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ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Department of Occupational Therapy

School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
Indiana University at IUPUI
Hello Fellow Alumni,

Thank you to all the alumni who attended the Annual IU OT Alumni Reception at the AOTA Conference in Baltimore this past April. Besides the 20+ alums that came by during the reception, we had six of the current faculty and 15 OT students attend. Please plan to attend the 2015 AOTA Conference when it comes to the country music city, Nashville, TN April 16-19, 2015. We will be getting the information out soon about this event! SO SAVE THE DATE – FRI April 17th in the evening.

The IU OT Program continues to be VERY busy. Our students are active and engaged in the community, while continuing to be excellent in their academic performance. They participate in Special Olympics fund raisers, donate two barrels of food to Gleaner Food Bank, Adopt-A-Family during Christmas season, work with the Parkinson’s Support Group, and the Wounded Soldiers at the VA Hospital, just to mention a few activities.

Their most recent civic service engagement is their involvement in the IU Student Outreach Clinic. This is a student-run pro bono clinic on the near eastside of Indianapolis. Sharon Pape is the Faculty Advisor for this and has an article in this newsletter explaining its mission and service to the community. It is an incredible experience for our students to have the opportunity to engage in Inter-professional Education with Medical, PT, Law, Social Work and Pharmacy students in a non-threatening, learning model. Besides, the services they are offering are at no cost to the clients.

Student Outreach Clinic
Back row: Katherine Essink ’15, Sarah Coning ’15, Sharon Pape, Faculty Advisor, Matt O’Connor ’14.
Front row: Priscilla Hung ’14, Jana Jordan ’14, Brittany Vanbastelaer ’14, Lindsey Yoh ’15.

Professor Pape received the Excellence in Service Award from the IU School of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences in May for her dedicated leadership with this initiative.
The Class of 2016 matriculated into the graduate program on Monday June 16 (Summer II). We admitted 33 females and 3 males. They come to us from IN, MI, IL, FL, KY, and IA. Like other graduate cohorts, their undergraduate degrees are in Exercise Science, Education, Psychology, Biology, Nursing, etc. They come from 15 different colleges/universities. The integration of their baccalaureate education with their master’s in OT will only enhance our services to clients.

Faculty scholarship continues. Four of us presented at AOTA Conference in Baltimore, some with our students or recent graduates. In addition, Dr. Liu (CJ) earned the competitive and peer-reviewed IU School of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences Emerging Research Excellence Award, at the last School faculty meeting of the academic year. Dr. Scott (Patty) was tenured last spring and continues her excellent work with the IU Health Transplant Unit and development of a revised version of the Role Checklist used when practitioners are providing services using the Model of Human Occupation (MOHO). She has colleagues from five countries coming to IUPUI in November to advance this work throughout the world – Japan, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and England. Dr. Justiss (Michael) is continuing his line of research in driving, engaging in discussions with the Indianapolis Motor Speedway-stay tuned. Dr. Crabtree has been appointed the Founding Program Director of our new post-professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) degree program. Please see the article about this program in this Newsletter. I am sorry to share that Dr. Kuo (Fengyi) has resigned effective December 31, 2014. Her husband is being transferred by Eli Lilly to oversee their diabetes program development in China. It is a 5 year transfer. We hope she will return after that.

We gave a warm welcome to Karen McGregor as staff in the Department in March. She has been a wonderful addition to Monica Harmon, who has now been with us for two years. Karen is working on a BS degree in Liberal Arts with a minor in Psychology at UIndy. She is the one who typically answers the telephone for the Department. So, share that you’re an alumna/us of the program when you call.

I want to share that the Anita Slominski Fellowship will be offered for the first time this coming spring. The Department Scholarship/Fellowship Committee established the criteria for awarding this fellowship and it was vetted by faculty and the School’s Development Officer, Christine Baldwin. An increased principle balance of the account makes it possible to benefit more students and to continue for many years. Thank you for your generosity. Look under Money Matters section of this Alumni Newsletter for a description.

In addition, the 1st Outstanding MS in OT Student Research Presentation Award was given last year. This was an award given to the four graduating students who received the highest score on their presentations from the OT faculty. This account 032 PO35 069 is listed under Money Matters, if you are so inclined to make a donation. This award is for second year student(s) for their final presentation of their thesis or non-thesis research group project. These presentations are done during the Department’s Annual Research Day, which follows the Annual Cel Hamant Lecture.

