

PRIME TIME NEWS

Honoring the Past and Anticipating the Future

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

March, 2016

It is with mixed emotions in our 30th anniversary year that I write this message to you, our members. We have lost most of our officers during the past year either through death or completion of office term and several others who have contributed a great deal to the group. They are and will certainly be missed as we move forward and build upon the solid foundation that they have given us. In January our president, Jo Ann, died suddenly in her sleep, I especially will miss our wonderful leader, JoAnn, who was looking forward to our year-long celebration.

As JoAnn would have wanted, we began our anniversary year with a festive luncheon in Los Angeles. Our theme for the year, Honoring the Past and Anticipating the Future, is especially fitting. Fran Kern secured beautiful silver and gold décor for on the table.

Attendance at the CSM meeting was the largest ever, the programming was outstanding and the exhibitors had a huge variety of items for physical therapy practitioners in every type of setting. There was truly something for everyone.

In the exhibit hall we had a striking, beautiful new booth area in an excellent location. A big thank you to APTA. At the booth, we renewed memberships, recruited a number of new members and sold pen lights to honor JoAnn Niccum-Johnson and support the Foundation. Thank you to Bette Horstman, and Linda Eargle for their extra help at the booth

Instead of a steering committee meeting on Saturday, The Primers' Officers held a short meeting after the luncheon and election of new officers. Then they reorganized responsibilities and made some plans for NEXT.

Hope to see everyone at NEXT in June. We will be continuing our 30 year celebration at our luncheon, renewing friendships and enjoying the music in Nashville,
Neva



Pictured: Neva Greenwald, President

PT PRIME TIMERS

Spring 2016

Prime Timers' 30th Anniversary Lunch

June 9, 2016

The celebration continues in Nashville, TN on June 9 (Thursday) at NEXT. Join us for a buffet lunch at a specially marked table in the exhibit hall to continue celebrating 30 years.

Get your lunch beginning at 11:00 and plan to join us. We will visit, eat and have a short meeting at noon.

NEXT—APTA's Annual Meeting.
June 8-11, 2016 in Nashville, TN

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A Tribute to Jo-Ann Niccum-Johnson

Leader, Physical Therapist, Newsletter Editor, Photographer, Friend, Colleague, Board Member, and Beloved Wife and Family Member

Jo Ann Niccum-Johnson of Kirkwood, MO passed away January 16, 2016. A graduate of Northwestern University, she was a part of the physical therapy profession and APTA for over 55 years.



In clinical practice, Jo Ann was an able home health therapist and administrator. She was there when Missouri became one chapter in the APTA and physical therapists were licensed in that state. In addition to being our president, JoAnn was a founding member of the Prime Timers Group in Missouri and a very active member of the Home Health Group. Over the years, she served on multiple committees and in leadership positions. Other than her Prime Timers leadership, many colleagues remember her for her photographic abilities and many years of editorship for the Missouri Physical Therapy Association Newsletter.

She was always able to see the bright side of situations and often provided comic relief for tense situations. Her forte was getting projects completed in a timely manner with excellence and getting others to participate.

Outside of physical therapy she was a newsletter editor, board member and photographer for other organizations such as the Missouri Pilots Association. Until very recently, Gary and she flew her in their plane to PT meetings across the country. She was very proud of and busy enthusiastically attending her grandchildren's sporting events.



Memories from those who worked and socialized with Jo-Ann in the clinical setting and on committees and boards within the Association

Bette Hortsman – What a tremendous person. Straight thinking, impartial, dedicated, loyal and organized to the 100th degree. A terrible loss to the Prime Timers and her family.

Marilyn Sanford Hargrove – PT events will not be the same as JoAnn and husband, Gary were “attendee fixtures”. We owe her a debt of gratitude as she worked hard at keeping everyone in touch through her newsletter activities, picture taking and conversations. She was always smiling and often had comic comments that lightened the air during a particularly busy activity or challenging discussion.

Fran Kern – JoAnn was the perfect person to assume the helm of Prime Timers. Her efforts, and success, did not go unnoticed and were very much appreciated.

Missouri Chapter – Jo Ann was an exceptional leader and her dedication to the profession was remarkable.

