I hope all is well with you and you enjoyed the summer (and fall). I am sorry that the newsletter is getting out so late. It was a very hectic summer and fall. Overall, things are going well on the Forty Acres and with the ATP. We had another successful year in the 2014-15 academic year and are already half-way through the 2015-16 academic year.

Our student numbers are down a bit from previous years, but we are still an attractive major to many students. We have 40 students in the ATP for the ’15-16 academic year, after graduating 16 students in May 2015 and accepting 10 new students for the 2015-16 academic year. Our graduates continue to do well on the BOC examination and our placements remain very high. 15 of the 16 graduates passed the BOC examination on the first attempt giving us a first time passing rate of 94% for the cohort – well above the national average. See the “2015 Graduates” section for more information on our most recent graduates.

You will see in the “alumni updates” section that our alumni continue to do well also. The ATP has now produced 130 graduates. That number adds to the hundreds of alumni that came through the apprentice program. Both current UT Athletic Training students and alumni continue represent UT well.

We are down one faculty position this year with the departure of Tad Leusch who served as our Clinical Education Coordinator. We currently have an opening for a new faculty member and should have someone on board for the fall 2016 semester. You should apply if you are interested or share the news with others that may be quality candidates.

As you know the Strategic Alliance (NATA, BOC, CAATE, NATA Foundation) has decided to change the AT degree level to a master’s degree. I am in the process of developing a proposal to bring to the administration at UT to meet those new requirements. For now, we still offer a BS in AT and will continue to do so for at least the next few years.

In regards to the Bonci Scholarship and Craven Fund, I challenge each and every one of you to donate to one or both of the endeavors. While I am proud to report that we were able to award $500 for the Bonci Scholarship, I am disappointed to say that we have only received a few donations. Thankfully the LATSA Chasing Excellence 5K race raised enough funds to pay for the scholarship last year.
Likewise, while the Craven Fund has contributions from several donors, I am disheartened to report that only a few of our alumni have contributed. Please know that any donation amount will help with these endeavors. You don’t need to contribute thousands or even hundreds of dollars – although we’ll take it. Any amount will help – I truly mean that. I am fully aware of how tight finances can be, but I ask that you try to give something to honor the contributions and long-lasting impact that Charlie and Tina had on the UT Athletic Training Program. You can make a one-time pledge or break up your amount into smaller amounts over time. If you have a lead on a donor that you think may be interested, please contact me. The folks in our Development area are trying to find someone to make a large contribution, but a grass-roots effort by our alumni will both demonstrate OUR support for Tina and Charlie and will also show the larger donors that people are behind the endeavors. The Bonci Scholarship only goes to an ATP student and the Craven Fund will only be used to support the ATP. Please make a donation today. Please see page 7 and 8 for more information.

**Uptown Funk You Up**

*Sideways Rain – ATP Funk*

This is our last song
Sideways rain come sing along
This one’s for Bfarr
Them ACI’s, straight masterpieces
Tapin, wrappin, living it up in the N.E.Z
Got nikes on, put your nametags on
Those 3rd years, so pretty

Too hot/Spring bowl
Better get those IV’s ready man
Eval/Too hard
Wanna make me wanna retire man
Rehab/Say what?! Don’t say my name you know who I am
I’m too smart / just kidding
I ain’t doing this for the money, break it down

First years we gon’ teach yall!
Second years we don’t see yall!
Third Years we gon’ miss yall!

Cause ACI’s gon’ give it to you
Brian Farr’s gon’ give it to you
Errrrrrbody gonna give it to you
It’s Tuesday night and we in this spot
Don’t believe us just watch!
Don’t believe us just watch!

Don’t believe us just watch! x4

**Uptown Funk You Up**

**Stop!**

Wait a minute, hold my cup, pour some coffee in it
Comps are due, sign right here
Sergioooo, Get the stretch
Ride to Cooley, Moncrief, Myers, and then Bellmont
If we show up, we gon’ show out
Smotherer than a fresh clean table

Too hot! / Spring Bowl!
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**Uptown Funk You Up**

Before we leave, Let us tell yall a lil something...

