

## Letter from the Chair

By MaryBeth Mandich PT PhD

Greetings from steamy Morgantown!

It has been a long hot summer, but we've been very busy on the 8th floor. Two main things have occupied our attention. The first is the ten-year accreditation process. Our written document is due at the end of January and our site visit is scheduled for the end of March. This process takes an enormous amount of preparation and gritty detail work. I am personally grateful for the faculty that we have, since this is the most distributed workload I have ever seen in the time since I've been here. That certainly makes the process easier for each individual. Nevertheless, it will be a long difficult effort and we will be calling on alumni and clinical instructors to provide feedback. If you receive such a call, please consider helping us as the ultimate reflection on program success is clinical performance, first as students and then as practitioners.

The second thing that has occupied our attention is the program expansion. Due to the largest number of applicants we have ever seen, we decided to expand the program from 30 to 40 students annually. Ten additional students may not seem like so many, but in physical therapy education, it means five additional work stations in the plinth lab, extra classroom seating, and a new facility for mat and procedures labs. I am also reminded that it means about three hours of extra faculty time for every check off and practical exam. We received approval in February for the expansion budget and accepted the 40 students. Over the summer, the 8th floor has been renovated and a new mat lab has been built. If you are on campus through the fall, stop by and visit. Professor Petronis has diligently worked to oversee the renovations and they actually will be completed by the beginning of fall semester.

One problem that remains is the clinical education portion of our curriculum. Over the past few years, we have had increasing difficulty finding sufficient places for students, particularly in acute care slots. To address that problem, we will be changing the curriculum. This change will also put us in greater alignment with CAPTE recommendations for clinical education. I want to take this opportunity to extend my thank you on behalf of the program for all of you who serve as clinical instructors. In the clinical environment of today, I am fully aware that clinical instructors sacrifice to take students out of a broader commitment to the profession. Although having a student has many benefits, such as keeping CIs challenged and up to date, it is a commitment that CIs make because they value their profession. The WVU PT program will continue to try to provide support through credentialing

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programs, and access to continuing education. Thanks to all of you.

We will be attempting to further connect students and alumni through sponsorship of the white coat in the Pathways ceremony. This is modeled after a similar program in the School of Medicine. Basically, a practicing clinician makes a donation to the division to sponsor a student. Your name and contact information will be placed on a card in the pocket of the white coat. You may write a note to the student as well. The student will contact you to express their thanks and potentially establish a mentorship. Dr. Mancinelli will be in charge of the initiative, and more details will come out in the fall.

We have more administrative changes within the School of Medicine. Last November, we were joined by a new Chancellor for Health Sciences, Dr. Chris Colenda. Next week, we will welcome a new Dean of the School of Medicine, Dr. Arthur Ross, who joins WVU from Chicago Medical School. I have met him and he seems enthusiastic about working with other disciplines in professional education.

Speaking of fall, don't forget the Professional Programs alumni football tent. This year it will be held on September 18th for the Maryland game. This event has grown and been quite the time for re-connecting with classmates and friends. Also, I have just booked a room for an alumni cocktail event at CSM. This year, CSM is February 9th through 12th in New Orleans. Our alumni reception will be held on Friday evening. More details will be coming.

Well, I will bring this to a close as we get ready to start another academic year and I have syllabi to do. For those of you who have watched my children grow up, my youngest son Ben just graduated from college in May. Time passes and I am very glad to have spent so much of my professional life within the physical therapy community affiliated with West Virginia University. Have a great fall and Go Mountaineers!

## Alumni Weekend (Football Tent)

Come and join us for the Annual WVU Professional Programs Alumni Football Tent on **Saturday, September 18, 2010** prior to the **WVU v. Maryland** football game. The tent will be located in Tent City 3 (near the signal light on Don Nehlen Dr.). The start time will depend on the scheduled kickoff. Look for a registration form in the mail. You may also contact April Cukic at (304) 293-1320.