Sue Worden- She was such a good friend in the PT world

Susan Barrale – Jo Ann was a great leader in our field of PT especially in home care. She will be missed.

Frankie Erlacker - JoAnn contributed so much to our profession. She will be greatly missed.

Chris Marsh - JoAnn was a great leader in our profession. She always displayed a wonderful balance between humor and seriousness at the MPTA Board meetings. We will always miss her!

Becky Crocker- This delightful woman has been a positive presence and role model for PTs as long as I have been a PT. Will miss her presence but she will be long remembered.

Bill Dunn – A wonderful friend and colleague for many years. We will miss her smiling face.

Roger Herr - JoAnn has been an amazing advocate, mentor and champion in the world of physical therapy. I am proud to have known her and the ever supportive Gary at APTA conferences across the country.

Mary Ann Enerson – I will truly miss my best, friend, supporter and mentor. There are so many memories of our times together at PT events.

Neva Greenwald – JoAnn was a wonderful role model and physical therapy leader. I will certainly miss her as will so many of her friends. She has been a wonderful, quiet, effective leader of Prime Timers for several years. Both she and Gary will be missed at our national gatherings. I will miss her friendship of many years.

Venita Lovelace-Chandler— I took this picture of her just as she was leaving NEXT in 2015. She said “I have too many t-shirts to carry home.” So, I bought two for Ben and I. Then she added, “I would always carry them as needed. You know that.” She carried us all as needed, didn’t she?



Prime Timers Meeting
Hilton Hotel Anaheim, CA
The 30th Anniversary Year
Honoring the Past and Anticipating the Future
February 18, 2016

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Neva Greenwald, Secretary at 1:30pm.

Introductions:

Members present introduced themselves. There were no visitors.

Reports to update Membership:

Neva reported that unfortunately, we had lost two officers over the past year: Both President JoAnn Niccum-Johnson in January and Treasurer Joan Mills in June. Both women had served the group in many ways over many years. The Vice President, Evie Hallas, is ill and not able to attend the meeting. All were thanked for their service and remembered. As they would want it, we are still celebrating the anniversary year with a festive luncheon. The Foundation for Physical Therapy and the APTA have been very helpful as we planned the meeting and informed the membership of the situation.

Old Business:

Fran Kern has made contact with the family of JoAnn Niccum-Johnson to retrieve the Group's information and materials. She also reported that the group sent flowers to JoAnn's funeral.

With the passing of the two officers that had signature rights for our bank account, Neva and Fran are working on getting the signatures changed.

New business:

Elections:

Neva Greenwald was elected to fill out the unexpired term for President.

Since Neva was the Secretary, Venita Lovelace-Chandler was elected to fill the unexpired term of Secretary.

Dottie Nelson was elected Vice President for a two year term.

Fran Kern was elected Treasurer for a two year term.

All were elected unanimously.

Signatures for the Bank Account:

The group approved the President and the Treasurer to be signatures for the bank account. If either should be unable to fill their term, the remaining executive committee will select a new signature.

Pen Lights:

The group is selling pen lights to raise money for the Foundation in honor of JoAnn Niccum-Johnson.

New Booth:

The APTA has updated its booths in the exhibits area, and Prime Timers has a very beautiful new booth in a prominent place within the reconfiguration.

Upcoming Meeting

The group will meet in Nashville at NEXT in June and a luncheon event will be held.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.

