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Another Successful Charter Oak Conference

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After a long year of preparation and planning by ConnAPA's CME and Conference Planning Committee, the 2010 Charter Oak Conference was a great success for all. Returning to the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa this year from April 11th through April 14th, 2010, over 180 attendees had an opportunity to earn up to 32 Category I CME credits through a wide array of lectures and topics as organized by our hard-working COC committee. Another 85 students from both Yale and Quinnipiac Universities were also able to partake in the "professional" side of being a PA as well as the realization that learn-

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2010 Legislative Session Wrap Up

Linda Kowalski

The 2010 session adjourned at midnight, May 5. There were a number of significant actions taken that relate to the Physician Assistant profession, and we are pleased to outline them here for your review.

P.A. written orders

Legislation was passed to provide that registered nurses will execute written orders by a Physician Assistant that are within the scope of practice. We can report that this is a solid scope

expansion and role clarification for the profession (SB 428).

P.A. certification of student athlete health

In a second scope expansion, legislation was passed (SB 456) that provides new training to athletic coaches to recognize when a student athlete may have suffered a concussion. The bill provides new authority for Physician Assistants to examine and certify that an athlete is ready to rejoin the team and participate in

contact sports.

P.A. reports on impaired drivers

In another recognition of the important role Physician Assistants play in ensuring the health and safety of patients, legislation was enacted (SB 414) that specifically references practitioners as having authority to report a patient to the Department of Motor Vehicles when the individual appears incapable of driving safely due to

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Yale Student Update

Susan Curilla, PA-C and Fauve Hill, PA-C, Yale Student Representatives



(Photo by Travis Flynn)

Spring semester has been an active one for Yale's first year Physician Associate students. Two members of the PA Class of 2011 were awarded Wilbur Downs Fellowships for Global Health Research. This prestigious fellowship provides each award winner with the funds to pursue medical or public health related research in developing countries. Up to 15 fellowships are awarded yearly to Yale students. Kathleen Boyle and Benjamin Olmedo were among those awarded a 2010 fellowship.

Kathleen Boyle, under the mentorship of Dr. R Douglas Bruce, will study the effects of methadone maintenance therapy and educational interventions on the sexual and drug risk taking behaviors of opioid injection

drug users in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Kathleen's interest in this research was initially sparked before she started the Yale PA program, while she was working with adolescent injection drug users in New York City. She is currently volunteering at a methadone treatment center and plans to conduct her research in Tanzania from February to April 2011.

Benjamin Olmedo, under the mentorship of Dr. Edmund Funai, will study the prevalence of adherence to Active Management of Third Stage of Labor treatment protocols by regional and local health-care providers in Peru. Ben's interest in this research also started prior to his matriculation at Yale, while visiting Peru last summer.

Ben will conduct a pilot study here at Yale this fall, prior to conducting his research in Peru from April to June of 2011.

Both Ben and Kathleen hope to integrate research into their future careers as physician assistants.

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Yellow Brick Road

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The e-mail popped into my Inbox, announcing that the 2010 Spring Pathway II recertification exam window had opened. It directed me to log in to the NCCPA website to access the test. I had six weeks to wade through the 300 questions and record my answers online. The final score will ultimately determine my fate as a practicing PA.

Like the epic *Wizard of Oz*, Pathway II is an adventure, a quest, something akin to entering a fantasy world full of lions and tigers and bears. As a participant, you never know what might be lurking on the next page, ready to devour your psyche or cast a flaming ball of fire into your lap, forcing you to wrestle with those esoteric problems seldom encountered in mundane medical practice.

I printed out the exam to peruse it at my leisure, just in case something prevented me from accessing it online—like a local power failure, a regional black-

out or a world wide recession. If my PC crashed, I could always review the questions with a flashlight under the bed covers at night. Judging from the type of question I've read so far, that is where I'll be spending most of my evenings and nights for the next six weeks.

A 200-year-old Orc presents to the emergency room exsanguinating profusely through multiple lacerations received in a recent battle on the plains of Mordor. You note that the color of his blood is black. You order a stat arterial blood gas and administer a bolus of IV fluids. You perform a digital rectal examination to check for intestinal bleeding and find a diffusely enlarged prostate with no palpable nodules. The Orc stirs during the DRE, becoming agitated, baring his teeth. You note the malocclusion before reviewing the ABG results: pH 7.38, pCO₂ 48, pO₂ 17, HCO₃⁻ 28. Your next step in treating this patient is to administer:

- A. *haloperidol per rectum*
- B. *ciprofloxacin PO*
- C. *finasteride IV*
- D. *sodium fluoride, with recommendation for daily flossing a tankard of mead*

I'll admit I panicked a bit after reading this first question. I've spent the last 30 years of my

career in general pediatrics. We don't see many Orcs in this age group, never 200-year-old Orcs. Consequently, I wasn't current on Orc physiology. Specifically, I couldn't recall the acid-base parameters of Orc blood (although I did remember that it is black). In short, I had entered the realm of the fantasy diagnostic dilemma.

