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The Chairs' Chatter



Department News



Farewell



After 21 years as a highly valued colleague and faculty member in our department, **Dr. Larry Forrester** is resigning from his faculty position effective July 1, 2015. This transition will allow him to refocus his attention on his ongoing research at the VA Medical Center and he plans to maintain close ties with PTRS through scholarship

and graduate student involvement.

Please join us in wishing Larry great success in his future endeavors and congratulate him on his many accomplishments and valued contributions to the department over the years.

Amputee Walking School



PTRS Students recently attended and participated in the Amputee Walking Clinic. The Amputee Walking School is run by Dennis Oehler and Todd Schaffhauser, two Paralympic Gold Medalists. For 25 years they hosted this 100% free program, which helps above/below knee amputees optimize the use of their prosthesis. 18 SPT students were able to volunteer their time in this event. The students helped sign the amputees in, guide them through the practices/gait training, and observed other PTs whom were working with the clients. It had a very hands-on approach to most of the training. All the amputees had at least two therapist and two students who were working with him or her. The clinic included stair exercises, step ups, monster walks and parallel bars.



2016 SRA Northeast Section



Karen R. Sack, PTRS Administrator, has been asked to serve as the Track Chair for the 2016 Northeast/Southern Section meeting of the Society of Research Administrators International to be held in February 2016 in New York City. She has also submitted a session proposal which will be co-presented with the President-elect, William F. Hoffman, Jr., of the SRA Northeast Section.

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PTRS Class Reunions

The **Class of 1980** gathered June 12-14, 2015 for various reunion festivities. A total of 16 class mates got together and enjoyed a harbor boat cruise and spent a nice dinner at Nick's Fish house reminiscing about their time at PTRS. (Pics below)



The DPT **Class of 2010** is having their 5 year Reunion this coming Saturday, June 27th, 2015 from 12pm-4pm, at Centennial Park in Columbia. Pavilions B & C have been reserved for the day. All PTRS Faculty and Staff that were part of their experience are invited! They would love for any professors or staff who were involved in their class to stop by and say HI! They are all chipping in for the food, and asking everyone to BYOBeverage.

Should you plan to stop by and attend, please contact Tracy Lyon at tracy.lyon@yahoo.com so they can make sure they order a little extra food for you!

Class of 2016 Send off Soiree

Mark your Calendars!

Second Year Send-Off Soiree

PRATT STREET ALE HOUSE

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015

4:00- 6:00PM

All members of the class of 2016, faculty, and staff are invited to the second year send-off soiree. Join us for a casual reception as the class of 2016 celebrates the milestone of their last day of classes and begins their journey into the clinics.



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Reminders

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