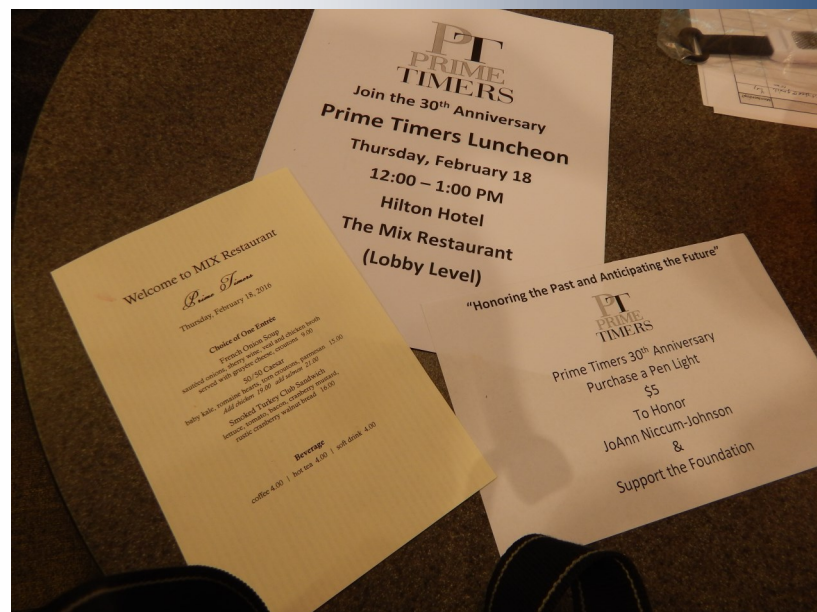
Respectfully submitted,

Jane Okubo and Dottie Nelson

Acting Secretary

30th Anniversary Luncheon, Anaheim, CA

February, 2016



Enjoying the new booth!



Fran Welk visited the booth to bring official greetings from the Foundation.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY PRIMETIMERS



(If your name isn't listed, then we don't have your birthdate.
Please send it to the editor.)

April

Judith Anderson
Christine Baker
Oliver Crisan
Carolyn Crutchfield
Carolyn Erickson
Gertrude Lamb
Jane Morse
Ted Okita
Nancy Prickett
Shirley Randolph
Mary Ellen Riordan
Eunice Shen
Peter Towne
Deanne Yates

May

Frank Fuoco
Jane Gentry
Jane Gierhart
Neva Greenwald
Barbara Griffith
Evelyn Hallas
Elizabeth Hansen
Harold Litt
Thomas Miller
Mary Moffroid
Roberta Newton
Charlotte Oberst
Michelle Putnam
Kate Salamon
Joan Walker
Edward Yuiska

June

Roselle Albert
Judith Chizek
Ruth Cowan
Debi Craddock
Linda Eargle
Fay Edsall
Paule Fenter
Anne Grove
Mary Jane Harris
Jane Holleman
Percia Hutcherson
Geneva Johnson
Elizabeth Myers
Dorothy Pinkston
Teresa Rector
Linda Towne
Gene Watkins
Catherine Perry Wilkinson

July

John Barr
Beth Black
Norman Britt
Lucy Buckley
Janet Dorchey
Janet Downey
JoAnne Gronley
Estherose Heyman
Ben Lovelace-Chandler
Venita Lovelace-Chandler
Stanley Mendelson
Jane Okubo
Louis Pozarny
Peter Schmitt
Judy White
Doris Wickel
Sr. Donna Marie Woodson

Welcome New Members and Returning Prime Timers



Mary Zanell
Lynn Hughes
Maggie Donohue
Elizabeth Protas
Maggie Donahue
Beth Whitehead

Gail Jensen
Leslie Portney
Nancy Russell
Edie Horner
Lynn Rudman
Beverly Blakely

David Qualls
Eunice Shen
Carol Ostendorf
David Lake
Dottie Nelson

Jill Floberg
Ruth Burgess
Fran Welk
Dennis Spillane
Kathleen Hummel

Cassandra McLeod
Lynn Jones
Steve Tollefson
Marty Hinman
Greg Hartley

Caryn Ito
Diane Jones
Beth Strauhin
Ann Reinthal
Baron Johnson

Membership Milestones Project Request :

As I continue with our Membership Milestones Project this summer, please contact me if you know of a PT who joined in 1966, 1961, 1956, or 1951. Those members are eligible for 50, 55, 60, or 65 year pins to acknowledge continued membership and support of APTA. Please let me know so we can be part of the recognition.

Neva

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Submission Deadlines: March 1st, July 1st, October 1st

Publication Dates: Approximately 30 days after deadlines



ELECTION ALERT

The positions scheduled for election at CSM in February, 2017 are:

President and Secretary

Please submit recommended names, including your own name, as candidates for these positions.

PrimeTimers is a great communication vehicle that deserves continued strong leadership.

Deadline: **November 30th.**

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We look forward to hearing from you.

