



**Arizona Physical Therapy Association
2010 Election—Candidate Statements**

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Candidate: John Heick, PT, DPT



Education:

- Doctorate Degree in Physical Therapy from Shenandoah University in 2005
- Masters Degree in Physical Therapy from Shenandoah University in 2003
- Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science from Northern Arizona University in 1996
- Associate Degree in Health Science from the Community College of the Air Force in 2000

Previous & Current Employment:

- Assistant Professor, A.T. Still University June 2008 - present
- Clinical level III Physical Therapist, Carondelet Health Network June 2003 – Dec 2009
- PTA Instructor, Pima Medical Institute May 2006 – June 2008

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA member since 2000. Orthopaedics, Neurology and Veterans member since 2003.
- Arizona Physical Therapy Association delegate since 2006. (2 terms)
- First Vice President of AZPTA. (currently)
- Federal Affairs Forum 2010 as key contact for Jeff Flake
- FSBPT Item Writers Workshop 2009
- CSM 2006, 2009, 2010
- Leadership Development course 2005, 2006, 2007
- Fall State Meeting cospeaker regarding Physical Therapists in the Emergency Department in 2006
- Southern Arizona District Representative for AZPTA 2006-2008
- Neuro Update chairperson since 2007. Recruitment and coordinating the last four Neuro Updates. Carolee Winstein, Jennifer Bottomley, Randy Nudo, and Randy Shields as speakers for AZPTA conferences for 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010.
- AZPTA committee member for membership, programs, public relations and previous research committee since 2005.

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- AAOMPT member since 2008
- El Tour de Tucson committee member 2006-2008. Health care professional group that is consulted for approval for underprivileged patients in need of medical equipment or supplies

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: As first vice president, I am responsible for all programming events of the AZPTA. This currently represents over 59% of the generated revenue of our association. This is a job I take very seriously. The semi-annual conferences draw members and non-members together to learn and share professional experiences. The topics and the speakers chosen are critical to exciting the interest of the professionals in Arizona, and satisfying their needs for new and useful education. I have been fortunate to have worked and learned from the two past first vice presidents, Steven Ambler and Betsy Coyle. I will continue to follow their excellent example.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

Candidate: Cory Manton, PT, DPT, OCS, CSCS



Education:

- Doctorate of Physical Therapy, A.T. Still University, Arizona School of Health Sciences, 2001, Mesa, AZ
- Bachelors Degree, Exercise Science, Arizona State University, 1998, Tempe, AZ

Previous & Current Employment:

- Banner Desert Outpatient Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy, Mesa, AZ: 2009 to present.
- A.T. Still University, Arizona School of Health Sciences, Physical Therapy Program: 2008 to present. Adjunct Faculty.
- Miller Physical Therapy, Scottsdale, AZ: 2009
- DeRosa Physical Therapy, Flagstaff, AZ: 2004-2009
- Physiotherapy Associates, Peoria, AZ: 2002-2004
- Physicians Physical Therapy 2002
- Aegis Therapies 2001-2002

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA member since 1998.
- AzPTA Second Vice President 2008-2010
- AzPTA Northern Region Representative 2006-2007
- AzPTA Chairperson of Orthopedic Update: 2007-2011
- AzPTA committees: State Government Affairs, Membership
- Member of APTA Orthopedic Section
- Orthopedic Section Public Relations Committee 2009-present

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

Member of American Academy of Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapists (AAOMPT).

Member of National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA).

Member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I am running for Second Vice President because I want to continue serving the membership of AzPTA as a member of the board. I have served on the AzPTA board since 2006. We have made significant progress as a chapter as seen with an increase in membership, improved programming, improved website, and improved member participation in our chapter. I anticipate that our association will continue to have success and a positive impact on the profession of physical therapy under the direction of our incoming President Linda Duke. Our executive director, Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, has implemented many beneficial changes in the administration of our association that will help the board to better serve the members of the AzPTA. I am hopeful to continue serving on the board, with the goals of:

- Promoting clinical excellence among physical therapists in Arizona through quality programming;
- Increasing the number members of our association;
- Improving the public's knowledge of physical therapy.

