Splash Page is about students, student groups and programs in the School of Health Professions! Please keep the pictures and articles coming! Remember NEWS is the main component in NEWSLETTER! Please send your articles and pictures to the editor to be included in the next Special Holiday Edition of Splash Page coming out in December!

PA week is October 6-12 and the PA Program is having a book drive benefiting the Reach Out and Read program. This program distributes new and gently used books to local clinics that will give books to their patients and encourage parents to read to their children. Please donate new and used books appropriate for children ages 6 months to 5 years in the collection boxes in the School of Health Professions lobby and on each floor in front of the elevators.

Contact for more information: Jason B Peugh, jhpeugh@utmb.edu
TAPA Student Representative
UTMB PA Class of 2013
Student Occupational Therapy Association - SOTA

The Student Occupational Therapy Association (S.O.T.A) advances quality, availability, use, and support of occupational therapy through education, promotion, service, and fundraising on behalf of the students of occupational therapy at UTMB.

Professional Journals

Clinical Laboratory Sciences
Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy
Physician Assistant Studies
Respiratory Care

SHP Upcoming Events Calendar

November

19 — Last day to withdraw from a course with a “W”

22/23 — Thanksgiving Holiday Observed — School Closed

26 — Classes resume

December

3 — Study day — No classes

4/5/6/7 — Final exam period

7 — Last day of class for Fall 2012

24/25/26/27/28/31/Jan 1
Winter Holiday Observed — School Closed

OT’s GO TO WASHINGTON!

Students meet with Coalter Baker, legislative advisor to Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison.
From Left to right: Kara Kincaid, Emily Del Guidice, Jennifer Padilla, Jennifer Alexandris, Laretta Robinson, Sarah Barnett, Coalter Baker

Students celebrate a successful day of advocacy at the Capitol Building.
From Left to Right: Kara Kincaid, Emily Del Guidice, Laretta Robinson, Jennifer Padilla, Jennifer Alexandris, Sarah Barnett, Meeghan Keng.
OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPY STUDENTS

Out and About!

Sushi Fundraiser at Saltwater Grill

Barbeque Beach Party!
The 2nd year OT's had a pot luck dinner for the 1st year OT’s. The 1st years met their mentors and the mentors presented their "mentees" with a fun gift.
Pi Theta Epsilon—National Honor Society—Occupational Therapy

The mission of Pi Theta Epsilon is to support the development of occupational sciences and the practice of authentic occupational therapy by promoting research and other scholarly activities by its members. In this way, the organization serves not only the profession, but helps to insure quality health care services for the general public.

Respiratory Care Student Association

The mission of the Respiratory Care Student Association (RCSA) is to promote awareness of the respiratory therapy profession, participate in educational activities and raise funds to support goals of advancing the education of students. A further mission of UTMB’s RCSA is to provide an environment that is friendly and supportive to its current and prospective students.

SGA Student Government Association

Click here for the latest minutes

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Student Government Association at:

Student.Government.Aso@utm.edu

SHP Student Ambassador Society

An organization committed to providing service to UTMB School of Health Professions alumni (Past), current students (Present), and incoming students (Future). We would like to establish an organization of enthusiastic student representatives who can give tours around campus, provide service to the surrounding community of Galveston County, Alumni Affairs and Prospective Student Recruiting efforts.

Student Organization of Clinical Laboratory Sciences (SOCLS)

“EXCELLENCE IN PROFESSIONALISM AWARD FOR MAY/JUNE”

SHAMA SHAUKATALI
Clinical Laboratory Sciences Graduate

“Shama Shaukatali, a pre-med student in the Clinical Laboratory Sciences program, has continually demonstrated professionalism throughout her studies at UTMB. She has shown professionalism in leadership through holding several officer positions in various organizations including: President of Red Cross, Student Government Association SHP Senator, Parliamentarian of the Student Organization of Clinical Laboratory Sciences, and Secretary of Lambda Tau National Honor Society. She has a tireless determination to be involved in and host UTMB functions. Through creative thinking and organizational skills, she was in charge of the SHP Cuisine Carnival from conception to completion. In doing so she has not only been involved in promoting her own program, but has helped other programs raise money and represent themselves as well. Among her many other responsibilities, she volunteered to help direct, film, and edit the student recruitment video for the CLS program. All would agree who know her that she continually demonstrates the honor pledge mission statement of integrity, compassion, and respect. Her commitment to the medical field and desire to be involved in many organizations while always maintaining a professional demeanor makes her a prime candidate for the Excellence in Professionalism Award.”

