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- PT Magazine**
www.apta.org/PT_magazine/index.html
- Physical Therapy Journal**
www.apta.org/PT_Journal/index.html
- Therapy Student Journal**
www.TSJJournal.com
- Wheelless' Textbook of Orthopaedics**
www.medmedia.com
- Oregon Physical Therapy Association**
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- Physician and Sports Medicine**
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- Outlines of Clinical Medicine**
www.avicenna.com
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- North American Institute of Orthopedic Manual Therapy (NAIOMT)**
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ALUMNI UPDATE

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Julie Robertson was hired in February, 2012 as a full time Instructor and Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education for a developing Physical Therapist Assistant program at Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell, MT. The program is undergoing the CAPTE accreditation process and hopes to admit students for the fall of 2012. On a personal note, Julie earned her Black Belt in Taekwondo in November 2011 after seven years of practicing the sport and is a certified referee for the Montana Taekwondo Association.

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Tasha MacIlveen continues to work in outpatient rehab at Providence, working with orthopedic, vestibular, post-concussive syndrome, and cardiac populations. She is in her second term as an Oregon delegate to the APTA House of Delegates, which sets policy for the profession. The next House meeting is coming up in June, in Tampa, FL. Most exciting of all is that she has been appointed by the APTA Board of Directors to a task force to write a new vision statement for the profession.

Courtney (Niesent) Whitt and husband Travis welcomed their little girl, Adilynn Jean into the world on January 7, 2012.

Paul Podlesnik and wife, Kat, welcomed a daughter, Hannah Claire, on April 27, 2011.

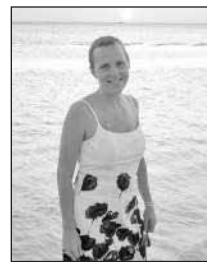
Lynsay (Lampman) Ludwig and husband Kyle had their second child, a girl named Devyn Cain Ludwig born April 5, 2011. She was 9 lbs 2 oz. Lynsay currently works at a SNF in Nampa, ID.

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IN MEMORIAM



Kathryn Austin, '85, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by loved ones on July 4, 2011 after a four year battle with ovarian cancer. Kathy was born April 24, 1957 in Santa Barbara, California, and raised in Medford, Oregon, where she attended Medford High School. She graduated from the University of Oregon in 1981 with a Bachelor's degree in Biology. She went on to receive her degree in Physical Therapy at Pacific University in 1985. Kathy worked as a physical therapist at PeaceHealth for over 25 years serving as supervisor from 1995-2007. She was one of the few lymphedema specialists in the community, and was highly regarded for her work with post-surgical cancer patients. Kathy brought compassion, dedication and a healing touch to therapy. Her wonderful sense of humor comforted patients and peers in difficult times.

Kathy met Greg Ausland, the love of her life, in 1990. They had 21 beautiful years together as husband and wife, best friends and soul mates. Kathy is predeceased by her father Alex Austin and son Conner Ausland who died Feb 5, 2011. She is survived by her husband Greg, mother Mona, son Hayden, daughter Chelsea, eight siblings (Linda, Joanne, Matt, Julie, Susie, Joseph, Janet, and Maggie), brother-in-law Kelly Ausland, sister-in-law Brooke Smith, brother-in-law Scott Ausland, sister-in-law Lysa Cook, four nieces, seven nephews, and her loyal dog Harley.

"Tell them to remember me when I was fun-loving and adventurous. Tell them to remember me when I was strong and vivacious."
-Kathy Austin

Excerpted from [registerguard.com](http://www.registerguard.com). To see the full tribute go to: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/registerguard/obituary.aspx?n=kathryn-marie-austin&pid=152518047>

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Dear Alumni and Friends,



It is mid-May and another graduation is approaching. The graduating 3rd-year students are anxiously looking forward to moving along with their professional lives. Many are taking a review course in preparation for the NPTE. I have no doubt that they will do fine, continuing the long tradition of very high 1st-time pass rates of previous classes. In fact, last year's graduating class had a 100% first time pass rate on the exam. Congratulations to all the 2011 graduates. This year 38 students will process across the stage and receive their diplomas and academic hoods signifying their status as doctors of physical therapy.

