Shields Delivers 2017 Mary McMillan Lecture

Dr. Richard Shields, Chair of the Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science, delivered the 48th Mary McMillan Lecture at APTA's annual convention in Boston (viewable online at http://www.apta.org/NEXT/2017/McMillanLecture/).

According to the APTA: "The Mary McMillan Lecture is the most distinguished honor an active APTA member can receive." "This award recognizes those who have demonstrated exemplary skills in the areas of administration, education, patient care, management, and research."

13% of all past McMillan lecturers attended the University of Iowa; Shields is the 6th speaker from our institution.

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Mary McMillan Lecture (continued):
Addressing an audience of 2,000 clinicians and educators, Shields highlighted ways that physical therapists "turn over the hourglass" for their patients by facilitating longevity-promoting cellular changes. Shields introduced the new frontier of Precision Physical Therapy, in which physical therapists expertly dose movement interventions to elicit healthful genetic and epigenetic adaptations.

Dr. Shields also highlighted the opposite end of the patient care continuum, the science of measuring patient expectation and clinical outcomes. Through advances at both frontiers of clinical rehabilitation science, physical therapists will achieve the APTA's vision to "Transform society by optimizing movement to improve the human experience."

Attendees of the McMillan Lecture also commemorated the career of Dr. Geneva Johnson, one of the profession's most cherished leaders. Dr. Johnson gave the Mary McMillan Lecture in 1985. She served as a PT in the U.S. Army during WWII and the Korean War, then studied at the University of Iowa. She founded one of the profession's first entry-level Master's degree programs in 1960 and she championed educational innovation throughout her career. Dr. Johnson celebrated her 95th birthday during the APTA NEXT conference. She continues to be active in the APTA's Federal PT section and regularly attends APTA national meetings.

The full text of the 2017 McMillan Lecture is available in the October issue of Physical Therapy.

Sluka Receives Helen Hislop Award

The APTA honored Professor Kathleen Sluka, PT, PhD, FAPTA with the 2017 Helen J. Hislop Award for Outstanding Contributions to Professional Literature.

Dr. Sluka received the award at the APTA NEXT Conference in Boston. The award commemorates Dr. Helen Hislop, an Iowa PT graduate whose long career as an academic leader included a seven-year term as the editor of Physical Therapy.

Dr. Sluka received the award in recognition of her extensive contributions to the scientific literature in physical therapy, particularly in pain management and the neurobiology of pain. Over her career, Dr. Sluka has published over 195 scientific papers advancing the evidence for non-pharmacologic management of pain. Her work is of vital importance to physical therapists and other healthcare providers looking for therapeutic options in the current national opioid abuse crisis.

Our Department congratulates Dr. Sluka on receiving this prestigious award and thanks her for her important contributions to the profession.
Jackson Named Dean of Carver College of Medicine

In November, Brooks Jackson, MD, MBA was named Dean of the Carver College of Medicine and Vice President of Medical Affairs. Dr. Jackson is a board-certified pathologist and internationally-recognized AIDS researcher. He previously served as Vice President for Health Sciences and Dean of the medical school at the University of Minnesota.

In his new role at Iowa, Dr. Jackson will oversee University of Iowa Health Care, which encompasses the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, the Carver College of Medicine, and UI Physicians, the state’s largest physician practice group.

Dr. Jackson is an avid runner, with a daily running streak dating back to 1979. We hope this extremely healthful habit continues uninterrupted here in our community, and we warmly welcome him to the University of Iowa.

Iowa Alumni: Spotlight on Veterans

Our Department's history stretches back to 1942, when the United States Army initiated an emergency course to address a wartime shortage of trained physical therapists. Each class completed six months of didactic coursework followed by six months of practical training in the Army. Since that era, a number of our graduates have either preceded or followed their PT training with military service. In this Alumni Spotlight edition, we highlight three alumni whose military experiences helped shape their careers in PT.

*Are you a veteran? Our Department is compiling a roster of alumni who served in any era and in any capacity. We invite you to add your name to this list of individuals who served. Please contact us at physical-therapy@uiowa.edu to provide us with your service information.*

Donald "Jake" Jacobusse, PT, CRT ('71)

Donald "Jake" Jacobusse served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1969. Between 1967 and 1968 he served as an artillery officer in Vietnam. Upon his discharge from the Marine Corps, Mr. Jacobusse enrolled in the University of Iowa's PT program.

