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President's Message

Dear Alumni,

We have been fortunate to witness some spectacular achievements come to fruition within the past six months. The dedication and perseverance displayed by these individuals and their achievements serve as an example for us all. Let me take a moment to recognize these triumphs.

A special acknowledgement to Dr. Clarence Hardiman. Your 25 years of piloting the helm of the UM PT program as chairman has helped it earn a reputation that we are all proud to be associated with. Good Luck on your retirement.



Recognition also extends to Ms. Bobbie di Sabatino for keeping things going so smoothly behind (and in front of) the scenes for three decades. We look forward to seeing her "break in" a new chair and hope she enjoys the next 30 years. (There will be a feature article on Bobbie in our next *PT Newsletter*.)

Congratulations to the Class of 1997 for completing your long-awaited goal of graduation. We look forward to seeing you at upcoming alumni functions. Congratulations also to Tom Angstadt, Doug Savin and Dennis Dombrosky, the recipients of this year's Senior Alumni Award. On behalf of the Alumni Association, I would like to offer a hardy "Well Done" and best wishes in your future endeavors.

I would also like to extend my appreciation to Ric Lopez, Kim Vickers and the rest of the Executive Board for making my transition to president a very smooth, yet exciting adventure. I could not have made it through these past six months without their help. Thank you.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Vincent M. Conroy '90
President
UM PT Alumni Association



Alumni Dinner in San Diego

The Physical Therapy Alumni Association sponsored a dinner for alumni at this year's APTA conference in San Diego on June 1, 1997. Attending the dinner were (left to right) sitting, Gina Oberle '96, Sandy McCombe Waller '85, Jerome Danoff '82; standing, Anita Bemis-Dougherty '75, Lynn Rudman '76 and Linda (Clarke) Harvey '91.

Dr. Hardiman Receives Alumni Surprise

On May 5, 1997, prior to the Orioles game, alumni gathered to present a retirement gift to Dr. Hardiman. Dr. Hardiman served as physical therapy department chair for 25 years and was surprised with an Orioles' team jersey with his name and number printed on the back. Vincent Conroy '90, president of the alumni association, presented Dr. Hardiman with the jersey, along with a hat and certificate.



We Need You!

Do you enjoy athletic activity and fun competition? Then we need you on this year's alumni team for the UniversityCenter's Physical Therapy Olympics. This annual event is part of the celebration of National Physical Therapy Month in October. All team members will receive a special commemorative T-shirt and be eligible for dozens of prizes. If you are interested in joining the alumni team, please contact Kim Vickers in the Alumni Office at (410) 706-1816.

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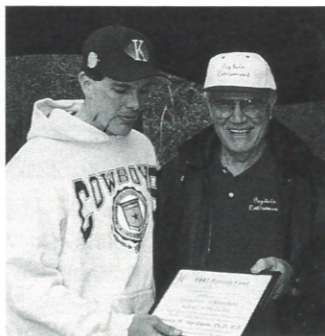
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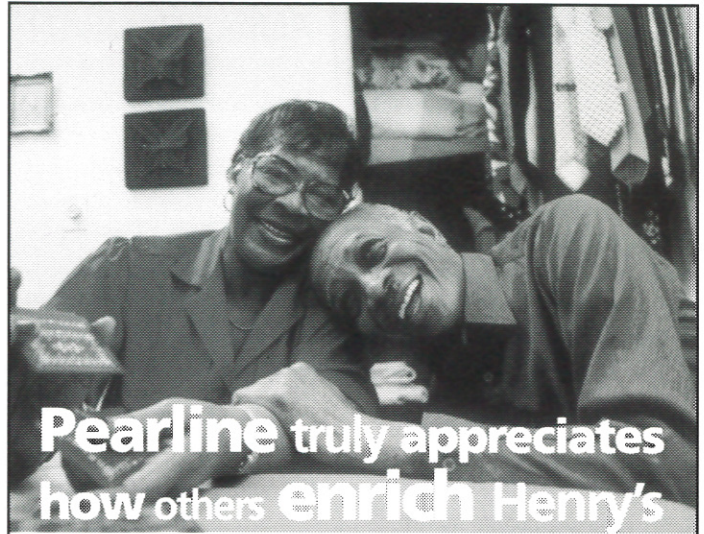
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SPRINGFEST '97

This year's Springfest was held on April 18 and 19 at UM's Athletic Center and Southwest Park. The two days were marked by stiff competition in events such as basketball, weight lifting, golf, soccer, flag football, arm wrestling, softball, volleyball and tug-o-war. This year the faculty/staff team was lead by honorary captain, Dr. Clarence Hardiman. The Class of 1998 was the triumphant winner.



Jim Lauder, Class of 1997, presents a certificate of merit to Dr. Hardiman at the conclusion of the games. Dr. Hardiman is wearing the shirt and hat presented to him by faculty and staff that reads "Captain Retirement."



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Accepting Nominations

We are currently accepting nominations for the 1997 Alumni of the Year Award. This award was established in 1988 as a way of honoring outstanding UM Physical Therapy alumni.

Nominees for this award must be graduates of the UM PT program who have made outstanding contributions or achievements in the physical therapy profession. Possible areas of achievement are in academics, administration, clinical practice, research, community service, professional associations, our department or our alumni association.