DISTRICT 2 (CENTRAL MARICOPA COUNTY) REPRESENTATIVE

Candidate: Erin Appelt PT, DPT, OCS



Education:

- Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Creighton University (2002)

Previous & Current Employment:

- Assistant Professor, Midwestern University (2009-current)
- Staff Physical Therapist, Foothills Sports Medicine (2005-2009)
- Staff Physical Therapist, Physiotherapy Associates (2004-2005)
- PRN Physical Therapist, St. Joseph's Hospital (2003-2004)
- Traveling Physical Therapist, Synertx Rehabilitation, (2002-2003)
- PRN Physical Therapist, Medicare Health System (2002-2002)

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- Second alternate delegate for AzPTA (2009-current)
- Member of APTA since 2001
- Member of AzPTA since 2006
- Member of the Orthopedic Section since 2006
- Member of the Research Section since 2009
- Member of the Education Section since 2010

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- I am an active member at St. Francis Xavier Church. I am currently a part of a team that is planning spiritual direction activities for parishioners.
- I have participated in 2 lectures to the community, one at Foothills Library in Glendale and one at a privately owned clinic. Both of these lectures had the purpose of educating the community on how the Physical Therapy profession enhances health and well-being.

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I am enthusiastic about becoming more involved in the AzPTA and specifically being a Region Representative. I feel that through this position, I will be in the position to enhance the service and learning opportunities provided by the AzPTA. Thank you!

DISTRICT 2 (CENTRAL MARICOPA COUNTY) REPRESENTATIVE

Candidate: Jeffrey Juraska, PT



Education:

Master's Science Physical Therapy, University of Connecticut

Previous & Current Employment:

Currently I operate my physical therapy practice, PT Coach, in Scottsdale providing home health and outpatient services. Previously, my clinical background has been extensive starting in Connecticut (2006) as an outpatient full-time staff therapist for two hospitals. I had done per diem work for several rehabilitation centers throughout Connecticut until moving to Arizona in 2009. Since then I have worked in five different rehabilitation centers in Bull Head City, Kingman, and Lake Havasu City.

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- American Physical Therapy Association, Member (2003-present)
- Attended APTA National Student Conclave, Charlotte, NC. (October, 2004)
- APTA National Conference, House of Delegates Student Usher, Boston, MA. (June 2005)
- APTA Student Conclave, President Elect for APTA Student Board of Directors, Denver, CO (October, 2005)
- Attended Preview 2020, Phoenix, AZ. (February 2007)
- Attended AzPTA Fall Meeting, Phoenix, AZ. (October 2009)
- Attended AzPTA Practice Management Update , Tempe, AZ. (Dec, 2009)
- Attended AzPTA Leadership Development , Phoenix, AZ. (March, 2010)
- Attended AzPTA Spring Meeting, Phoenix, AZ. (May 2010)
- APTA's Perspectives Magazine Editorial Advisory Group, Editor (Present-August 2011)
- AzPTA Governance Review Focus Group, Participant (May, 2010)
- AzPTA Bylaws Committee, Member (2009-present)

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Connecticut Student Electoral Assembly, State Wide President (1999-2000)
- Naugatuck Valley College Foundation, Board Member (1999-2000)
- Knights Of Columbus Catholic Fraternity, Member 4th Degree Knight (2001-present)
- Connecticut Physical Therapy Association, Student Special Interest Group Founder and President (2006-2007)

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I am looking forward to serving as the District 2 (Central Maricopa County) Representative. Development of continuing education program that are exciting and refreshing for AzPTA members of the Central Maricopa County is only one facet that I will serve. I have helped to orchestrate many events as President of Connecticut's Student Special Interest Group. I am interested in becoming more involved with physical therapy issues here in your own backyard. The goal of continually progressing our district meetings to meet and excel current member expectations is a personal passion.

DISTRICT 4 (SOUTHERN ARIZONA) REPRESENTATIVE

Candidate: Lou Ann Negrete, PT

Education:

- Bachelors Degree in Physical Therapy - University of Puget Sound, Tacoma WA 1982
- Masters Degree in Education Leadership - University of Northern Arizona 2009

Previous & Current Employment:

Most of my clinical experiences have been with Acute Care, Acute Rehab and sub-acute rehab and are in Southern Arizona.

