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President's Message

Spring has finally SPRUNG and so has the modernization of our athletic training practice act in Pennsylvania! Before I write more on that however, I want to recap some highlights from PATS members over the last few months celebrating this profession we call "ours".

March brought us yet another National Athletic Training Month with the theme of "Providing Healthcare Everywhere" and it was exciting and inspiring to witness the AT advocacy and appreciation from across the State! It was so fun to log into social media each morning and see all of the fun ways ATs were being honored and appreciated by their peers, employers, patients, and stakeholders. Personally, I love celebrating NATM and try to thank those athletic trainers around me during March with a small note and trinket. Creating these moments is honestly one of the highlights of the month for me that I look forward to annually. Whether its lip balm for my co-workers (because they are BALM athletic trainers 😊) to trail mix for our PATS chairs (who always lead us down a TRAIL of success) or blue and gold donuts for the Pitt clinical athletic trainers from the program faculty I look to find ways to let the ATs around me know that I am thankful for their work and acknowledge them as role models in our profession

You will find more of these stories throughout this newsletter as well from Amy and Pete's jumbotron shout-out at West Allegheny High School to words of appreciation on Twitter from various institutions and even the PIAA and PSAC! The PR committee worked hard distributing hundreds of NATM stickers for the PATS hashtag campaign "show us where you're essential" and the students really leveled up the month with some creative and fun tik-toks for the student contest. If you haven't seen them yet, check the PATS YouTube channel....and if you would still like a sticker, I think a handful will be available during the PATS Symposium in June! To that end, I hope you were on the receiving end of a gift or post of appreciation as well and if you were, we would love to hear about it, please consider submitting your story through the "submit news" tab on the website!



March also saw the return of two annual events for PATS after a 2 year COVID related hiatus, the PATS Student Symposium and Hike to Harrisburg! Students from across the state converged on Pitts campus the first weekend of March kicking off the student symposium with an evening of friendship and mindfulness taking advantage of several relaxation stations as they networked and enjoyed being together again throughout the evening. The next day was full of excellent educational programming highlighted by awarding the PATS lifesaver award to Pitts own Molly Trott! Molly's story is inspiring and was just featured on ESPN, if you didn't see it you can catch it at this link. <https://youtu.be/fPh5bFBPeYM>. You can find more information and details from the symposium in the newsletter and a huge Thank You for the planning committee that put together such an amazing weekend. The end of March found us "hiking" off to Harrisburg to advocate for athletic training in the Commonwealth. Over 30 athletic trainers and students took part in the day meeting with their local legislators, interacting with those passing by the 2 educational tables PATS had on display and dropping off educational packets for those legislators that were unable to meet with.



Our Mission:

Empower Athletic Trainers to be leaders in transforming healthcare by advocating, educating, and providing resources to deliver quality patient-centered care.

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A highlight of the day was our meeting with Senator Lisa Baker, prime sponsor of Senate Bills 1160 and 1161. Senator Baker took time to meet and chat with a group of students from Kings College (her legislative district) as well as Dr. Greg Janik. The meeting was capped off with a visit to the Senate floor listening to the history behind the building, what a typical day looks like and even a few people trying out some of the Senate seats! (You're a natural GJ! 😊) I am beyond grateful that we were able to gather again at the State Capital for this event and even more so for the tremendous response we had from ATs willing and able to attend that day. March quickly wrapped and April brought us some exciting news. If you haven't heard...the bills to modernize our athletic training practice act and bring it up to par with our educational standards and national certification have been introduced, Senate Bills 1160 and 1161 (State Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine respectively). This is NO easy feat as you can imagine and really takes the support and grassroots efforts of everyone athletic training touches. I know the governmental affairs section will offer greater detail on our proposed changes and asks, however please let me take a moment to make my own personal plea for your assistance in supporting this endeavor.

President's Message, Continued

PATS has developed several avenues of support for the bills, from a simple fill and click program (voter voice) to send an email to your local legislator, to supporting face to face meetings in your local district, or perhaps consider inviting your legislator to your workplace or institution to take a tour and discuss how YOU are "healthcare everywhere". Grassroots support is critical to success and our early campaigns were overwhelmingly positive, a turnout that had many legislators and their staffers commenting to PATS at Hike to Harrisburg that we are being heard! THANK YOU to all who took the time out of their day to send a letter or share our voter voice campaign with family and friends. However, we cant be complacent now and welcome everyone's support to see this through. Lastly, I want to take a moment to congratulate all the 2022 Athletic Training program graduates statewide. You all have endured 2 years of remote or modified courses, clinicals, activities, masks, mandates, and finally as graduation drew near....a gradual return to "normal". I have had the fortune to meet many of you over the last few months and I am so excited to watch you all grow into young professionals in athletic training. There is the saying "you never know how strong you are until strong is your only option". I hope when you are having a stressful day or doubting your capabilities you think back to these past two years and find strength and inspiration in the perseverance you've shown. Welcome graduates to the PATS family and in my opinion, the absolute greatest profession there is on this earth.