In this Newsletter, you will read that we were approved by the IU Board of Trustees and then the Indiana Commission on Higher Education (ICHE) this summer to offer the Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) at the post-professional level. We will be the first university in Indiana to offer this degree for already licensed OTs with a Master’s degree. We are planning to transition to the entry-level OTD in the near future.

Finally, from the School’s Annual Giving Fund, a percentage of the money was set aside for scholarships. These awards were conceptualized by Christine Baldwin and the dean. The approval was given by the School’s Budgetary Affairs Committee and the Fiscal Officer of the School. The recipients are the top 10 students admitted to the School each fall. These School recipients of the Dean Academic Excellence Awards are divided among the five departments. However, there were no Health Sciences recipients, so the Departments of OT and PT had three recipients each for the incoming students. First year OT students receiving awards were: Sara Tubergen, Angola IN, Tanner King, Lagrange, IN and Kayci Silecott, Bloomington, IN.

It is never dull around here. We are always trying something new and innovative while maintaining the previous established traditions. Have a Happy Holiday Season. I will be sharing more updates in the School’s IMPACT Magazine in the spring….until then, Farewell!
Dr. Crystal Massie joined the SHRS in August 2014 as Assistant Professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy. She graduated with an undergraduate degree in exercise science from the University of Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, in 2005; a master’s degree in occupational therapy from Colorado State University in 2008 and a Ph.D. in human bioenergetics from Colorado State University in 2012. Dr. Massie completed a two year post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Her focus is to improve functional ability for survivors of stroke. She is engaged in clinical interventions for stroke survivors and brought her funded American Heart Association Clinical Population Research grant titled “Functional Motor Cortex stimulation to repair damaged movement representations after stroke” to IU.

In his letter, Bob stated, “Although I haven’t worked as an Occupational Therapist for many years, I have always found my training and education in OT extremely helpful in my work as a clinical neurologist.”

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Robert E. Hanlon, Ph.D., ABPP, received a BS in Occupational Therapy (OT) from Indiana University in 1979, an MS in Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling at Southern Illinois University in 1981, a M.Phil. in Psychology in 1986 and a Ph.D. in Psychology in 1988, both at City University of New York.

After working for three years in OT in Illinois and New York, Dr. Hanlon, in 1985, began working in the field of neuropsychology.

Today, Dr. Hanlon is a Board Certified Clinical Neuropsychologist with a specialization in forensic neuropsychology. He is Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology and Co-Director of the Forensic Neuropsychology Research lab at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago. He is also a consultant with the Division of Psychiatry and Law at Northwestern University Medical Center and is Director of Neuropsychological Associates of Chicago. Dr. Hanlon has over 50 publications involving the cognitive and behavioral effects of brain damage and brain disorders including many forensic research publications. He has testified in over 200 criminal and civil cases and is the author of the book Survived by One: The Life and Mind of a Family Mass Murderer.

Laura L. Noblitt, OTR, received a B.S. in Occupational Therapy (OT) from Indiana University in 1988. She has worked in geriatrics for 26 years, including Rehabilitation Department Director at Marquette Manor Retirement Center for four years and Supervisor of OT at the Hooverwood Jewish Home for six years, developing many new OT programs in both facilities. She continues to work PRN at The Forum at the Crossing and at Clearwater Commons.

Laura has given numerous presentations, including interviews on WIBC and news articles on senior driving, and has been a guest lecturer in the OT programs at the University of Indianapolis, Brown Mackie College, and Indiana University (IUPUI).

After extensive training/education and experience in the area, Laura developed and owns her own company, Senior Driving and Mobility Services, LLC, in Indianapolis, Indiana. She is a Certified Specialist in Driver Rehabilitation and in Aging-in-Place.

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1961
**Virginia (Macrow) Hartley:** 12 E. Crest Drive, Rochester, NY, 14606 (ginchlynn2@rochester.rr.com). Widowed in 2003, Virginia volunteers with her therapy dog at St. John’s Home in Rochester, is remodeling a small house, and loves to travel. She has explored all 7 continents!