- I am currently the PTA Program Director at Pima Medical Institute - Tucson Campus (2+ years). Prior to becoming the Program Director I served as the first PTA Clinical Director and had the opportunity to be involved with the development of this new program (3+ years).
- Other positions held (reverse chronological):
 - *Kindred Healthcare (formally Vencore, Inc and Hillhaven). During my 10 year employment I functioned as Director of PT and then Rehab Service Manager in a Skilled Nursing Facility, and then Dir. of Rehab at Kindred Hospital - Tucson.
 - * Carondelet Healthcare - St. Joseph's Hospital - Tucson. While at St. Joseph's I worked as a staff therapist and Clinical Coordinator of Education.
 - * Sierra Vista Public Schools - Sierra Vista AZ School based therapist.
 - * University Medical Center - Tucson AZ Staff PT
 - *Tucson Medical Center - Tucson AZ Staff PT

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- AzPTA and APTA membership since 1992.
- Attending Arizona Spring and Fall conferences and meetings as able through the past 25+ years as well as local District meetings.
- APTA - National Conference 6/2008 and 6/2005
- APTA - CSM 2/2009 and 2/2010
- APTA - CI credentialing course 11/2004

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Volunteer with Manos de Auyda: May 2006 to current. This is a monthly pediatric therapy clinic in Puerto Penasco, Sonora, Mexico
- Volunteer with World Care: September 2005 to 2006
- Numerous church related activities including involvement on a steering committee for a mission church as well as serving on the Board of Education for a K-8th grade private school for 4 years. I held the position of Chairman of this board for 2.5 years.
- I am currently heading up a church committee to aid in the construction of homes for people in Puerto Penasco, Sonora, Mexico. I am working through a Mexican non-profit community outreach organization which is lead by one of the few Physical Therapists in that community.

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected:

I am running for the District 4 Representative out of my desire to become more involved with the AzPTA and continue to serve the physical therapy clinicians of Southern Arizona. As my family was growing up I did not always have the time to devote to the association that I would have like to. The past 5 years of transitioning from the clinical side of practice to education has given me a great opportunity to meet the majority of PTs and PTAs in this District. Through these discussions and meetings I have gained a greater appreciation of our fantastic profession, the issues that we face today and in the near future and the leadership behind the APTA and AzPTA. As the District 4 Representative I will strive to for open communication, effective continuing education opportunities and reliable representation of this region. Southern Arizona is my home and the clinicians I will be serving are my community.

DISTRICT 4 (SOUTHERN ARIZONA) REPRESENTATIVE

Candidate: Kristy Yarbrough, PT, DPT

Education:

I graduated from Regis University in 2008.

Previous & Current Employment:

- St. Joseph's Hospital- Emergency Department PT
- Bodycentral Physical Therapy- Staff PT
- Ideal Rehab- Physical Therapist

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA member since 2005
- AzPTA member since 2008

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- AAOMPT student SIG treasurer 2 years

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I believe that it is important for members and non-members to take an interest in the organization and the profession. If I am able to organize and bring people together to discuss, learn, or teach about areas of our practice then that is a success. Networking, knowing who is part of your community, getting to know people that should be on the same team creates a profession that is trustworthy and stable. Hopefully I can help facilitate some of this in some way. Thank you.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Candidate: Valerie Ann Carter, PT, DPT, NCS

Education:

- Doctorate of Physical Therapy Northern Arizona University; Flagstaff AZ 2002
- Master of Arts in Physical Education Northern Arizona University; Flagstaff, AZ 1994
- BS Physical Therapy Northern Arizona University; Flagstaff, AZ 1989
- BS General Studies Northern Arizona University; Flagstaff, AZ 1987

Previous & Current Employment:

- Associate Clinical Professor and Academic Clinical Coordinator of Education; Northern Arizona University 2006-present
- Assistant Clinical Professor and Academic Clinical Coordinator of Education; Northern Arizona University 2000-2006
- Staff Physical Therapist Flagstaff Medical Center. Weekend relief 2001-2006
- Physical Therapist; DeRosa Physical Therapy. OP Per Diem Contract work with adults and pediatric patients with neurological injuries. 2001
- Physical Therapist; REM Rehabilitation Services Phoenix, AZ. Home health PT for pediatric and adult DDD patients. 2000-2001
- Physical Therapist; Phoenix Baptist Hospital Phoenix, AZ. 1998
- Physical Therapist; DeRosa Physical Therapy. (OP) Flagstaff, AZ. 1993-1998
- Los Arcos Health Care Center: Director of Rehab: Emphasis of geriatrics and neurological long-term patients.