Mr. Jacobusse recalls that this was an era of extreme unrest on campus, with many students protesting the Vietnam War. The intensity of the protests escalated in the week following the Kent State student shootings in May of 1970.

"It became so violent that state troopers patrolled the campus and all classes were suspended 2 weeks before the end of the semester. No finals were taken." He continues, "It was not a pleasant time for a Vietnam veteran....My challenge was remaining rather incognito and just concentrating on my studies. Not many people knew that I was a veteran except for my good friends."

Mr. Jacobusse graduated from PT school in 1971 and began a therapy career in north-central Iowa. He currently serves as Director of PT services at Kossuth Regional Health Center in Algona, Iowa.

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Spotlight on Veterans (continued):

Raymond Crallé, PT ('71)

One friend who knew Mr. Jacobusse’s history of military service was a classmate, Raymond Crallé. He was a Florida native who enlisted in the Marine Reserves after the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1964. He served in the Marine Reserves for 6 years, including during his PT studies. His time in the program was punctuated by Reserve drills in Moline on weekends until his graduation in 1971.

Mr. Crallé’s mother was one of the first licensed PTs in Florida and owned her own private practice. Mr. Crallé followed suit, opening thirteen sports rehabilitation centers in the 1980s. He served two terms as the Chair of the Private Practice Section of the Florida Physical Therapy Association.

In the early 2000’s, Mr. Crallé began to collaborate with neurosurgeons to administer hyperbaric oxygen (HBO) to victims of near-drowning incidents and to veterans with brain trauma from concussive injury. In November of 2017, the VA approved the use of hyperbaric oxygen for veterans suffering from intractable post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

COL (Ret.) Steven Hunte, PT, MPH ('80)

A third alumnus followed his Iowa PT education with a long and productive career as an Army physical therapist. Steven Hunte was a varsity wrestler at Iowa from 1973-1978 and a member of three NCAA Championship wrestling teams. He attended PT school while completing his Army ROTC requirements, graduating in 1980.

He honed his early skills at Brooke Army Medical center and other Army hospitals. In the 1990’s he served as Chief of Physical Therapy at the 121st General Hospital in Seoul, Korea and at Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg, NC.

After the 9/11 attacks, he assumed command of the Schweinfurt Clinic in Bavaria, Germany, overseeing PT, Pharmacy, Social Work, Radiology, and a number of other healthcare services for the 2nd Brigade Combat Team and their families. His duties at this time centered around enhancing medical readiness for soldiers preparing for deployment to the Middle East.

In 2004, he was promoted to Colonel and became the first PT in Army history to be an Army Hospital Commander, overseeing operations at Womack Army Medical Center and later at McDonald Army Health Center. Colonel Hunte became the first Installation Management Command Surgeon at the Pentagon, working to improve access to healthcare and related services for soldiers and their families on all Army installations and Joint Bases worldwide. Colonel Hunte retired in 2011 after a 32-year Army career. He completed a Masters of Public Health in Healthcare Administration in 2013. (continued next page…)
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Leadership Lessons

Despite their very different career histories, these veterans all learned lessons through military service that enhanced their ability to care for patients and to manage clinical staff.

Raymond Crallé credits his Marine Corps experience with teaching him about overcoming adversity. Of the eighty recruits in his basic training platoon, only 42 completed the training. He remarks that "Having lettered in sports in high school, I thought I was in good shape, but I was never again as fit as I was after boot camp in the Marines." He also credits the Marine Corps with helping him recognize the importance in reaching out to help others in life. Mr. Crallé now runs a non-profit organization that assists patients to obtain access to hyperbaric oxygen treatment at reduced or no cost.

Colonel Hunte remarked that "In Army PT Clinics, therapists were to focus on what worked to reduce pain, increase function, and return to duty...There is an incentive to fix Soldiers as fast as possible to return them to their combat teams." Colonel Hunte pointed out that historically, Army physical therapists had greater practice autonomy than their colleagues in civilian practice. Very early in their history, Army PTs were able to flexibility tailor treatment plans without the strictures of reimbursement limits or mandates from referral sources.

As a clinic supervisor, Colonel Hunte realized that exposure to civilian practice would provide his junior officers with useful perspective. "I always allowed my junior officers to moonlight as civilian physical therapists when they asked. I knew that once they satisfied their curiosity that they would never consider leaving the Army to work in the civilian world as a PT." Through this mentoring strategy, Colonel Hunte equipped many junior officers to fulfill the Army Medical Department's purpose, to "Preserve the Fighting Force."