Admissions for fall semester 2012 is complete. We have admitted 42 students to the entering class; so even as we prepare to graduate one class we look forward to the new class beginning. We again had a record number of applicants. Several faculty members have been very busy completing requirements for their advanced academic degrees.

Jason Brumitt (class of 1999) received his PhD degree in December from Rocky Mountain University after successfully defending his dissertation titled "*Can Functional Testing Identify Division-III Collegiate Athletes Who Are at Risk for a Lower Extremity or Low Back Injury?*" **Verna Ourada** graduated from Oregon State University this May receiving her PhD following completion and successful defense of her dissertation titled "*The Stress Process Model and Physical Health Outcomes of Parent Versus Adult Child Caregivers.*" **Becca Reisch** (class of 2001) completed her didactic work and passed her comprehensive exams and is currently working on her dissertation. Congratulations to all for reaching these milestones in your careers.

Last August we hired **Jose Reyna** (class of 2009) to increase the number of patients seen in our on-campus outpatient clinic. He has done an outstanding job! The clinic now operates on a full time basis seeing patients referred from the Virginia Garcia Memorial Clinic, from area medical providers as well as faculty, staff and students from Pacific. The numbers have increased to the point that beginning in the fall a 3rd year student will be assigned to the clinic for an 8 week rotation. Additionally, Jose is involved along with student volunteers in the Inter-professional Diabetes Clinic (IDC). He also has joined **Jason Brumitt** and **Becca Reisch** in the Salud project coordinated by Tuality Healthcare. During the summer these faculty, other healthcare providers, and student volunteers travel to regional vineyards providing health screening, care and education to workers.

Our international offerings continue to expand. Faculty and students continue to travel to Nicaragua during the December holiday. They join faculty and students from the OT, PA, pharmacy and dental health science programs in providing health and educational services to residents and providers in Hogars, facilities similar to US nursing home facilities. To date volunteers have traveled only to Granada; however, this year services were expanded to Esteli a city in northwest Nicaragua. For a third summer in a row **Nancy Cicirello** traveled with colleagues and students from PT [**Ashleigh Stroud** (class of 2012)], OT and Education to Fuling, China to consult with caregivers in the Fuling Social Welfare Institute. Students are also taking advantage of our clinic sites in Italy and South Africa. For several years 3rd year students have traveled to Italy for an 8 week rotation; this past year **Jeremy Hinton** (class of 2012) traveled to South Africa for an 8 week affiliation; in the fall **Trisha Wilkie** (class of 2013) will be our second student assigned to a clinical rotation in South Africa. Trisha also received a Sara Hopkins-Powell Scholarship to support her international activities. Exciting things continue to happen in the School.

Please stay in contact with the School and let us know what is happening in your lives. We love to hear from each and every one of you.

Warm regards,
Richard A. Rutt, Ph.D., PT, ATC/R

Faculty News

Jason Brumitt, MSPT, SCS, ATC, CSCS

Dr. Jason Brumitt was awarded his Ph.D. degree after the successful defense of his doctoral dissertation. Jason's Ph.D. degree is in Orthopaedic and Sports Sciences from Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions in Provo, Utah. The title of his dissertation is "Can Functional Testing Identify Division-III Collegiate Athletes Who Are at Risk for a Lower Extremity or Low Back Injury?".