Letters of nomination must include the nominee's name and class year, as well as the reasons for nomination. Responses must be received in the Alumni Office no later than August 15, 1997. This year's award recipient will be honored at the fall Alumni Social.

We are also accepting nominations for our Alumni Association Board. Responsibilities include attending 10 monthly meetings a year and alumni association sponsored events.

Please send your nominations to Kim Vickers c/o Physical Therapy Alumni Office, 100 Penn Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-1082.

Alumni Rotate Through Shoulder Course

The UM Physical Therapy Alumni Association held its annual orthopedic course on March 28 and 29, 1997. "The Clinical and Anatomy Review of the Shoulder" was well attended by 32 participants, 19 of whom were UM alumni (see photos). Exhibitors from Dynasplint Systems, Inc. and W.S. Medical Systems, Inc. were present to provide information about new equipment to assist therapists with shoulder treatments. The alumni association will continue sponsoring courses, with the next course this summer on the topic of "Humor in Health Care."



The 80s - (from left to right) Richard Mead '87, Kimberly Wright '89, Steve Bell '89, Shelly (Ehrlich) Lebowitz '86, Pamela (Leclerc) Higgs '86, and Dina (Schoeller) Adams '86.



The 90s - (from left to right) Steve Strunk '93, Mary Jane (Paffenback) Ward '92, Kelly (Knight) Fulp '92, Gene Ford '93, Lisa Baker '95, and Gordon Cwynar '91.



The 70s - (from left to right) Sandy (Shoap) Sofinowski '72, David Shulman '78, Rick Prothero '76, Stacy Yungkurth '77, Richard Levenson '79, and Christina Woods '73.

Director's Column

The Bainbridge family chose a very special and lasting way to remember Brian Bainbridge, by establishing a memorial fund in his name. Over the years, the Department of Physical Therapy and the alumni association have helped many families and friends establish lasting memorials for loved ones: The David Solomon Memorial Fund, Pekar-Abell Pediatric Fund and the Laura G. Levine-Mandell Memorial Scholarship all come to mind.

Recently, when a physical therapist in the Washington-Baltimore area passed away, a group of his friends wanted to do more than send flowers. Dr. Donald Steel knew of our program and called me about memorial gifts. After listening to Dr. Steel talk about his friend, I



recommended making a donation on his behalf to our emergency student loan fund. Dr.

Steel thought his friend would have liked to help PT students in that way. The group of friends ultimately made a gift of \$500.00 to the UM Physical Therapy Emergency Student Loan Fund in memory of their friend Larry Hetzel.

I would like to thank all the families and friends that have made such a positive impact on our students and program through their special memorial gifts.

Kimberly A. Vickers
Director of Annual Giving
and Alumny Programs

Attention Class of 1972

It's been 25 years. A number of us gathered for our 20-year reunion, but this year it's imperative that ALL of us get together again! We're thinking of Saturday, September 20, for a picnic in the Baltimore area. Prior to the picnic will be an opportunity for a tour of the current PT Department, including Gray Lab. Faculty and staff from our time may join us too. Details will be sent to you soon. Please keep your address current in the Alumni Office with Kim Vickers (410) 706-1816. For more information about the reunion call Sandy (Shoap) Sofinowski (410) 692-6180 or Sue Borsuk (410) 766-6898. We would love to hear your questions, suggestions and information on any "lost" classmates.

Remembering Brian

by Michele Wojciechowski



When Brian Bainbridge travelled to Aberdeen, Scotland, in January of this year, he had his whole life ahead of him. This 27-year-old was fulfilling his dream of becoming a physical therapist and was to begin a three-year bachelor of science program at Robert Gordon University.

Tragically, just ten days after he arrived in Scotland, Brian died from meningitis.

His mom, Julia Bainbridge '80, was devastated. She had heard from him the night before by e-mail and could not understand how Brian, who had no other physical illness, could be gone so quickly.

"I was excited that Brian would be in a foreign country with a slightly different culture and bring that experience back with him," says Julia. "[His death] was a complete shock."

Brian had planned to follow a family tradition. His mom graduated from UM's PT program in 1980, and his sister, Joanna, graduated from UM's MPT program in 1996. Brian had applied to UM, but wasn't accepted. His grades were in the low 3.0 range, and he was working to improve them.

When Julia began making funeral arrangements, the funeral director asked what people could give in lieu of flowers. Julia's brother suggested that although Brian had not gone to UM, they set up a fund there in his memory.

Since January, the Brian Bainbridge Memorial Fund has raised over \$2,000. The family wants the fund to benefit other physical therapy students who embody Brian's enthusiasm and spirit for the physical therapy profession.

Julia describes her son as having been "a tremendous person, humble, and sweet-natured." She says that Brian was "liberal to the core" and never pushed his desires on others. He accepted people for who they were and made others happy. "He was an exceptional young man," says Julia.

After Brian passed away, students in the program with him wrote a booklet that was hand-delivered to Julia. In it were wonderful sentiments about Brian. The students had bonded quickly, and many were shocked that Brian had died. Julia found out that when the students first arrived in Scotland they asked questions to get to know more about each other. Brian was asked, "Is it important for people to cry at your funeral?" His response: "I want people not to mourn my death, but to celebrate my life."

Without a doubt, they will.

Michele Wojciechowski is a free-lance writer living in Baltimore.