## Division of Physical Therapy Expands Class Size

The Division is undergoing some exciting changes. Starting with the Class of 2013 (cohort started classes June, 2010) the Division will accept 40 students per year. To support the increase in class size from 30 to 40 students, the School of Medicine has invested \$225,000 in new lab space and new teaching equipment. We also plan to hire an additional faculty member. The 8<sup>th</sup> floor plinth lab was expanded to allow for six additional treatment tables and merged the classroom with the lab. We also added a new 1,300 sq-ft Neuro/Peds lab on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor, which will have 10 high low mat tables. The facilities expansion will free up the existing 3<sup>rd</sup> floor lab to become dedicated clinic and research space. Capital equipment will include new high/low treatment/mat tables, ice machine, and modality units. Small teaching equipment will include items such as dumbbells, cuff weights, Swiss balls, and functional training equipment. The program expansion is designed to help fill State and National demand for physical therapists. In addition to the facility changes, the curriculum will also undergo some slight modifications. The primary curricular changes will include the restructuring of clinical education experiences to increase clinical site availability.



Renovated *Musculoskeletal/Orthopedic Lab*



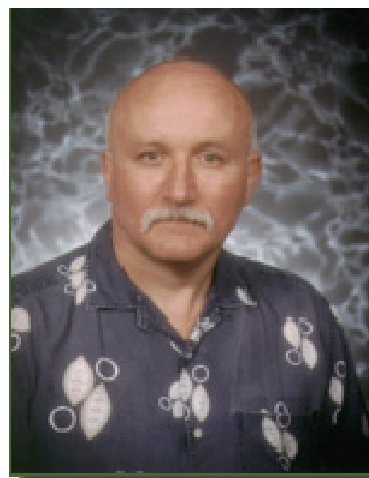
New *Neuro/Peds Lab* undergoing the final phase of construction (will contain 10 hi/low-mat tables)

## Featured Alumni

The WVU Division of Physical Therapy is proud of the outstanding contribution of WVU alumni to the Physical Therapy profession. In this issue, we are highlighting the accomplishments of two outstanding alumni.

### Mike Stagers PT, MS

Michael F. Stagers received his degree in Physical Therapy from WVU in 1974, his Masters of Science degree in Exercise Physiology in 1982 and completed his requirements for Certification as a Gerontology Practitioner from WVU in 2002. He has served as Director of Rehabilitative Services for Monongalia County Home Health Agency, served as President of Monongalia Physical Therapy Services, Ltd. and was Assistant Director of Physical Therapy at WVU Medical Center. His areas of expertise are in treatment of TMJ, Shoulder injury, and Sacroiliac dysfunction. Michael is currently a member of the APTA, WV Chapter of the APTA, Orthopedic Section of the APTA, Geriatric Section of the APTA, American Geriatric Association, Health Policies Section of the APTA, associate members of the American Academy of Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapists and an active member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association. He has also contributed to and has been featured in several PT publications. He is currently in private practice with his two business partners, Don Heare (Class '80) and Roy "Bucky" Whiteman (Class '85). Their business, Progressive Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine Clinic, has sites in both WV and MD. Since beginning his career at WVU in 1975, he has been working with WVU PT students as a clinical instructor for 35 years. Currently he holds the rank of Clinical Assistant Professor in WVU's Physical Therapy Program. Mike's philosophy for the students' clinical education is that it should be one of the most enjoyable aspects of their educational experience. Stress should be minimized to enhance the learning experience.



"Give me the students who feel less than adequate about their clinical skills and I will teach them how to treat the whole patient while making the student feel more confident. When you love what you do, then it really is not work, it is a joy, and I have been enjoying myself for 35 years."

### Erin Barill PT, ATC

Mr. Barill received his bachelor's degree in Secondary Education and Athletic Training from WVU in 1992. He earned another bachelor's degree from WV Division of Physical Therapy in 1994. He worked for 11 years as a physical therapist and athletic trainer at Methodist Sports Medicine Center, where he had both clinical and high school responsibilities. His duties included management, patient care, clinical research, and various sporting event coverage for the center. During his tenure at Methodist, Erin served as a clinical instructor for numerous WVU physical therapy students and was instrumental in hiring several WVU graduates. He has presented numerous lectures of clinical and research findings at a national level and has published several articles and chapters in the area of sports medicine. He was awarded the New Horizon Award in 1999 for recognition to the commitment and advancement of Sports Physical Therapy. In 2003, he started working with the Indianapolis Colts. From 2003-05 he served as team physical therapist. Since 2006, he has served as Director of Rehabilitation for the Indianapolis Colts. His duties include developing, implementing and overseeing rehabilitation programs for the team throughout the entire year. He is also responsible for making return to play decisions with the rest of the medical staff. He has had the good fortune to be a part of 2 Super Bowls teams and be Super Bowl Champion in 2006. Erin is a Morgantown native and an avid Mountaineer fan.