Shelly

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PATS Student Symposium
Pictures by Phil Hensler
Photography

News & Noteworthy

Henry Schein celebrates a PA AT Rising Star

In honor of National Athletic Training Month, Henry Schein Medical is recognizing emerging athletic trainers in the sports medicine industry through its annual Rising Star Award. The award celebrates recently graduated athletic trainers who have not yet reached a senior chief-level position but have a strong career trajectory.

Dylan Bradley, Head Athletic Trainer at Panther Valley High School and St. Luke's Sports Medicine in Pennsylvania, is one of the six finalists in the running to be the next #ATRisingStar. He was nominated for being a role model for young professionals and other athletic trainers at St. Luke's University Health Network. He has started many initiatives to better the community and population he works with, recognizing issues within the secondary school sports medicine setting and correlating them to community health disparities. Dylan has achieved the NATA Safe Sports School Award and has completed the Community Health Worker course to obtain a CHW certification.

Hike to Harrisburg 2022

On March 29, PATS had our annual Hike to Harrisburg, and we were back in the Capitol for the first time in two years. It was great to be able to interact with legislators and the public to advocate for our profession. Senator Tommy Tomlinson, a longtime friend of ATs, introduced a resolution recognizing ATs during NATM. Sen Tomlinson was unable to meet us for our advocacy day, but we were able to present his Legislative Director, Jen Smeltz, with an award from the NATA entitled "Friends of Athletic Training". We also presented the award to the prime sponsor of our legislation, Sen Lisa Baker as well as Senator Katie Muth and Representative Tim Briggs.



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News & Noteworthy

PATS Student Symposium

After three years of virtual events and gatherings, the Pennsylvania Athletic Trainers' Society (PATS) was back in person for the PATS Student Symposium, and for the first time ever, the University of Pittsburgh hosted the event. From educational presentations and lectures to hands-on exhibits and activities, the experience provided Athletic Training (AT) students with an opportunity to connect, network and share their experiences with one another. A total of 102 students attended, representing 12 universities around the Commonwealth.

The event kicked off Friday night at the Hotel Indigo. The theme of the evening was "Mindfulness" and students were able to participate in activities to reduce stress. Students had the opportunity to relax with meditation and chair yoga, while other students chose to spend some time coloring a giant poster. One of the most popular events of the evening was the opportunity to interact with the therapy dogs. Animal Friends of Pittsburgh volunteers were on site and four dogs visited with the students throughout the event. All these activities provided the students a chance to network with each other in a relaxed environment.

A full day of educational and professional development events were held at the William Pitt Student Union on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh on Saturday. Presentations geared toward professional development included BOC exam preparation, personal and professional branding on social media, and financial planning.

Clinically focused topics included the use of therapy dogs to aid mental health care, joint dislocations and reductions, emergency action planning and diagnostic ultrasound. Among the speakers presenting were:

-Dr. Jeanne Doperak, a Pitt team physician and medical director of the Athletic Training Program, a role she has accepted following the passing of Sports Medicine legend Dr. Freddie Fu.

-UPMC Physician Dr. Kentaro Onishi, who has worked with the U.S. Olympic Team and is a leading expert in musculoskeletal ultrasound use in the field of Sports Medicine.

-Larry Cooper, LAT, ATC, who served as a closing speaker discussing professional development. Cooper was inducted into the National Athletic Training Hall of Fame in 2021 and was enthusiastic to share his wisdom with the attendees.

Three students were selected to give presentations of their current research projects:

-Ryan Kupetz, Lock Haven University: *The Effect of Sleep Duration on Athletic Performance in Male and Female Division II Collegiate Soccer Players – A Pilot Study*

-Megan Helf, Moravian University – *Acetabulum Fracture and Labral Tear in a High School Football Player – A Case Study*

Avery Powers, Chatham University – *Morel Lavelle withing Collegiate Football Athletes*

News & Noteworthy

PATS Student Symposium Continued...