After an extensive online search failed to produce the data I sought, I grabbed a flashlight and crawled under the covers of my bed with a copy of *The Lord of the Rings* to research the question. I waded through page after page to no avail. I checked the index but found to my horror that, being a work of fiction, it had none. Time was ticking away. I crawled out from under the covers and made shadow puppets on the ceiling, pondering my next step.

I needed a resource, someone more familiar with hyperbolic fantasy than I, someone who hopefully knew something about Orc physiology, preferably a clinician who had treated an Orc or two.

I returned to my computer, performed a reverse look up, found the contact information and shot off a query into cyberspace. I made a pot of coffee

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a medical condition. The same bill also includes a rewrite of the handicapped placard law—Physician Assistants retain current authority to certify a patient's need for a placard.

P.A. inclusion in charity care

Legislation was passed (HB 5452) that permits out-of-state practitioners—including Physician Assistants—to come into Connecticut and treat at medical charity or sporting events such as Mission of Mercy or the Special Olympics.

SAGA transferred to Medicaid

In a major policy change, the 2010 session approved legislation (HB 5545) that takes advantage of new federal rules to include all SAGA clients in the Medicaid program. We believe this will result in an increase in access to health care services for many vulnerable citizens. It builds on ConnAPA's excellent testimony earlier this year to the Appropriations Committee that cautioned policymakers over proposed reductions to the state's healthcare safety net.

Insurance and tort reforms pass

Several bills were enacted that continue to improve the accountability of managed care organizations: **SB 17**—provides greater

oversight of the practice where MCO entities "rent" their provider networks to third parties. **HB 5004**—requires MCOs to provide certain municipal clients with aggregate encounter and claims data so that customers can see where their premium dollars are going. **HB 5303**—requires MCOs to report aggregate claims denial data to the Department of Insurance for publication in the consumer report card. Finally, changes to the tort system were included in **SB 248**. Mandatory mediation will exist in all lawsuits alleging medical malpractice or negligence.

Bills that did not pass

- **HB 5258**—a major Scope of Practice bill that created a committee at the Department of Public Health to "vet" all scope requests before they could be submitted to the legislature. ConnAPA testified in opposition to the bill.
- **SB 14**—legislation would prohibit patient co-payments for routine annual physicals or checkups. Although it was unfortunate the bill did not pass, the new federal healthcare reform law contains similar provisions that will take effect in coming years.
- SB 393**—provided additional steps in leveling the playing field between health practitioners and MCOs. Called "Standards and Contracts," the bill, among other provisions, required payment of

claims submitted electronically within 20 days.

Finally, the budget . . .

The major bill of the 2010 session, the budget legislation, passed both chambers on the final day. The legislation addressed a projected \$750 million deficit in the fiscal year that begins on July 1. Time will tell whether the accounting maneuvers, increased bonding and projections of additional federal revenue will do the trick. What most observers see is a potential catastrophe awaiting Connecticut's next Governor in January 2011. The budget for the first two years of the new administration could be out of balance by as much as \$8 billion.

And a thank you!

We very much appreciate the fact that many ConnAPA members answered the call when asked to contact their legislators on key issues this session. We can absolutely assure you that these contacts are very important and make a difference. Although the session has ended, ConnAPA's legislative team will be meeting this summer and fall to develop an aggressive legislative program for 2011. We welcome your involvement and interest! Finally, I want to thank the co-chairs of ConnAPA's legislative committee: Jonathan Weber and Bill Kohlhepp for their countless hours of involvement this past session.



PA Focus

Dawn Colomb-Lippa, PA-C



orthopedic physician assistant at a multispecialty private practice and as a professor at Quinnipiac University.

appreciation of what it means to care for patients as a part of a team.

The most important thing that I have learned in life is...that failure is impossible.

If I wasn't a PA I would be a... farmer. Overalls, cows, chickens, crops, almanac - the whole deal.

The thing that really motivated me to become a PA was...that I had a strong desire to operate. I wanted to appreciate anatomy within the context of surgery and I hoped to be able to teach anatomy to students of medicine.

When I am not at work I like to...get my hands dirty in the garden, cook for my family and read.

What I would tell someone who wanted to become a PA is...work in healthcare before you apply to school. It gives you an

I am currently working...as an

We would like to learn more about our membership! Please share your own personal answers to these questions with a photo of yourself so we can feature you in the next edition!