Since 2006 Erin has served as Director of Rehabilitation for the Indianapolis Colts.

## Reunion Classes

The following WVU PT Classes are celebrating milestones this year.

### Class 1980 (30 Years)

Anders, Trudy; Beasley, John; Champe, Debra; Collagan, Kathleen; Downey, Patricia; Goode, Mark; Heare, Donald; Holbrook, Patty; Hunter, Margaret; Jackson, Nina; Jopling, Cindy; Laughlin, Rebecca; Miller, Cheryl; Parrish, William; Payne, Terry; Stec, Thomas; Strasser, Robert; and Waggy, Carol

### Class 1990 (20 Years)

Bower, Lisa; Calfee, Cheryl; Coates, Temple; Dowdy, Christina; Druge, Tom; Filiaggi, Eugene; Goode, Kimberly; Hall, Alicia; Harmon, Donald; Jenkinson, Karen; Lanzino, Desiree; Manchin, Lee Ann; Mitchell, Diana; Pagendarm, Kim; Fleming, Julie; Spurlock, Constance; Timko, Mike; Walter, Bill; and Watt, Steven

### Class 2000 (10 Years)

Barnette, Bradley; Broadwater, Lesslee; Brooks, Sarah; Bustamente, Stacy; Clifton, Shannon; Coleman, Meg; Crumbaker, Wenonah; Fields, Amanda; Gilmore, Matthew; Honaker, Tara; Hose, Mark; Kiger, Justin; Lucas, Amanda; Merrifield, Jordan; Mirasola, James; Moore, Audra; Muzrall, Melissa; Patel, Beena; Payne, Brooke; Reynolds, Shanda; Rhodes, Mary; Riggelman, Cherly; Saler, Nikki; Shreve, Nicole; Singh, Toni; Smarr, Aaron; Spurlock, Christopher; Stratton, Jeffrey; Wooton, Richard; and Young, Stephen



## Class 2010 DPT Graduates

Congratulations to our newest graduates.

Dr. Glenda Adamson	Dr. Tiffany Alexander
Dr. Krystal Arose	Dr. David Brooks
Dr. Lori Ann Cline	Dr. Christina Committee
Dr. Meagan Cook	Dr. David Felton
Dr. Danielle Friebe	Dr. Tiffany George
Dr. Brittany Hagerty	Dr. Casey Jackson
Dr. Kara Jewell	Dr. Jessica Kennedy
Dr. Zachary Grimm	Dr. Eric Lawrence
Dr. Samantha Lyons	Dr. Anna Meckley
Dr. Janice Moon	Dr. Ashley Moyers
Dr. Robert Oliverio	Dr. Rhonda Parker
Dr. Lauren Peet	Dr. Kelly Poling
Dr. Jennifer Redmond	Dr. Casey Robinson
Dr. Jacob Stevens	Dr. Lindsey Swaim
Dr. Joey Swearingen	Dr. Dana Tuomi
Dr. Alecha Wallington	Dr. Beau Wilson
Dr. Lindsay Wimer	

### Awards

**Outstanding Student Clinician:** Dr. Casey Robinson

**Research Award:** Drs. David Felton, Robert Oliverio, Casey Robinson, and Beau Wilson

**Clinical Pathways Award:** Dr. Joey Swearingen

**Basic Science Award:** Drs. David Felton, Robert Oliverio, Jennifer Redmond (O'Neal), Lindsey Swaim, and Joey Swearingen



See Recipients of the Mary Lou Barnes and Sandy Burkart Awards on Page 6

## Message from Class 2012

By Renee Saffell SPT (Class President)

Hello WVU PT Alumni! The PT Class of 2012 has survived the first year of classes, exams, and practicals. It seems like only yesterday we walked into a classroom of strangers and started the infamous journey of PT school. Our class has representation from many undergraduate backgrounds that range from Exercise Science to Business Management and from states as far as Washington. We blend together well and have made many memories just in one year. Therefore, the statement "Time flies when you're having fun" stands true once again. Needless to say, we are a close-knit bunch and have been nicknamed "the happy bunch." We now head into our second year and know each other not only by name and hometown, but also by gait pattern and posture abnormalities. We look forward to sharing lessons learned with the new students coming in to the program. Hopefully, their experience will be as great as ours has been thus far.