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Becca Reisch, DPT

Becca Reisch and Tiffany Boggis (OT faculty) traveled to Nicaragua in August to teach two rehabilitation courses to over 50 nurses, doctors, dentists, caregivers, and community leaders. One course occurred in Granada and the second course took place in Esteli. Participants were introduced to topics such as the concept of feasibility of rehabilitation for the elderly, the benefits of occupational therapy, and specific rehabilitation techniques for the elderly. Participants were encouraged to take the information back to their communities and workplaces and train other individuals in the techniques. Early feedback indicates that this was successful, as participants are already more actively participating in the care of their local elderly population, and making plans to educate others on these topics. The trip was supported financially by a faculty development grant awarded to Kelli Shaffer (DHS faculty).

Becca Reisch, DPT and PT alumnus Justin Fischer, DPT ('09) recently published "Rehabilitation of a patient with 'floating shoulder' and associated fractures: a case report." It was published in *Physiotherapy Theory and Practice*, 2012, early online 1-10.

Rebecca Reisch, PT, DPT, OCS and **Jason Brumitt, PT, PhD, SCS, ATC** presented Exercise Habits in Male Latino Migrant Workers (poster) at the APTA Combine Section's Meeting in Chicago, IL (Feb 8-11, 2012). The Global Health Special Interest Group of the Health Policy and Administration Section recognized their contribution for performing research in the area of social responsibility. Serving as co-authors included recent graduates Hui En Gilpin, DPT and Jessica Kinsey ('11'), DPT; current students Talina Marshall ('12) and Kelsey Imondi ('12); and Leda Garside, RN (Salud Services, Hillsboro).

Jose Reyna, DPT

Jose is on the panel for the Interdisciplinary Diabetes Clinic and has been elected to take part in the Pain Management Program, in collaboration with Virginia Garcia. Sept. 2011

Erin Jobst, PhD, PT

Erin taught a course to entry-level PT students and practicing PTs at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee titled "Pharmacology for the Physical Therapist". Oct. 20-21, 2011

Verna Zehner Ourada, M.S., PT

Verna presented research on "Health Outcomes of Parent Versus Adult Child Caregivers" at the National Council for Family Relations annual conference in Orlando, FL. Nov. 2011

Ourada, V., Walker, A., Jabson, J., Donatelle, R., Manore, M., Pilolla, K., & Bryant, T. "How Women Negotiate Their Health Choices Around Family Responsibilities." Poster presentation at the Oregon Physical Therapy Association Spring Meeting, Portland, OR. Mar 2012.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Hello Fellow Alumni,
I didn't receive much news this year regarding updates on careers, accomplishments, milestones, etc. for the **Alumni Update** section of the newsletter, so please email them to me or your class contact for inclusion in the next newsletter. In addition, I would like to revive the "Blast from the Past" column, so if you have any old photos from your days in PT school, memories, or anecdotes about the "good old days" please send them! The PT program has evolved quite a bit over the past several years, with the progression to the DPT program and the Health Sciences campus in Hillsboro, and it would be fun and entertaining to hear stories about the earlier years of the program. Please note that my email address has changed. You can send all information to **julierobertsonpt@gmail.com** or **jrobertson@fvcc.edu**. (I apologize to any of you who received spam from my old account; it was hacked a couple times.)

Sincerely,
Julie Robertson
Class of 2000

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN GERONTOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

The program boasts an interdisciplinary reputation as a leader in gerontology education, with particular emphasis on best practice in the services provided to older adults. Whether you work or desire a career in a nonprofit agency, hospital setting, community practice, or out-patient setting, the goal of our program is to prepare you with the best possible education in aging. Towards that end, the program offers diverse professional student cohorts from various professions, a comprehensive didactic and discussion curriculum, and assignments that reflect creating change in a work setting, all provided by highly skilled and knowledgeable faculty committed to gerontology education.

Most other gerontology programs consist of existing courses pulled from other majors such as sociology, psychology, biology, and public policy. In contrast, Pacific University's Gerontology program's courses are designed solely for this graduate certificate to provide the best-targeted education on aging. I invite you to learn more about our program and would be happy to answer any questions that you may have. I sincerely hope that you consider Pacific University's Graduate Certificate in Gerontology for Healthcare Professionals. Learn how to implement change to improve care. Linda Hunt OT.

