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March/April 2010

Physical Therapy Charity Gala 2010

The Physical Therapy Charity Gala will take place on Saturday, April 10th. This annual event will benefit Centaur Stride Inc, a horseback riding facility that provides integrated (therapeutic) horseback riding, team sports, and family and friend riding for children with disabilities.

Horseback riding can improve one's potential or ability to walk, hip range of motion, functional hand use, utilize and strengthen back and trunk muscles, and improve balance and equilibrium reactions. Programs have been expanded to integrate riders of all levels of ability and to create new

programs to address other needs identified in the community including building self-esteem and friendships, and strengthening family unity. The event will be held at Banchetti's on North French Road in Amherst. The ticket price of \$25 includes dinner and a donation towards Centaur Stride.



The format for dinner will be stations including Italian and Asian selections.

Entertainment will be provided by Route 66 featuring Dr. Gary Styn. The PT PTO-program will be award three members of the PT community with Recognition Awards at this year's Gala. We are looking forward to bringing back this tradition and recognizing several outstanding PTs in our community.

Hope you will be joining us in making this evening a successful and enjoyable charity event! If you have any questions, please contact the 2011 social chairs, Chelsea Foss at cfoss@daemen.edu or

Emily Strong at strong@daemen.edu.

PhysioKickball at DC Springfest

Daemen College Springfest will be held on Saturday, April 24th! Once again, the SPTA will be hosting the infamous Physio Kickball Tournament! This year the tournament will be held on the front lawn in front of the RIC. We will be accepting 14 teams consisting of 10 players each. The cost to

enter the tournament is \$20. Half of the money raised will be going to Food for Haiti Now and half will go to the winning team. Start time is at 9am sharp! If you have any questions feel free to contact Sarah Beth Pilch at spilch@daemen.edu

Come out and enjoy the celebration of Spring!



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Professor Profile



Dr. Gary Styn

Where did you attend college?

Received B.A. in Biology from Buffalo State College and M.D. from SUNY Buff

What was your favorite high school subject?

I took 4 years of German from a wonderful teacher, Mr. William Savery.

What was your first job?

My grandfather rebuilt an old lawnmower for me, and at the age of 12 I used to pull it behind my bike to my customers' homes. I charged \$5

a lawn. At age 16, I washed dishes at the now-defunct Duff's Smorgasbord for \$3.05/hr.

What is your favorite sport to play?

Baseball. Though my playing days have passed, I still very much enjoy coaching my youngest son, Thomas, on a highly-competitive regional baseball team, the A-Turf Titans.

Where do you get the best chicken wings in Buffalo?

Duff's

What is in your CD player in your car right now?

James Blunt: Back to Bedlam

What is your guilty pleasure TV show?

Law & Order series. I am particularly intrigued with Vince D'Onofrio's *Detective Goren* character.

If you could play with one band/artist, living or dead, who would it be?

I admire many of them, but I would be most honored to play piano accompaniment for Karen Carpenter, my all-time favorite vocalist.

Gary Styn, MD

APTA-Combined Sections Meeting

This year's CSM was held in sunny San Diego, California on February 17th –20th. Two students from the class of 2011 attended the event representing Daemen College. To kick off the event, the President of the APTA, Scott Ward PT PhD spoke of how events of 2009, positive and negative, affected the APTA as well as what the organization hopes to accomplish this year. Many presentations and platforms were attended by both students and attending Daemen professors including *Management of Patients with SI Joint Region Pain*, and *Sensory Dysfunction Following Stroke*. Time was also spent networking with other physical therapy students and practicing therapists. We even had a little time to squeeze in a trip to the San Diego Zoo! If you want to learn more about the experience please contact mpetrus@daemen.edu or asauerha@daemen.edu.



Crutches for Haiti

Daemen College SPTA has partnered with PTA students from Villa Maria College on a project called Crutches for Haiti. We are collecting crutches, walkers, canes and wheelchairs. We have been quite successful thus far! The drive has been extended through April 16th so keep donating! Details will follow on drop off times and locations. Check your basements, attics, or therapy clinics you may know of who would be interested in participating. Please free to contact Beth Ayers (bayers@daemen.edu), Emily Strong (estrong@daemen.edu) or Margaret Mazzone (mmazzone@daemen.edu) with any questions. Please consider taking part in this worthwhile drive!!

