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The Chair's Chatter
Department News

Publication

Wan-Wen Liao, OT, MSc, PhD Student; Jill Whitall, PhD, Professor; Joseph Barton, PhD, PE, Assistant Professor; and Sandy McCombe Waller, PT, PhD, MS, NCS, Associate Professor; recently had their research study, "Neural motor control differs between bimanual common-goal vs. bimanual dual-goal tasks" accepted for publication and is in press in Experimental Brain Research. A link to the article can be found here:

**Scholarly Activities**

Gadi Alon, PT, PhD, Associate Professor Emeritus, recently completed a review of three research projects for the following journals: *Physical Therapy;* the *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation;* and *Stroke.*

The University of Maryland, Baltimore held its Sixth Annual Interprofessional Education (IPE) Day for students on Wednesday, April 4th, 2018. Participants of the event learned: How to effectively communicate with professionals outside areas of study; What specialist skills can be shared with other professionals; and How interprofessional communication affect quality of care. PTRS faculty lead facilitators included: Vincent Conroy, PT, DScPT, Assistant Professor; Cara Felter, PT, DPT, MPH, Assistant Professor; Sandy McCombe Waller, PT, PhD, MS, NCS, Associate Professor; and Laurie Neely, PT, DPT, NCS, Assistant Professor. Rachel Skolky, PT, DPT, GCS, Instructor, participated as a faculty co-facilitator. Linda Horn, PT, DScPT, MHS, GCS, NCS, Assistant Professor, was on the IPE Day Committee, will be the Chair next year, and supervised the event's activities. Victoria Marchese, PT, PhD, Associate Professor, was a participant on the President's Clinic panel. DPT student, Nicole McKenzie (Class of 2020) also participated as an invited speaker to talk about her experience when she attended a President's Clinic with Dr. Marchese.

**Research Seminar**

Join us on Friday, April 20th from 9:00am - 10:00am in Room 211 of the Allied Health Building at 100 Penn Street for next Rehabilitation Science Research Seminar. The following will be presented:
“Voluntary vs. Induced Step Training on Balance and Falls after Stroke”
by
Vicki Gray, MPT, PhD
Research Associate

Interprofessional Patient Management Competition

Students from the DPT Program applied their patient care knowledge/skills to an interprofessional patient case. The written case portion of the competition was held on Monday, April 2nd, 2018, and the oral presentations - by the top three teams - were held on Thursday, April 12th, 2018. Teams consisting of students from each UMB school determined critical issues for a case and were judged by a faculty panel. Dr. Linda Horn, PT, DScPT, MHS, GCS, NCS, Assistant Professor, was a judge for the event.

The following students participated in the written case portion of the Interprofessional Patient Management Competition:

Class of 2019:  
Ray Gergen  
María Balarezo  
Molly O'Neal

Class of 2020:  
Jonathon Hermansen  
Krysten Menks  
Anthony Garber

Pictured below (from left to right) are María Balarezo, Class of 2019; Molly O'Neal, Class of 2019; and Krysten Menks, Class of 2020. These students were on teams that made it to the oral presentation round of the competition.
The final placements of their teams, which consisted of students from Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Medicine, Nursing, and Social work was:

**First Place:** Team 4 with Molly O’Neal ($75/team member)  
**Second Place:** Team 3 with Maria Balarezo  
**Third Place:** Team 5 with Krysten Menks

Congratulations to all that participated! If you are interested in being a student liaison, please send an email to Sam Suen (ssuen@umaryland.edu), who is our SSHP President-Elect and will be organizing this event next year.

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**5th USA Science and Engineering Festival**

Class of 2020 DPT Students, Anthony Garber and Jon Hermansen, represented the American Physical Therapy Association and the department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science at the 5th Annual USA Science and Engineering Festival, which was held in Washington, DC, on April 7th and 8th, 2018. They spoke with individuals of all ages about the physical therapy profession, handed out flyers, and played Just Dance on the Nintendo Wii.

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**American Burn Association**
Brooke Dean (Class of 2017) presented a poster titled, "The Power of Yoga: Clinical Outcomes and Cutaneous Functional Unit Recruitment for a Patient with Cervical and Upper Extremity Burn Scar Contracture" at the American Burn Association’s Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL from April 10th-13th, 2018. Other authors include Laurie Neely, PT, DPT, NCS, Assistant Professor, and Scott Vocke (Class of 2011). Brooke won Best in Category in the Rehabilitation Category and 3rd place overall! Way to go Brooke!

Thanks! From the Class of 2019
Dear Friends and Family,

Just a small note to say a HUGE thanks to you for attending the Class of 2019 Bull and Shrimp Roast. We’re so very grateful for your support, it means the world to us!

With Gratitude,

The UMB DPT Class of 2019

PTRS Annual Research Day

Monday, May 14, 2018
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
MSTF Leadership Hall & Atrium
685 West Baltimore Street

Keynote Speaker: Emily Keshner, P.T., Ed.D., Professor, Physical Therapy, College of Public Health, and Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

"Crossroads and Pathways: Reflections of a PT, Researcher and Educator"

Additional Invited Speakers: Elizabeth Woytowicz, PhD, Post-doctoral Fellow University of California, Irvine
"Complementary Hemispheric Dominance of Bilateral Movements In Young and Old Adults"

The keynote address will be followed by a poster session. This event is pending approval for .04 contact hours by the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

Please RSVP to: Janice Abarro at jabarro@som.umaryland.edu or 410.706.0856

Campus Events

DEA Drug Take-Back Days
April 25th and 28th, 2018
10:00am - 2:00pm
SMC Campus Center

To help improve medication safety in the community, student pharmacists from Generation Rx in APhA-ASP will partner with the UMB Police Force for the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Take-Back Initiative from 10am to 2pm each day.

I Heart UMB Day

Friday, April 27th, 2018
11:00am - 2:00pm
School of Nursing Lawn

I ❤️ UMB Day is open to students, faculty, and staff. It's a great time to de-stress. Let your inner child run free as you enjoy the inflatable obstacle course, mini-golf, photo booth, pedestal jousting, carnival-style food, and much more!

Funding Seminar

The Office of Research Career Development offers workshops, classes, or seminars about subjects critical to an academic research career. The next event is:

- April 27th - Funding Opportunities Through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Register Today!
State of the University Address

Wednesday, May 9th, 2018  
3:00pm  
MSTF Leadership Hall

UMB President Jay A. Perman, MD, invites you to attend his fifth annual State of the University Address. Reception to follow. Registration and additional details to come.

Register Here

Have News To Share?

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Thanks for sharing!!!!!!

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