1967
**Janis Kay (Jackley) Arnold:** 21096 S.E. Avery Lane, Bend, OR, 97702 (otjanis@bendbroadband.com). Janis retired several years ago, having worked in pediatrics (school system) for 6 years; a CA state institution for the retarded for 18 years, and a skilled nursing facility (SNF) for 15 years. She enjoyed all the parts of her OT career!

1968
**Linda Ann Lask:** 844 Branscomb Road, Green Cove Springs, FL, 32043. Linda is now retired.

1983
**Leslie Elliot Levenson:** 27B Powderhouse Lane, Boxford, MA, 01921 (leslielevenson@gmail.com). Leslie received her Master’s in OT from Tufts University in 1996. She began a non-profit organization, “Community Giving Tree,” helping low income children with recycled clothing, baby gear and other necessities (CommunityGivingTree.org) Leslie is retired from OT.

**Ann Lawson Smith:** 1219 S. Donington Ct., Bloomington, IN 47401 (aksmith317@comcast.net). Ann works at IU Bloomington as a Disability Services Coordinator. She especially enjoys working one-on-one to counsel/advise the students and says it is a joy to be using her OT education to service students at IUB.

1987
**Karen Crane:** Karen is an OTR in out-patient care at the Daniel Drake Center for post-acute care, University of Cincinnati Health. She has completed a post-professional doctorate of OT (OTD) and will be teaching in the MOT program at Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**1999**
**Nicole Renee (Hussain) Scheiman:** As of May, 2013, Nicole is Program Director/Assistant Professor at Adventist University’s OTA Program in Orlando, Florida (nicole.scheiman@adv.edu).

2005
**Caren D. (Borkholder) Mitchell:** PO Box 415, New Carlisle, IN, 46552 (cmitchell2@beaconhealthsystem.org). Caren is an OTR at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, IN.

**APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE**

AOTA Roster of Fellows – 2014
Lucinda Dale ’82
Outstanding Contributions to Education, Scholarship and Practice

AOTA Service Commendations
Jacquelyn L. Chamberlin ’64
Susana Goszewski ’81
Fengyi Kuo (IU OT faculty)
Lindsey M. Lawrence OT ’86
Sharon B. Pape (IU OT faculty)
Lisa B. Wicks ’88

AOTA Conference Contributors
**Alumni:**
Bhanu Raghavan ’87 (Presenter)
Leora Comis ’78 (Presenter)
Jane Painter-Patton ’78 (Poster) (Presenter)
Susanne Smith Roley ’76 (Poster)
Rebecca Barton ’89 (Presentations: 2)
Denise Donica ’99 (Posters: 4 – all related to children)
Gerry Conti ’73 (Posters: 2)
Theresa Leto ’78 (Poster)

Paper Reviewers: Leora Comis ’78, Theresa Leto ’78, Jane Painter – Patton’78

Faculty:
Patricia Scott (Presenter)
Fengyi Kuo (Presenter with students)
Patricia Scott (Poster with students)
Arlene Schmid (Presenter with students)
Sharon Pape (Poster with students; Contributing Author)
Jeffrey Crabtree (Contributing Author)
Thomas Fisher ’77: Paper Reviewer

Awards from the IU School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Faculty:
Emerging Research Excellence Award:
Chiung-ju Liu
Excellence in Service Award:
Sharon Pape

Students:
Academic Excellence Awards:
Tanner King ’16
Kayci Silcott ’16
Sara Tubergen ’16
Mark D. Sothmann Leadership Award:
Jessie K. Halle ’14

Fellowships: (Class of 2015)
Carol D Nathan Fellowships
Jessica Bertram
Deana Schuman
Katherine Belzer Recipients:
Brandi Hofer
Sarah Koning
Katie Whiffen

Mary Corcoran ’77

Carla Chase ’92
Through AOTA Learn, Continuing Education, has co-developed a course titled, “Occupational Therapy and Home Modification: Promoting Safety and Supporting Participation.”

