Spring Symposium

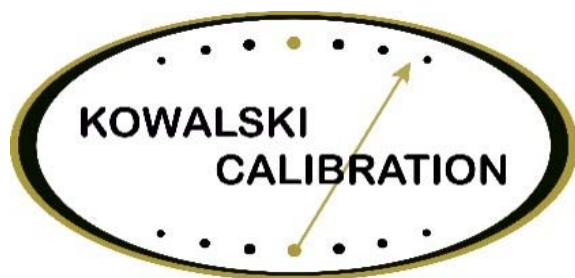
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