Let us tape you up
Let us tape you up
Let us tape you up
Let us tape you up

ATP funk you up
ATP funk you up
ATP funk you up
ATP funk you up

C’mon don’t stress
Jump on it
If you hurtin, just call it
If you mess up, then own it
If you sure about it come show me

Don’t stress
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It’s Tuesday night and we in this spot
Don’t believe us just watch!!

**Uptown Funk You Up - written by Thomas Suh and sung by Thomas Suh, Blake Lapier and Irving Alday at the ATP Banquet.**
2015 GRADUATES

Irving Alday, ATC – is working as a PT tech at Xcell Orthopedics and The Doctors Hospital at Renaissance as he finishes his prereqs for PT school.

John Birlin, ATC – is in the DPT program at the University of St. Augustine in Austin.

Raymond Chiu, ATC – is an intern with the Houston Rockets.

Hannah Fielding, ATC – is working as a medical assistant at Texas Sports and Family Medicine. She will start chiropractic school next fall.

Stephen Galvan, ATC - is a GA with football at Arizona State University.

Erika Garcia – is pursuing HS AT positions.

Renae Greening, ATC – is finishing PA school prereqs. She is working as a contract AT through Sports Medicine Associates of San Antonio.

Elizabeth Hernande, ATC – is a GA at the University of Incarnate Word in San Antonio.

Carol Jennings, ATC – is in the DPT program at UTMB.

Monica Kimmel, ATC – is a GA with the University of South Carolina.

Blake Lapier, ATC – is a GA with football at the University of Houston. Blake will get married in June 2016.

Kate Madison, ATC – is a GA at Texas State University working with Lehman HS and Wallace MS in Kyle, TX.

Madison Mulford, ATC – is in the nursing program at UTMB.

Thomas Suh, ATC – is in the DPT program at the University of St. Augustine in Austin.

Nancy Uriegas, ATC – is working as an AT at Rivera Early College HS in Brownsville.

Sergio Valverde, ATC – is a GA with softball and volleyball at the University of Incarnate Word in San Antonio.
## Congratulations to the 2015 Incoming Class

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Congratulations to...

**Tina Bonci** was posthumously inducted into the NATA Hall of Fame. Here is a link to her tribute from the induction ceremony. [https://vimeo.com/nata1950/review/132219883/b9bf625507](https://vimeo.com/nata1950/review/132219883/b9bf625507)


![Pictured: Kim Detwiler challenges students to a blind-folded tape off.](image)

**Terry Murphy (swimming & diving)** celebrated a NCAA championship with men's swimming and diving team.

![Terry Murphy](image)

**Preceptor of the Year:** Donald Nguyen

**Tina Bonci Excellence in Athletic Training Scholarship:** Kate Madison
2015-2016 LATSA OFFICERS

Chastity Chov ('17) President
Laura Contreras ('17) Vice President
Juliana Jimenez ('17) Secretary
Tammy Marton ('16) Treasurer
Mindy Hamilton ('17) Social Officer
Victoria Garcia ('17) Communications Officer
Madison Beene ('17) Parliamentarian
Tina Thompson ('17) Special Events Liaison

Awards, Honors, Accomplishments...

Chastity Chov ('17) was awarded the Richard A. Mattingly Endowed Scholarship from the College of Education.
Laura Contreras ('17), David Dihn ('17), Tammy Harter ('16), Carol Jennings ('15), and Tina Thompson ('17) received University Honors for the Spring 2014.
Laura Contreras ('17) was invited to serve as a mentor to transfer students through the Peer Advising Leaders at UT.
Caroline Curtiss ('17) received the Jeannette and Irving Goodfriend Educational Endowed Presidential Scholarship from the College of Education.
David Dinh ('17) was named a Gateway Scholar.
Cody Dornak ('16) was awarded the University Endowed Presidential Scholarship.
Carol Jennings ('15) received the Unrestricted Endowed Presidential Scholarship.
Esteban Martinez-Cabello received a NFL Minority Scholarship and served as an intern with the New Orleans Saints.
Thomas Suh ('15) received a St. David’s Neal Kocurek Scholarship. He also played for the Men’s B League Football IM Champions.
Will Zinser ('16) received an Alderson Scholarship from the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education.

