



This year's recipients of the Bill Ferrell Endowed Scholarship in Athletic Training are, from left, Kristina Miller, Koji Kanemura, Caitlin Gallion, Lauren Salas and Denise Wick. Wick also won the Dean Weber Endowed Scholarship in Athletic Training. Photo by Brooke Galligan

Athletic Training Students Win Scholarships Honoring Razorback Legends

Five University of Arkansas students in the graduate athletic training education program were named winners of scholarships honoring legendary Razorback athletic trainers Bill Ferrell and Dean Weber.

Caitlin Gallion, Koji Kanemura, Kristina Miller, Lauren Salas and Denise Wick are enrolled in the Master of Athletic Training degree program in the College of Education and Health Professions at the University of Arkansas.

They are the 2013 recipients of the Bill Ferrell Endowed Scholarship in Athletic Training. Wick also won the Dean Weber Endowed Scholarship in Athletic Training presented to the top student in the athletic training education program.

Former University of Arkansas football players who played under the care of Weber and Ferrell established the scholarships. Weber supervised the athletic training operations for men's sports teams for 35 years and now oversees equipment operations for all 19 Razorback teams. Ferrell was head baseball coach and head athletic trainer from 1950 to 1967. He died in 1967.

All five of the student recipients are in the second year of the program and plan to graduate next spring. The master's degree will prepare them to work in all kinds of sports and at all levels of competition as well as in clinical settings.

Gallion, of Auburn, Wash., graduated from Auburn

Mountainview High School and earned a bachelor's degree in physical education with concentrations in pre-physical therapy and pre-athletic training from Pacific Lutheran University. She is the daughter of Pam and Kal Gallion of Auburn.

Kanemura, of Fukuoka, Japan, graduated from Kokura High School in Fukuoka and earned a bachelor's degree in sport sciences from Waseda University in Tokyo. He is the son of Terumi and Yoshimizu Kanemura.

Miller, of Kirkland, Wash., graduated from Inglemoor High School in Kenmore, Wash., and earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology from Western Washington University. She is the daughter of Sandy and Ron Miller.

Salas, of Mesa, Ariz., graduated from Red Mountain High School in Mesa and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Nevada, Reno. She is the daughter of Becky and Kenneth Salas.

Wick, of Stilwell, Okla., graduated from Stillwell High School and earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology-applied exercise science from the University of Arkansas. She is the daughter of Heidi and Norbert Wick.

Each student is doing a clinical rotation with a sports team this semester: Gallion, Rogers High School; Kanemura, Fayetteville High School; Miller, Arkansas women's soccer; Salas, Arkansas swimming and diving; Wick, Rogers Heritage High School.



Program Director's Corner By Jeff Bonacci, D.A., A.T.C., L.A.T.

Greetings, friends and alumni of the graduate athletic training education program.

Fall sports are in full swing here in Fayetteville, and the Razorback football staff and student athletic trainers were excited to embark upon the season in a new facility. Moving from an athletic training facility of 2,500 square feet to one of 8,000 square feet will provide a great learning environment for our students while providing outstanding treatment to injured Razorbacks. The biggest highlight of the facility is the construction of four in-ground therapy pools.

This past summer, the graduate athletic training education program hosted its annual alumni reception at the National Athletic Trainers Association symposium in Las Vegas.

Fun and renewal of old friendships was in full force among the 40 alumni who attended.

Also this summer, second-year students completed their first series of internships around the country. They worked in sports medicine clinics, with professional sports teams and with the athletic department here at the University of Arkansas.

In November, as part of our biannual athletic training speaker series, we will be honored to host U of A alumnus Mark O'Neal, a certified athletic trainer and director of medical administration for the Chicago Cubs.

I am pleased to report that for the fourth year in a row our students had a 100 percent pass rate on the Board of Certification exam on the first attempt. We are all very proud of our students for this accomplishment.



Director of Medical Administration for Chicago Cubs to Talk About Careers

Mark O'Neal, a University of Arkansas graduate who works as director of medical administration for the Chicago Cubs, will speak to students and faculty on campus Nov. 21.

O'Neal earned a bachelor of science in kinesiology in 1989 with an emphasis in athletic training. The College of Education and Health Professions began offering a master's degree in athletic training in 2004.

O'Neal will speak about the career paths students interested in athletic training can pursue and emphasize the importance of internships. He is in his first year as the organization's director of medical administration following eight seasons as the Cubs

head athletic trainer, including the last five as the team's director of athletic training. He supervises 10 athletic trainers. Prior to joining Chicago in 2004, O'Neal spent the previous 15 seasons in the St. Louis Cardinals organization.

His talk is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Nov. 21, in Room 311 of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building.

A certified athletic trainer and member of the National Athletic Trainers Association, O'Neal was selected to be an athletic trainer for the 2009 National League squad at the All-Star Game in St. Louis. He also serves on Major League Baseball's Medical Advisory Committee.