Bhanu Raghavan ’87
Is co-author of Self-care with Flair, a guide for teaching self-care skills through pictures and rhymes. (Therapro, Inc, 2012)

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Thomas Fisher, PhD, OT, CCM, FAOTA was selected as the recipient of the 2014 IU School of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences Distinguished Alumni Award. More than 230 people attended the Alumni’s Annual Research and Education Conference and/or Reception this year! Family, friends, faculty, students, and others were in attendance to see him receive this award. Professor Elaine Fess introduced Dr. Fisher as a steward and exemplar for advocacy for the profession and the IU OT program. The Mayor of the city (a long-time friend of Thom’s) and his wife were in attendance. They are pictured with Thom and his wife, Debbie. One of Thom’s sisters (also an IU alum –OTA 1985) was in attendance. Here you see some of the current OT students sharing in the celebration with Dr. Fisher.

Susan Goszewski ’81
Was elected Chairperson of the AOTA Administration and Management Special Interest Section (SIS)

Rebecca Barton ’80 and Lucinda Dale ’82
In March and May, respectively, were pictured and featured in OT Practice.

Martina Allen ’92 assistant professor, and her students.
Gave a presentation on adaptations for Independence at their University (A.T. Still in Mesa, AZ)

...AND MORE APPLAUSE

Dr. Fisher with Class of 2016
IREF is a minimum security prison that provides training and education to help residents make a successful transition from incarceration to living in the community. The OT program is for residents who have been incarcerated for more than 10 years and provides them with information and exercises on such topics as technology, socialization, education, health care and employment. Dr. Crabtree received IU Institutional Review Board and Indiana Department of Corrections approval to conduct a participator action research (PAR) project to evaluate the existing OT program and change the program to better meet the needs of the long-term residents. Three IREF residents are participating in the research. It is hoped that a revised OT program will be developed and tested early next year.

Thomas Fisher - PhD, OTR, CCM, FAOTA
Professor & Department Chair

Dr. Thomas Fisher’s scholarship continues to focus on two areas: neurological and musculoskeletal issues related to work performance of adults and professional issues in occupational therapy. This year he has been a co-investigator on two grants whose focus is returning persons with TBI to work. Funding is through the US Department of Health & Human Services-HRSA. His scholarship, related to professional issues in occupational therapy, centers around leadership and entry-level professional education. Most recently, he has been invited to be a Co-Primary Investigator on a National Institute of Health (NIH) grant with an internal medicine physician examining the effects of occupational therapy on Intensive Care Unit (ICU) survivors.

Michael Justiss - PhD, OTR
Associate Professor

Dr. Michael D. Justiss recently completed work on a Phase I NIH SBIR (R43) grant investigating Variable Prompting Technology for Improving the ADL Task Performance of Older Adults with Dementia. Results from this study were recently disseminated at a workshop session for the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA) 2014 Annual Conference: Occupational Therapy Technology Solutions to Promote Inclusion and Participation: Kinect-based technology to enhance Smart home and telehealth/rehab applications. He recently acquired new space to house his Driving Safety and Rehabilitation Research Laboratory (DSRRL) focused on improving social participation through driving and community mobility as well as supporting
independent living through Gerontechnology research. The newly renovated space in the basement of Coleman Hall will house driving and activity simulators as well as visual, cognitive and sensory assessment and intervention technologies. He also continues his role as the Associate Director of the Transportation Active Safety Institute’s (TASI) Driving Simulator Laboratory.

**Fengyi Kuo - DHS, OTR, CPRP**
*Clinical Assistant Professor*

Dr. Fengyi Kuo’s scholarship focuses on community based program development, and self-efficacy and participation of newly resettled refugees. Her recent publications included an article: Kuo, F., Goebel, L. A., Satkamp, N., Beauchamp, R., Kurrasch, J. M., Smith, A. R., Maguire, J. M. (2013). Service learning in a pediatric weight management program to address childhood obesity. Occupational Therapy in Health Care. 27(2): pp. 142-62. She is a co-investigator on two grants, supporting life skills development of and employment training to local Burmese refugees. She continues her role as the Occupational Therapy Discipline Coordinator for the Riley Child Development Center (IN-LEND), which provides invaluable leadership development and clinical training opportunity for the MS in OT Program and the pediatric field.