-Fellow Classmate

“Shama is involved in many organizations at SHP and on campus. She helps peers in need be it related with academic or other issues on campus. She is honest, hardworking, and helpful. Her leadership at SHP has been an example for all other students. I would like to nominate her for the excellence in professionalism award at UTMB.”

-Fellow Classmate
Congratulations to our own UTMB PT Sarah Lampman!

She was awarded 'PT of the Year' by the WI PT Association! The article comments that Sarah's nomination letter was signed by 19 individuals. She was highlighted for her service to the Reedsburg school district since 1995, her patient, friendly and helpful attitude, innovative problem solving abilities, creative home programs, and her ability to help students get the assistive technology they need.

Read the article in its entirety Sarah Lampman

OCTOBER is Physical Therapy Month!

Texas Physical Therapy Association STUDENT NIGHT
Thursday, October 11, 2012 @ 5:30 pm
Houston Community College

This annual event gives students and professors an opportunity to socialize with others in the PT field in the Houston area. Class organizations of each school are allowed to auction items. All proceeds go towards their organization funds.

PT's having fun at the PT Olympics!

BE ON THE LOOKOUT!

For PT Month, be on the lookout for slides on the TV monitors in the lobby of SHP with fun facts and information about Physical Therapy. The DPT Class of 2015 wants to inform and educate students of differing disciplines about what Physical Therapists do and how it may apply to them.
Beach Dash is a gnarly running event held on sandy shores where Dashers get their feet wet while tackling a series of radical obstacles.

As the sun sets, the stoked crowd lets loose with refreshments and beach tunes!
Volunteer Opportunities

Spirituality and Clinical Care Module  (Levin Hall Main)  Feb. 11-15, 2013

Inter-professional Education Day  (TBA)  March 2013 event
Dr. Susie Gerik, sgerik@utmb.edu; Brandon Hernandez baherna@utmb.edu

SHP CAUSEWAY FUNDRUN/WALK, Saturday, March 2, 2013—Volunteers needed!
Contact Mary Ellen Beaupre at mebeaupr@utmb.edu

The City of Webster Health & Wellness Fair
Hosted by City of Webster, Tuesday, October 23, 2012, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m., 3110 Pennsylvania Ave, Webster, TX 77598 – Civic Center. Requesting educational material, blood glucose & cholesterol screenings. Indoor event: table, chairs, electricity and water will be provided. Anticipated attendance 150   Contact: Jayme Kelso (281) 316-4145

STUDENT LIFE has more opportunities. Check it out!
Student Life Volunteer Opportunities

THE ROTARACT CLUB

Rotaract is Rotary’s global network of young adults, ages 18-30. As a student member who interacts with the local Rotary Club, you will have the opportunity to develop mentors and contacts throughout the business world, utilize group study exchanges, learn leadership skills, earn educational scholarships, promote and publicize projects, and gain resources locally and internationally. Please contact Kara Kincaid, krkincai@utmb.edu, MOT, for more information, or scan the QR code to learn more.
Pet Contest

Vote for your favorite furry friend!

Send your vote to mebeaupr@utmb.edu by Wednesday, October 17th. The winner receives a gift card and a new pet toy!

