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## A Letter from the President

I would like to take a few moments to highlight a group of individuals whose efforts have contributed to a point of pride for the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association. In 2014, Dr. Matthew Kutz and Kurt McClurg, as OATA President during that time, envisioned and began *The Journal of Sports Medicine and Allied Health Sciences: The Official Journal of the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association*.

Through the past few years the journal has demonstrated tremendous growth. The OATA would be remiss if we did not express gratitude to Dr. Dawn Shinew, Dean of the College of Education and Human Development at Bowling Green State University, for the support she has shown for the journal. Additionally, we applaud the remarkable accomplishments of Emily D. Gattozzi, Director of Scholarly Publishing at the BGSU library, as well as her team of individuals who have contributed substantial energies on the indexing process.

Particular points of notoriety include over 14,000 downloads, two-thirds of which happened within the last year. The JSMAHS has also achieved national indexing in the Directory of Open Access Journals Database, and most recently EBSCO.

As we conclude the 2018 OATA Annual Symposium, we congratulate the free communications professional winners for this year: Kim Barber Foss and Kylie Powell, as well as recognize the student award winners: Kyle Arcaro and Laurnyn Lanzer.

I'm looking forward to seeing what new heights the journal will soar to in the upcoming year.

Sincerely,

Siobhan Fagan  
Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association President