2014-2015 Awards

ATS of the Year: Carol Jennings
LATSA Inspiration Award: Kate Madison
PRIDE: Chris Bacak
Most Improved ATS: Stephen Galvan
CRAVEN ENDOWED EXCELLENCE FUND- Charlie “Doc” Craven worked at UT for 50 years; and that doesn’t even include his time here as a student or graduate student. Although he retired from teaching in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education (KHE) in 2008, he still worked with the football team as a rehabilitation specialist attending practices and games regularly until 2014. As all UT athletic training alumnus are well aware, Charlie has had a long-standing impact on UT’s Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, College of Education (CoE), KHE and athletic training staff and students. He was a pioneer in his day, convincing coach Darrell Royal of the benefits of the strength and conditioning program when it wasn’t common for athletes to train off of the field. Charlie created the strength and conditioning program at UT and was instrumental in the post-injury rehabilitation of the players at a time when there was only one staff athletic trainer. There hasn’t been an athletic training student (or “student trainer” if you’re from back in the day) that hasn’t interacted with Charlie at some point during their time at UT. The Charlie Craven Endowed Excellence Fund (“Endowment”) was created to recognize Charlie’s dedication and contributions to UT. In line with Charlie’s tremendous backing for the athletic training student program, he requested that the Endowment be used to support the ATEP.

Charlie has been supporting the athletic training staff and students at UT since he was a graduate teaching assistant in 1963. As many of you know, Charlie was instrumental in getting the current ATEP into the KHE in 2000. He opened the doors for us, got us in touch with the right people and sold them on the importance of an accredited program. We are very pleased to be the recipients of the monies associated with the Endowment. The Endowment will provide support for instructor salaries and to purchase equipment and supplies for the newly created ATEP laboratory.

In order to sustain the long and successful story of the UT athletic training program, from its early days as an internship program to today’s accredited major, we need to keep up with the most current technology and equipment, and hire and retain highly qualified and experienced faculty members. The Endowment will help us do so, but we need your help in building it.

Staff from the CoE and KHE Development Offices are working to secure donors, but we still need the financial support and renewed commitment from our alumni and loyal friends. We are asking you to make a tax-deductible donation, in any amount, to help fund the Endowment to sustain the tradition of excellence that is the UT Athletic Training Program.

Whether you came from the internship days or the accredited ATEP, please help us continue the tradition. Any amount will help, so please donate today!

To make a donation to the Endowment:
Go to https://utdirect.utexas.edu/apps/utgiving/online/nlogon/?menu1=EDPE
1. In the “Gift Area” select “Education, College of”
2. In the “Sub Department” select “Charlie Craven Excellence Fund”
3. Enter the amount
4. “Additional Gift(s)” will not be applied to the Craven Endowment, but feel free to give to other areas of interest
5. Select the appropriate category under “Gift Type”
6. In the box on the bottom right, please enter “Charlie Craven Excellence Fund” and any other related information.
7. Hit “Continue” and enter the requested contact information
8. Hit “Continue” and review your information
9. Enter the payment information, then hit “Pay”
Tina Bonci Excellence - The Tina Bonci Excellence in Athletic Training Scholarship was created in 2014 to honor the life and career of Tina Bonci. During her 29-year career at UT, Tina served as the Head Athletic Trainer for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women, the Co-Director of Athletic Training and Sports Medicine for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, and Associate Athletics Director. In addition to her noteworthy tenure at UT, Tina is remembered as an icon in the athletic training profession and the field of sports medicine. She was a nationally renowned and respected professional who dedicated her life and career to cutting edge health care delivery.

Under her direction, UT developed an interdisciplinary model for health care that focuses on clinical, research and educational initiatives that have preventive, health-restoring and performance-enhancing potential. The model demonstrates how medical practitioners, university academicians and researchers, exercise scientists, coaches, and administrators can be integrated within the framework of higher education to positively influence the health, safety, and well-being of student-athletes. During her tenure at UT, Tina and her staff were instrumental in maintaining and promoting the health of female student-athletes who claimed 21 NCAA championship titles in seven different sports. In 2010, she received the highest employee recognition bestowed by UT Women’s Athletics – induction into the Athletics Hall of Honor. This award recognizes a distinguished circle of individuals who have made a distinct and lasting contribution to The University of Texas at Austin through outstanding service and exemplary standards of conduct. In 2013, Tina was honored with the first ever Lifetime Achievement Award during the Longhorn Honors: Women's Athletics’ Awards. For her unique contributions and service as an athletic trainer at the national and district level, she was inducted into the Southwest Athletic Trainers’ Association (SWATA) Hall of Fame in 2011 and was recognized as a Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer (MDAT) in 2009. The National Athletic Trainers’ Association (NATA) also recognized her with a MDAT award in 2006 and inducted her, posthumously, to the Hall of Fame in 2015.