Jake Jacobusse sees direct parallels between the skills that equip a good military commander and those that mark an effective clinic manager. "I think good leaders are born not made...I have noted that the one thing that is probably the most important in leadership is keeping your troops informed as to the WHY of your order. Troops and staff do like to know why they are being ordered or asked to do something."

However, he acknowledges one key distinction between military and civilian leadership: "Being a military commander...your orders are carried out WITHOUT question; being a civilian manager, your orders are carried out WITH questions."

Enhancing Care for Veterans

Colonel Hunte sees a particular advantage for veterans to provide physical therapy care to fellow veterans. "There is an increased recognition of the mental effects and PTSD on Soldiers. Only one percent of the USA population serves in the military. Soldiers understand what other Soldiers go through. Soldiers seek other Soldiers to talk with about issues."

He also highlights a unifying theme common to both military and civilian PT practice; the need for therapeutic approaches based on sound scientific research. "The advancement of knowledge and science provides advancements in physical therapy and I hope that physical therapy as a profession focuses on evidence-based scientific research to advance physical therapy knowledge and provision of care."

Our Department extends its gratitude to these three veterans and to all our alumni who have served. We would like to connect with veterans in our alumni community; please email us at physical-therapy@uiowa.edu to let us know about your military service.
Iowa Educational Summit

Clinicians and PT educators from around the state attended the Iowa PT Education Summit on September 15. This annual event is designed to trigger discussion of hot-button practice and education issues among Iowa’s physical therapy community.

This year’s Summit topic was "the movement system," which the APTA has identified as a key unifying concept for the profession. Iowa faculty member Amy Kimball, PT, ATC provided an overview of the movement system concept and led a discussion of the ways it is taught in PT educational programs. Rock Valley Physical Therapy CFO and Iowa adjunct faculty member Randy Boldt, PT described reimbursement issues surrounding movement system-based diagnosis.

The session concluded with a "flipped" panel discussion, in which moderators posed challenging questions about movement system-related care to members of the audience.

In the afternoon, Summit attendees and Iowa alumni gathered for the 2nd Annual Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science Golf Outing. Retired Iowa faculty member Byron Bork, PT, MA served as the social center of this event, which raised funds for DPT student scholarships. Summit attendees and friends of the Department gathered in the evening for an alumni social.

The next Iowa Educational Summit and golf outing will be September, 14 2018. Be on the lookout for email updates soon!

Shields Receives Award for Faculty Excellence

Iowa PT Professor and Chair Dr. Richard Shields received the Iowa Board of Regents Award for Faculty Excellence.

This award recognizes faculty who have a sustained record of excellence across the spectrum of faculty endeavors (teaching, scholarship, and service). Highlights from Dr. Shields’ nomination letters included his federally funded research program in spinal cord injury, his leadership and teaching at Iowa, and his service to the Foundation for Physical Therapy, the American Physical Therapy Association, and the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Shields received the award from Iowa President Bruce Harreld and from Interim Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. Sue Curry. He will be formally honored by the Carver College of Medicine at a February 2018 ceremony.
Congratulations, Class of 2017!

Commencement exercises for our department's 74th graduating class took place on December 15, 2017. Patricia Winokur, MD, Executive Dean of the Carver College of Medicine provided opening remarks, congratulating the students on their achievements. Dr. Shields' closing comments thanked the class for the role they played in shaping the Department's culture of educational excellence. Faculty members Marcie Becker, Amy Kimball, Kelly Sass, Carol Vance and David Williams presented the students with certificates commemorating the completion of their DPT coursework. The students were formally "hooded" later that evening at the Graduate College commencement exercises.

A number of students received recognition for honors and awards earned during their time in the Department:

- Alumni Scholarships: David Harper & Joshua Montague
- Collin's Pediatric Award: Brandilynne Schierland
- Frank Hazelton Memorial Scholarships: Ryan Kauffman & Brandilynne Schierland
- ILEND Traineeships: Kim Richards & Brandilynne Schierland
- Louis & Dorothy Laubenthal Memorial Scholarship: Kim Richards
- Marilyn M. McCoid Scholarship: Joel Ingram
- Mary Lou Fairchild Clinical Excellence Award: Jordan Finch-Smith
- Norman and Ruth Goldman Scholarships: Ryan Tillma & Emily Yanny
- Rock Valley Physical Therapy Scholarship: Logan Thompson
- Tracy Dahl Memorial Scholarships: Jenna Goar, Jakob Hummel & Kirsten Maakestad
- Leadership/Mentor Recognition Awards: Cora Claypool, Jenna Goar, Logan Gushiken, David Hagerty, Sarah Jentink, Ryan Kauffman, Caley Medinger, Joshua Montague, Mary O'Connor, Quinlan Syfert, Abbie Wooten, Rachel Zhorne
- Byron E. Bork Dedication to Education & Service Award: Logan Gushiken