"My goals are to gain a better understanding of aging and disability and how they impact each other. Also, I want to learn how psychologists and other health care providers can make a difference in the process. I have found it so helpful to read other classmates experiences with patients, I find myself referring my patients to OT & PT now because I know the valuable services that can be provided." Kelly Green, RN <http://www.pacificu.edu/gerontology/>.



ANNUAL HOMECOMING & FAMILY WEEKEND 2012 EVENTS

Homecoming is a community-wide event where alumni, parents and students can connect with the university and Forest Grove. Reunion takes place during Homecoming and is a specific opportunity for groups of alumni (usually class years) to gather.

Registration for Homecoming & Family Weekend 2012 will open this summer. Class Reunions featured during this time for the School of Physical Therapy are the Class of '77 and '87.

- Wine tours at local vineyards
- Noise parade & Bonfire
- Homecoming football game
- Boxer Nation Celebration
- Student guided campus tours

A complete schedule will be available in early July 2012. For more information logon to pacificu.edu/homecoming or call the office of Alumni Relations at 503-352-2057. You may also email us at alumni@pacificu.edu. We look forward to seeing you there!

Martha Calus-McLain, Alumni Relations.



CATHY DAVIS RETIRES; KIHEI CASTILLO TAKES ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION

Cathy Davis, Administrative Assistant for the School of PT, retired in December after six years of service to the department. We miss her, but we are happy to know that she is enjoying her free time, filling it with all the activities that she enjoys.

Kiheï Castillo has been hired as the new administrative assistant. She is very familiar with Pacific, as she graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences with a degree in biology and worked for the university during her student years. She is quickly getting up to speed with clinical education, and she is also doing administrative work for our faculty practice. Please help us welcome Kiheï to the team!

Keep us up-to-date!

Let us know what you and your colleagues are up to.

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Class Year: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

What's happening: _____

2012 Class Listing



Graduates

Bonnie Bahler	Darleen Morris
Matthew Bobman	Jandra Mueller
Jenna Boundy	Melissa Murray
Meredith Brunette	Kelli Nakano
Chantelle Bruyn	Emily Nichol
Spencer Bushnell	Kathrine Noles-Bowers
Geoffrey Clow	Michelle Oakland
Nathan Davis	Shahin Pabani
Amanda Dunham	Laura Paquet
Elizabeth Fishback	Tara Rinard
Carole Gibson	Jamie Smith
Kathryn Hammond	Derek Stokes
Jeremy Hinton	Ashleigh Stroud
Kelsey Imondi	Rebecca Svenson
Renee Johnson	Devita Vaughan
Kaylyn Jones	Camas Weraky
Nicole La Tessa	Clinical Doctorate for Practicing Therapists (TDPT)
Jason Lohse	
Cody Lommen	Kris Ganter
Talina Marshall	Karen Kellett
Caleb McIlmoil	
Chrystle Mercer	

Pacific University Health Professions Faculty and Students Travel to Fuling, China Orphanage

Pacific University's Health Professions and College of Education faculty, including **Nancy Cicirello** (photo below) (Physical Therapy), Sandra Rogers (Occupational Therapy), Sandra Pelham Foster (Occupational Therapy), and Chris Macfarlane (Special Education) along with recent graduates of Pacific's OT program Mandy Littlewood and Ashley Culver, and PT student **Ashleigh Stroud '12** (photo to right) traveled to Fuling, China in July 2011 to provide training to the orphanage staff and caregivers at the Chongqing Fuling Social Welfare Institute.

The orphanage, located in mountains near the Yangtze River, has provided care and support for children without families since 1998. Hundreds of children have been placed with loving families from many countries all over the world. The staff's goal has been to treat all children fairly and to provide the best possible environment for a child until he or she has a family. Children of all abilities are integrated throughout Fuling's orphanage programs.