A Monkey's Helping Hands

by Gina Neff

Jodi Diamond, a current UM physical therapy student, loves to tell people about the monkey she had on her back—until she brought Oogie, her five-year-old capuchin monkey, for a demonstration to UM PT faculty Kathy Davis' Community Health course. Part of the course highlights service animals but mainly covers companions of the canine variety. Jodi and Oogie shone light on a different sort of animal helper, one that can be as useful to quadriplegics as seeing eye dogs are to the blind.

After Jodi's suggestion to Davis to show the class what monkeys could do, what was the first step for bringing a monkey for a sort of graduate school "show-and-tell"? Why, call the lawyers, of course. The university's legal counsel called the monkey question the strangest request for legal advice they'd ever received, which didn't stop them from giving Davis a long list of legal do's and don't's, including keeping Oogie on a leash the entire time.

Reined in from her usual rambunctiousness and with sixty-eight pairs of eyes on her, how did little Oogie fair? Show biz is in her blood—capuchins have for years starred as "organ grinders." An apparent case of stage fright didn't keep her from learning how to turn on the auditorium lights after being shown how to do it only once. The future PTs in the audience weren't just monkeying around either; in the process of learning what Oogie was capable of doing, they were learning about a resource that might come in handy for their paralyzed clients.

Helping Hands, a Boston-based non-profit organization, has been providing "monkey helpers" for quadriplegics since 1979. With the help of "foster parents" who raise these fuzzy little primates, Helping Hands trains them to turn on lights, scratch an itch, load a floppy disk, pop a video into the VCR, and feed someone. Not to be confused with mere pets,



Oogie is a capuchin monkey — the same kind of monkey trained to provide disabled individuals with a pair of helping hands.

these animals require five to six hours a day of supervised training and interaction outside of their cages. The organization likens the experience to raising a child. In fact, Helping Hands only chooses caretakers that are able to spend most of their time at home with the monkey for the five years it takes to raise them, until the monkey leaves for a final year of formal training with Helping Hands staff.

Headed by Judi Zazula, an occupational therapist and rehabilitation engi-

neer, Helping Hands has placed over fifty capuchin monkeys at no cost to disabled people. While the estimated cost of training a monkey is \$25,000—comparable to expenses incurred with a seeing eye dog—they can be expected to live for more than 30 years, providing years of valuable service to quadriplegics.

Little Oogie, however, was not trained as rigorously as the Helping Hands monkeys, and although she could do many of the useful things those monkeys can do, her occasional monkeyshines were something the Diamonds had to deal with. One of her favorite pastimes involves intentionally dumping out her entire water bottle on the floor several times a day. When the Diamonds were away for two days for an emergency, Oogie made a soup out of peanut butter and butter (stolen from the refrigerator), shampoo (stolen from the bathroom) and fish food (stolen from the fish) in the middle of Jodi's parents' bed. Having had broken into all the "baby-proofed" cabinets, she proceeded to smash the crystal, open all the capsules in the childproof prescription bottles in the medicine cabinet, take everything out of the refrigerator, and in the process, basically destroy the house.

These tales of monkey business didn't seem to bother Jodi's fellow students who were charmed by Oogie's cuter and cleaner side. Jodi warned everyone not to run out and get a monkey. "It was definitely the best five years of my life, but one little monkey is like having triplets." And ultimately, there were not



Jodi Diamond '98 feeds Oogie her afternoon snack before she takes her to meet fellow students in the Community Health class.

enough hands around the Diamond house to keep up with Oogie. She now lives at Frisky's Wildlife and Primate Sanctuary in Woodstock, Maryland, where Jodi visits her every week.

As for Davis, she'll certainly miss Oogie next year, but hopes that a demonstration film from Helping Hands might be a more useful way for physical therapy students to see the full range of Helping Hands capabilities. Certainly, the importance of monkeys hasn't been missed on the students. Davis says, "Once you intro-

duce a concept to the students, you never know where it will resurface. One of those students doing rehab somewhere down the road will come back to it. They won't remember the name of the group, but they'll check their notes and perhaps get a monkey for their patient." And thanks to Jodi and Oogie, more people may be able to rebuild their lives with a monkey on their back.

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Helping Hands, a non-profit organization, trains capuchin monkeys and places them with quadriplegics throughout the country. These monkeys provide the help that disabled individuals desperately need and gives them companionship and independence as well. To learn more about Helping Hands, please call (617) 787-4419.

For more information about Frisky's Wildlife & Primate Sanctuary, call Colleen Layton, the sanctuary's indefatigable manager at (410) 418-8899.

On the cover, Jodi Diamond '98 (right) and her sister spend a rare quiet moment with the usually rambunctious capuchin monkey, Oogie.

Reaping his Rewards

Sometimes things don't work out just the way we plan. In the fall of 1970, Dr. Clarence W. Hardiman left the University of Illinois, where he was an associate professor in the biology department, and was headed to another university to start a graduate program. On his way, he came to Maryland with the idea that he was just passing through and planned to stay only for a year. During the spring of 1971, however, he was appointed acting chair for UM's department of physical therapy. In 1972, after a national search had been conducted, Dr. Hardiman was selected as chair of the department. That's where he's been ever since.

