FALL/WINTER NEWSLETTER

President’s Column

By: Jack Sullivan

I hope our NATYCAA members are all enjoying another rewarding year of athletic administration. As NATYCAA President I would like to express my gratitude for all that you do in support of intercollegiate athletics. The positive impact that you have had on the lives of student/athletes is something that we all should celebrate and be proud of.

NATYCAA has continued to grow and build momentum under the guidance of immediate past President Jim Forkum; we hope to keep this momentum going and build on it for the 2013-2014 academic year. The outstanding commitment of the three affiliate associations that make up NATYCAA; CCCAA , NWAACC and NJCAA has impacted NATYCAA in a positive manner and our membership is bigger and stronger than ever. The foresight of our founding fathers to align with NACDA has put our Alliance in good company with two and four year institutions alike. Not only do we share common interests within NATYCAA but our association with NACDA is of great benefit. Recently NACDA has added CoSIDA and N4A to the association. Both organizations are resources we can tap into for professional development in the areas of academic support and promotion of our programs and student/athletes. Our profession continually evolves and it is our mission to provide timely professional development sessions that are currently impacting intercollegiate athletics. The week of June 9th will be this year’s NATYCAA/NACDA convention in Orlando, Florida where we look to host several professional development sessions. The addition of N4A and CoSIDA has put a premium on room availability at the World Marriot and I encourage all to register early. A major part of this year’s convention will be our awards luncheon where the Scholar Athlete of the Year Awards, L. William Miller Award and the 2014 Hall of Fame Class are all honored. The executive committee is actively seeking nominations for all of these honors. Nomination forms and applications are located on the NATYCAA website for the submission of worthy candidates.

The Officers and Executive committee are also seeking input from the membership in regards to topics to be presented in our professional development sessions. I have had the pleasure of attending the last ten conventions and found them to be extremely rewarding and I have benefited greatly from my involvement. Good luck in the coming New Year and I hope to see all of you in June at our convention.

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2013 CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

The 2013 NATYCAA Convention was held June 11-15 at the World Center Marriott Resort in Orlando, Florida with the theme of, “New Hurdles for the Next 25 Years—The Changing Landscape of Intercollegiate Athletics.”

NATYCAA Social Events included a Golf Outing at Hawks Landing Golf Course and a gathering at Dave & Buster’s. A special thanks to Ron Case for organizing the event.

NATYCAA President’s Welcome – Jim Forkum, Santa Rosa Community College Athletics Director.
Keynote Address – Dr. Rod Risley, CEO of Phi Theta Kappa

General Session: Aileen Gelpi, Esq, addressing “Students with Disability Legislation from the Office of Civil Rights.”

General Session: Tyler Cundith, Johnson CC; Cindy Potter, Columbia College; Jim Dice, Johnson CC addressing, “Promoting Student-Athletes without the benefit of a Sports Information Director.”

NATYCAA Awards Luncheon: Keynote Address – Kevin Anderson, NACDA President, Director of Athletics at the University of Maryland. NATYCAA Awards presented included the NATYCAA Hall of Fame Inductees, L. William Miller Award, and NATYCAA Scholar-Athlete Awards followed by the presentation of the NATYCAA Cup and the Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup.

General Session: Jim Forkum, Santa Rosa Community College Athletics Director, conducted the annual business meeting and gave recognition to our corporate sponsors for their continued support.

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General Session: Tim Neal MS, ATC, Assistant Director of Athletics for Sports Medicine, Syracuse University presented, “Sports Medicine Department Risk Management Considerations”.

General Session: Michael Wilcox, Wilcox Sports Management who presented on “Planning your Financial Future”.

General Session: Anton Goff, Athletic Director Bowie State; Greg Dana, Associate Director of Academic and Membership Affairs, NCAA, presented, "Junior College Transfer Legislation and Compliance".

General Session: Hal Maxfield, NACDA Legal Counsel; Renee Gomila, Associate Director of Enforcement, NCAA, presented, "The Liability of Leadership”.