Pacific University faculty and students made a previous site visit to provide intensive occupational and physical therapy training a year earlier in 2010. Since then, the orphanage has developed a new special needs classroom and therapy program for the children with disabilities. During the July 2011 visit, Pacific University's team of professionals led group training and one-on-one sessions with staff focusing on effective ways to lift, position, and encourage movement in children with disabilities promoting functional independence and inclusion. The PT and OT students were able to experience interprofessional modeling and a rich international exchange with the Chinese care providers. A return trip is planned for this summer. The faculty have submitted a grant to an independent foundation to secure monies to support student and possible alumni travel and are anxiously awaiting to hear back by the end of summer.



NICARAGUA INITIATIVE RECOGNIZED FOR HEALTH PROMOTION FOR ELDERLY

Now in its fifth year, the Health Promotion for Elders in Nicaragua project sent an interprofessional team of 28 students and faculty from the College of Health Professions to provide direct service to abandoned elders residing in "charity homes" during the holiday break. Given the large number of participants, the group was able to serve an additional home located in the north of Nicaragua, using the same community-based rehabilitation approach used during the previous four trips. Additionally, the team provided education to 16 caregivers who work in the homes to facilitate their ability to understand the conditions that elders experience and culturally relevant best care practices. Physical Therapy faculty member Becca Reisch, adjunct faculty Antje Gillard ('02), and physical therapy students Kelsey Kallioinen ('13), Talina Marshall ('12), Lauren Murphy ('13), and Bethany Lukens ('13) were among the participants.

Of note this year, the group received an award from the mayor of Granada, Nicaragua. The award was to recognize Pacific University College of Health Professions deans, directors, faculty, staff and students for their on-going service and contribution to the promotion of health and wellness for older adults. The Oregonian highlighted the recognition in the Washington County Community News section of the Oregonian and on OregonLive.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to support the project's continued efforts, please send a check made out to *Pacific University Nicaragua Fund* to Pacific University, 2043 College Way, Forest Grove, OR 97116

CLASS OF 2013 PT STUDENTS VOLUNTEER FOR SALUD PROGRAM

Melanie Sharpe, Heather Robinson, Timothy Mansour, Evan Hiles, Lee Sowada, and Ann Houlihan from the class of 2013 volunteered their time over the summer of 2011 to help with the Salud program. Salud is a local winery-powered non-profit that has been providing health care to migrant workers since 1991. The mobile clinic, operated from an Adventist Health bus, efficiently provides annual checkups and dental checkups to migrant workers from many different wineries throughout the Willamette Valley. The bus travels around to different sites throughout the summer. Pacific PT students volunteered their time to teach the workers stretches and exercises to help them with their demanding physical labor, consisting of hours spent bending over the grape vines and carrying buckets of grapes at harvest time. The migrant workers are given medical assistance they would not otherwise receive, as no questions are asked about immigration status.

The Oregonian wrote an article about the Salud program in August 2011. Melanie Sharpe '13 was quoted in the article about the care she was giving one of the workers. To view the entire article and to learn more about Salud, go to http://www.oregonlive.com/foodday/index.ssf/2011/08/health_care_comes_to_vineyard.html.



Talina Marshall '12

CLINICAL EDUCATION NEWS

It was another successful and busy school year in clinical education, as students traveled throughout the Pacific Northwest for internships, as well as to many Rocky Mountain states, Alaska, Hawaii, and Italy. Brett Windsor, Becca Reisch, and Antje Gillard visited numerous sites, including facilities in Montana, Hawaii, and throughout the local area. As always, we enjoyed meeting with clinical instructors (CIs) and students face-to-face.

We are beginning the phase-in of our new clinical education schedule. The first change that long-term CIs may notice is that this fall (2012) there will be no Internship II- the four-week internship that second years have done in the past. Instead, these students will go out for a six-week internship starting next January (2013). The first ten-week internship will occur in the fall of 2013. We hope that lengthening the internships and re-arranging the course schedule will give second-year and third-year students a longer time period in the clinic to practice their skills, and minimize the disruption that occurs when students leave school for internships mid-semester.