AS DR. HARDIMAN PLANS TO RETIRE,
HE REFLECTS ON HIS ACCOMPLISH-
MENTS AND LOOKS TO THE FUTURE.

by Michele Wojciechowski

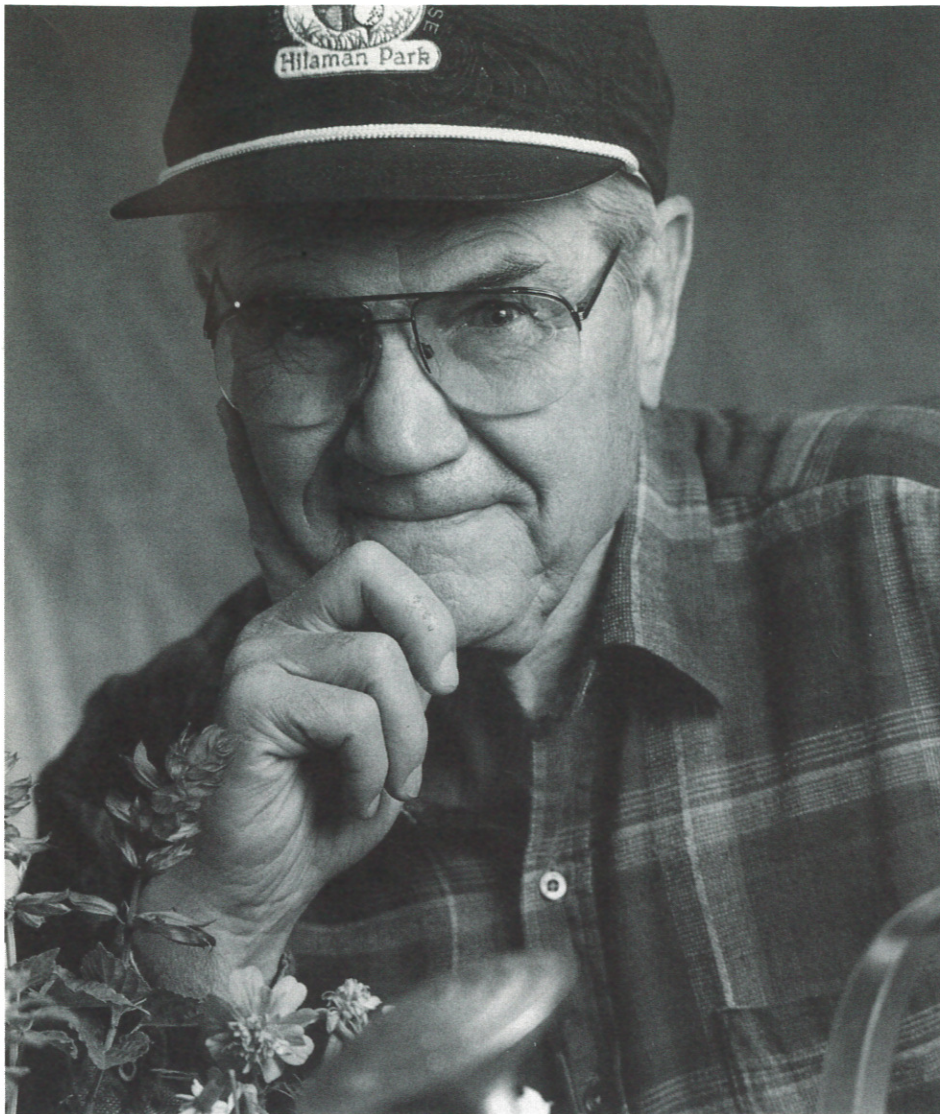
After 27 years in the department, with over 25 of those as chair, Dr. Hardiman is officially retiring on July 1, 1997. He plans to stay on as chair while they search for a replacement, so the final date of his departure is yet to be determined.

When Dr. Hardiman became chair, he needed to make some changes. "First of all, I wondered why the department had so few students and so little money," he says. After he proposed to double the enrollment, other professionals criticized Dr. Hardiman because they thought that his efforts would result in saturating the field. They were wrong. According to Dr. Hardiman, as recently as in the late '80s, physical therapy practices were paying headhunters to find more therapists.

In addition to increasing enrollment, Dr. Hardiman sought more funding for the department. He was determined to

acquire research equipment, teaching aides and more faculty. Through acquiring federal grant funding over a 20-year period, Dr. Hardiman was able to add the new resources the department needed. Dr. Hardiman wanted the program to be a national model. Again, his work paid off. "It became one of the most demanding undergraduate programs in the country, equal at that time to any entry-level program in physical therapy," says Dr. Hardiman. The curriculum required a course in geriatrics (the first in PT education), as well as research, and incorporated learning biofeedback and electromyography.

Dr. Hardiman's next pursuit was to initiate a Master of Physical Therapy (MPT) program. He submitted a proposal in 1991 and, with unusual support from



Photos by Kevin Weber

key university administrators and the State Board of Higher Education, the plans for the MPT program and a new building were finalized in record time. The new program, started in 1992, received its accreditation for eight years in 1996. The site-visit review team for accreditation gave a glowing report to the department's MPT program, highlighting the depth and breadth of faculty qualifications and the quality of students, facilities, equipment and alumni support. During Dr. Hardiman's tenure, enrollment has increased six-fold and the department's budget has increased 20- to 30-fold. Additionally, there are plans for a Ph.D. and a doctoral program underway.

