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The Chairs' Chatter



The weather outside is frosty, but PTRS is buzzing!
Read on and stay warm!

Mark & Mary



Department News



**Training in
Grantsmanship for
Rehabilitation Research (TIGRR)**
Building on the ERRIS Workshops

January 12th - 16th, 2014

Last week, Kelly Westlake and Mary Rodgers attended the Training in Grantsmanship for Rehabilitation Research (TIGRR) workshop in Chapel Hill, NC (<http://tigrr.bme.unc.edu>). The intensive grant writing workshop features experienced mentors that work closely with mentees and has resulted in many junior investigators receiving NIH and NIDRR level research funding. For the past 10 years, this workshop has successfully provided mentorship to approximately 300 Junior and mid-level faculty from throughout the North America and in several foreign countries. It is funded by the National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research (NCMRR).



Run, Don't Walk: The Curious and Chaotic Life of a Physical Therapist Inside Walter Reed Army Medical Center Hardcover

by [Adele Levine](#) (Author)

Adelle Levine, class of 2001, was a physical therapist in the amputee section at Walter Reed Army Medical Center up until its closure in 2011. She has



written a book about how Walter Reed changed her, and what it was like to be a physical therapist during its last two years when physical therapists were seeing up to 150 individuals with multi-limb amputations a day. In spite of the subject matter, it is written in a humorous manner - like a sitcom - with several characters that are followed through the book. Besides describing what it is like to be a physical therapist in an intense place, the other main theme is the closure of America's oldest military hospital. This is the first mainstream book to describe the rigors and rewards of being a physical therapist and Adele hopes that people reading it will recognize the important role physical therapy plays in the health care community. It will be published on April 10th by Penguin publishing, but is available for pre-order now on amazon and other similar sites.



Announcements



Rehabilitation Science Research Seminar

The Rehab Science Research Seminars will re-start this **Friday, January 24th, 9:00am-10:00am, Room 211 of the Allied Health Bldg. (PTRS).**

Our opening speaker will be **Dr. Vicki Gray**, post-doctoral fellow in the UMANRRT training program. The title of her talk will be:

"A comparison of reactive and voluntary lateral step training to improve balance and reduce falls in persons post-stroke."

Please plan to join us each week at this time and place, as we discuss cutting edge interdisciplinary research topics in the rehabilitation field!

Lunch & Learn

**Faculty Development Information Session
Wednesday, January 29th
Allied Health Building, Room 211
1:00pm-2:00pm**



This is an informational session to review the new faculty development procedures and form changes at the request of the CAPTE Committee.

Polar Bear Plunge

The 18th Annual Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge - an event that has been keeping Maryland COOL since 1997 - will be held on January 25th at Sandy Point State Park.



Current PTRS students and a few alumni are participating in this year's Polar Bear Plunge to raise money for Special Olympics. The link to their team website is listed below. Please pass the word or join team "COOL RUNNINGS" if you are able:

<http://plunge2014.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=1075839&lis=1&kntae1075839=CS153AB368CD4693AB35A7809436A669&team=5773749&tteam=0>



You are cordially invited to attend the
PTRS Alumni and Friends Reception

Held during the CSM annual meeting in Las Vegas, NV

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2014

6:30 – 8:30 PM

Venetian Hotel: 3355 S. Las Vegas Blvd

Murano Room 3204



Please register by Wednesday, January 29th
All those who pre-register will receive two complimentary drink tickets

Questions? Call 410.706.5742





INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Interprofessional Education (IPE) Day

Wednesday, Feb. 19

[Register today!](#)

Abstract Submission Timeline



[ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE EXTENDED!](#)

Due to many requests for extensions and late submissions, the deadline to submit abstracts for WCB 2014 has been extended to Wednesday, January 29, 2014!!! Act Now!!!

7th World Congress of Biomechanics will begin taking application submissions November 15, 2013 Through January 15, 2014. Podium Presentations will be limited, so please submit early to the continuous review process. This meeting occurs once every four year!

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



Reminders

Have news to share?



Please send news, announcements, updates and pictures to **Donna Bethke**, dbethke@som.umaryland.edu, by Monday at 5pm for the current week's issue.

Thanks for sharing!!!



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