A noted speaker and lecturer on women’s health issues, Tina has been published in numerous peer-reviewed sports medicine journals. She was lead author for the NATA position statement that delineated standards of care for detecting, managing, and preventing disordered eating in athletes that was published in the Journal of Athletic Training in 2008. Tina also served for three years on the NATA Convention Committee, chairing the educational program for its 50th Anniversary Meeting in Kansas City. She served in this same capacity for the SWATA Convention Committee from 2008-’13. In addition to her clinical and educational contributions, Tina was a veteran of numerous national team competitions. She was appointed by the United States Olympic Committee to the medical staffs of the boycotted 1980 Moscow Olympics and the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. In 1984, Tina served as head athletic trainer for the gold medal winning U.S. women’s basketball team.

Tina earned her bachelor’s degree from Lock Haven State College in 1977 and her master’s degree from the University of Rhode Island in 1979. After graduate school, she held a clinical appointment at the University of Pennsylvania Sports Medicine Center. Her professional endeavors, focused on advocating for the health and safety of female athletes, are complemented by volunteer work with the American Diabetes Association and various cancer survivorship and advocacy programs.

To make a donation to the Tina Bonci Excellence in Athletic Training Scholarship:

Send a check or money order to:

LATSA
c/o Brian Farr
Kinesiology & Health Education The University of Texas at Austin 2109 San Jacinto Blvd, Stop D3700 Austin TX 78712-1415

Make check or money order payable to LATSA

Note “Bonci Scholarship” on the memo line or include a note stating the donation is for the Bonci Scholarship. Please note that there is a Tina Bonci Sports Medicine Endowment Fund with The Longhorn Foundation and UT Athletics. Feel free to contribute to that endowment to support UT Athletics also. However, the ATEP does not receive funds from that endowment nor does that money go towards the ATEP student scholarship. The only way to donate to the Bonci Scholarship that supports ATEP students is to follow the instructions to donate described above.
Alumni Updates...

**Giovanna Alanis ('14)** is a Medical Assistant with Medicine in Motion in Austin. She is working on an Associate’s of Applied Sciences Degree in American Sign Language – Interpreting Training and a certificate of Human Services in Deaf Services. She plans on working as an AT with a school for the deaf.

**Lori Armendariz ('11)** continues her work as an AT at Mission HS. She finished her third year as a committee member for the Fill the Helmet committee that raised over $17,000 that benefits Gridiron Heroes. She was elected to serve as the Media Relations Director for the Valley Athletic Trainers’ Association. She also completed her third summer with USA Soccer as an AT for the Region 3 Olympic Development Program in Alabama. She and her cat, Gordo, purchased their first home in Mission, TX.

**Randy Ballard (GA)** was named the Director of Integrated Performance at the University of Illinois. He still serves as the AT with UI volleyball and will now work to drive collaboration with UI’s performance staffs.

**Danny Barringer ('10)** was named Director of Sports Medicine at The Physicians Centre Hospital in Bryan, TX. He and his wife bought their first home in Bryan and are settling in.

**Tracey Ely ('13)** is finishing the Master’s in Education program in Physical Education at UT and will be pursuing teaching positions or doctoral school upon graduation.

**Ricky Biediger ('93)** married Nicki Zito in October.

**Reagan Atkinson ('14), Rebecca Burnett ('14), and Abby Morgan ('14)** are in the DPT program at UTMB and made the Dean's List.

**Rachel (Craddock) Deimling ('08)** is now the Head AT at Tarleton State University.

**Kristina Creinin ('10)** is a physician extender and sports medicine coordinator at Florida Sports Injury in Clemont, FL.

**Brad Endres ('11)** is in his second year as a campus missionary with the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS), serving at UConn. He helped lead a medical mission trip to the Philippines with 15 medical students where they held clinics for the poor and disabled. He will pursue graduate studies next year when his missionary service is over.