In our first year, we began our fundraising and community service hours. We participated in the WVU Dance Marathon, WVU Relay for life, and volunteered for other various organizations in the community. As you all may know, we are making some exciting changes to our learning environment. The expansion of the program also brings bigger labs and classrooms as well as updates to equipment. Construction workers are doing a great job transforming the 8<sup>th</sup> floor into an excellent learning atmosphere. We would like to thank the alumni for their continued support of this program and we look forward to becoming your colleagues in the not so distant future.

**Back row-** Julian Spraggins, Steve Barrett, Jim Swiger, Matt Bates, Ben Adkins, Josh Arbaugh

**4<sup>th</sup> Row:** Brandon Beacom, Joe Cyphert, Renee Saffell, Brielle Cecil, Laura Foster, Brad Dodson, Jamie Simpson, Jeremy Whiteman, Jeremy Bodkins

**3<sup>rd</sup> Row:** Ryan Hickey, Aaron Copeland, Sara Harvey, Laura Stephens, Jenna Snyder, Mark Karnoupakis

**2<sup>nd</sup> row:** Melissa Evans, Ryan Santangelo, Alexa Northcraft, Elise McClintic, Tiffany Satzer, Jessica Link

**Front Row:** Carrie James, Emily Paff, Nicole DeStefano, Vanessa Schmid



### Gifts of Time and Talent

There are numerous individuals who support the Division with their time and talents. While it would be impossible to recognize everyone, we would like to thank those who gave a lecture, taught a lab, served on a committee, provide CEU course for faculty and students, or agreed to be a CI on a minute's notice. Your contribution to the overall education of our students and to the development of our profession is immeasurable. **Thank You!**

### Gifts to the Division (2009–2010)

The Division would like to thank the following individuals and organizations for their financial support over the past year. Your gifts are greatly appreciated and essential to our educational mission.

#### **\$10,000 and above**

The Ross Foundation

#### **\$1,000 to \$9,999**

Kanawha Realty & Development Corporation

Mrs. Martha F. Brumfield

#### **Up to \$999**

Ms. Brook L. Browning

Mrs. Jennifer S. Cawthorne

Dr. D. Scott and Ingrid Davis

Mrs. Yvonne M. Donley

Mrs. Sharon H. Faini

Mr. Robert L. Golden

Mrs. Mary D. Guido

Herrick Physical Therapy Services

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Holden

Mrs. Melinda D. Hull

Dr. Desiree J. Lanzino

Mr. Joseph D. D. Pennington

PRO Physical Therapy

Drs. James M. Shumway and Lizabeth A. Pyle

Ms. Carrie J. Smith

Ms. Amy K. Steele

Ms. Amanda S. Stuchell

Mrs. Katherine P. Wiley

## Award Recipients

### Sandy L. Burkart Outstanding Clinical Instructor Award

The Sandy L. Burkart Outstanding Clinical Instructor Award was created to acknowledge exceptional service to our students as a clinical instructor. This award bears the name of an individual who made a significant contribution not only to the success of the WVU PT program during the 26 years he served on our faculty, but also to the PT profession. Dr. Burkart is a founding faculty member of the Division and served as the second Chair from 1980-1996.

Nominations for the award were solicited from the Class of 2010 and voted on by the Division faculty. The recipient of the 2010 Sandy L. Burkart Outstanding Clinical Instructor Award is **Annetta Haddox PT, MS**. Ms. Haddox is a 1985 graduate of the WVU Division of Physical Therapy. She is currently the owner of PRO Physical Therapy in Winchester and Front Royal Virginia. She is a dedicated clinical instructor who also serves as a guest lecturer and dedicated alumnus who willingly gives of her time and talents to support the program. Annetta has dedicated her career to life-long learning and "patient-first" clinical practice. She serves as a tremendous role model for our students and is an invaluable member of our clinical education faculty.