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- 21 years of APTA Membership
- Speaker AZAPTA Fall and Spring State meetings
- Speaker National and CSM APTA meetings

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Volunteer Working and Organizer of Week Long Intensive Neurological Clinic in St Elisabeth Jamaica
- Volunteer Working and Organizer of Week Long Intensive Neurological Clinic in Detroit Michigan
- Volunteer Ergonomic Assessments for various businesses in Flagstaff AZ
- Volunteer for Painted Turtle Camp (MD week) 2008
- Volunteer for Disability Support Commission, Flagstaff City Counsel
- Speaker for Support Groups around the State
- Community outreach program for ALS, PD, MS Flagstaff, AZ
- Summer Neuroplasticity Clinic. Flagstaff, AZ
- Balance Screenings; Loyalton and The Peaks Assisted Living Centers; Flagstaff, AZ
- Northern Arizona University Elder Hostel, Speaker on Balance and Falls in the Elderly; Flagstaff,
- Community Neurological Clinic. Flagstaff AA
- College/School of Health Professions Curriculum Committee member Flagstaff, AZ

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I am ready and excited to become more involved in this great organization....the AzAPTA. Please consider voting for me as a member of the Nominating Committee... thank you

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Candidate: Bruce Allen Franke Jr., PT, MSc, OCS, MTC, FAAOMPT



Education:

- BSc In Physical Therapy
- MSc. In Physical Therapy
- DSc Student

Previous & Current Employment:

- Desert Palms Physical Therapy, P.C., San Manuel, Arizona; Owner/ Physical Therapist (Satellite) August 2006-present

Outpatient Orthopedics

- Desert Palms Physical Therapy, P.C., Catalina, Arizona; Owner/Physical Therapist (Satellite) August 2005-present

Outpatient Orthopedics

- Desert Palms Physical Therapy, P.C., Tucson, Arizona; Owner/ Physical Therapist September 1997-present

Outpatient Orthopedics

- Desert Palms Institute, Tucson, Arizona; Owner/ National Instructor August 1996-Present
- Tucson Medical Center, Tucson, Arizona; Back Program Coordinator/ Physical Therapist November 1994-December 1997

Outpatient Orthopedics

- Health South, Tucson, Arizona; Spine Coordinator/ Physical Therapist, January 1994-October 1994

Outpatient Orthopedics

- Institute for Athletic Medicine; Burnsville, Minnesota, Physical Therapist; July 1991-January 1994

Outpatient Orthopedics

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA member since 1994
- AzPTA member since 1994
- AAOMPT member since 1995

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Volunteer assistant to youth minister-1 year
- Volunteer for Sisters of Charity homeless-1 year
- School parent classroom volunteer-7 years
- AAOMPT Education Committee Member-1 year
- NAIOMT Liaison Committee Leader-1 year

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I am proud and pleased to be running for the nominating committee. I expect to further my knowledge of and contributions to the state of Az-PTA and its members. I have long been interested in becoming more involved at the state level, and have now arrived at the appropriate point to invest my time and resources in this venture. I anticipate the opportunity to be invaluable to my own professional growth as well the continual advancement and improvement of our state board. My twenty-three years of experience as a physical therapist and sixteen years of experience as a national instructor in orthopedic education allow me to have some unique perspectives. I will deliver the essential level of professionalism, insight and support to this committee and work diligently toward furthering our progress in this great field of physical therapy.

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Charles Casey, PT, DPT



Education:

- Post-Professional Doctorate of Physical Therapy NAU 2005
- Masters of Physical Therapy NAU 2000
- Masters of Arts in Exercise Physiology NAU 1999
- Bachelor of Science in Nutrition Science NAU 1996

Previous & Current Employment:

- Sierra Vista Regional Health Center, Sierra Vista, AZ August 2009 to present—physical therapist
- DeRosa Physical Therapy, Flagstaff, AZ August 2000 to June 2009— physical therapist/coordinator of clinical education/program coordinator

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- AZPTA District 5 Regional Representative for the Northern Region - January 2008 to December 2009
- APTA Member since 1997

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- America College of Sports Medicine - Member 2009
- NAU Physical Therapy Alumni Chapter
 - President: 2008 to present
 - Vice President: 2001 to 2008

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: The profession of physical therapy is much more than just a job or occupation. As a professional we all have the responsibility to give back to our profession through various methods. I would like the opportunity to increase my professional involvement by representing Arizona in the APTA House of Delegates. As a Delegate I will help represent the state and the issues that face our profession today. This position would be a good opportunity for growth and learning and look forward to the challenge! Thank you for this opportunity!