#1. MIA
Owner: Tenisha Madkins, SHP Deans Office

#2. SAM ANDERSON
Owner: Rachael Anderson
PAS

#3. BELLA
Owner: Samantha Gammel
PAS

#4. KOALA
Owner: Sylvia Blaszczyk
CLS

#5. D’ARTAGNAN
Owner: Michelle Conley
SHP Academic & Student Affairs

#6. ELLIE
Owner: Ashlea Lowe
OT

More pets
#7. ELEANOR  
Owner: Aubrey Worlow  
OT

#8. SYDNEY  
Owner: Tami Warner  
PAS

#9. DEXTER  
Owner: David Philpot  
RC

#10. HALEY  
Owner: Jason Peugh  
PAS

#11. DALLAS  
Owner: Sarah Barnett  
OT

#12. TEKO  
Owner: Tara Patterson  
OT

#13. EMILY  
Owner: Jesse Pearcy  
OT

#14. ZOEY  
Owner: Tyler Eschbach  
PAS

#15. BAILEY  
Owner: Kamylee Palomino  
PT

More pets
#16. HARLEY
Owner: Mary Ellen Beaupre
SHP Academic & Student Affairs

#17. NANI (Go Texans!)
Owner: Diana Zavala
CLS

#18. DOBBY
Owner: Rebecca Whitcomb
tDPT

#19. MONKEY
Owner: Jonathan Ruzicka
PT

#20. DIESEL
Owner: Lauren Priestly
DPT

#21. BEAUX BO
Owner: Sherri Hutchens
CLS

#22. MOLLY SUE
Owner: Lauren Hebert
PT

#23. FRITZ STIPPEL
Owner: Heather Stippel
PA

#24. TORI ANN
Owner: Natalie Mills
CLS

More pets
#25. ELVIS  
Owner: Amanda McCleish  
PA

And last but not least . . .  
#26. REXX  
Owner: Darlene Bordelon  
SHP Academic and Student Affairs

Thanks for voting!

ERVING THE PAST, SERVING THE PRESENT, SERVING THE FUTURE

WHY JOIN THE SHP STUDENT AMBASSADOR SOCIETY?

It’s FUN!  
It’s REWARDING!  
It’s EDUCATIONAL!  
It’s NETWORKING!  
It’s HAVING SHP PRIDE!  
It’s MEETING NEW PEOPLE!  
It’s ENRICHING YOUR CAREER!

As an Ambassador, you can accumulate your volunteer hours and spruce up your resume or student profile sheet and 
stand out of the crowd to receive special recognition for scholarships!

SAVE THE DATE!

The first organizational meeting will be Thursday, October 25th from 12-1 in SHP, Marie Hall, 4th floor.  
Bring your lunch. Water will be provided.  
The agenda will include an overview of volunteer opportunities, appointment of officers, and upcoming special events.
Alpha Eta
Alpha Eta is the national honor society for allied health professionals. The society recognizes those allied health professionals who have excelled in their field. This recognition is extended to students, alumni, and faculty members. The society promotes both scholarship and fellowship among its members. This commitment to collaboration is reflected in the motto of the society: Together We Serve.

American Academy of Physician Assistants - AAPA – Student Society
To ensure the professional growth, personal excellence, and recognition of physician assistants, and to support their efforts to enable them to improve the quality, accessibility, and cost-effectiveness of patient-centered health care.

Texas Academy of Physician Assistants - TAPA
Texas Academy of Physician Assistants is the premier PA organization in Texas. The mission of TAPA is to represent and serve PAs statewide and promotes the PA profession through education, quality services and advocacy of optimal healthcare.

Lambda Tau CLS Honor Society

Physical Therapy Class of 2013
Physical Therapy is a profession that seeks to return patients to the highest possible degree of personal independence. The physical therapist (PT) works with patients with disabilities of the muscular, skeletal, neurological, circulatory, and respiratory systems. Physical therapists are also involved in prevention programs to assist people of all ages in maintaining health and physical fitness.

Pi Alpha Honor Society for Physician Assistants
Pi Alpha is the national physician assistant honor society organized for the promotion and recognition of significant academic achievement, leadership, research, community & professional service, and related activities, and the encouragement of a high standard of character and conduct among both physician assistant students and graduates.

Recycling Bins
The university has been recycling for over 20 years starting with paper and cardboard; adding to the list we recycle more than a dozen items. We average recycling about 40 tons of sorted office paper a month; most of it is confidential and shredded. Plus a mixed paper stock which is not shredded and primarily publications; remember “if you can tear the paper we can recycle it”. UTMB has three primary collection systems for paper, the blue desk side bin, the double blue bagit system with locks and the green locked totters with a ½” slit on the top.

Ten years ago we began a pilot program for collecting bottles and cans using the bagit system with plastic liners and the big paper clips. We currently have several types of bottle/can bins on campus where we will take the mixed beverage containers. KEEP IT SIMPLE... we will take all CLEAN plastics 1-7 in the recycle bins along with glass bottles, aluminum and tin cans for recycling. We had a big boost this year by adding 100 bottle/can bins we received with a grant from Alcoa and Keep America Beautiful.

