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The Chair's Chatter



Department News



Welcome



Please help us welcome **Michael Zarro**, PT, DPT, SCS, CSCS, as the newest faculty member at PTRS. Dr. Zarro had previously been an adjunct/associate faculty member but began as an Assistant Professor, full-time, faculty member on Monday, July 9th, 2018. He will divide his time with 80% at the orthopaedic practice sites and 20% in PTRS.

Promotion



Vicki Gray, MPT, PhD, has been promoted from the rank of Research Associate to the rank of Assistant Professor effective July 1, 2018. Dr. Gray has enhanced the Department's research in the areas of exercise rehabilitation targeting reduced balance and mobility and falls in stroke, in collaboration with Dr. Mark Rogers. She also works with Dr. Brajesh Lal, in the Vascular Surgery Division in the Department of Surgery understanding cerebral vascular mechanisms underlying reduced mobility, gait and balance in asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis that leads to a high fall risk. Dr. Gray has three active grants to support her research.

NEXT

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) held its annual NEXT conference and exposition in Orlando, FL from June 27th - June 30th, 2018. Maryland was well represented, as pictured below.



Maryland Delegation



During the NEXT conference, **Linda Horn**, PT, DScPT, MHS, GCS, NCS, Assistant Professor, (pictured below) was honored with the Lucy Blair Service Award. This award honors physical therapist members or physical therapist life members whose contributions to the APTA are of exceptional quality. Qualifying contributions can pertain to association components, through work on appointed or elected positions and/or in other capacities at the association and component levels.



Congratulations Dr. Horn!



Roy Film, PT, MPT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT, Assistant Professor, had the pleasure of joining his former professor, advisor, and mentor, Laurie Hack, PT, DPT, MBA, PhD, FAPTA at the Mary McMillan Luncheon (both pictured below). Dr. Hack was this year's McMillan lecturer - the most distinguished honor an active APTA member physical therapist or life member can receive. This lecture is regarded as one of the keystone events at APTA's NEXT Conference & Exposition. This award recognizes those who have demonstrated exemplary skills in the areas of administration, education, patient care, management, and research. "Many years ago, Laurie encouraged me to teach and set a great example by finding a way to add a little inspiration and passion into even the most mundane topics. Not only was she my favorite professor, she remains a good friend as well as my favorite person in the field of physical therapy to this day." - R. Film.



Scholarly Activities



Gad Alon, PT, PhD, Associate Professor Emeritus, recently completed the review of two research papers. One for *Physical Therapy Journal* (PTJ) and the other one for *Stroke*.

Roy Film, PT, MPT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT, Assistant Professor, was the Featured Fellow for the American Academy of Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapy (AAOMPT). Here's a link to the article:

<http://blog.aaompt.org/featured-fellow-dr-roy-film/>



Jill Whitall, PhD, FNAK, Professor Emeritus, published an article with co-author J.E. Clark entitled, "A perception - action approach to understanding typical and atypical motor development." in *Advances in Child Development and Behavior*, Volume 55, ISSN 0065-2407.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/bs.acdb.2018.04.004>

Campus News/Events

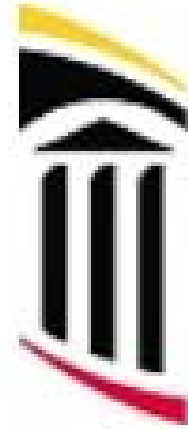


Funding Seminar

Identifying Funding Sources for Postdocs

July 25th, 2018
9:00 am
MSTF Building, Room 316

The Office of Research Career Development is offering an interactive workshop that will assist postdocs in identifying non-National Institutes of Health sources of funding for their research.



Register [HERE](#)

Public Safety



Be Aware of Your Surroundings - Don't Wear Your Earbuds

Don't wear your earbuds while walking. Wearing earbuds, headphones, or using a cellphone or iPod in public might cause you to miss auditory cues, such as a car horn, and could target you as a potential victim.

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