Most recently, Dr. Hardiman has acquired funding for technological advances that will take the department into the 21st century. Some of the

instructional technology is already in place. There is a full digital production facility and a media technician to create graphics, photos and CD-ROM materials for educational purposes. This material and that from the World Wide Web can be accessed by faculty and students from the department's local area network or projected on the large screen in the main lecture hall. A Distance Learning Classroom (DLC), recently funded by Bell Atlantic for the department, is now becoming a reality. The DLC will provide for two-way television communications from its studio to the department's labs, lecture hall and faculty clinic. The DLC will enable lecture and demonstration sharing within the department and throughout Maryland and will eventually be able to reach people around the world.

Why is Dr. Hardiman retiring now? He admits that he hasn't had a vacation since 1991. "I've been postponing [retirement] for six or seven years," says Dr. Hardiman. "If I do the job like I have to do it, I don't really get time for a vacation. I don't have time for my own personal development because if I take time out for that, something else will not get done or a valuable opportunity for the department will be lost."

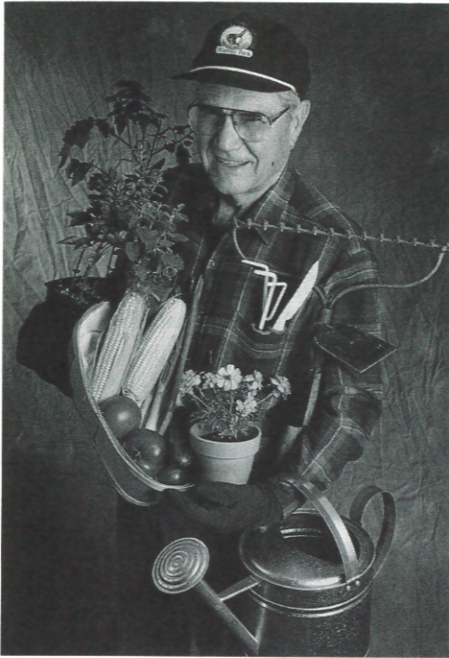
"I think that he's ready to retire; I think that he's proud of what he has done," says Dr. Paul Anderson, assistant chair of the physical therapy department. Dr. Anderson believes that Dr. Hardiman had goals that he wanted to accomplish before he retired. "He wanted us in the new building; he wanted us accredited in the master's program. Those are the types of things that he wished to accomplish before he finally said, 'I'm going fishing.'"

Bobbie di Sabatino, Dr. Hardiman's secretary for the past 12 years, will most remember "his desire to instill in the students to continue their education." He always encouraged them to do the best that they can in everything, she says.

Believe it or not, there was a time when Dr. Hardiman was not interested in education. He was born on a small farm in Tennessee in a log cabin. ("I sound like Abraham Lincoln," he jokes.) His family moved to the city, and he ran with a crowd where nobody studied. When he was about 13 years old, Dr. Hardiman was hardly passing a course. His turnaround came when his family moved again, this time to a small town in Florida.

Because his family moved in the middle of the school year, and Dr. Hardiman took time off for picking fruit to help his family, he missed a lot of school and had

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to repeat the seventh grade. When Dr. Hardiman became friends with a boy interested in studying, Dr. Hardiman, too, became interested in school. His grades progressed from one end of the spectrum—barely passing—to the other—all “As.” His friend also got him interested in playing basketball, and Dr. Hardiman discovered that he was athletic.

At the time World War II was starting, and Dr. Hardiman wanted to go into the service. But he was a year behind in school. He graduated from high school in three years instead of four, and during his senior year he received a letter and district honors in four sports: basketball, baseball, track and football.

After high school, Dr. Hardiman served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in the Pacific area. When he returned from war, he went to college and received a bachelor of science degree in three years from the University of Florida, with a triple major in psychology, biology and chemistry. He went on to complete an 18-month Certificate in Physical Therapy program at Duke University, a master’s degree in physiology with a minor in biochemistry from the

University of Miami, and a doctorate degree in physiology with a minor in biophysics from the University of Florida.

Throughout his life, Dr. Hardiman has been involved in everything from archery to photography to gardening. He taught himself archery and within two years had become both the state and the southern region champion. In one competition he earned two 20-pins (a 20-pin is the equivalent of a “hole in one” in golf) while using a cracked bow. He taught himself microphotography when his two sons began collecting bugs. Having photos of the bugs allowed him to get the actual creatures out of the house. Recently, he has taken photos for alumni publications and for his own personal enjoyment.

Dr. Hardiman and his wife, Anne, are avid gardeners. He does the plowing, planting and the heavy work, and she does the essential harvesting, canning and freezing. They boast grapevines, vegetables and a variety of fruit trees: apples, pears, plums and peaches. When their two sons were small, the Hardimans would give away their bounty to their children’s friends and to neighbors. Now they share their harvests with senior citizens, neighbors and, of course, the physical therapy department. And Dr. Hardiman is sure that eating organic vegetables and fruits has made a difference in his life.

“I haven’t had a cold in eight or 10 years. I haven’t been out sick one day since I’ve been here...It’s amazing,” notes Dr. Hardiman.

But Dr. Hardiman also likes gardening because he grew up on a farm. He likes to “hand-dig just for the pure pleasure of straining my muscles, digging out old rocks...I enjoy the smell of the soil...It’s a feeling of being in touch with

nature, not wasting but protecting the environment, protecting my health. For my wife it’s a socialization process because she delivers [food] to a lot of places,” he says. “And I don’t have to mow that part of the grass!”

