

WHERE WE HAVE BEEN
LOCATIONS OF NATA CONVENTIONS

1950	Kansas City, Mo.	1960	Kansas City, Mo.
1951	Kansas City, Mo.	1961	Madison, Wisconsin
1952	Kansas City, Mo.	1962	Albuquerque, New Mexico
1953	Oxford, Ohio	1963	Cincinnati, Ohio
1954	Kansas City, Mo.	1964	Palo Alto, California
1955	Bloomington, Indiana	1965	Chicago, Illinois
1956	Boston, Mass.	1966	Kansas City, Mo.
1957	Lincoln, Nebraska	1967	Columbus, Ohio
1958	Miami, Florida	1968	Houston, Texas
1959	Columbus, Ohio	1969	Cincinnati, Ohio
	1970		Denver, Colorado
	1971		Baltimore, Maryland
	1972		St. Louis, Missouri
	1973		Atlanta, Georgia
	1974		Kansas City, Mo.



WHERE WE ARE GOING

1975	Anaheim, California
1976	Boston, Mass.
1977	Detroit, Michigan
1978	Las Vegas, Nevada

**NATIONAL ATHLETIC
TRAINERS ASSOCIATION**

25th ANNIVERSARY

1950 - 1974



HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

AND

AWARDS BANQUET

CROWN CENTER HOTEL

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

JUNE 10, 1974

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THE FIRST NATA BOARD - 1950



(L. to R.) Chuck Cramer, Executive Secretary; Fred Peterson, Wyoming; Al Sawdy, Bowling Green; Frank Medina, Texas; Buck Andel, Georgia; Duke Wyre, Maryland; Joe Glander, Oklahoma; Henry Schmidt, Santa Clara, Ca. Absent when picture was taken, Frank Kavanaugh, Cornell; and Dick Wargo, Connecticut.

FROM "THE TRAINER" JUNE 1950

The trainers who attended the Clinic in Kansas City June 24 and 25, 1950 had their headquarters at the Hotel Muehlebach, and their lectures in the air conditioned Little Theatre of the Municipal Auditorium. They organized the National Athletic Trainers Association on a "democratic" and "states rights" principle.

The authority and responsibility for the Association was vested in nine directors, (above) which represented the different districts or conferences which had previously been organized.

In some cases the directors were elected by their members, where enough members of that district were present to make a quorum. In other cases, representatives were requested to "act" for their districts until the official director could become a member. Five of the above named directors had such authority.

The use of the word "democratic" means that all directors have equal power. There are no officers such as president, vice-president, and so forth.

By "states rights", it is meant that each division controls the membership of its own territory. No trainer can join the national association until he has first joined his district, and has been certified by the membership committee of that district that he is eligible to join. In that way each district screens its own members.

Membership is open to university, college, junior college, high school and professional trainers and coaches, with the understanding that no one could be a national director unless he is an athletic trainer of an accredited university. This will all be clarified in the constitution and by-laws. If you are interested in joining, contact the director for the district in which you reside.

1974 NATA BANQUET PROGRAM

- Invocation* Rev. Ron Morris, Fellowship Christian Athletes
- Master of Ceremonies* Bruce Rice, Sports Director, KCMO-TV
- Introduction of Guests* Fred Wappel
- NATA Scholarship* William E. Newell, Chairman Scholarship Committee
Undergraduate—Donald Lee Kaverman, Michigan State University
Postgraduate—William Jack Amos, Furman University
- Wm. E. Newell Scholarship* Bobby Gunn, President, NATA
Douglas Keith Brand, University of Washington
- President's Challenge Cup Award* Frank George, President Elect
Donald L. Cooper, M.D.
- Eddie Wojecki Scholarship Award* Lindsey McLean, Chairman
Certification Committee
- John P. Repsher Linda Jo Hammett
North Adams State College, Ma. Lake Braddock Secondary School,
Burke, Va.
- Presentation of 25 year Awards* Laurence Morgan, Honors Award
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- Edgar H. Biggs Dr. Charles W. Turner
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- Joe Worden
- Honorary Membership Awards* Otho Davis, Executive Director, NATA
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Exec. Sec., NAIA Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Helms Foundation Awards* George Sullivan, Chairman Honors
Award Committee
- Edward Block Anthony Dougal
Lincoln Kimura Ross Moore
Laurence Morgan Wayne Rideout
- Wayne Rudy
- "History and Development of The Athletic Trainer in America"* Dr. Joe Dolan, Chm. HPE & R.
Northeast Missouri State College
- Entertainment* Tony DePardo and his Band

IN THE BEGINNING . . . KANSAS CITY, MO. 1950



SOME HISTORY OF THE FIRST NATA MEETING—FROM THE KANSAS CITY STAR JUNE 25, 1950

If Porky Morgan actually has as many bruises, sprains, dislocations and Charley horses as he was treated for yesterday he would be the greatest wreck since Casey Jones last was at the throttle.

The genial young trainer for St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa, was the guinea pig for a host of tape wielders as the first annual convention of athletic trainers from all over the nation got under way in the Little Theater of the Municipal Auditorium.

Getting in and out of his clothes more often than Gypsy Rose Lee doing a 5-a-day stint, Morgan had precious little of his anatomy which hadn't felt the embrace of adhesive tape, analgesic balm and athletic bandages.

A REGISTRATION OF 214

Along with Morgan, some 214 other trainers, coaches and other sports figures registered in for the convention.

The germs met their master in the person of Dr. Noble P. Sherwood, professor of bacteriology at the University of Kansas and emeritus head of that department at the school. No newcomer to sports himself, Dr. Sherwood mixed humor with scientific germs as he led off the session.

Dr. Elliott S. Strong, team physician for the Adams State College of Alamosa, Colo., then gave a quick course on how young trainers can establish and maintain a working relationship with physicians.

DEMONSTRATION BY MEDINA

Frank Medina, trainer at Texas University, then started Porky Morgan on his way to the title of Mr. Tape of 1950 with a demonstration of ankle injury treatment and taping.

Barely free of ankle tape, Morgan then offered the other end as Duke Wyre, trainer at Maryland University, demonstrated treatment of shoulder injuries.

The morning session wound up with a paper from Edward O'Donnell, supervisor of trainers at Yale University, being read in his absence.

INTRODUCE MENTAL ASPECT

A. S. Reece, staff physician for the sponsoring Cramer Chemical Company of Gardner, Kansas, introduced the mental aspect of injury treatment with a short address and Dave Wike, trainer at Miami University, spoke on showing hospitality to visiting teams, a job which also seems to be the trainer's.

Once again Morgan was called from his seat and his cigar as Fred Peterson, trainer at the University of Wyoming, showed analgesic pack treatment.

The 245 who registered in for the first annual trainers clinic at Municipal Auditorium Saturday and yesterday liked it so well that the affair again will be held here next year.

Chuck Cramer of the sponsoring Cramer Chemical Company said the affair will officially be a convention next year, with the program spread out over three days instead of two and with the date falling close to that of this year.

One of the high points of this first meeting was a trip to the Cramer brothers plant in Gardner, Kansas on Sunday afternoon. It was a "real get acquainted" as the horse trough was rolled into the family orchard to cool the "beverages" and the Cramer ladies set up tables of home cooked Kansas hams and chickens for the visiting trainers, doctors, and families. Both Chuck and Frank Cramer expressed delight with the first attempt at a National Clinic for Athletic Trainers.