Scholarly Activities

Jill Whitall, PhD, Professor; Douglas Savin, PT, MPT, PhD, Assistant Professor; and Sandy McCombe Waller, PT, PhD, MS, NCS, Associate Professor, were co-authors on the article, "Comparing the effects of adapting to a weight on one leg during treadmill and overground walking: A pilot study" which was published in *Gait & Posture*, September 2017. Authors: G Gama, D Savin, T Keenan, S McCombe Waller, and J Whitall. DOI: 10.1016/j.gaitpost.2017.09.025
Vicky Gray, PhD, Research Associate; Chieh-ling Yang, MS, PhD Candidate; Sandy McCombe Waller, PT, PhD, MS, NCS, Associate Professor; and Mark Rogers, PT, PhD, FAPTA, Professor and Chair, are co-authors on the manuscript accepted for publication, "Lateral Perturbation-Induced Stepping: Strategies and Predictors in Persons Poststroke". Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy, 41(4):222-228, Oct 2017.

Brian Johnson, OTR/L, Occupational Therapist, PhD Candidate, Graduate Research Assistant, recently traveled to Capitol Hill in Washington, DC on 9/25/2017 to meet with several members of the Senate and House of Representatives on behalf of The American Occupational Therapy Association/American Society of Hand Therapists Annual Capitol Hill Day to advocate for several upcoming healthcare reform bills. Brian also served as an invited reviewer for Neuroscience Letters.

International King C.R.A.B.S.
On Sunday September 17, 2017 Team International King C.R.A.B.S. (Cancer Research Assistance By Swimming) completed approximately 25 miles of open water travel (22 swimming and 3 kayaking) to assist Swim Across America in raising over $450,000.00 for "Making Waves to Fight Cancer". Team International King C.R.A.B.S. members included 16 swimmers (1 mile - Lizzie Bellinger, Miranda Broussard, Cecilia Campos, Julia Conroy, Chelsea David, Anthony Garber, Jessica Gross, Kaitlyn Keyser, Danielle Lansford, Jason Lawrence, Molly O'Neal, Kelly Sulek, Fan Yang; 3 mile - Dorothy Kenny, Chris Li and Vincent Conroy) and two volunteers (Caroline Vink - admin support and Sydney Lunn - kayaker). Prior to the swim team members reflected during a moment of silence to honor those who are and/or have battled cancer!

If you were intending to support the event and feel you missed out as the date has passed; no worries, tax deductible donations are accepted until December 31st. You can utilize the link below, click on a team member name and follow the prompts:

http://www.swimacrossamerica.org/site/TR/OpenWater/Baltimore?team_id=19066&pg=team&fr_id=4376

Team International King C.R.A.B.S. thanks you again for all of your support!!

Rehabilitation Science Research Seminar

Please plan to join us Friday, September 29th from 9:00am - 10:00am in Room 511 of the Allied Health Building at 100 Penn Street for the following presentation:

"Learning and Relearning Movement"

Amy Bastian, PT, PhD
Professor of Neuroscience and Neurology
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
Chief Science Officer, Kennedy Krieger Institute
Director, Motion Analysis Laboratory, Kennedy Krieger Institute

Dr. Bastian's research uses computerized movement tracking techniques, non-invasive brain stimulation, novel devices and robotics to control walking and reaching movements. She studies how people with and without neurological damage control movement and learn new patterns. Some of her recent accomplishments include a series of papers on learning new walking patterns using a novel 'split-belt' treadmill published in the Journal of Neuroscience, Brain, and Nature Neuroscience. She has co-authored
over 100 scientific papers and numerous book chapters and served as chair of the Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation Study Section at the NIH. Dr. Bastian has given many named lectures, including a special lecture at the Society for Neuroscience meeting in 2014. She is currently the primary investigator on two R01 grants from the NIH, one of which recently received a prestigious Javits award from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS).

---

**Rising Star Student Leadership Awards**

Four PTRS DPT students were recently selected by the American Physical Therapy Association of Maryland as the 2017 recipients of the *Rising Star Student Leadership Award*. Congratulations to:

- **Logan Buckley**: Class of 2018
- **Stephanie Palacios**: Class of 2018
- **Megan Mitchell**: Class of 2018
- **Jess Werth**: Class of 2019

The award was established to recognize students who exhibit superior scholastic ability and potential for future professional contribution. Each recipient will be presented with a plaque at the 2017 Annual Fall Conference award ceremony on Saturday, November 11th, 2017.