Nominating Committee:

Bette Horstman

Linda Eargle

Fran Kern

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the PrimeTimers booth at NEXT in Nashville, TN, June 8-11. The booth needs to be staffed at the following times:

Wednesday, 4:30 - 7:00

Thursday, 11:00-3:00

Friday, 11:00-1:30

The beautiful, new booth had many visitors at CSM, so help keep the momentum going.

APTA National Meetings
Announced

CSM, February 15-18, 2017
San Antonio, TX

NEXT, June 21-24, 2017,
Boston, MA

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



You're Invited to Join the Prime Timers!

*Print and mail **this form with a check to join** Prime Timers or to renew your membership.*

It's Time To Join!

Name.....

Address.....

City.....

State/ Zip.....

Email address.....

Phones).....

APTA membership number.....

Birthdate.....

Please complete this form. Mail check **payable to PrimeTimers** with \$10 ANNUAL membership OR \$125.00 Life Member payment. [Checks only please] to:

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**HAVE YOU SENT YOUR
DUES FOR 2016?**

In Memoriam – Dr. Mildred L. Wood

Mildred L. (Woody) Wood, PhD, SHRS associate professor emerita, passed away Sunday, February 28, 2016 at the age of 95. Recruited by friend and fellow-physical therapist Dean Anne Pascasio, Dr. Wood came to what was then the School of Health Related Professions in 1974 and held a primary appointment in the school's Division of Health Related Professions (SHRP) Interdisciplinary Programs where she taught Anatomy. She also carried a secondary appointment in Anatomy in the School of Medicine.

Dr. Wood received her undergraduate degree in health and physical education from East Stroudsburg University (1942), a certificate in physical therapy from the Ashford Army General Hospital as part of the War Department Emergency Certificate Course in 1945, a master of arts in anatomy from Duke University (1957), and a doctor of philosophy degree in anatomy from the University of Kentucky (1973).

She served in the Army from 1945 to 1954 with a final rank of Captain. She transferred to active Army Reserve with assignments to various Army Reserve medical units and retired with the permanent rank of Colonel USAR with responsibilities to the Assistant Chief of the Army Medical Specialist Corps (Physical Therapist Section) of the Office of the Surgeon General of the US Army. One of her many military education courses was a US Army Command and General Staff Officer course at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth. As part of her unofficial role in SHRP, Dr. Wood counseled and assisted many SHRP students who expressed interest in entering military service.

In her career, Dr. Wood was on the faculty at the University of Pennsylvania, Duke University, the University of Kentucky as a graduate assistant in anatomy, and at the Albany Medical College of Union University prior to joining the University of Pittsburgh faculty. Her remaining active career as an academician from 1974 until retirement was at the University of Pittsburgh.

Within the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), which she joined in 1946, Dr. Wood was a founding member of the Research Section. She had a complete collection of every Research Section journal that she donated to Pitt that have since been scanned and saved for future generations. Dr. Wood was a former President and Chief Delegate of the North Carolina chapter of the APTA and an elected member of the national APTA nominating committee. She served as a member of the APTA Judicial Committee and as Secretary/Treasurer of the Research Section. Woody was also an active member of the Prime Timers of the APTA both before and after her retirement.

Dr. Wood was known for being very precise and a stickler for detail. Her involvement in the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) witnessed her helping many districts and chapters develop by-laws and regulations, something that gave her great pleasure. She was a recipient of the APTA's Lucy Blair Service Award and enjoyed attending APTA conferences where she reconnected with PT friends and colleagues from across the country.

According to Dr. Pascasio, Woody, as a young girl, played the violin and developed a keen interest in classical music. In later years, she was an avid attendee of symphony performances and purposely chose to sit in upper level seats so she could watch the string musicians play.

In 2005, Dr. Wood established the Mildred L. Wood SHRS Endowed Student Resource Fund which provides annual awards to deserving SHRS students. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her for her dedication, loyalty, perseverance, generosity and kind heart.

Unbeknownst to some of her students, Dr. Wood had a quick sense of humor. At her school-wide retirement party in 1985, she arrived in a flapper dress bedecked with beads to the attendees' delight.

**Celebrating our
30th Anniversary
again at
NEXT June 8-11,**

MEMBERS CHECK'N IN!

We want your news and pictures

Give us your news and thoughts. This newsletter is for each and every PrimeTimer. The next issue will contain news from CSM and items YOU share!