### Previous Recipients of the Sandy L Burkart Award:

Lisa Raber Ammons (2009)

### Mary Lou Barnes Award for Distinguished Professional Service

The Mary Lou Barnes Award for Distinguished Professional Service was created to honor an alumnus of our program who has made a significant contribution to the physical therapy profession through excellence in teaching, research, or service. Mary Lou Barnes was the creator and Founding Chair of the WVU PT program.



The recipient of the 2010 Mary Lou Barnes Distinguished Service Award is **Lori Lovern PT, OCS**. Ms. Lovern is a 1985 graduate of the WVU PT program. Lori is the owner of OCV Physical Therapy in Princeton, WV. She is current President of West Virginia Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association. Lori has served the West Virginia Physical Therapy Association in numerous capacities including President, Treasurer, Legislative Committee Co-Chair, Federal Affairs Liaison, and a Delegate in the APTA House of Delegates. Ms. Lovern has served as a clinical instructor for many years and is always willing to support the program.

### Previous Recipients of the Mary Lou Barnes Award Recipients:

Sheyi Ojofeitimi MPT (2009)

## Welcome Class of 2013

The Division is proud to announce our newest cohort of students who make up the class of 2013. We received 348 applications, of which 151 meet the admission criteria. Forty (40) students were accepted as part of the Class of 2013. The class consists of 24 females and 16 males with average undergraduate GPA of 3.55. Congratulations to the following new students:

Alex Ashley	William Badman
Stephanie Bailey	Alan Barb
Genelle Botje	Stephen Bowen
Megan Burkart	Matthew Childress
Brittany Dennison	Anthony Dimairo
Lori Dingess	Heidi Floyd
Richard Gandee	Lindsey Gentry
Melissa Henry	Gemma Hoxie
Toby Johnson	Sarah Lewis
Michael Loving	Bo Marcy
Sarah Morrison	Abby Newman
Jean Roth	April Rotilio
Ryan Ruben	Courtney Sanner
Katherine Sheils	Haley Snyder
Nicole Stark	Kaitlyn Stone
Kelly Takatsuki	Allison Toffle
Jacob Toth	Craig Trippett
Sarah Tuggle	Megan Vincent
Heather Wales	David Weadon
Kyle West	Benjamin Wolford

## Division Faculty are Actively Engaged in State and National Service

### Carol Waggy PT, PhD

- Abstract Reviewer, Orthopedic Section, APTA

### Ralph Utzman PT, PhD

- Chair, 3 Rivers Academic Consortium
- Program Committee, APTA Health Policy & Administration Section
- WVPTA Bylaws Committee (Chair), Practice Committee
- Journal Reviewer (3 manuscripts for 2 peer-reviewed journals)

### D. Scott Davis PT, MS, EdD, OCS

- Chair, Awards Committee, APTA
- Vice Chair Research Committee, Orthopedic Section, APTA
- Public Relations Committee, Orthopedic Section, APTA
- Nominating Committee, Education Section, APTA
- Journal Reviewer (5 manuscripts for 4 peer-reviewed journals)

### Corrie Mancinelli PT, PhD

- State Liaison, Geriatric Section, APTA
- ADL Task Force for Patients with RA, American College of Rheumatology
- Awards Committee, APTA
- Abstract Reviewer, Orthopedic Section, APTA
- Journal Reviewer (6 manuscripts for 3 peer-reviewed journals)

### Anne K. Swisher PT, PhD

- Editor-in-Chief, Cardiopulmonary Physical Therapy Journal
- Education Committee, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- Director, PT Mentoring Program, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- Content Expert, Cardiovascular & Pulmonary Specialty, ABPTS
- Evidence-Based Documents and Portal Task Forces, APTA
- Journal Reviewer (3 manuscripts for 1 peer-reviewed journal)

### Mia Erickson PT, EdD, CHT

- Newsletter Editor, Hand Rehab Section
- Secretary, Hand Rehab Section
- Reimbursement and Nominating Committee, WVPTA
- Abstract Reviewer, Orthopedic Section, APTA
- Journal Reviewer (1 peer-reviewed journal)

## Message from Class 2011

By Morgan Chambers (Class President)

Hello, WVU PT alum! The Class of 2011 has been hard at work on rotations all summer in various clinics throughout rural WV. We finally got the chance to see the past two years of intense study pay off through real, hands-on clinical practice. We have even realized we just might know more than we thought.