We have continued to provide continuing education opportunities related to clinical education to our CIs as a way of saying "thank you" for the tremendous role that CIs play in the education of our students. The Northwest Intermountain Consortium (NIC) conference was held in Tacoma last November, and many of our CIs participated in the continuing education opportunities offered there. Becca is scheduled to teach the APTA Clinical Instructor Credentialing Course at Pacific in June 2012 and again in November 2012. For registration information and a full list of credentialing courses offered across the country, please visit <http://www.apta.org/CIECP> and click on the link for the schedule of classes.

Thank you to all of you who serve as clinical instructors and center coordinators of clinical education! You play a huge role in our program, and we appreciate you very much.

STUDENT NEWS

The United Cerebral Palsy Walk Roll & Run event on September 10, 2011 was well supported by **Dr. Nancy Cicirello** and 10 PT student participants: **Nicole Brewster, Johnathan Eng, Kara Hamby, Ann Houlihan, Healani Leite-Ah Yo, Kellie Lewis, Miranda Montejo, Liane Nakamae, and Tracie Nygaard**. Jonathan Eng and Nicole Brewster were 2nd place winners in the men's and women's divisions.

Talina Marshall '12 and **Kelsey Imondi '12** co-authored "Musculoskeletal Healthcare for Latino Migrant Farmworkers: Inter-professional Collaboration to Provide Service and Educate Future Healthcare Providers" with faculty **Jason Brumitt, PT, PhD** and **Rebecca Reisch, PT, DPT** and recent Pacific PT graduates. The article appears in the current *Health and Interprofessional Practice* journal. To view the abstract for the article, go to <http://commons.pacificu.edu/hip/vol1/iss1/2/>.

Trisha Wilkie PTS '13

In August 2012, Trisha will begin an eight-week internship at the Athlone School for the Blind in Cape Town, South Africa. The Athlone School was established to educate blind and visually impaired children and has recently expanded to include students with other physical and cognitive disabilities. It is a highly specialized school and serves students from all over South Africa and Namibia. The main mission of the school is to provide for the underprivileged and children with disabilities so they have the necessary tools to live and work independently. The facilities at the Athlone School for the Blind include an interprofessional clinic that provides social, psychological, and medical services. In this clinic, Trisha will help students work through physical barriers to learning so they can be academically successful. She will also work with them to develop strategies and skills to function at their best in their daily lives outside of a school setting.

Kelsey Kallioinen PTS '13

During July and December 2011, Kelsey was fortunate to have two experiences with physical therapy in Latin America. These both presented tangible situations and cultural contexts which have further shaped her goals as a physical therapist. She



STUDENT AWARDS FOR 2012

Alumni Award/Outstanding Graduate:

Meredith Brunette

Outstanding Service to the School of Physical Therapy:

Jandra Mueller, Melissa Murray, & Ashleigh Stroud

Director's Award:

Talina Marshall

Valedictorian:

Jandra Mueller

Community Service Award:

Chantelle Bruyn, Carole Gibson, Kelsey Imondi, Becky Morris, & Camas Weraky

studied medical Spanish and volunteered in the teaching hospital's rehabilitation clinic through the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara, México. Here, Kelsey was introduced to the role of therapy in the Mexican culture. She learned that, though the desire to change is quite common, difficulties arise with the depth to which the culture is integrated in society. Kelsey also participated with Pacific University's interdisciplinary team to serve elders in Esteli, Nicaragua in partnership with the Jessie F. Richardson Foundation. Kelsey joined an interdisciplinary team of students and faculty that visited two elder homes in Nicaragua and worked with the caregivers and nuns to provide present and ongoing care for the elders. The group was presented with an award from the Mayor of Granada during this trip.