The summer issue will contain news from the NEXT conference and items YOU share!

Theme for that summer issue: Most unusual or unique thing you did as a physical therapist or assistant.

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In Memoriam – Dr. Marylou Barnes

Marylou Riddlberger Barnes died November 26, 2015 at Ashley Glen Center in Peachtree City, GA, of complications from strokes. She was born February 27, 1930 in Bridgewater, her beloved Shendoah Valley of Virginia. Marylou was graduated from Madison College in 1952 with a BS degree in Physical Education. She had been teaching high school in Petersburg, Virginia when, on a dare, she applied to and was subsequently accepted into the physical therapy program at the Medical College of Virginia (1957). The profession of physical therapy was to become her lifelong passion and, never entering into anything half way, she has put her own unique stamp on it. Marylou has served her profession at every level. After beginning as a staff therapist at Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center in Virginia (1957-59) she went on to roles as supervisor and director of clinical education (1963-66) and as departmental chief at Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Harrisonburg, Virginia (1959-60).

In 1968, she returned to James Madison University and completed a Master's degree in Counseling. At this point, her career took another fateful turn. From a trashcan where she had thrown it, a friend retrieved a letter inviting her to apply for a position at West Virginia University to become the founder and chair of a proposed School of Physical Therapy. In 1975, she completed a Doctoral degree at WVU. While at WVU, Dr. Barnes was appointed Chair of the Athletic Council, and thought to be the first woman ever to chair an athletic council at a Division I University (1976-79). She was very active in the WV state chapter including stints as editor, secretary, and chief delegate. For her visionary efforts, the graduation lecture at WVU is given in her honor. In 1978, James Madison University bestowed on her the Annual Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award.

In 1979, she became Professor and Chair of Physical Therapy at Georgia State University in Atlanta. A consummate educator and administrator, Marylou has a very rare talent for leadership and management with an uncanny sense of foresight and vision for the future. She has been considered by her peers to be a "leader among leaders". She was often sought as a speaker, not only for her oratorical skills and well known sense of humor, but because she can convey a message of importance and substance. Her contributions through the written word are as legendary as are those of the spoken word. She has authored some of the first texts ever produced for the profession by physical therapists.

Dr Barnes value as has been recognized through her many awards. She has been honored with the highest award of the American Physical Therapy Association, the Mary McMillan Lecture Award (1992). She was the thirty-seventh therapist to be designated a Catherine Worthingham Fellow (1994). For her devoted and selfless work on state and national committees and offices, such as Annual Conference Chair and for developing the national continuing education program, she was awarded the Lucy Blair Service Award by the APTA (1988). Similarly she was given the Neurology Section Service Award (1995) having served as journal editor (1983-85) and president (1985-87). The Education Section of the APTA granted her the Leadership in Education Award (1995), and the University of Florida the Barbara White Award (1994). In 1993, the University of Indianapolis conferred upon her an honorary doctorate.

As a mentor and role model, Marylou gave unselfishly of herself to many individuals including students, clinicians, professors, researchers and administrators. Retired as a Professor Emerita in 1995, she enjoyed traveling and driving the golf car paths to visit her children and five grandchildren.

Bella J May, PT, EdD, CEE-AA, FAPTA, educator and leader, passed away March 16, 2016. The APTA has a tribute to Dr. May. You can access the tribute at the following site where you can also read the comments of people honoring Dr. May or add a comment yourself.



<http://www.apta.org/PTinMotion/News/2016/4/4/BellaMay/>

Editorial Comment:

We have memoriam pieces about 3 beloved members in this issue of the newsletter, and we learned that one more member passed away recently. I remarked to Ben that I hadn't thought about that aspect of being the newsletter editor—getting calls or emails about members who passed away. I was feeling sad about the amount of loss for the Prime Timers and the APTA just this past few months. Then I realized that gathering and including these remembrances is an honor. Each of these pieces was written by a friend—my only task was to place them in the newsletter. The personal touches of those friends brought smiles to my face as I read the pieces. But please know that you can call me or any officer if you learn about a member's death or if you have additional stories to share about any of these members. Our newsletter can be one place where long-time members and contributors to our profession are remembered and respected.