**Chiung-ju Liu - PhD, OTR**
*Assistant Professor*

Dr. Chiung-ju Liu has received two years of funding from the Retirement Research Foundation to compare two different therapeutic exercise programs on improving ADL independence among vulnerable older adults. Early this May, she presented feasibility results on one of the exercise programs at the third Summit of Occupational Therapy Scholars in Philadelphia, PA. Her research was featured by the IUPUI Newsroom: [http://news.iupui.edu/releases/2014/05/late-life-disability.shtml](http://news.iupui.edu/releases/2014/05/late-life-disability.shtml). Dr. Liu has been awarded the Fellow Status by the Gerontological Society of America for her contribution to the field of gerontology and occupational therapy. She will receive the recognition during this year’s Gerontological Society of America scientific meeting in Washington, DC.

**Patricia Scott - PhD, MPH, OT, FAOTA**
*Associate Professor*

Over the past year, Dr. Patricia Scott has expanded the work of The International Alliance for Participation (IRAP). This group includes therapists from Norway, Japan, UK, USA, Switzerland and Sweden. Dr. Scott traveled to Switzerland in March; the group presented at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy in Japan in June; and they will be meeting in Indianapolis November 11-15, 2014. They continue to progress toward their mission of establishing the Role Checklist Version 2: Quality of Performance (RC V2: QP) as a valid cross-cultural measure of participation. See her work at [www.RCV2QP.com](http://www.RCV2QP.com). Dr. Scott has received $25,000 of funding to further this goal, and to initiate at IUPUI, a Global Center for the Study of Participation of persons with disabilities. She continues to be active on the IU Health Transplant Value Stream Steering Committee, and, with students, continues her liver transplant recovery research at IU Health Hospital.

### CEL HAMANT LECTURE SERIES

The second annual lecture, held this spring, featured a collaborative workshop presented by Nancy Lamport, MS, OTR; Margaret Coffee, MA, COTA, ROH and Gayle Hersch, PhD, OTR. *Pathways to Collaboration: Creating and Maintaining a Professional Partnership* focused on their years of research, collaboration, and practice within the OT profession.

The discussion of finding effective ways for OTs and OTAs to collaborate in multidisciplinary efforts made a distinct impression on the group of practitioners, alumni, faculty and students. The presenters guided the audience through the various types of collaborative partnerships and discussed the importance of having trustworthy colleagues with whom one feels comfortable to brainstorm. “It provides a firm background on which to build new ideas and to review old ones. There is always someone you can comfortably trust when you need to explore a budding idea as well as to share a personal one, be it good news or bad,” remarked Gayle Hersch.

After the lecture, guests enjoyed lunch with OT faculty, staff and school administrators where they were updated on the activities in the Department of Occupational Therapy. They then participated in the 8th Annual IU Department of Occupational
Therapy’s Student Research Day which showcased OT student-mentored research.

The Cel Hamant Lecture Series is part of the Department’s Research and Faculty Development Initiative led by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Fisher. This series features distinguished and prominent OTs discussing topics related to OT education, research and/or practice. It is named in honor of Celestine Hamant, Associate Professor Emerita, who was the program director of the OT undergraduate program from 1984 to 2004. We thank OT alumni and friends who have honored Ms. Hamant with their gifts to the fund.  

By Brenda Lawless

Gayle Hersch, Nancy Lamport and Peggy Coffee
with Cel

STUDENT RESEARCH/SCHOLARSHIP
MS IN OT CLASS OF 2014

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| Dr. Justiss | Arnold, Jones, Ritter, Sapp | Fear of falling among persons with chronic stroke                                        |
| Dr. Scott   | Halle, Lemond, Robinson, Sloss | Supporting healthy lifestyles of liver transplant candidates and recipients              |
| Dr. Liu     | Burkert, Gutierrez, Jones, Threlkeld | Feasibility of 3-Step Workout for Life program to prevent late-life disability           |

DOCTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (POST-PROFESSIONAL) PROGRAM

The IU OTD degree program received unanimous approval from the Indiana Commission for Higher Education in August, and is a recognized piece of the IUPUI Strategic Plan. This degree is designed to provide licensed OT practitioners with the knowledge and skillset necessary to advance their careers within the field, including positions as faculty, in leadership, as advanced OT practitioners and as translational researchers. It was developed with working professionals in mind and is offered as a blended program, with evening/weekend class times and the majority of coursework completed online. Students will move through the program in full-time cohorts for three semesters, beginning in the summer and ending in the spring.

