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The Chair's Chatter

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Department News



Endowed Professorship



The Department of Physical Therapy is pleased to announce that E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA, Vice President for Medical Affairs at the University of Maryland and the John Z. and Akiko K. Bowers Distinguished Professor and Dean of the School of Medicine has appointed **Mark Rogers**, PT, PhD, FAPTA, Professor and Chair, as the recipient of the *George R. Hepburn Dynasplint Endowed Professorship in Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science*, effective 5 October, 2017.

Dr. Rogers is very humbled by the receipt of this esteemed distinction and important honor. He looks forward to the continued success of the Department in the accomplishment of mutual goals and vision for excellence.

Director of Research#



Mark Rogers, PT, PhD, FAPTA, George R. Hepburn Dynasplint Professor & Chair is pleased to announce that **Li-Qun (Larry) Zhang**, PhD, Professor, has been appointed as the Director of Research for PTRS. Dr. Zhang brings exceptional experience and success to his new role.

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Scholarly Activities

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James Borrelli, PhD, UMANRRT Postdoctoral Fellow, reviewed an article for Public Library of Science (PLOS) One last week.

Brian Johnson, OTR/L, Occupational Therapist, PhD Candidate, Graduate Research Assistant, was an invited speaker at The Medical College of Wisconsin's Brain Injury Research Day, held on October 26th in Milwaukee, WI. Brian gave an oral presentation entitled,

"Investigating the use of acoustic neuromodulation during sleep on sensorimotor performance"



At this event he also presented a poster of the same title with **Kelly Westlake**, PhD, MSc, PT, Assistant Professor as a co-author.



Laurie Neely, PT, DPT, NCS, Assistant Professor, Director of Clinical Education, was appointed by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Board of Directors to serve a 3-year term on the Item Writing Task Force-PT.



Kelly Westlake, PhD, MSc, PT, Assistant Professor, participated in a live the Maryland Public TV interview on October 23rd with Dr. Jay Menaker entitled, "Falls: A leading cause of death and disability". The episode aired at 7:30pm on MPT's Direct Connection "Your Health".



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Chris Wells, PhD, PT, CCS, ATC, Associate Professor, Adjunct II, had a manuscript recently published entitled, "Safety and Feasibility of Early Physical Therapy for Patients on Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenator: University of Maryland Medical Center Experience" with co-authors: Jenny Forrester, PT, DPT; Joshua Vogel, PT, DPT; Raymond Rector, CCP, LP; Ali Tabatabai, MD; and Daniel Herr, MD, FCCM in *Critical Care Medicine*.



Rehabilitation Science Research Seminar



"Aging effects on response to sudden loss of ground support while sanding"

Ozell Sanders, PhD Candidate

Please plan to join us on Friday, November 3rd from 9:00am - 10:00am in Room 511 of the Allied Health Building at 100 Penn Street.

Annual Phone-A-Thon

Volunteers Needed!



The School of Medicine Office of Development is running the annual PTRS student Phon-a-thon to benefit PTRS's programs, scholarships, new technologies, and more. **Volunteers are needed for each night!** Dinner, free t-shirts, and fun prizes for top callers will be provided for all volunteers.

DATES: Tuesday, November 14, 2017
Wednesday, November 15, 2017
Thursday, November 16, 2017

TIMES: 5:30 to 6:00 PM Dinner & Training
6:00 to 9:00 PM Calling

LOCATION: The Calling Center, 620 W. Lexington Street, 2nd Floor

PARKING: Lexington or Saratoga Parking Garage using your ID badge.
*****If walking over, please travel in groups!*****

SIGN-UP, Contact:
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Campus Happenings



Research Career Development

Attend one of the Office of Research Career Development's workshops, classes, or seminars and learn about subjects critical to an academic research career.



November 2nd - How to Write an NIH Grant Application: An Introduction and Overview

November 3th - Working Effectively with a Biostatistician

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[Register for an event today](#)

Networking Workshop

**Work on Your Networking:
Building Professional
Relationships**
November 2nd @ Noon
SMC Campus Center, Room 349



Join the Wellness Hub and the Counseling Center as they explore how students can build professional relationships with faculty, preceptors, and supervisors during graduate school and in your profession.

Register [HERE](#)

Mindfulness



Drop-in Mindfulness Meditation
November 3rd, 2017
12:30 pm
SMC Campus Center, Room 311

Join us on the first Friday of each month for a drop-in meditation session. Setting aside regular time to quiet your mind helps reduce stress and improve well-being. No meditation experience necessary.

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!!!!

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