Douglas Spiwak featured in College Athletics & the Law

Douglas Spiwak, the Director of Athletics and Fitness at Harper College was recently featured in the August edition of College Athletics and the Law. In the article, Douglas outlines how Harper College has been able to collaborate with his institution’s disability services office to ensure that students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in college athletics.

In January of 2013, the US Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights issued a directive that institutions must ensure equal opportunities for disabled student-athletes and provide reasonable accommodations.

To ensure compliance with the directive, Spiwak suggests first reminding your coaching staff that a "disability is not a disqualifier". Reasonable accommodations can be determined with the help of your disability services office or by asking the student-athlete what accommodations have worked for him/her in the past.

For teams with open tryouts, coaches are required to document a student’s skill level and athletic ability from standardized tests. Tryouts are posted well in advance so accommodations can be arranged for those needing them.

Being inclusive, Spiwak states is a matter of recalling the justification for athletic programs. He suggests looking for solutions as “athletics link students to their institutions and ultimately that leads to better academic success. So if you have an athlete with a disability, it’s important to be creative about finding ways to help him participate.”
Learfield Presentation

The Gloucester County College Roadrunners recently celebrated a historic year at the on-campus presentation of the 2012-13 Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup.

NACDA Directors’ Cup Committee Chair, Terri Howes of West Virginia University and Mike McCullom of Learfield Sports were on hand to present the 2012-13 Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup for Two-Year Colleges to GCC President, Dr. Fred Keating, Director of Athletics, Ron Case and Assistant Director of Athletics Brian Rowan in front of a crowd of Roadrunner Student Athletes, Coaches, College Administrators, Faculty, Staff, Family Members and Friends.

The Roadrunners earned five NJCAA National Championships in Women’s Tennis, Cross Country and Track & Field, as well as Baseball and Men’s Tennis. Second place national finishes in Women’s Soccer and Men’s Cross Country helped propel GCC to its first-ever Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup as the best overall two-year college athletic program in the country at any level and its fourth consecutive NATYCAA Cup for the best Two-Year College Non-scholarship NJCAA Athletic Program in the Country.

The Recognition Ceremony also included the on-campus presentations of: NACDA’s Under Armour Athletic Director of the Year Award to Ron Case by past NACDA President Bill Bradshaw, the College Baseball Hall of Fame’s Inaugural Skip Bertman Award for National College Baseball Coach of the Year to Mike Dickson by former GCC Head Coach Barry Davis, and the 2012-13 CAANJ Cup for the best overall two-year college athletic program in New Jersey to the College by CAANJ Past-President, Terry Small.

The ceremony also included the unveiling of GCC’s updated National Championshhip, Individual National Champions and All-American displays which are located in the lobby of the PE Center on campus. Three outdoor scoreboard which were sponsored by the Coca-Cola Company were unveiled. It was an unbelievable year for the Roadrunner Athletic Program”, said Athletics Director, Ron Case. “While we always attempt to set our goals high and then do everything we can to reach them, the honors earned this past season by our student athletes and coaches were beyond our wildest dreams. The entire Gloucester County College Community would like to thank Learfield Sports and NACDA for their tremendous support of intercollegiate athletics and for allowing the two-year college community to participate in the Directors’ Cup Program. We are also very grateful to Under Armour, NATYCAA, the CAANJ and the College Baseball Hall of Fame for all of the great things they do in promoting and supporting intercollegiate athletics at all levels”.

Former NJCAA Executive Honored

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO – George E. Killian, who led the NJCAA for 35 years as its executive director, was inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame on Sunday, Nov. 24th, in Kansas City, Mo., as part of a three-day celebration that also included the CBE Hall of Fame Classic featuring Texas, BYU, DePaul and Wichita State at the nearby Sprint Center.