With dramatic changes in the US health care system present over the last few years, the demand for occupational therapy services has risen across the country. The US Department of Labor estimates that the number of OT jobs will increase nearly 30% over the next decade, and this trend is already visible in Indiana. The state has experienced a 12% increase in licensed and practicing OTs and a 40% increase in occupational therapy assistants (OTAs). With this upsurge, we will also see an increased demand for doctorally prepared faculty to train and supervise the next generation of practitioners.

General admissions requirements for the degree include, among other prerequisites, membership in the AOTA, an interview, OT licensure and a master’s degree. For prospective students with a bachelor’s degree, the school recommends the IU SHRS Master of Science in Health Sciences online degree which is also designed for working professionals in the health care system and would be an appropriate degree for entry into the OTD.

The unprecedented increase in the proportion and number of older Americans (including Hoosiers),
plus chronic diseases, have become the leading causes of death and disability in the U.S., making the offering of this post-professional degree timely. Occupational therapists in general are well trained and skilled to provide critical services to these populations, but as these populations grow, as our understanding of neuroscience improves, as the healthcare system adapts to these demands, and as the demand for occupational therapists increases, so will the need for occupational therapy educators, highly skilled administrators and leaders, and advanced, specialized practitioners. This post-professional doctoral program will provide students with a sound foundation for advanced practice, the flexibility to pursue their unique area of specialty, and the skills needed to meet these many challenges in a format that suits a busy lifestyle.

The Department opened the admissions cycle in the Fall 2014 semester with the plan to seat the inaugural cohort in May 2015.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The IU Department of Occupational Therapy became the newest service partner at IU-Student Outreach Clinic in fall 2013. Initiated in 2009, and sponsored by IU School of Medicine Office of Medical Service-Learning, IU - Student Outreach Clinic provides primary care medical services free of charge for the uninsured and underserved in our community. Through a partnership with Neighborhood Fellowship Church on the near east side of Indianapolis, the clinic is open every Saturday from 10am – 2pm throughout the year.

Under the supervision of full time faculty, students provide occupational therapy services covering a wide range of interventions including patient education for pain management strategies, helping clients create sleep and rest routines, medication self-management training, cognitive testing for safe engagement in occupations and activities and strategies to promote self-management when coping with chronic health conditions. “OT students’ participation at IU-SOC has become a rich opportunity for interprofessional education and collaboration” comments Sharon Pape MS, OTR and faculty advisor. “Our students have created a rehabilitation screening triage with Physical Therapy and a medication literacy screening with Medicine and Pharmacy. These examples of interprofessional education facilitate our students to become collaborative health practitioners and educate other student health partners on the importance of including Occupational Therapy in primary care.”

The initial success of IU-SOC OT clinic has resulted in several local and national professional presentations. Current OT Chair, Lindsey Yoh and Vice-Chair Sarah Koning with Sharon Pape were selected to present at the Jefferson Center for Interprofessional Education Conference at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in October 2014. The students were also selected to present at the upcoming 2015 AOTA Annual Conference and Expo in Nashville, Tennessee.

In order to continue our success at IU-SOC, we are asking our IU OT alumni for their monetary support and equipment contributions. Donations received will be used to purchase clinic equipment, develop patient education materials and support students’ participation at local, regional and national workshops and presentations. A special foundation account has been established to enable supporters to direct their donations specific for OT’s use at the IU-Student Outreach Clinic. For more information, please contact Christine Baldwin, Director of Development at: chrbaldw@iu.edu. If you are interested in more information about IU-Student Outreach Clinic, please contact OT faculty advisor, Sharon Pape MS, OTR at shbpape@iu.edu.
FIELDWORK UPDATE

In 2013, the IU Department of Occupational Therapy (OT) established a fieldwork partnership with the Indiana Department of Corrections (DOC). Through this partnership, IU OT students are able to complete Level I fieldwork experiences at the Indianapolis Re-Entry Educational Facility (IREF) in Indianapolis. Established in 2006, IREF is a specialized program to assist long-term offenders re-enter society after a significant period of incarceration. For more information about IREF please view their website at: http://in.gov/idoc/3087.htm

During fieldwork, students facilitate group intervention classes and individual follow up sessions on the material presented. “The fieldwork experience at IREF offers our students a unique opportunity to impart knowledge and information about technology, socialization, occupation, health, education and technology to residents who have been incarcerated from 10 to 25 years. With this knowledge, residents can begin to acquire the behaviors, habits, and routines that are required for successful re-entry into society,” comments Dr. Jeffrey Crabtree OTD, OTR, FAOTA who serves as the fieldwork supervisor for students at IREF. As of Fall 2014, 16 OT students participated in this unique fieldwork experience. Students’ feedback from the fieldwork experience is always very positive about their productive learning experiences.