**Motoki Fujii ('13)** is now an assistant AT with the Houston Rockets after serving as an intern for the past two years.

**Genaro Gerry Garcia ('06)** was promoted to Director of Football Athletic Training at Arizona State University.

**Alyce Henley ('11)** finished PT school and works as a PT at Cook Children’s Hospital in Fort Worth.
**Alumni Updates...**

**Nikki (Hogan) Hight (‘14)** is finishing her graduate work at the University of Houston while also playing mom to her son, Parker Anthony Hight, born in August. Parker overcame some health issues and a stint in NICU, but is now home and doing well.

**Corey Hojnicki (GA)** and his wife welcomed their second child, Hadleigh Madison, last February.

**Jalisa Hunter (‘14)** will finish her GA position at UT Tyler this spring and will become an staff AT at UTT.

**Jared Hutchens (‘11)** finished PT school and is a PT with Texas Orthopedics in Austin.

**Jonathan Johnston (‘12)** moved to Round Rock and is a Students Pastor at the Austin Stone Community Church.

**Alex Lane (‘12)** finished his seasonal internship with the Carolina Panthers and is now as assistant AT at the US Military Academy in West Point.

**Bryan Lipchitz (‘01)** left Empi/DJ Global and started his own business, a medical distributing company called BlueZone Medical, LLC. BlueZone distributes PT supplies, orthopedic soft goods and biologic stem cells.

**Dominic Maneen (‘12)** is in medical school in Kansas City. He passed his first round of boards and is in his clinical rotations. He will finish his MBA and MD in 2017.

**Kara Miller (‘08)** finished her PhD at the University of Hawaii, Manoa and is now an assistant professor with the ATP at UNLV.

**Vanessa (Morales) Redeaux (‘07)** married Jason Redeaux in July.

**Danielle (Muckleroy) Wehmeyer (‘06)** and her husband, Mark, welcomed their new son Grant Shane in March.

**Bella Nassif (‘14)** works with Baylor Scott & White as a contract AT for Granger HS.

**Nathan Navarro (‘14)** is an AT at Elkins HS in Missouri City.

**Cullen Nigrini (GA ‘05)** and his wife, Sarah, and two sons, Vincent and George, welcomed Milana Rose to the family in February. Cullen is back at UT on a part-time basis working in the NEZ. He continues his private PT practice through Elite Athletic Therapy

**Adam Pecina (‘98)** is now the Associate AD for Sports Medicine at Navy. He and his wife, Kait, are expecting their first child in February.
Alumni Updates...

Rachel (Pena) Mahoney ('11) is now an AT at the Ann Richards School. She was previously an AT at Cedar Creek HS.

Jose Ponce ('10) is a PT at the Children's Rehabilitation Institute of Teleton in San Antonio.

Taryn Price ('10) finished her PhD and is now an assistant professor in Recreation Management at Oklahoma State University.

Tina Rainey ('13) is serving her 2nd season as an intern with UT's football AT staff.

Diana Ramirez ('09) is an AT with St. Andrew’s Episcopal School.

Ileana Ramirez ('14) is a GA with the volleyball team at SFA. She will graduate with a MEd this spring.

Nich Saldivar ('13) is working as a physician extender and outreach AT with Lakewood Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine in Dallas.

Hannah Shoemaker ('11) is a PT with St. David’s in Georgetown. She and her lab, Mesa, were certified as a Pet Partners therapy team for visiting hospitals and schools. She is working on the MDT certification or the McKenzie method.

Lorena (Somaru) Escamilla ('11) is left her position at Molina HS in Dallas to be an at-home mother to Isabella while doing contract work with SporTherapy.

Chris Son ('12) continues to do well in his doctoral work at BYU as is evident by him being named BYU’s Graduate Student of the Year in Research. He received a Graduate Research Fellowship Award from BYU, a grant from the MRI Research Foundation, a grant from the NATA REF, and multiple research grants from BYU. Chris received a travel award from the AMTI Force and Motion Foundation, his second travel award this year. He also had two research articles published, one in the Scandinavian Journal of Medicine & Science in Sports and another in the International Journal of Sports Medicine. He has three more articles under review. He also received the Steve Antonopulos Scholarship from PFATS.

