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MT. SAC ATHLETIC TRAINERS TO TRAVEL THE WORLD!



Walnut, CA - Most people may know about the championship winning Mt. SAC Athletic Programs, but few know about the world renown Mt. SAC Athletic Training Staff who keep the Mt. SAC Student-Athletes healthy and able to compete. This year Mt. SAC Head Athletic Trainers Bill Ito, Andy Paulin and Carsandra Taylor will be traveling the world as National Team Athletic Trainers and guest speakers in three different continents. Ito and Paulin are scheduled to head the medical staff of two USA Track and Field Teams, while Taylor will be speaking and teaching seminars in Japan.

Ito, who was recently hired full-time, will be heading the Medical Staff of the USA Track and Field Team which will be competing at the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF, world governing body of track and field) World Half Marathon Championships in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) this October. This will be his second USA Track and Field Team he has served with and his

first as Head Athletic Trainer. Ito currently serves as the Medical Director of the world's largest track and field competition, the world famous Mt. SAC Relays.

Paulin will be making his 7th tour of duty for USA Track and Field as the Head Athletic Trainer and Medical Staff Director of the USA Track and Field Junior Team. The team will be competing at the IAAF World Junior Track and Field Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland this July. Paulin has been an integral part of the Mt. SAC Athletic Teams, the Mt. SAC Relays and Mt. SAC Athletic Special Events since his hiring in 1983 and has also served as Regional and State President of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

Taylor who has been an Athletic Trainer at Mt. SAC for over 31 years will be making her first visit to Japan as a guest speaker at various colleges and schools in Tokyo and in Osaka. She will be presenting on developing flexibility, athletic training and physical therapy to students. Taylor is a pioneer in the Athletic Training world. She was the very first African American Woman certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association and is a part of visual sports history as the athletic trainer who aided fallen runner, Mary Decker Slaney, at the 1984 Olympics. Sports Illustrated and various publications named the picture with Taylor and Decker-Slaney, one of the 100 greatest images of the century.

For more information on the Mt. SAC Athletic Trainers or Athletic Training Program, please contact the Mt. SAC Sports Information Office at 909.594.5611 ext. 4022.

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