In April, this shift from academia to clinical practice was acknowledged through the Clinical Pathways Ceremony. Our friends, family, and professors gathered at the WVU Health Sciences Center to share in our accomplishment as we received our white coats to symbolize this transition. It was a wonderful event where we could introduce our families to our professors and new family with whom we have created bonds over the last two years.

On September 19, 2010, we will be hosting the **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual PT Classic Golf Scramble** to raise funds for professional development events such as the APTA Student Conclave and the Combined Sections Meeting. As with the past two years, we are expecting a great turnout and would love to have you there to support us. This event will be held the same weekend as the WVU-Maryland home game. So grab your buddies and make a weekend out of it. **Registration Deadline is September 1, 2010.** For registration forms or additional questions about the event or how you can help support us, please contact Morgan Canady at [mchambe1@mix.wvu.edu](mailto:mchambe1@mix.wvu.edu).

The PT Class of the 2011 would like to thank all the alumni who have continued to serve and support WVU Physical Therapy with their time and talents, especially those who serve as clinical instructors or contributors to the program. It's because of you we are able to learn so much and become the next generation of physical therapists. Thank You!



### Class 2011

Kaitlyn Barr, Calvin Bensenhaver, Jared Bloom, Morgan Chambers, Nathaniel Chapman, Jessica Garcia, Candice Harshbarger, David Hayes, Noelle Isiminger, Melissa Karnack, Patrick Kennedy, Rachel Kolanko, Amy Lancaster, Mallory Lazell, Amy Lilly, Travis McClintic, Sarah Mohler, Amy Moore, George Nelson, Francis Northrup, Joshua Petersheim, Ashley Piatt, Heather Rinkevich, Lisa Rocky, Steven Sapoznik, Ashley Small, Bethany Stemple, Megan Thomas, Ashley Wade

## Faculty Clinical Practice

All the core faculty maintain an active physical therapy license and provide direct patient care. The faculty practice continued to grow this year. The faculty who practice as part of University Health Associates (UHA) provided over 1,040 (39% year-over-year increase) outpatient visits this past year. Faculty provide **one-on-one outpatient** physical therapy; providing a unique niche practice for patients needing personalized and specialized PT (women's health, pediatric, orthopedic, neurologic, and cardiopulmonary) services. Several faculty also practice in multi-disciplinary medical teams, medical/surgical specialty clinics, or provide in-patient physical therapy at Ruby Memorial Hospital.

## Class 2011 Clinical Pathways Award Ceremony



**Keynote Speaker:** Lori Lovern PT, OCS



**Clinical Pathway Award Recipients:**  
Patrick Kennedy and Amy Lancaster  
*(Above: Amy Lancaster receives her certificate from Dr. Davis)*



A proud and smiling Rachel Kolanko receives her White Coat from Dr. Mandich



**Basic Science Award:** Noelle Isiminger, Josh Petersheim, Patrick Kennedy, and Ashley Piatt  
*(Above: Josh Petersheim receives his certificate from Dr. Mancinelli)*



Lori Lovern PT, OCS receives the Mary Lou Barnes Award from the Class of 2011 Faculty Advisor (Dr. Swisher)



Class President, Morgan Chambers SPT addresses the audience and her classmates

The Clinical Pathways Ceremony marks a milestone in the three-year DPT program. At the end of the second year, students take Comprehensive Examinations (Written and Practical), which simulate the National Boards. Students who successfully pass the Comprehensive Exams are eligible to progress to the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the curriculum, including full-time clinical rotations.