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Rachel Dorsey, PT, DPT



Education:

- Doctor of Physical Therapy Degree, 2009 Northern Arizona University

Previous & Current Employment:

- Banner Good Samaritan Rehabilitation Institute

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA member October 2006-present
- Northern Arizona University, APTA Student Assembly liaison 2007-2008:
- Served as liaison between the Student Assembly and NAU PT students in order to encourage and enhance the professional involvement at NAU.
- AZPTA PAC student rep at Federal Affairs Forum in Washington, DC, 2006-2007:
- Attended APTA advocacy and professionalism and lobbying activities regarding issues important to PT students and neighboring PT schools. Arizona currently leads the PAC in highest student attendees.
- AZPTA Student Special Interest Group Co-chair, 2009:
- Organized Arizona's first Student Conclave fall 2009. Helped create the AZPTA's first student special interest group and currently serve as an adviser for the Board of Directors
- Participated in Channel 8 "Ask an Expert PT" phone bank advocating for our profession and addressing the needs of community members.
- 2009-present, APTA advocate at Banner Good Samaritan Rehabilitation Institute.

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Summer 2006 & 2007 Volunteer with Painted Turtle Camp for Children with life changing disabilities
- 2009 Interdisciplinary Trainee for the Institute for Human Development. Completed a certificate program in Disability Studies Policy and Practice
- Summer 2008 Grand Canyon Youth River Buddies Chaperon for Flagstaff Unified School District. 7 days of rafting fun with children with special needs of the FUSD.
- Volunteer with Arizona Spinal Cord Association Adaptive Rowing Class.

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: The best advice I ever received when contemplating Physical Therapy was "Don't just see this as a job but as a profession and be involved as much as you can". I started this day one of PT school. Partially due to my involvement the AZPTA leads the PAC in student attendees in D.C. and the Arizona Student Special Interest Group is official! The APTA has truly enriched my educational experience and affects the lens through which I am viewing this, my first practice setting. My professional growth has come through combined education and interactions with veteran therapists who have become my mentors. After 4 years as a member of the APTA and 1 year as a practicing physical therapist I realize that it is imperative for new therapists and mentors to collaborate in order to lead the APTA with forward thinking and wisdom. I want to carry this thinking with me as a Delegate representing Arizona in the National House of Delegates striving to enhance our profession while maintaining its integrity.

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Yvonne Harrison, PT, GCS



Education:

- BSPT Saint Louis University
- Current Post-Professional DPT at NAU
- Geriatric Clinic Specialist 1994-2003 and 2003-2013
- 200 Hour Certified Yoga Instructor

Previous & Current Employment:

- Staff PT Mayo Clinic Hospital (most recent)
- Director of Rehabilitation Services St. Luke's Hospital
- Staff PT Sun Health Home Health
- Co-Owner of Geriatric Rehabilitation Specialists, formerly NOVA Therapy Systems
- Sun Rehab Professional Physical Therapy Services

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA Member Since 1978
- Practice Committee Member 2006-present
- Scholarship Committee Member 2009-present

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- Phoenix Physical Therapy Directors 2003-present
- Past President Phoenix Physical Therapy Directors 2006-2007
- State Board of PT Examiners Volunteer 2002-2009
- Ronald McDonald House Volunteer 2009-present
- Organizing for America 2007-present
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters 2008-2009
- American Stroke Association - 2000-2004
- Vice Chair of Stroke Survivor Committee 2001-2003

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I bring the experience of many years of physical therapy practice in a variety of diverse settings to the House of Delegates. These settings have included home health, skilled nursing facilities, hospice, out-patient and most recently acute care. Additionally, having worked as a manager, as an owner, and currently as a staff therapist I bring understanding of some of the complexities of practice. Never having served as a Delegate, I bring a fresh perspective to the process. Finally, I enjoy thoughtful discourse and working collaboratively to achieve mutually beneficial outcomes. Thank you for your consideration and I would appreciate your vote!