When it comes to recycling if you have any questions or want to be a Green Team member feel free to contact Ken Steblein by email at ksteble@utmb.edu or by phone at 409-747-2959.
Student Life Comedy Night – “Mo Amer”
Thursday, October 25th at 7 p.m. (Doors open at 6:15 p.m.)
Levin Hall Main
Born in Kuwait, Mohammed had to flee his birth country at the age of nine during the Gulf War. His family settled in Houston, Texas, USA. In 2004, Mo (as he’s more popularly known) was selected nationally to perform at the Las Vegas Comedy Festival. When only nineteen, Mo was the first Arab American refugee to perform oversees for U.S. and coalition troops. Mo has flourished and perfected his art and his message that laughter crosses all boundaries.

Movie Night: “Brave” will be November 8th on the Old Red Plaza.

Holiday Bingo Night will be November 26th at 5pm in Levin Hall Dining.

1st annual Kick for a Cure Kickball Tournament
Attention UTMB Students, Residents, and other employees:
The Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Interest Group and Albert Schweitzer Society are pleased to announce the 1st annual Kick for a Cure Kickball Tournament benefiting Galveston’s own D’Feet Breast Cancer, Inc. The tournament is open to all students, residents, faculty members, and employees, and will be held on Friday, October 19th, at 2pm. The event will last approximately 4-5 hours. Teams must consist of at least 10 players and designate a team captain. Captains must register their team using the link listed in the attached flyer (the deadline is Friday, October 12th!!). There will be a mandatory coaches meeting the week of the tournament, the exact time and place will be sent out after the deadline. Please email Asher Schusterman at: maschust@utmb.edu with any questions.

Texas Renaissance Festival Group Rate Tickets for UTMB Students
UTMB students can purchase tickets to the Texas Renaissance Festival at the group rate price of $15.00 for adults and $6.00 for children. The group rate discount can only be obtained by purchasing your tickets at either one of the two “will call” ticket windows at the festival site. The group rate is not available at the regular ticket windows. When purchasing your tickets, use the group rate code of OSL-38. Brought to you by the Office of Student Life. The Office of Student Life will not be selling any tickets on campus.
Official Texas Renaissance Festival site: http://texrenfest.com/

Student Discount Cards
New discount cards for UTMB students!
Brought to you by your Student Government Association. Just show this card at any of the businesses listed and receive the discount! Card is valid until August 15th, 2013. Cards are free for all students. Drop by Student Life to pick yours up! (The Spot situation has been resolved and they are now honoring the 10% discount.)

SGA Discount Coffee Program
SGA travel coffee mugs are for sale to students for $5. For 80 cents, you’ll be able to fill up your mug anywhere on campus. This includes the hospital cafeteria, Joe’s Cafeteria, Seattle’s Best and MOD. Mugs will be available again on Friday, August 31st. Stop by the Student Center, 2.134 to purchase one.

Get your pictures in the yearbook!
Syndrome invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you’ve got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we’d like to see them. Our photographers can’t be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. You may submit your photos for the 2012-2013 Syndrome by visiting https://images.jostens.com/upload.jsp 400136161
Enter User ID: 400136161 and Password: yearbook1
Enter information about the photo so we can use it for captions.
March 1, 2013 is the last day!

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Student Life is having a Pumpkin Carving Contest. Stop by the Office of Student Life starting on Thursday, October 25th and pick up a pumpkin. Bring it back between 8-11 am on October 31st to be entered into the pumpkin carving contest. Judging will start at noon. Gift card prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!
DID YOU KNOW...
Academic and Student Affairs provides a FORMS webpage for students and faculty? Please take a moment to view all of the forms that are provided for you. ASA Forms

ELECTRONIC SUGGESTION BOX
Please click on the link below to share your ideas with us so we can improve your campus experience in the School of Health Professions. We welcome your suggestions and your honest feedback because it identifies areas for improvement or it could be a new idea you would like to share. Your suggestions will be discussed by our office staff and our SHP Student Advisory Council.

Won't you please take a minute and give us your feedback?

Suggestion Box

The Office of Academic and Student Affairs provides the following services to our students:

Dr. Henry Cavazos       Darlene Bordelon
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