---

**Center on Aging Research Seminar**
University of Maryland Center for Research on Aging Symposium: Falls & Aging: An Interprofessional Approach to Research and Intervention

Key Note Speaker:
Mark W. Rogers, PT, PhD, FAPTA
Chair, Dept. of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science, UMSOM
“Startled Off Balance: Implications for Falls and Trauma in Aging”

Panel Discussants:
Alice Ryan, PhD
Professor, UMSOM
“Influence of Sarcopenia and Mobility”

Linda Simoni-Wastila, BSpPharm, MSPH, PhD
Professor, UMSOP
“Role of Medications in Falls Among Older Adults”

Leslie Katz, MD, PhD
Associate Professor, UMSOM
“Gerofit”

Wednesday, October 4, 2017
3:00-5:00pm—Reception to follow
Taylor Lecture Hall
Bressler Research Building
655 W. Baltimore Street

Program Sponsors: Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center, Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center at the Baltimore VA, Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging, Geriatrics and Gerontology Education and Research Program

PT Day of Service
Join the APTA of MD's Student Special Interest Group (SSIG) for PT Day of Service as they volunteer for the American Heart Association’s Heart & Stroke Walk in Baltimore, MD! It is FREE to register and park for this event. Donations are welcome! The team registration link is:

http://www2.heart.org

---

PTRS Alumni Day

**JOIN US FOR ALUMNI DAY**

The Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science at the University of Maryland School of Medicine invites you to a dinner during National Physical Therapy Month to honor the 2017 Alumnus of the Year, Dr. Christopher D. Claggett, CAPT, MC, USN (Class of 1986) and 2017 Young Alumnus of the Year, Dr. Gene Shirokobrod (Class of 2011) on Saturday October 7, 2017.

The Alumni of the Year Dinner will be following a **FREE Continuing Education Course**.

8:00-5:00 PM: *Florence Kendall Continuing Education Course*

Introduction of Evidence Informed Physical Therapy Management for Patients with Cervicogenic Dizziness

Francis C Jung, PT, DPT, OCS, Cert. MDT, COMT, CMTPT, FAAOMPT & Sherin Mathew, PT, DPT, CMTPT

(Course has been approved by the Board of PT Examiners for 7.0 CEUs)

**Location:**
UMB Allied Health Building, 100 Penn Street, Baltimore, MD 21201
Campus map and directions available at [http://www.umaryland.edu/map](http://www.umaryland.edu/map)
Self-parking available in the Penn Parking Garage, 120 S. Penn Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

6:30-10:00 PM: **Award Ceremony, Dinner, & Dancing**
Join us for our 2017 Alumni of the Year Dinner

Alumnus of the Year
Dr. Christopher D. Claggett,
CAPT, MC, USN
Class of 1986

Young Alumnus of the Year
Dr. Gene Shirokobrod
Class of 2011

Sponsored by:

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7
6:30–10:00 PM
Award Ceremony, Dinner, & Dancing
Live Music featuring Jeremy Ragsdale
World Trade Center
401 E. Pratt Street Baltimore, MD 21202
There are facilities on site to change clothes etc. if you are attending the CEU course before.

Questions? Contact Deidra Stevens at ptrsalumni@som.umaryland.edu or 443-257-2582

Tickets are required for the dinner and the continuing education course.

Register online through the link below.
Register for Alumni Day Activities by September 30th!

PTRS Phonathon
The PTRS student Phonathon will be held on November 14, 15, and 16. Students will be calling alumni across the country again this year to update them on news from their alma mater, collect updated alumni contact information and/or news, and to raise money for the PTRS program that supports scholarships, technology, classroom updates, materials, publications and more. When you get PTRS alumni and students on the phone, great things happen!

As we prepare for this fall’s PTRS Phonathon, we are reminded of the generous sponsors for our last Phonathon that provided dinner and dessert for our student callers. Please thank them if you are having lunch or dinner at any of these places:

- Potbelly Sandwich Shop - 519 W. Pratt Street
- Maiwand Grill - 324 W. Baltimore Street
- Nando's Peri Peri - 421 W. Baltimore Street

---

**Campus Happenings**

**Flu Shot Campaign**

The 2017-2018 influenza season is here. UMB employees and students are encouraged to get vaccinated early!
**UMB Benefits Fair**

**UMB Benefits Fair**  
Tuesday, October 3rd  
10:00am - 2:00pm  
SMC Campus Center  
2nd Floor

Mark your calendar for the benefits fair! Visit your benefit vendors at the fair and get your questions about benefits answered.

**Learn More**

---

**Reminders**

Have news to share?

Please send news, announcements, updates and pictures to Donna Bethke, dbethke@som.umaryland.edu, by Monday at 5 PM to be included in the current week's issue.

Thanks for sharing!!!!!