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1956-2016 YEARS

May 18, 2016

The Chair's Chatter



Department News



PTRS Pre-commencement

PHYSICAL THERAPY & REHABILITATION SCIENCE

Pre-Commencement and Awards Ceremony

May 19, 2016
3 pm
Medical School Teaching Facility

****TICKETS REQUIRED****



Staff Recognition



A few valuable members of the PTRS staff were recognized on Monday, May 16th, 2016 in appreciation for their many years of dedicated service to the department and the University. Pictured above, left to right, are: **Anysley**

Hamel for 5 years of service, **Jeff Hawk** for 15 years of service, **Deidra Stevens** for 5 years of service, and **Karen Sack** for 35 years of service.



Presentations



Drs. Jill Whitall, Sandy McCombe Waller, and Kelly Westlake (pictured below, left to right) attended the 9th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation conference which was in Philadelphia, PA last week from June 10th - 13th, 2016. Four posters were presented from PTRS:

1. B. Johnson, S. McCombe Waller, J. Whitall, and K. Westlake. Development of a Bimanual Assessment Measure (BAM) to Assess Function After Stroke.
2. E. Woytowicz, S. McCombe Waller, J. Whitall, and K. Westlake. Neural Substrates for the effects of unimanual and bimanual training on motor recovery after stroke.
3. B. Johnson, S. Scharf, and K. Westlake. Targeted memory reactivation during sleep improves sensorimotor skill learning in healthy young adults.
4. S. McCombe Waller, A. Nelson, R. Robucci, and N. Banerjee. A novel gesture recognition system for environmental controls in individuals with spinal cord injury.



John H.P. Maley Award



Mary M. Rodgers, PT, PhD, FAPTA, FASB, FISB, George R. Hepburn Dynasplint Professor and Director of External Affairs was the recipient of American Physical Therapy Association's, Section on Research's 2016 John H.P. Maley Award for Outstanding Contributions to Leadership in Research. This is the highest honor given by the Section on Research and recognizes outstanding leadership in research over a sustained period of time. Her award is currently featured on the Research Sections' website under "Special Recognition".

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mary Rodgers, PT, PhD, FAPTA
Mary Rodgers, PT, PhD, FAPTA Recipient of the 2016 H.P. Maley Award

PTRS Research Day - PhD and Postdoc Presentations



PhD and Postdoc presentations at the Annual 2016 PTRS Research Day, which was held last week on Monday, May 9th, included:

PhD Students

Chieh-ling Yang. *The effects of reactive and voluntary step training on balance recovery during lateral perturbation in individuals with chronic stroke.*

Wan-Wen Liao. *Different levels of intracortical inhibition are involved in bimanual common vs. dual-goal tasks and related to interlimb interaction.*

Brian Johnson. *Targeted reactivation of a sensorimotor skill during wake worsens performance but enhances performance when applied during sleep.*

Elizabeth Woytowicz. *Neural substrates for the effects of unimanual and bimanual training on motor recovery after stroke.*

Mario Inacio. *Older Adults Who Primarily Use a Medial Protective Stepping Strategy Exhibit Increased Intramuscular Adipose Tissue and Decreased Torque of the Hip Abductor Muscles.*

Ozell Sanders. *Biomechanical Analysis of Landing Response From Sudden Loss of Ground Support Surface*

Postdocs

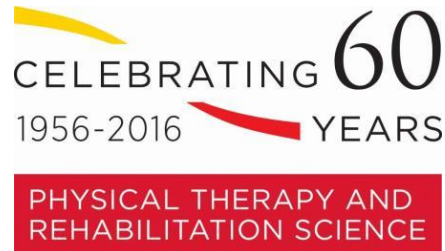
Vicki Gray. The influence of sensorimotor deficits on external lateral perturbations after stroke

Abstract Acceptance



PTRS PhD Student, **Ozell Sanders'** abstract was accepted to the 40th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics which will be held August 2-5, 2016 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He will be presenting a poster titled "*Head turn gait speed and lateral balance stability in healthy older adults*".

PTRS Fund Raiser



URecFit will be hosting its 31st Annual Golf Tournament on

TOMORROW!!! Thursday, May 26, 2016

at the

[Oakmont Green Golf Course](#)
Hampstead, Maryland

A portion of the tournament proceeds will benefit the Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science (PTRS) at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in support of the department's 60th Anniversary.

URecFit is looking for sponsors and additional teams to play in the event. The more people participating...the more money for PTRS! Pass the

word along to golfers, friends, family, etc. Please join us in making this our best year yet!!

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Campus Happenings



IPE Faculty Award Proposals



CALL FOR MAY 2016 FACULTY AWARD PROPOSALS

DEADLINE: May 25th

All UMAB faculty are eligible to apply for an IPE Faculty Award.
Visit the [IPE webpage](#) for additional information.

Commencement 2016

Commencement

UNIVERSITY of MARYLAND, BALTIMORE

MAY 20, 2016

President Jay A. Perman, MD, cordially invites you to
Commencement

Friday, May 20 | 2 p.m.
Royal Farms Arena | 201 W. Baltimore St.

No ticket required.

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Additional Meeting Deadlines

For additional meeting deadlines, visit <http://pt.umaryland.edu/research.asp> and select the "Research Events Calendar" file.



Reminders

Have news to share?



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Thanks for sharing!!!!

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