Killian is one of nine individuals and one team that was inducted into the Hall of Fame, including renowned coaches Gene Keady and Rollie Massimino. Killian began his career in the NJCAA as the athletic director and head men’s basketball coach at Erie Community College (N.Y.) in 1954. He was elected president of the NJCAA in 1967 and two years later was tabbed as the organization’s first executive director - a post he held until 2004. His vision, dedication and leadership helped establish the NJCAA as the second-largest national collegiate athletic organization in the United States. He was instrumental in fostering the organization’s special role in providing athletic and academic opportunities to student-athletes and lifted the NJCAA’s men’s basketball championship tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., to national prominence. In addition to his leadership with the NJCAA, Killian was a key figure on the international stage. From 1990-98, Killian served as the president of FIBA, the international governing body of basketball. He also was a member of the United States Olympic Committee’s Board of Directors from 1967-2004 and had a seat on the International Olympic Committee from 1996-98. In 1999 he was elected president of FISU (International University Sports Federation) and served two terms before resigning in 2011.

Legacy Fund

The Legacy Fund allows our organization to seek and solicit donations from current, former and retired members, friends and families, college booster clubs, corporations and many other interested parties. Information regarding the Legacy Fund can be found by going to natycaa.com then clicking on the Legacy Fund link.

The minimum donation of $250 secures your place on Founders Row, where supporters’ names will remain on the website to honor the commitment to the fund. Your contribution assures a strong and secure financial future for NATYCAA.

To date, $11,000 has been donated or pledged to the Legacy Fund.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 24-26
Mid-Winter Meetings
Hilton Resort
Marco Island, FL

June 8-10
NAYTCAA Convention
World Ctr Marriott Resort
Orlando, FL

June 9-12
NACDA Convention
World Ctr Marriott Resort
Orlando, FL

NATYCAA CONVENTION PLANNING

Please forward your suggestions for convention planning to Tim Drain, Tyler Junior College, tdrn@tjc.edu.
The National Alliance of Two Year College Athletic Administrators, NATYCAA, was established in 1987 by 10 forward-thinking athletic administrators who recognized the need for individuals involved in two-year athletic programs to have an organization that represented their needs and values.

NATYCAA is dedicated to the growth and development of two-year college athletics. The organization provides an opportunity for administrators to exchange ideas and information related to all phases of athletics among community colleges, junior colleges, and two-year extensions of senior institutions through annual conventions, newsletters, and a professional publication.

Many times issues that challenge athletic administrators are convention topics. Traditionally, these conventions have been opportune times to receive information and materials to assist in creating guidelines and procedures for programs. NATYCAA also provides other benefits such as the recognition of Scholar Athletes for two-year institutions.

Another benefit for membership to NATYCAA is the opportunity for interaction with other organizations that are within the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA). In 1999, NATYCAA became an affiliate member of NACDA and this relationship fostered great information sharing between four-year athletic programs, marketing people, compliance people, and business management people. Opportunities also exist for leadership training.

No other organization can offer the unique focus that represents the needs of the two-year athletic administrator. The organization is dedicated to the continuing growth and development of two-year college athletics and supports the membership through the exchanging of information, monitoring legislation, promoting academic excellence and encouraging a high degree of integrity in all endeavors.

### NATYCAA AWARDS AND HONORS

#### 2012-13 NATYCAA Cup Winners
- **NJCAA Scholarship Division** ................. Iowa Central CC
- **NJCAA Non-Scholarship Division** ............... Gloucester CC
- **State Association Division** ................... Mr. San Antonio College, Iowa

#### 2012-13 Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup Winners
- First Place.................Gloucester CC
- Second Place..............Iowa Central CC
- Third Place......Mr. San Antonio College
- Fourth Place...............Monroe CC
- Fifth Place...................Suffolk CC

- **NATYCAA Scholar-Athletes of the Year**
  - (Sponsored by Summit America Insurance)
  - Kristina Morgan, Gloucester County College
  - Matthew Whitlatch, Paradise Valley Community College

- **L. William Miller Award**
  - Carl Heinrich, Johnson County CC

- **NATYCAA Hall of Fame**
  - Jack Martin, County College of Morris
  - Mary Mahan, Miami-Dade College

- **UNDER ARMOUR Athletics Directors of the Year**
  - Ron Case, Gloucester County College
  - Troy Tucker, Northampton Community College
  - Jim Forkum, Santa Rosa Junior College
  - Randy Stange, Hutchinson Community College