

Welcome to this week's edition of



The Chair's Chatter

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OK - it must be summer!

Please read on to see what's happening in PTRS!

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PTRS Faculty in the NEWS:

Dr. Forrester and his lab were recently featured in the Baltimore Sun. The article, entitled:

"Forward strides for stroke survivors: Ankle robots help participants retrain gait in study at the Maryland VA"

was featured in the Sunday edition of the Baltimore Sun on June 2, 2013. Below is a link to the article:

http://www.baltimoresun.com/health/maryland-health/bs-hs-anklebots-20130602_0,2226020.story#ixzz2VAdhGFi8

DPT Class of 2016

“Nothing worthwhile comes easily. Work, continuous work and hard work, is the only way to accomplish results that last.”

Holt Hamilton

On Tuesday, May 28, 2013, the DPT Class of 2016 participated in a ropes-and-initiative course at the Outdoor Education Center on the campus of the University of Maryland College Park. This activity was first initiated in 2006 by Dr. Tonas Kalil. It is designed to allow the new students to quickly breakdown barriers, to get to know their fellow classmates, build self-esteem and develop group cohesion. Dr. Karen Gordes and Angel Jackson were also there to assist.



On Wednesday, May 29 the class participated in Professional Issues I conducted by Dr. Glickman. The first anatomy lecture and lab was held on Thursday, May 30 in historic Davidge Hall. In the afternoon the new students were introduced to the anatomy lab by Dr. Conroy and his team of assistants.





T. George Hornby, PT, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Physical Therapy and Kinesiology & Nutrition at the University of Illinois at Chicago will be visiting the department on Friday, June 14, 2013. Dr. Hornby is a Research Scientist and Director of the Locomotor Recovery Laboratory for the Sensory Motor Performance Program which is part of the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. He will be presenting a lecture entitled, "Feasibility and potential efficacy of increasing variability and difficulty during stepping training: Making patients look worse to look better?" in Room 211/AHB from 11:00am-12:00pm.

*Good
Luck!*

Patricia (Tricia) Young joined the department on June 2011 as a UMANRRT post-doctoral fellow. Working under the mentorship of Mark Rogers and Jill Whittall, Tricia's research focused on the dynamic stability in older adults at risk for falling. Over her 2 years with the department, Tricia's various contributions include graduate student mentorship and teaching, presentations at national meetings, and she is currently working on several publications as a result of her research conducted under the UMANRRT. Working in collaboration with Dr. James Russell, Tricia contributed to a VA Merit grant as co-investigator that was awarded. Tricia's last day with the department is June 12. She is moving to Utah where her husband will be starting graduate school.



Check out upcoming events for the American Physical Therapy Association of Maryland, Inc.:

<http://aptamd.org>