What are his plans after retirement? He wants to get reacquainted with his grandchildren, return for a visit to his roots in Tennessee, get more involved in photography and travel. Dr. Hardiman, who has traveled extensively, wants to tour this country and see the national parks, but also travel internationally to unfamiliar areas like Australia, the Amazon and Africa. And he’ll do home renovations.

“My wife has always had a ‘to do’ list of home projects for me and I’d always say that I’d do them during vacation. Since I didn’t take a vacation for the last six years, I keep telling her that I’ll do them when I retire. I’m almost scared to retire since the list has gotten so long—I’ll be home with no excuses and no place to hide,” he laughs.

Now that the time has come to retire, Dr. Hardiman has no regrets; he has a lot to be proud of. “The legacy I’ve had is that I’ve always been interested in having something excel for the long term by developing a strong foundation and promoting steady growth. I feel like we’ve developed one of the best physical therapy programs nationally or perhaps internationally. The resources that we’ve pulled together will be undoubtedly one of the best in the world,” he says. “It really has been a labor of love.”

Michele Wojciechowski is a free-lance writer living in Baltimore.

GRADUATION '97

Congrats to Grads!

On May 22, 1997, the Department of Physical Therapy proudly graduated its third MPT class. The pre-commencement ceremonies were held in the ballroom of the Student Union at UMBC. A record crowd was in attendance to join in the graduation celebration. Opening remarks and greetings were offered by Dr. Clarence Hardiman and Dr. Gad Alon. The graduates also received congratulatory remarks from the dean of the School of Medicine, Dr. Donald E. Wilson.

The keynote speaker for the event was faculty member Denise Bender. Following the keynote address the graduates



Alumna Lynn Rudman '76 (right) presented the Outstanding Senior Award to Christine Chitty at this year's pre-commencement ceremonies. This award is sponsored by the APTA of Maryland, Inc.

were hooded by Dr. Gerald Smith and Roy Bechtel '79 and received their certificates from Dr. Jack Gladstein, associate dean, Student Affairs.

Christine Key, member of the graduating class, offered the student address and captivated the audience by singing a song she adapted for her classmates. "I believe in you and me. I believe that we will be, the best there is to be. Because as far as I can see, we have all ful-



Alumna Tami Radov '93 (center) presented the first Pekar-Abell Pediatric Scholarships to graduating seniors Jocelyn Jarzynski (left) and Tracey Deavers (right). These students received the awards in recognition of their outstanding commitment to pediatric physical therapy.

filled our dream, we've met our goal..."

The university commencement ceremonies took place on Friday, May 23, 1997, at the Baltimore Arena. Graduates, faculty, family and friends attended this event joining graduates from the schools of medicine, law, dentistry, social work, pharmacy and nursing. Our own Dr. Clarence Hardiman served as the Marshal for Students in the university ceremonies.

Congrats to the Class of 1997! Everyone at the department and the alumni association is proud of your accomplishments.

Award Recipients

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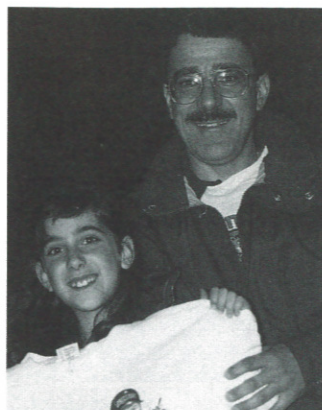
ON MAY 5, 1997, 50 ALUMNI AND 120 OF THEIR FRIENDS AND FAMILY SPENT AN EVENING OF FUN TOGETHER AT CAMDEN YARDS.



Like father like son: John Nietubicz '85 cheers on the Orioles with his son Matt.



Amy (Stein) Mason '88 proudly holds up her new Orioles jumbo mug that she won in the alumni raffle at the game.

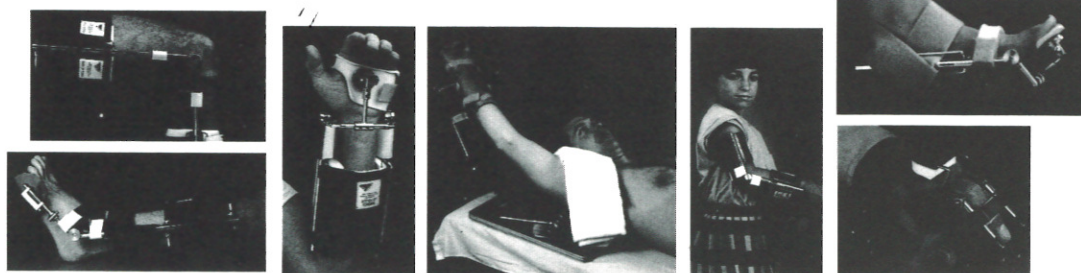


Sal Cascio '81 and his daughter Jennifer enjoy the game together. Jennifer won the T-shirt in the free kids raffle sponsored by the alumni association.



Margaret Alston '83 (far left) shares her Orioles spirit with her family (brother) Ronald, (sister-in-law) Diana and (mother) Josephine.

