

### GREETINGS OHSIG MEMBERS:

#### Update on Certification in Occupational Health

Progress has been slow on completing our petition for specialty certification. So the Board of Directors decided to hold a special working group meeting July 5/6 in Springfield, MO to work on the petition. The petition is a very detailed document with questions relating to our support of specialty certification in Occupational Health PT. We look forward to completing the petition and submitting to ABPTS for their consideration. Stay tuned!

#### PT Loses a Friend

Frank, Dr. Francis John Fearon of Cumming, Georgia, passed away May 16, 2007. He was diagnosed with Brain Cancer in August of 2004. Frank was a beloved husband, father, son, brother, and friend. As a Christian and dedicated member of Perimeter Church in Duluth, his life was defined by his personal relationship with Jesus, his deep love for his family, and his passion to serve others.

Many of us knew Frank through his work in PT. Frank was a Professor of PT at North Georgia College and State University in Dahlonega, Georgia. While maintaining a clinical practice for 27 years, he earned his doctorate in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy from the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences. He was a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists and was well known for numerous presentations and publications. Dr. Fearon greatly impacted his students through his knowledge, gifted teaching, and skillful clinical expertise. He also served the community by helping envision and establish The Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Gwinnett which opened in 2004.

Many of us knew Frank from his involvement with the Orthopaedic Section and OHSIG. He served on the OHSIG Board as Research Chair and later became a member of the Nominating Committee. Frank will be missed by many. Our thoughts continue to be with his family.

#### Welcome!

Welcome new members of the OHSIG. We look forward to your active participation in OHSIG!

*Sincerely,  
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OHSIG President*