During lunch and the Career Expo, students had an opportunity to engage with employers from UPMC Sports Medicine, Lehigh Valley Health Network, Pivot Physical Therapy, Rothman Institute, CIP Solutions, Excelsa Health and Orthopedic Associates of Lancaster. Members of the PATS Executive Board were also present during lunch and had a chance to meet and talk with the students. In addition, Phillip Hensler Photography (PATS member Phil Hensler, MS, LAT, ATC) was on-site providing professional images and headshots for student attendees.

A special presentation was made to Molly Trott, MS, LAT ATC, athletic trainer for the University of Pittsburgh Track and Field teams. Molly donated her kidney to 4-year-old Daniel, the son of Pitt Strength & Conditioning Coach Mary Beth George. This selfless act earned Molly the PATS Lifesaver Award.

No special event in Pittsburgh would be complete with a cookie table! PATS President, Shelly DiCesaro, PhD, LAT, ATC, provided the attendees with a fantastic display of homemade cookies to enjoy at the conclusion of the symposium.

Check out this video that Phil Hensler created about the event!
<https://youtu.be/R7GIT3Xbp1Y>



PATS Student Symposium Pictures by Phil Hensler Photography



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Registration for the 2022 PATS Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium held June 10-11, 2022 at the Sheraton Harrisburg / Hershey is OPEN! Visit the PATS website to register.

We are excited to see you there!

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Thank you to all those who submitted nominations for the Outstanding Educator and Outstanding Preceptor Awards. Recipients of these awards have been selected and the awards will be presented at the PATS Annual Meeting in June.

Students: The Athletic Training Student Seminar (ATSS), presented in conjunction with NATA Clinical Symposia and AT Expo, and coordinated by the NATA Student Leadership Committee, is designed to give students a more in-depth look at the profession. Early registration has been extended! You can find the agenda [here](#). The NATA-SLC also offers the [Chuck Kimmel First-Time Attendee Award](#) for AT students who have never attended the NATA annual convention. Applications accepted through April 15.

All Members: The NATA Research Survey Service is available to members to assist with academic research projects. NATA members who need data for research purposes may request research subjects by state, NATA district, member type and/or work setting. Visit <https://www.nata.org/research-survey-request>

PATS Committee News

Ethics

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Do you know how to file an ethics complaint? Visit the PATS 'About Us' website to read about the process for filing a complaint against a Commonwealth athletic trainer ethics. You can also find the PATS Code of Ethics and the NATA Code of Ethics.

<https://www.gopats.org/about>

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See you at convention!

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PATS has been busy on the governmental affairs front. First, we have bills! **SB 1160 and SB 1161 will modernize the current practice act that athletic trainers work under in PA.** If you haven't recently read through the law or rules and regulations that define our scope of practice, please do. We are working hard with the introduction of our legislation to ensure that all Pennsylvanians can access the unique and much needed services of an athletic trainer at the direction of a physician. We also want to ensure that ATs can work to the fullest extent of our education and training and that our practice act does not restrict our practice, especially those that fall under the life-saving category. Be on the lookout for notifications from PATS on how you can help advance our legislation! We will be asking for more letters to be sent to legislators and meetings or calls with local legislators. **You are crucial to our effort!** Friends, family, and colleagues are also encouraged to reach out as well!

We continue to hold meetings with key stakeholders and other groups to help our cause. Our lobbying firm, Milliron Goodman, has been integral for getting us to be in this position. Our executive board legislative group has been working hard behind the scenes and I am grateful for what we continue to accomplish. Please contact me with any questions: *governmentalaffairsPATS@gmail.com*

PATS Committee News

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The Honors and Awards committee is excited to thank and recognize award and scholarship recipients for their accomplishments during this year's 2022 Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium June 10-11 at the Sheraton Harrisburg / Hershey.

2022 Award Recipients include:

Chuck Medlar Award:
George Roberts, MEd, LAT, ATC

Distinguished Merit Award:
Rebecca L. Mokris D.Ed., LAT, ATC, CES, ROT

PATS Service Award:
Rich Bertie, MS, LAT, ATC
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Congratulations to the newly elected PATS Executive Board Members:
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North West Rep: Josh Long

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April was National Minority Health Month and this year's theme is Give Your Community a Boost! You can learn more about National Minority Health Month from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services at minorityhealth.hhs.gov.



Membership Engagement & Value

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This quarter Member Engagement and Value launched a new renewal form to streamline PATS membership for our PATS only members. If you are due to renew your PATS membership visit our renewal form on the PATS website!

Did you know you can gift a PATS membership? If you know someone who may be interested in becoming a PATS member or want to give a membership and "pay it forward" visit the "Gift A Membership" on the PATS website.