## Program Facts and Figures

Current Division Enrollment = 100 Total DPT Students

## Admission Statistics (Class 2013)

- 348 Applications
- 151 Eligible Applicants
- 40 Accepted Students
- 16 male; 24 female
- Average GPA = 3.55
- Average Pre-requisite Science GPA = 3.46



## Spring Visiting Scholar

The Division was pleased to have Dr. Michener serve as our Spring Visiting Scholar. Her visit included a formal presentation titled: *Rotator Cuff Disease: What we know; what we don't know*. Faculty also had an opportunity to meet informally with Dr. Michener to compare notes on teaching strategies, research, and to discuss professional issues. Dr. Michener is an Associate Professor of Physical Therapy at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). She has published over 25 articles in peer-reviewed journals and has been awarded numerous grants for her research on shoulder examination and treatment. She is the Chair of the Research Committee for the Orthopedic Section of the APTA and the Director of COOR Laboratory (Clinical Biomechanics, Orthopedic, and Sports Outcomes Research) at VCU.



Lori Michener PhD, PT, SCS, ATC

## Alumni Reception, San Diego CSM

Given the distance to San Diego, CA, we had a nice turnout at the Alumni Reception this year at Combined Section Meeting. Below are some of the Alumni, Faculty, and Friends of the Division who attended.

Claudia Gazi '81	Bill Hanlon	Stephanie Blosser '08
Brian Armstrong '07	MaryBeth Mandich	Erin Barill '94
Scott Davis '88	Anne Swisher '88	Ryder Witherell '96
Burt Reed '94	Ralph Utzman '89	Dave Pariser '83
Jessica Worrell '07	Debbie Cyphers '01	Rebecca Aranda '09

## Upcoming Clinical Instructor Education & Credentialing Courses

September 18-19 - Pittsburgh PA  
 October 30-31 - Charleston WV  
 November 20-21 - Morgantown WV

Brochures and registration information are on our website at:  
<http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/som/pt/Education/Clinical-Education/Clinical-Instructor-Training.aspx>

## WVU Clinical Instructors

We would like to thank the dedicated clinical instructors who have provided **full-time clinical education** for our second and third year student over the past year. If you are interested in serving as a WVUPT Clinical Instructor, please contact Ralph Utzman PT, PhD or Mia Erickson PT, EdD, CHT.