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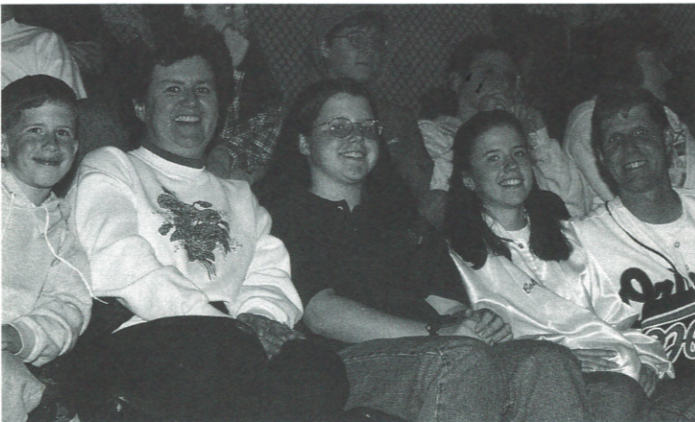
Join the alumni association this fall for a crab feast on Saturday, September 13, 1997, from 7:00 p.m. to midnight. We would like to invite all reunion years to join us, in addition to alumni, friends and family. For more information, please call Kim Vickers in the Alumni Office at (410) 706-1816. Flyers about the event will be mailed in August.



Julianna Myaing '89 is all smiles with her two children Jaimie and Joshua.



Kim Vickers, Director of Alumni Programs, gets shy PT student Sue Pisani '98 and her husband Butch to pose for the camera.



Charles Kibbey '77 (far right) brought his wife Betty and three children Colleen, Marybeth and Kevin to the O's game.

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CLASS NOTES

60s & 70s

Carol Dumbrowski '66 is the development director for the Kalamazoo Nature Center. **Joyce (Johnson) Michel-Zellner '70** received her Master's degree in Gerontology in 1995 and works in head trauma rehab and home health care. She has two children, Eric (19) and Erin (16) and three stepchildren ages 25, 21 and 7. **Richard Jay Katz '75** is the Physical Medicine Administrative Coordinator for the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program in Harbor City, CA. His son is 10, and his 14-year-old daughter will enter high school in September. Life begins at 40 for **Margaret Zastrow '77**. She married Eric Beyersdorf in June '95, with her son Jonathan as the Best Man. In April, her daughter Molly Katherine Beyersdorf was born. **Marian Jarina '77** is currently working in home care and will complete the Feldenkrois Training Program this summer. Her husband Richard is also a Physical Therapist. They have two daughters, Emily (12) and Kristen (9). **Doris Gonzalez '78** retired from the Air Force in July 1996. Doris and her husband Marshall moved to Brevard County, FL, in October 1996 and Doris was hired by HealthSouth a month later.

80s

Robin (Genendlis) Korotki '80 is married and has a son, Matthew (3). She has a hip-therapy program in Jarrettsville, MD, and is a diver at the National Aquarium in Baltimore. **Kathleen (Schwaab) Witty '80** is working 30 hours a week doing home care in Frederick County, MD, for Homecall, Inc. She lives in an old home on 18 acres in Western Howard County with her husband and daughter, Emily (5). With her youngest child off to kindergarten, **Elizabeth (Yu) King '81** started working with the Infants and Toddlers program of Montgomery County, MD, Public Schools. **Susan M. Rosenblatt-Schehr '81** has been in private practice since 1984. She is married to Donald and has two children, Jonathan (5) and Melanie (2). **Deborah (West) Constantine '81** and her husband Ed celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on October 25, 1996. They have two sons, Adam (8) and Paul (6). **Jan Takemori '81** worked the electronic scoreboard at the Judo venue in the 1996 Olympics. In October of 1996 she managed the U.S. team to



Alumnae Linda Downes '83 (right) and her daughter Christina Downes Bowden '95 took time at Christina's wedding in November to snap a photo for our newsletter. Congratulations to the bride and groom!

Junior World Championships. **Carol Halligan '82** is busy with 4-year-old twins in addition to her part-time job in home care with Diversified Health Services. **Michael Wah '82** is employed by Fine, Bryant and Wah. He is married to Cynthia and has two children, Nathan and Abigail. **Kathryn Burgwin '85** is enjoying her job doing home care three days a week. On her days off, she cares for adopted shelter animals. **Nancy (Gianola) Hampton '85** and her husband Matthew have had their second

child. Sarah Grace joined the family on January 16, 1997, and her 3-year-old brother Tyler is happy to have a sister. **Kecia (Whitehead) Pedro '87** finally feels settled after buying a home in Landsdowne, PA. After several years of being stationed in North Pole, Alaska, **Captain Andrea (Connors) Kline '87** is moving this summer to balmy North Carolina. Andrea will be stationed at Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro. **Shawn Maassel '88** keeps himself busy with his home health care jobs and has three children, Nicholas (6 1/2), Nathan (5) and Anna (3 1/2). **Monica (Asher) Golder '88** moved to a log cabin in Whitehall, MD, with her husband Mick and their three children, Shaun (6), Benjamin (4) and Zachary (1). She works in home therapy and for SPARC Rehabilitation in Bel Air. **Jim Viti '89**, former Alumni Association president, recently completed his Advanced Master of Science degree at the Institute of Physical Therapy in St. Augustine, FL, where he now works as an assistant professor in the entry-level MPT program. Jim is presently living with his wife and two children in Ponte Vedra Beach. **Stephanie (Blodgett) Di Pietro '89** is expecting her first child

on or about August 3, 1997.