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: John Heick, PT, DPT



Education:

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Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: My experience as a delegate for the past 2 terms motivates me to continue in this role to promote the growth of our rewarding profession. I have the opportunity to affect our future direction and I look forward to serving on the leading edge of our field. I am passionate about PT and want to help expand the public's awareness of PT. This year I participated in a governance review process and was able to brainstorm with some of our future leaders. An idea came from that meeting that I would like to pursue as a delegate. The idea is this: new members w/in 1-3 years of graduation, be offered the ability to join ALL sections of the APTA w/out paying for each section. This motion would help members by providing yet another reason to become, and hopefully remain, a member of our dynamic association. I would also like to encourage members to assist delegates with ideas that they feel are important to Arizona by meeting and discussing how we can better serve our AZ members.

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Jeffrey Juraska, PT



Education:

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- Connecticut Physical Therapy Association, Student Special Interest Group Founder and President (2006-2007)

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I have a good working knowledge of what happens at the national level from working at the House of Delegates in 2005. After participating AzPTA Governance Review Focus Group, I realize that we need a steady, but diligent voice representing our members. I am able to listen and look at the complete issue prior to making a decision so that your concerns will be heard at the national level. As our nation is shifting in healthcare delivery and expenditures, now more than ever is the time that our profession shows all we offer. You can be sure I will debate the topics that are important to our state members and what is in the best interest of our profession as a whole. I believe in the APTA's Vision 2020. I will carry the torch in the fight to ensure that physical therapist will be the providers of choice with direct access. I am most appreciative to be your choice!

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Diane Killeen, PT



Education:

BS Physical Therapy 1976—University of Wisconsin-Madison

Previous & Current Employment:

1999-Present: Killeen Therapy Services, Inc; President/Owner

1997-1999: Arizona Rehab Specialist; Vice President/Partner

1990-1997: Sun Rehab Contract Therapist

1988-1990: Valley of the Sun Rehab Hospital; Assistant Administrator

1985-1988: Community Rehab Specialist, President

1976-1985: Bellin Memorial Hospital; Staff & Vice President Rehabilitation

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- Member House of Delegates 2009-2010
- Alternate Delegate 2008
- AzPTA Board of Directors/Treasurer 2007-Present
- Member Finance Committee 2002-Present
- Member Audit Committee 2006-Present
- Member Scholarship Committee 2000-2004
- Member Board of Directors-PAC 1996-2001
- Member House of Delegates 1995-1998
- Member Legislative Committee 1994-1999
- AzPTA Board of Directors 1993-1998
- Central District Chair 1993-1995
- Second Vice President 1996-1998
- Central District Vice Chair 1990-992

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- Member Legislative Committee 1994-1999
- AzPTA Board of Directors 1993-1998
- Central District Chair 1993-1995
- Second Vice President 1996-1998
- Central District Vice Chair 1990-1992

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: I'm excited about the opportunity to cont to serve as a Delegate. I served as Alternate in 08 & Delegate in 09/10. I developed a motion that was presented to the House in 09. I was an active participant in the discussions & in defining the future direction of our Assoc. My good communication skills & good negotiating skills are crucial in successful caucusing. My position as Treasurer for AZ, lends insight into the fiscal impact motions may have on our chapter. My extensive experience in Adm & Geriatrics in several different settings enables me to bring forth issues that are unique to these settings. I would hope to bring our Prof forward by being your voice. As an active member of the AzPTA Board, Phoenix Physical Therapy Directors & attending State Meetings, I remain in contact with the membership. I have multiple opportunities to discuss your issues & receive feedback regarding the development of potential motions & motions that will be heard on the floor. Thank you for your consideration.

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Jim Roush, PT, PhD, ATC



Education:

- BSPT - Northwestern University - Physical Therapy - 1988
- PhD - Univ. of Southern California - Physical Education (Biomechanics) - 1984
- MS - University of Arizona - Physical Education (Athletic Training) - 1977
- BS - University of Arizona - Physical Education - 1976

Previous & Current Employment:

I am currently an Associate Professor of Physical Therapy at A. T. Still University of Health Sciences, Mesa, Arizona. I have served in that capacity since August 1, 1996. Previous to that, I was a home health physical therapist, contracting with various home agencies in the Phoenix Metropolitan area.