Cora Claypool received the 7th-annual Judy Biderman Professionalism Award, commemorating Judy's legacy through 50 years as an administrator in our department. Spanning six directors, several changes of location and for nearly 2,000 students, Judy was the core of our team. The award is given to the graduating DPT student who best exemplifies the principles of professionalism and teamwork on which Judy built her career.

Congratulations to all our graduates! Thank you for the contributions you made to our Department, and all the best as you begin your careers in physical therapy.
Cole Receives PhD Degree

The Department is proud to announce that Keith Cole, DPT, OCS, was awarded the PhD degree at the December 2017 Graduate College Commencement ceremony.

Dr. Cole was mentored by Dr. Richard Shields and previously completed a DPT degree at Iowa. He practiced in the Chicago area for 8 years and returned to Iowa's PhD program in 2013. Dr. Cole's dissertation was entitled "Motor control during a weight-bearing visuomotor task: Single- and dual-task motor performance of young and older healthy humans."

Dr. Cole has accepted a position as Assistant Professor in the Physical Therapy Program at George Washington University, Washington D.C. Our Department congratulates Keith on achieving this milestone and wishes him success in his future career!

Faculty Publications for 2017


Faculty Publications for 2017 (continued):


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Central Mechanisms Involved in the Interactions Between Muscle Pain and Exercise

NIH-UM1, $3,218,011 (PI)  
FAST: Fibromyalgia Activity Study with TENS

Medtronic, $118,245 (PI)  
Frequency-Related Mechanisms of Spinal Cord Stimulation in Rodent Model of Neuropathic Pain

**Laura Frey Law, PT, PhD**  
Associate Professor  
NIH-R03, $302,000 (PI)  
Phenotyping Evoked Central Sensitivity to Painful Stimuli

**Darren Casey, PhD**  
Assistant Professor  
American Diabetes Association, $302,862 (PI)  
Nitrate Supplementation and Exercise Tolerance in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

Neogenesis Laboratories, $12,207 (PI)  
Blood Pressure Responsiveness in Older Adults Following Dietary Nitrate Supplementation

**Stacey DeJong PT, PhD**  
Assistant Professor  
NIH-K-12: Multicenter Career Development Program for Physical and Occupational Therapy, $125,620 (PI)  
Comprehensive Opportunities in Rehabilitation Research Training (CORRT): Cortical Mapping with Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation after Stroke

Carver Medical Research Initiative, $30,000 (PI)  
Operant Conditioning to Decrease Hypertonia and Improve Wrist Motor Control after Stroke

**Richard Shields, PT, PhD**  
Professor  
NIH-R01, $1,566,625 (PI)  
Musculoskeletal Plasticity after Spinal Cord Injury

NIH-R01, $1,566,625 (PI)  
Long Duration Activity and Metabolic Control after Spinal Cord Injury

American Diabetes Association, $302,862 (Co-Investigator)  
Nitrate Supplementation and Exercise Tolerance in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

NIH-R01, $1,265,331 (Co-Investigator)  
Longitudinal Assessment of Brain Structure and Function in Myotonic Dystrophy

**Jason Wilken PT, PhD**  
Associate Professor  
Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) Peer Reviewed Orthopedic Research Program; Co-Investigator for:

- Maximizing Outpatient Rehabilitation Effectiveness (MORE) ($300,000)
- Development of an Engaging Training Tool to Provide Superior Muscle Computer Interfaces for Rehabilitation of Neuromusculoskeletal Injuries ($1,500,000)
- REPAIR: Rehabilitation Enhanced by Partial Arterial Inflow Restriction ($3,999,105)
- MORE Resiliency ($166,666)
- The Major Extremity Trauma and Rehabilitation Research Consortium ($3,600,000)

Joint Warfighter Medical Research Programs (Co-Investigator), $1,066,666  
Improved Training Program for Fall Prevention of Warfighters with Lower Extremity Trauma

Defense Health Program (Co-Investigator), $9,910,490  
Center for Rehabilitation Sciences Research II