Elizabeth Swann (GA) is now the Department Chair of Athletic Training and Exercise & Sports Sciences in the College of Health Care Sciences at Nova Southeastern University. She was formerly the ATP Director at NSU.

Jenny (Therkelsen) Jerrells ('02) and husband Quendon welcomed Joslyn Taliah Jerrells in June.

Kristin (Thompson) Barr (GA '06) is due with her first child, a son, in January.
Alumni Updates...

Crystal (Tomlinson) Holley ('06) is now the head AT at Brandeis HS and is engaged to Aaron Saunders.

Jennifer Zinn ('04) married her fireman, Lance, in October. Alumnus Jake Reyna provided the services and alumnus Kelli Westmoreland served as a bridesmaid.

Kimbo Zoller ('12) is now at the University of Incarnate Word in San Antonio. She works with women’s basketball, volleyball and dance. She will marry Paul Hunt in March.

Alumni Updates...New Longhorns!

Joslyn Taliah Jerrells

Milana Rose Nigrini

Parker Anthony Hight

Grant Shane Wehmeyer
Alumni Updates...

Vanessa and Jason Redeaux  Hannah Shoemaker and Mesa  Jennifer Zinn - Winkler

Alex Lane at the NFC South Championship
Alumni Updates...

Brad Enders as a campus missionary

Alyce Henley and Jared Hutchens

Kara Miller
Did you know...?

In their most recent rankings, the National Academy of Kinesiology (NAK) ranked UT’s Department of Kinesiology and Health Education the 2nd best program in the US.

Over 92% of ATP graduates enter the healthcare field as athletic trainers, physical therapists, physician assistants, physicians, chiropractors, and nurses.

**Brian Farr** serves on the SWATA Executive Board and the TSATA Board of Directors, and is the Texas State Rep to the NATA's State Association Advisory Committee. He also serves as a CAATE Site Visitor, writes questions for the BOC examination, and serves on the SWATA Annual Meeting planning committee.

**Allen Hardin** serves as the Chair of the Big 12 Conference Sports Medicine (Medical Aspects of Sport) Committee.

Long-time UT athletic trainer, **Spanky Stephens**, serves as the Executive Director for the Texas State Athletic Trainers’ Association.

**LATSA** raised funds to provide a partial reimbursement to seniors for their BOC exam, provide $600 in scholarship and award money to ATP students, donate to the Craven Fund, donate to the Bonci Scholarship Fund, pay a portion of the registration fees for students that attended the SWATA Competency Workshop, pay for the Inspiration Award Scholarship, and many other endeavors. LATSA members also volunteered at the Buddy Walk, Canned Food Drive, Angel Tree, and Special Olympics and many other events. LATSA also sponsored several NATM initiatives and hosted events for a staff appreciation week. This is all in addition to several social events and other philanthropic activities.

**Victoria Garcia (’17) and Jocelyn Smith (’16)** served on a Medical Service Trip to Costa Rica where they provided medical services for a poor community in San Jose in addition to a tae kwon do tournament and track meet.
Did you know...?

Juliana Jimenez ('17) and Nakita Zano ('17) participated in a summer program with the University of Georgia and the National Sports University in Taiwan, where they learned about differences between Eastern and Western medicine.

Monica Kimmel ('15) was selected as an AT intern in Barcelona, Spain at the Centre de Fisioterapia Toni Bove. She worked with well-known European physiotherapists Toni Bove and Dani Sanchez Jimenez.

Madison Mulford ('15) was the President of the KIN Club.

Sergio Valverde ('15) served as an AT for the Mexican National Football Team in Canton, OH this summer at the IFAF World Championships.
Welcome to The 40 Acres!

Laef Morris replaced Eric Fry as the men’s basketball AT. Laef comes to UT from UCLA where he worked with the Bruin’s basketball team for the past five seasons. He also worked with the women’s water polo team and spent two years working with the track and field and cross-country teams. Originally from Missouri, he earned his master’s degree from Oregon in 2006 and his bachelor’s degree from Missouri State in 2004. Laef has a wife, Allison, and two daughters, Harper and Reagan.