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

American Physical Therapy Association (member since 1988)

- Member, Sports Medicine Section
- Member, Section on Research
- Member, Section of Geriatrics
- Member, Section of Education
- Member, House of Delegates (1999 - 2001) (2004 - present)

Arizona Physical Therapy Association

- Chapter President (2002-2004)
- Member, Board of Directors (2004-2005)
- Chairperson, Website Committee (2005-2008)
- Member, State Governmental Affairs Committee
- Member, Continuing Education Committee

Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy

- Item Writer Workshop Participant, 2007

Arizona State Board of Physical Therapy

- Item Reviewer for Jurisprudence Examination, 2004
- Auditor, Continuing Education

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

American College of Sports Medicine, Member (member since 1982)

National Athletic Trainers' Association, Inc. (member since 1974)

Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice, Manuscript Reviewer (2006 to present)

Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Manuscript Reviewer (2000 to present)

F. A. Davis Publishing Co, Philadelphia, Manuscript Reviewer (2000 to present)

Journal of Athletic Training, Manuscript Reviewer (2006 to present)

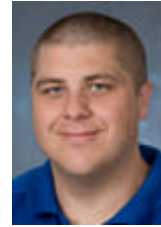
P. F. Chang Phoenix Rock and Roll Marathon, Athletic Trainer, 2004 to present

Manos de Ayuda Clinic, Puerto Pensasco, Mexico, (2000 to 2008)

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: We are half way towards Vision 2020. It is time to develop Vision 2030. By 2030, ALL PTs will be Doctors of Physical Therapy. Society will require physicians to give up some of their "protected" areas because there will not be enough physicians. Therefore, PTs will have to reacquire skill sets such as needle EMG and will need expertise to order diagnostic tools such as MRI, CT Scans, and X-rays. PT will still be a new doctoring profession with lots of growing pains to be addressed. Fundamental issues need to be addressed. PT reimbursement should no longer be tied to the Physician Fee Schedule, because reimbursement for PT is different. We will need more practitioners to meet society's needs. I have developed a huge network of contacts with APTA leaders throughout the country to assist me in learning issues from other parts of the country and the world. I appreciate your support in my endeavors to help shape the future of physical therapy in Arizona, the nation, and the world.

DELEGATE TO THE APTA

Candidate: Matthew D. Schroeder, PT, DPT, OCS



Education:

- Duke University—Durham, NC—Doctor of Physical Therapy, Physical Therapy
- Occidental College—Los Angeles, CA—Bachelor of Arts, Kinesiology

Previous & Current Employment:

Current:

- Scottsdale Healthcare Osborn Medical Center, Outpatient Therapy Services—Lead Orthopedic Therapist and Director of Residency Programs (2006-Present)
- Scottsdale Healthcare Family Medicine Residency Program—Instructor (2008-Present)

Previous:

- Advanced Industrial & Rehabilitation Therapy—Clinic Manager (2004-2006)

AzPTA and APTA Engagement & Activities:

- APTA Member: 2002-present
- Orthopedic Section Member: 2004-present
- Occupational Health SIG: 2004-present
- Performing Arts SIG: 2004-present
- AzPTA Member: 2004-present
- AzPTA Alternate Delegate: 2010
- Student Assembly Pulse Article: April 2010

Community/Civic/Volunteer Activities & Engagement in Other Professional Associations:

- AT Still University, Physical Therapy Program Guest Lecturer (2008-present)

Why Running for This Office and Why Candidate Should be Elected: It is my honor to run for a seat in the AzPTA Delegation to the APTA House of Delegates. As an alternate delegate last year I participated in the pre-House activities/debate and was able to join the delegation in Boston where I was mentored by our very experienced and knowledgeable delegates. The experience was rewarding and eye-opening and I am now ready to be elected as a full delegate to the HOD. There are three key reasons that I feel that I would be a great choice to be part of the AZ delegation. 1) In my job I treat patients in both the outpatient and inpatient settings at Scottsdale Healthcare, this allows me some greater perspective on needs/trends of the profession as a whole. 2) I can add the voice of a newer professional to the House debate and the expanding vision of physical therapy. 3) I am committed to the growth of the profession of physical therapy and know that I can contribute to Arizona's reputation of being a forward thinking delegation. Thank you for your support.