We appreciate the support we receive from our IU OT alumni that enable us to create unique fieldwork experiences, like IREF, for our students. If you are interested in supporting our fieldwork efforts, please see the “Money Matters” section of this newsletter for donation information.

MONEY MATTERS

Many of you have given to your alma mater, and others may be considering it. Your generous contributions are greatly appreciated. One way of making a donation is by giving to the various accounts below.

All donations are welcome, large and small. Here are the accounts with descriptions:

P37P035033- Carol Duke Nathan Fellowship
Funding for scholarships for OT students to honor a former Chair of the Department of OT (1968-81, 83-84) who later became the Associate Dean of the Faculties on the IUPUI campus.

38P0350508- OT Clinical Fieldwork
Initiated by Anita Slominski, this fund is for fieldwork related activities deemed important by the Department Academic Fieldwork Coordinator and the Chair. One function of this account is to enable faculty to develop Fieldwork experiences at new sites, during the summer when they are “off” of their ten month contracts.

137P035019- Horizon Fund
Funding to support student learning, faculty development, and other activities to benefit all IU OT students. A record number of 57 OT students attended state, regional, and/or national conferences during the 2012-2013 school year!

P37P035100- OT Faculty Development and Research Fund
Income from this fund is used to support occupational therapy faculty development, research, and the Cel Hamant Lecture Series (Cel served as Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy from 1984-2004).
032P035051- IU Student Outreach Clinic-OT
The mission of the Student Outreach Clinic is to provide medically underserved and uninsured populations within Indiana communities with access to medical care, preventative screenings, and chronic disease prevention education. The clinic provides OT students the opportunity to expand their clinical decision-making skills, explore issues related to medical administration, and better understand community resources available to patients. Funding from this account will be used to cover general operating expenses.

P37P035217- Dr. Patricia Laurencelle OT Theory Award
Income from this fund will be used to support an annual award to a graduating OT student who formulates a well-written paper of distinction conceptualizing a solid understanding of current OT theory and practice. (Pat Laurencelle served as the founding Chair of the Department of OT from 1958-1962).

P37P035167- Veterans’ Wellness Fund
Income from this fund is used to support free programs for U.S. Veterans who need post-rehabilitation activity to sustain wellness and promote independent recovery (i.e. therapeutic yoga for veterans with stroke, a weekly aquatics program).

- Make your check payable to: IU Foundation/SHRS (School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)
- Put the account name and/or number on the “for” line (bottom left of check)
- Send check to: IU Foundation, PO Box 6460, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6460.

RIP
George Rowley, MA, OTR, and Chair of the IU Department of Occupational Therapy from 1981 to 1983, died on February 7, 2014, as a result of an accident 1 ½ years prior that caused quadriplegia.

<p>| RIP ALUMNI |
| (compiled from IU Alumni records) |
| Name | Grad Year | Date of Death |
| Karen L. Bennett | 1962 | |
| Rebecca A. Black | 1972 | |
| Karen I. Brass | 1966 | 11/18/1993 |
| Debra G. Bratton (OTA) | 1986 | 12/12/2007 |
| Linda Bradburn Coccia | 1988 | 4/13/2010 |
| Thomas C. Cole | 1975 | 7/16/1993 |
| June A. Crutchfield (OTA) | 1975 | 5/31/1997 |
| Darla C. Curl | 1992 | 01/21/2007 |
| Deborah A. Demaree | 1988 | 7/30/1989 |
| Loretta T. Dile (OTA) | 1989 | 01/04/2008 |
| Sarah Dwyer | 1973 | 06/08/2008 |
| Bonnie Fairchild Landman | 1966 | |
| Nicolette B. Fulton | 1977 | 07/13/2003 |
| Ruth A. Griffin | 1965 | 01/16/1981 |
| Maryann E. Hamilton | 1985 | 05/15/1986 |
| Sarah Hammel | 1960 | |
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