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The COPA committee is looking forward to hosting webinars within 2022 to advocate, educate, and collaborate with others within the Emerging Settings! Stephanie Walsh hosted the 12 Days of Ergonomics within her industrial setting to bring both Ergonomics and the Holiday Season together. Each day was celebrated with a unique theme surrounding safety and ergonomics. Activities included demonstrating proper lifting techniques, knowing and identifying neutral posture, practicing department specific stretches, and maintaining power zones. Team members enjoyed fun and laughter while practicing key injury prevention measures at JBS Souderton.

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Please be on the lookout for registration for the ATPAC lunch event during the 2022 PATS Convention. The Lunch event will be held on Friday, June 10th from 11:00am- 1:00pm.

The PA Athletic Trainers' Political Action Committee would like to thank all of our donors. The PAC relies on donations from PATS members and allows us to advocate for our profession to impact legislators and legislation in the commonwealth. THANK YOU !

If you would like to donate to the PAC please visit
<https://www.patpac.org/store/p2/Donation.html>

PA AT Political Action Committee

We support PA legislators that support ATs and all of our patients.



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PATS Committee News

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To celebrate NATM, PATS sent out 2022 NATM stickers to the first 100 people who registered via the Google Form sent out via social media and Presidential Alert! PA ATs shared pictures of their stickers including the #ProvidingHealthCareEverywhere and #PATSNATM. You can see pictures on the PATS Instagram page under the NATM story.

We also ran a Student PR Tik Tok Contest for NATM. ATP students were encouraged to create Tik Toks to promote the NATM 2022 theme "Providing Health Care Everywhere".



Secondary Schools

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March was all about promotion of Athletic trainers, for us specifically in the secondary school setting. Below are pictures of all the ways Wilson Area High School and Boyertown High School celebrated. Audrey The athletic trainers at Exeter High School reviewed a feature article for National Athletic Training Month that can be found here: https://sites.google.com/myexeter.org/exeter_talon/home



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Technology

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Check out the latest PATS Podcasts at Episode 25 with Megan Pomarensky talking about Pain Science and the Biopsychosocial Lens and Episode 26 with Ted Fessides talking about the EMT-AT relationship. You can find the Podcasts on the PATS YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/user/gopatsAT> or on the homepage of our website gopats.org. As a reminder, we ask that anyone requesting social media posts to use our form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqDhMIC4tSOYePBUNvHdspayqlyvjDiFhr5cg5FxSTdzV9Sw/viewform?usp=sf_link. If you routinely ask for social media posts, please save this link in your favorites. You can also get this link as an auto response if you email the committee at technologyPATS@gmail.com.

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PATS Regional Representative News

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I hope everyone had a wonderful NATM and was able to celebrate it at each of your respected workplaces. My East Stroudsburg University ATS's developed and created a fantastic NATM bulletin board in the hallway outside my athletic training facility and received compliments all month. I would like to bid Matt Frantz Good Luck as he plots a new course for his career. Unfortunately for me he has to step down from the Northampton County Delegate position in order to focus on his new path. Matt has been the Northampton County Delegate for well over 10 years and I thank him for his service to PATS. With that being said, I would like to introduce Aaron Boggs as the athletic trainer to take over that delegate position. Aaron is a Program Manager for Sports Relations at St. Luke's University Health Network and has been an athletic trainer for over 20 years. I have no doubt that he will have no problem picking up where Matt left off serving Northampton County PATS membership. It is safe to say that many of us are well into our spring sports season. May your wins be plentiful, your sprains be few and the weather continue to warm up. Remember to advocate for yourself, if you don't, who will? Thank you for your continued support for PATS.

Southeast

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Hello everyone!

I hope that the change in weather is coming and we will all be together soon in Harrisburg. A huge thanks to all who attended Hike to Harrisburg! This time is incredibly important and it was especially exciting to see such a large contingent from West Chester University's athletic training education program. Speaking of West Chester's ATP, a huge congratulations to West Chester on the celebration of over 50 years of athletic training education. A celebration to commemorate the milestone will be held June 29th. To all West Chester alum and faculty past and present, congratulations! Again, I am looking forward to the next few months, especially the opportunity to see so many who I have missed over these past few years. See you in Harrisburg!



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Greetings from the Southwest Region! These past few months, particularly March, has been one of the busiest AT related months that I can recall for the Southwest region, so this is a bit lengthy!

For the month of March, two local athletic trainers were spotted at the entrance of the West Allegheny High School posing for photo at the digital entrance display. The display was recognizing March as National Athletic Training month. Great job Pete Houdek and Amy Robinson in promoting the profession within the region!

Southwest Continued...