She is a senior PT at Holy Cross Hospital. **Kimberly Cosgrove '89** was married on May 3, 1997, to Jeff Frock. The couple honeymooned in San Francisco. Kimberly is a seating consultant for Invacare.



Please help keep us informed. Write to Class Notes, Alumni Office, c/o Department of Physical Therapy, 100 Penn Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. Or, get in touch by phone (410) 706-1816, or fax (410) 706-6387.

Keep in touch

We enjoy hearing from alumni and hope you enjoy getting the scoop on the activities of your classmates and friends. We had a wonderful response from our alumni and had more news than space. We will make every effort to put the news we couldn't print this time in the upcoming winter edition.

90s

Kyla (Germeroth) Horseman '90 is living in Aberdeen, MD, with her husband Walt and her two children, Brittany Leigh (2 1/2) and Ryan Walter (7 months). Kyla is employed by Harford Memorial Hospital in Havre de Grace. **Theresa Rossi '91** is an independent contractor for two child development services in Maine. She also works part-time as a Pediatric PT. **Anne (Hershey) Ricketts '92** has spent three years with Dominion Physical Therapy in Springfield, VA. She and her husband Joe have one daughter, Alexandra (16 months). **Andrew Dimitro '91** has received certification as a spe-

cialist in geriatric physical therapy by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties. After he completed a tour of duty in the U.S. Navy, he took on a job as the ACCE of Wheeling Jesuit University's newly accredited Master of Physical Therapy program. **Kurt Brooks '92** recently joined HealthSouth Corporation as a Site Coordinator in Research Triangle Park, NC. **Nicole (Fallone) Hayslett '92** gave birth to Alyssa Gabrielle on February 12, 1997. Even though the delivery came 5 weeks early, mother and daughter are doing well. Alyssa will join her brother Austin (3) at home. Nicole is the Supervisor of Physical Therapy at Montgomery General Hospital.

Julie Bondroff '92 is the Neurological Director at Spectrum Rehab in Chevy Chase, MD. **Karen Ramos '92** delivered her daughter Nicole Elizabeth on May 16, 1997. **Melanie Janeczko '93** has her own practice providing community-based aquatic therapy and dance medicine for dancers and cheerleaders. **Christine (Butera) Hayden '93** got married on July 12, 1996, and honeymooned in Hawaii. She is a senior therapist working in inpatient rehab at St. Charles Hospital and Rehab Center in Long Island, NY. **Lisa (Akers) Rager '93** and her husband Tony bought their first home in July 1996 and proudly announce the birth of their first child, Allison Nicole, in November 1996. Lisa is a ther-



Laura Flynn '92 and her husband Brent hold their new baby daughter, Casey Jane Flynn born January 20, 1997.

apist at Charleston Area Medical Center in West Virginia. **Susan (Daly) Staples '93** was married in March 1996. She now resides in Annapolis, MD, and works for a nursing home in Crownsville. CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE



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Mary Martin '94 became a Certified Mono Ski Instructor and continues to teach skiing at area ski clinics for the disabled. **Julie (Younger) Behm '95** and her husband Justin moved into their new home in Timonium, MD, in August 1996. Julie works in Rehab at Good Samaritan Hospital. After a year and a half in the Baltimore area, **Maria D'Angelo '95** has returned to her hometown of Buffalo, NY, where she is a senior therapist in an acute care hospital. **Colleen (Morea) Saylor '95** works in pediatric early intervention and with adults at Lewistown (PA) Hospital. She married Bob Saylor in April 1996, he is an alumnus of the UM Dental School. **Joanna Bainbridge '96** and **Bruce Blackburn '97** were wed on June 7, 1997, in Chestertown, MD. Joanna is employed by St. Agnes Healthcare. **Steven Giangrandi '96** has traded in his student loan payments for mortgage payments after buying a house

in Baltimore, MD. **Renee Gelles '96** started working for Sports and Orthopedic Therapy Services (SP.OR.T.S.) in Silver Spring, MD, in April 1997. When she's not battling 12 foot high Minnesota snow drifts, **Sarah (Melrose) Noonan '96** is busy as the only full-time registered PT at the Buffalo Lakes (MN) Nursing Home. For the past five months, **Michele Sowers '96** has been working as a staff PT for Altoona Hospital's Outpatient department. She spent the previous five months at the Altoona Hospital Center for Nursing Care. **Charles Mutschler '96** has returned to the Baltimore area after a year of living and working in Jacksonville, FL. He just bought a house on the water in Pasadena, MD, and will be starting his new job soon. **Sara (Zerweck) Shorin '96** and her husband Greg are expecting their first child in September 1997. They welcome visitors to their new home on the north side of Lake Tahoe in Incline Village.



There were quite a few alumni that were on hand for this year's job fair for the Class of 1997. Pictured here are (sitting left to right) Tami Radov '93 and Shlomit Rind '96, and (standing left to right) Linda Paferi '81, Kristine Bombaro '96, Suzanne (Sunderland) Sevier '94, Deborah (Foster) Gordon '95, Paul Manny '95, Gina Oberle '96, Linda Kfoury-House '86, Diana Nichols '76, Alan Zeman '83 and Theresa Sturm '95.

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