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2008 NTRS Board of Directors Election Results Announced

Ashburn, Virginia, July 10, 2008 –The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is pleased to announce that Brent Wolfe has been elected to serve as President-Elect on the board of directors for the National Therapeutic Recreation Society (NTRS) a branch of NRPA. Wolfe will be inducted into his new role at the 2008 NRPA Congress & Exposition (Baltimore, MD).

Brent is an Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Recreation in the College of Health and Human Sciences at Georgia Southern University and he has served as the Southern Region representative to the NTRS Board of Directors for the past two years. While serving the Southern Region, Brent has conducted many presentations on Therapeutic Recreation, Inclusion, and Challenge Courses at the state, regional, national, and international levels. In addition to advocating for the profession at professional conferences, Brent has also attempted to instill in his students a love and desire to serve people with disabilities. His students complete numerous service learning projects where they are actively involved in practicing classroom concepts related to therapeutic recreation with people in the local community.

Prior to his graduate work, Brent worked as a CTRS in a locked residential facility for adolescents with emotional and behavioral disorders. It was during this time that he saw the depth of need of his clients and the benefits they received from therapeutic recreation interventions. In 1998, Dr. Wolfe enrolled in graduate studies at the University of Georgia and graduated with his master's degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies in 2001. In 2004, Dr. Wolfe received his doctorate degree for studying a pre-existing team's perception of a challenge course experience.

Brent is passionate about promoting the field of Therapeutic Recreation and is very excited for the opportunity to serve the profession of Therapeutic Recreation as NTRS' President-Elect. It is his desire to continue to promote the profession at the undergraduate level, increase membership in NTRS, and improve the services provided to both members and citizens who NTRS serves.

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About NRPA

The National Recreation and Park Association is a national membership organization dedicated to advancing park, recreation and conservation efforts that enhance quality of life for all people. Through its network of more than 21,000 recreation and park professionals and citizens, NRPA encourages the promotion of healthy lifestyles, recreation initiatives, and conservation of natural and cultural resources. For more information, visit www.nrpa.org.