Erin Seeley is working with the track and field team after Kaye Jaynes moved to rowing. She comes to UT from Stanford University where she completed a sports medicine fellowship. She earned her BA from the University of South Carolina and her Master’s from Boston University.

Heidi Wlezien replaced Lisa Stalans as the women’s basketball AT. Heidi comes to UT after working with the WNBA’s Chicago Sky for the past two years. She is from Illinois and earned her BS from Upper Iowa University and her MS from Eastern Illinois University. Her husband’s name is Chris.

Audrey Stone, PhD, ATC joined the faculty in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education. While Dr. Stone was hired to serve as faculty member and researcher in the Exercise Science group, she will assist the ATP with practical exams and will teach General Medical Conditions in Athletic Training course until the new ATP faculty member is aboard.

Annual Farr-B-Q™

The annual Farr-B-Q™ had a good turn out and went well with a bunch of students getting into the pool (thanks to Derek’s suplexes). Thanks to those that came and to those that contributed to the menu.
Paintball War!!

There really isn't a “staff” team anymore, but we still won. Each cohort was able to play with the staff and that team won most of the battles as usual. Although the student team of Liz Hernandez and Raymond Chiu gave the staff team of Brian Farr and Josh Rowan a run for their money and “won” (know how you let your little brother beat you every once in a while, well…) the final 2 on 2 battle. It came down to Brian vs. Liz and Brian is getting too old to run around that much.
HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY

The ATEP and LATSA co-hosted the 2015 High School Sunday event for both high school students and credentialed athletic trainers. Students participated in lectures and labs on stretching, foam rolling, taking vital signs, dynamic warm-up, heat illness, spine boarding, and splinting. The professionals completed a workshop on the Functional Movement Screen and another on the assessment and treatment of the sacro-iliac joint.

LONGHORNS SPORTS MEDICINE CAMP

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Thank you!

2014-15 Preceptors

Trent Carter – Football

Josh Chatman - Football

Kim Detwiler – Softball

LaGwyn Durden – Track and Field

Kelvin Flores – Track and Field

Laef Morris – Men’s Basketball

Kassi Hardee – Women’s Swimming and Diving and Women’s Tennis

Allen Hardin – Co-Director of Athletic Training/Sports Medicine

Kaye Jaynes – Track and Field

Deann Koehler – Volleyball

Tad Leusch – Clinical Education Coordinator

Terry Murphy – Men’s Tennis and Swimming & Diving

Donald Nguyen – Football

Anthony Pass - Football

Gabe Perlaza – Soccer

Tina Rainey - Football

Carisa Raucci – Crew

Lisa Stalans – Women’s Basketball

Mike West – Baseball

UT Medical Staff – Drs. Bray, Zarndt, Claire Gillen, and Monica Seiders
Thank you!

2014-15 Preceptors - Affiliated Clinical Sites:

Cedar Ridge HS – Melissa Harrington, Melissa Ochs

Connally HS – Josh Rowan, Derica Watson

Leander HS – Dawn Allen, Wayne Lauritzen

McNeil HS – Maggie Florez-Cook, Kirk Mollenkopf

Medicine in Motion – Raiza Aguillar, Nick Engel, Becca McCollum, Amy Nester, Martha Pyron, Zankhana Patel

Pflugerville HS – Ellen Boyd, Pete Wimmer

Rouse HS – Miranda Finkelstein, Travis Moore

St. Edwards’ University – Lisa Lowe, Chris Magott, Nicole Reimers

Texas Sports & Family Medicine – Drs. Hutchens, McCarty, Vachris

University Health Services – Dr. Jeff Latimer

Vista Ridge HS – Kristin Rogers

Westwood HS – John Horsley, Mollie Mauritz
The 2014-15 LATSA Officers:

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Liz Hernandez – Treasurer

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Will Zinser – Communications Officer

Raymond Chiu – Parliamentarian

Stephen Galvan - Special Events Liaison

Thank you!

A “thank you” also goes out to the folks that served as guest lecturers in the classroom. Without all of your support and assistance the ATP would not survive. Please keep us updated. We want to hear what you have been up to. If you have not submitted an “alumni information sheet”, or have not updated it in a while, please do so. You can download the form from the “alumni” section of the ATP web site. If you know of alumni that are not on the alumni list or have not sent us an update, please encourage them to contact me or send us an update.