Admire, Barbara PT	Amrine, Louise PT, DPT
Anders, Jason PT, DPT	<u>Arbrogast, Susan PT ('99)</u>
Arthur, Rene MPT	<u>Bailey, Tim MPT ('03)</u>
Black, Valerie PT, MPT	Boring, Kevin PT, ATC
Bower, Jessica PT	Bradley, David PT, DPT
Brumfield, Derrick MPT	Burgess, Kristina DPT
Campos, Alberto PT	Cero, Melissa PT
<u>Clemens, Marnie PT ('92)</u>	Conaway, Mike PT ('88)
Corson, Maria PT	Crowder, Joseph MSPT
Dalek, Matt PT	<u>Dalton, Derek PT, DPT ('08)</u>
<u>Daniels, Terry PT, MPT ('06)</u>	DeLeon, Tamara PT
DiBacco, John PT, DPT	Dickson, Chrissa PT
<u>Dobbs, Thomas MPT ('03)</u>	Dowell, Kathy PT
<u>Druge, Tom PT ('90)</u>	Duffer, Teresa PT
<u>Ellis, Miranda DPT ('08)</u>	Erickson, Jeff PT, ATC, SCS, CSCS
Feathers, Jordan PT	Felton, Stephen PT
Fraley, Michelle PT	Frohnappel, Andrea BS, PT
Frum, Chris PT	Furrer, Heather PT, MPT
Gainsback, Philip PT	<u>Graham, Lauren MPT ('03)</u>
Gray, Tiffany PT	Haas, Robert PT
Hamilton, Mark PT	Harper, Ilene BS, PT
<u>Heare, Don PT ('80)</u>	<u>Heavener, Ruth PT ('88)</u>
<u>Herrick, Jeff PT ('87)</u>	<u>Herrick, Molly PT ('88)</u>
<u>Hose, Mark PT ('00)</u>	Hudack, Diane PT
Hull, Cheryl PT	<u>Hunt, Bethany PT, MPT ('06)</u>
Johnston, Joseph PT	Jones, Hana PT
Katchuk, Holly PT, DPT	Keller-Lott, Jennifer PT, DPT
Kerns, Gwen PT	King, Jeff BS PT
<u>Knell, Christin MPT ('04)</u>	Kuchinski, Kelly PT
Laverty, Karla PT	<u>Lawrence, Erin PT, MPT ('06)</u>
<u>Lee, David PT ('79)</u>	Lightfoot, Sara PT
Linville, Rachel PT, DPT	Lough, Robert PT
<u>Lovern, Lori PT, OCS ('85)</u>	Marchion, Valerie, PT
Martin, Nick PT	McClung, Pixote PT
<u>McCrary, Michelle PT, DPT ('08)</u>	McGinnis, Carla PT
Mercer, Chris PT	<u>Mills, Andi PT, DPT ('98)</u>
<u>Moore, Chris MPT, OCS, CSCS ('02)</u>	Mozingo, Virginia MPT
<u>Myers, Erika PT, MPT ('05)</u>	O'Shaughnessy, Margaret PT
Owens, Spain PT	Pack, Pamela PT, DPT
<u>Perkins, April, PT, MPT ('06)</u>	Pipes, Robert PT
Pologruto, Pamela PT, DPT	<u>Powrozniak, Kristi PT ('89)</u>
Queen, Amy MPT, ATC	<u>Raber Ammons, Lisa PT ('94)</u>
Rager, Lisa PT	<u>Randolph, Christa PT, MPT ('05)</u>
Reid, Stacey PT	Renton, Eleanor PT
Rummel, Travis PT	<u>Saab, Regina PT, MPT ('07)</u>
<u>Smith, Misty PT, DPT ('05)</u>	Smolder, Scott MPT
<u>Staggers, Mike PT, MS ('74)</u>	Stavrakis, Melissa MPT
Stratford, Erin MPT	<u>Stuchell, Amanda MPT ('03)</u>
Subrick, Charlene MPT	Swan, Megan PT
<u>Swiger, Alicia PT ('96)</u>	Tutalo, KC PT
Warcholak, Lisbeth PT	<u>Watt, Steven PT ('90)</u>
Weber, Ed PT, MPT	Weber, John PT, DPT
<u>West, Adam MPT ('03)</u>	<u>Wolfe, Ashley MPT ('04)</u>
Wood, Pat PT	<u>Young, Stephen MPT, OCS ('00)</u>

### Faculty Scholarship (2009-2010)

Anne K. Swisher PT, PhD, CCS

This past year has been a busy and productive one for scholarship among the PT faculty. There has been some very exciting recognition for the work that has is being done at WVU. Ralph Utzman PT, MPH, PhD had his third article published in the premier journal in our field, *Physical Therapy*, all based on his outstanding PhD dissertation work. Congratulations, Ralph! Another milestone in scholarship is successful grant funding. We are pleased that the NIOSH study continues to be funded (over \$41,000 for 2010-2011) to Scott Davis PT, EdD, OCS and his colleagues, Corrie Mancinelli PT, PhD and John Petronis PT, MS to continue this important work in understanding occupational low back pain. This project has already led to several published abstracts and presentations at national meetings. A grant of \$22,000 was also awarded to MaryBeth Mandich PT, PhD by the Ross Foundation for the purchase of equipment to measure sophisticated gait and balance parameters in people with stroke and other neurological conditions. This equipment will be instrumental in future studies by faculty and staff. Special congratulations also go to Dina Jones PT, PhD for achieving tenure, a great recognition for her impressive scholarly work at WVU and to Corrie Mancinelli PT, PhD for her poster, awarded in "Top 25 Poster Scientific Exhibits" at American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons Annual Meeting.

As a group, the faculty has published, or had accepted for publication, a total of 9 scholarly papers and 2 abstracts in the past year! This productivity truly highlights the national and international reputation of individual faculty members, the program, and the university. Stay tuned for more information about ongoing projects in cancer survivorship, gait and balance issues in people with neurological disorders (TBI, autism, Parkinson's), normative values for clinical balance tests, and hand therapy outcomes. Students are actively engaged in many of these projects and have the opportunity to submit abstracts and papers and present their work, alongside their faculty mentors.

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