Focus on Research Growing within the Athletic Training Program

By Brendon McDermott, Ph.D., A.T.C.

With the fall semester well underway, students are heavily involved in Razorback athletics and in their local high school clinical assignments. To their credit, they are also working toward their research requirement on top of a full course load.

Testing was completed in the fall semester on a device designed to increase ballistic and heat strain reduction when worn under bullet-proof body armor. Presentations by athletic training faculty and students will be taking place in October at the Central States American College of Sports Medicine meeting in Warrensburg, Mo., on the results of the study.

The athletic training faculty helped out with a study on a novel hand-cooling device used by Stanford University and the San Francisco 49ers. This research was a field study involving two local high schools and our students were exposed to the newest in GPS

team tracking technology and ingestible thermistor body temperature measures being taken during football practices at Bentonville and Rogers high schools. Further, it was a chance for us to catch up with a recent graduate of the program, Yuri Hosakawa, who was helping as a doctoral student and an integral part of the University of Connecticut affiliation with the study.

Students are collecting sweat rate and sweat-electrolyte content analysis from some of our Razorback athletes this year. This is part of an effort to educate our athletes on their fluid losses and potential predispositions to preventable muscle cramping. These results will help maximize performance and prevent heat illness in the end.

Dr. R.J. Elbin has joined the faculty in exercise science and with him comes research potential from a national expert. He joins us straight from the

concussion clinic at the University of Pittsburgh. Naturally, his addition has sparked some interest for athletic training students to become involved in concussion research.

Our students are contributing to research with local athletes in efforts to improve performance and safety for athletes everywhere. This is exciting because we are a part of something that helps establish a standard for others to follow in these areas.



Sports Medicine Symposium Planned for Jan. 18 in Fayetteville

The 8th annual Razorfit Winter Sports Medicine Symposium sponsored by Advanced Orthopaedic Specialists of Fayetteville will be from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18 in the Graduate Education Building Auditorium on the University of Arkansas campus.

This year's keynote presenter will be Lenny Macrina from Champion Sports

Medicine in Birmingham, Ala. His presentation will be "Current Concepts and Rehabilitation of the Glenohumeral Joint."

R.J. Elbin, assistant professor of exercise science at the University of Arkansas, will give a talk called "Emerging Trends and Recent Developments in Sport Related Concussion." In addition, poster presentations of research

by athletic training and exercise science graduates will highlighted during the symposium.

Finally, two one-hour, hands-on concurrent sessions of "Progressive Manual Therapy Shoulder Techniques" and "Special Test for Chronic Shoulder Injuries" will close out the symposium. For registration information, contact Jeff Bonacci at bonacci@uark.edu.



2013 Class Finds Success After Graduation

Kristopher Chalk ATC intern, University of Cincinnati, football	University of Louisiana at Lafayette, tennis
Jessica Cohen physical therapy school, Northwestern University	Lauren Scovill ATC head athletic trainer, Redbud (Ill.) High School, RedBud Regional Hospital
Matthew Holt physician extender, Hindvale Orthopedics, Westmont, Ill.	Kevin Thornton ATC intern, UNC-Charlotte, men's soccer
Yuri Hosokawa kinesiology doctoral student, University of Connecticut	Kristin Triassi ATC intern, University of Nevada, Reno, football and softball
Kathryn Johnson ATC, American School, China	Ashley Vassar ATC, Campbell Clinic, Memphis
Jacqueline Laird head athletic trainer, Lonoke High School	Scott Williams ATC
Clyde Messiah ATC, chiropractic clinic, Houston	Rachel York ATC, San Diego
Jennifer Pridmore ATC intern,	Anna Zelent ATC intern, Furman University, lacrosse

Incoming Class Reports From Oregon to Pennsylvania with Average GPA of 3.45

STUDENT, HOMETOWN, UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTION

Anthony Bruzzichesi Gassville, Arkansas, University of Arkansas	Joseph Lanzetti Nampa, Idaho, Portland State University
Abbey Cook Toluca, Illinois, University of Illinois	Caroline Lounsbury Duluth, Minnesota, University of Minnesota
Ambur Dryer Fayetteville, Arkansas, University of Arkansas	Monica Menchaca College Station, Texas, University of Missouri
Nicole Engler Los Angeles, California, Gonzaga University	Nicole Natter Swanton, Ohio, Indiana University, Purdue University
Cayla Fritz Denton, Texas, Texas Woman's University	Alyssa Plantz Nashville, Tennessee, University of Arkansas
James Grant Wilmette, Illinois, University of Colorado	Brittany Santucci Beaverton, Oregon, University of California, Berkley
Will Hankins Texarkana, Arkansas, University of Arkansas	Andrew Scheumann Worden, Illinois, Southern Illinois University
Spencer Hiatt Reno, Nevada, University of Nevada	Audrey White Carthage, Missouri, University of Missouri

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