On March 4th-5th, that PATS Student Symposium was hosted in the Region at the University of Pittsburgh. There were over 100 student attendees representing most of the AT programs across the commonwealth. A big shoutout to the organizing committee for their efforts in making this happen; Dr. Mary Murray, Kathleen Nachazel, Brittany Buchheit, Jessica Johns, Nina Soffer and Dr. Devin Kielur. The photographer for the event was local athletic trainer, Phil Hensler through Hensler Photography. Check out a video created by Phil: <https://youtu.be/R7GIT3Xbp1Y>

During the event, Ms. Molly Trott, Pitt Athletic Trainer, was recognized with a PATS Lifesaver Award and Ms. Kate McCartney was recognized in her role in advocating for the donor family that ended in finding a donor match. There were 3 student abstract presentations selected for the event, one was local to the Southwest Region from Chatham University, Avery Powers.

From Duquesne University, the National Academies of Practice (NAP) announced the election of Sarah Manspeaker, PhD, LAT, ATC as a Distinguished Scholar Fellow. Class of 2022 Fellows were welcomed into the National Academies of Practice during the awards and induction ceremony in San Diego, California on March 5, 2022.

Pittsburgh based hospital system, Allegheny Health Network (AHN) spent the month recognizing their AT staff with support from leadership and team physicians in the following manner:

PATS Regional Representative News

Southwest Continued...

- Week one - AED's for all AHN contractual locations
- Week two- Polar Pods for all contract sites
- Week three- 2 Pirate Tickets for all AHN AT's
- Week four - \$50.00 merchandise cards for all AT's and AHN fun packs.

For over two decades, the University of Pittsburgh has hosted the Allegheny County Special Olympics Basketball Tournament, and after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the event came back Pitt on Sunday, March 13th! Sports Medicine and Nutrition Department Chair Kevin Conley is the University's liaison with the Special Olympics staff and has helped bring an array of Pitt resources to the tournament over the years, including coordinating the volunteers and medical first responders. Kudos to SHRS, MS in Sports Medicine students, Nathan Thao and Erykah Jerome, for serving as volunteers for the event!

During March, Duquesne University acted as host to the first and second rounds of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament in Pittsburgh at the PPG Paints Arena. The ATSS of Duquesne were spotted playing an integral role in the healthcare delivery of the tournament, including court set up and break down, practice assistance, medical time-outs and review of EAPs with other medical teams. Well done Duquesne University AT staff, faculty and students!

Southwest Continued...

On March 29th, the Pittsburgh Penguins hosted Athletic Training Appreciation night with a discounted link for tickets. There were over 50 tickets sold and more than a dozen athletic trainers present for the game. A small social convened at Pizza Milano prior to the game against the NY Rangers.

Waynesburg University and Chatham University took advantage of a coordinated learning opportunity hosted by the AT staff of UPMC Sports Medicine. Both MSAT programs participated in an on-ice spine boarding event at Hunt Armory in February. The program was facilitated by UPMC Sports Medicine's Emergency Care Committee. Programming focused on equipment and environment spine-boarding innuendos pertaining to the sport of Ice-hockey.

From Waynesburg University in the Southwest Region:

- Asst. AT Mr. James Roundtree MS, ATC presented a poster at the annual American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) Conference titled "Discussing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at a Rural, Christian Institution" on behalf of Waynesburg University and the Athletics Department.
- Dr. Kimberly Wise participated in volunteerism at On Eagles' Wings to gain insights into "Therapeutic Horsemanship" for individuals with disabilities, enabling them to enrich and enhance their lives through equine assisted activities and therapies.

PATS Regional Representative News

Southwest Continued...

- Dr. Kimberly Wise led a Waynesburg University Teaching Discussion group presenting on the topic of “Educational Mindfulness and Vulnerability”.
- The Waynesburg University Health Science Student Association in conjunction with Exercise Science and Athletic Training Faculty and Staff members completed a “no-sew” blanket service project aligned with Project Linus and the Ronald McDonald house. The group created blankets that were donated to provide warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need.

Stay safe, stay healthy and I hope to see you all very soon.



Southwest Continued...



Treasurer's Report

	2/6/2022	2/1/2021	Difference
Checking (Main- Wells Fargo)	\$131,169.37	\$69,043.53	\$62,125.84
Scholarship- Wells Fargo	\$230,803.11	\$203,167.98	\$27,635.13
Research- Wells Fargo	\$112,302.43	\$103,758.81	\$8,543.62
PNC	\$12,953.03	\$0.00	\$12,953.03
Total	\$487,227.94	\$375,970.32	\$111,257.62