Email your answers and photo to:

ConnAPA@ssmgt.com

PECOS - Is Your Medicare Information Current?

Tricia Marriott, PA-C, MPAS,

According to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), being current with your Medicare enrollment means that you have enrollment records in the Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS), and that those records contain your National Provider Identification (NPI) number. If you do not know your NPI number, it is easily accessed from the **[NPI registry](#)**.

Physicians, PAs, and non-physician practitioners who order services or refer Medicare beneficiaries for services (such as labs and diagnostic tests) must be enrolled in the Medicare program. All health care professionals should verify their enrollment in the CMS on-line enrollment system known as Internet-based PECOS.

CMS has posted a **[PECOS Ordering/Referring File](#)**. If your

name is on the list you are current. If you are not listed in this file, you will need to update your information in the Internet-based **[PECOS system](#)**.

The **[MedLearn Matters](#)** article published by CMS regarding this issue describes the process and is available on the web.

For further information, contact Tricia Marriott, AAPA Director of Reimbursement Policy, **tmarriott@aapa.org**.

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ing never ends.

The conference started with one of three workshops this year: EKG review; CT and MRI neuroradiology; and orthopaedic exam of shoulder and knee. After some welcoming remarks by our CME and Conference Planning Committee Chairperson Jonathan Pinto, the conference was in full swing with five hours of lectures through Sunday afternoon. The evening was topped off with our annual welcome reception, where attendees and honored guests (including ConnAPA's own Patrick Killeen, President-elect for the AAPA) had an opportunity to eat, drink, and be merry while sharing stories and fellowship.

Monday was another full day of lectures and special events, highlighted by our annual business luncheon and PA foundation scholarship award presentations. After a fantastic lunch and some welcoming remarks by ConnAPA's President Jeanine Sico, a legislative review was provided by our legislative chairperson Jonathan Weber, with a call for more non-ConnAPA members to become involved, especially with regard to legislative advocacy. Our keynote speaker was Patrick Killeen, who also reiterated the importance of advocacy and involvement, espe-

cially at this time of sweeping changes in the provision of medical care in our nation. Patrick also highlighted AAPA's involvement in nationwide medical insurance plan from the initial talks and development stages all the way through the passage of the bill in Congress. It is clear that PAs were and continue to be at the forefront of this dramatic plan thanks to our state and national leadership.

Tuesday began with a fantastic buffet breakfast before delving into more diverse CME topics for the day. The day was broken up by our annual exhibit hall where over 36 exhibitors and vendors had three uninterrupted hours of time with our attendees and our visiting Quinnipiac students. Each attendee and student was given a signature card and encouraged to visit every booth, obtaining the signature of that exhibitor on the card. Once the cards were complete and signed by all exhibitors, a raffle was held. Two attendees won free registration to the 2011 COC conference, another attendee won a free night at the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa, and another won a free PANRE review book from one of our book vendors. For the students, three books were donated by one of our book vendors, Elsevier, and the lucky students added to their

already expansive collection. The silent auction for gift baskets for the PA Foundation came to a close and the winners were also announced. Wednesday was the final day of CME lectures as the 2010 conference finally came to a close after a scrumptious tuscan pizza luncheon!

On a personal note, I'd like to thank each and every committee member for their hard work and dedication to another successful event: Andrew Barlow; Marc Benjamin; Justin Champagne; Sarah Fountain; Georgina Knowles; Judy Nunes; Jeanine Sico; AJ Ricciuti; Don Solomini; Heather Tomchik; and Jennifer Violette; and especially our executive team at S&S Management led by Michael Thompson and Kirsten Longley. Without their efforts and involvement, this event would not have been a success. Planning has already begun for next year's conference, being held April 10th through April 13th, 2011 back at the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa. We would also like to invite all ConnAPA members to get more involved with our committee and encourage anyone interested to contact our ConnAPA offices at Connapa@ssmgt.com.

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Bike/Walk for Education



June 26 - 27, 2010

CT PAF is pleased to announce a fund raising event for educational scholarships for PA students in CT. In an attempt to increase the number of awards and maintain the scholarship program the CT PAF is sponsoring **BIKE/WALK CT for EDUCATION**.

The dates of the event are Saturday June 26th and Sunday June 27th. We will start at 8:30 AM at Yale at the corner of High and Wall St. Weather permitting, there will be a sign up area. At 9:00 AM we will be leaving the registration area for a 33-mile BIKE and 5-mile WALK.

Parking is best at a lot across from the Yale Coop Bookstore on the corner of Broadway and Whalley. In addition The Coop has a bathroom inside. The cost for parking is \$1.50/hour and the lot is gated.

The bikers will end at Joey Garlic's restaurant 372 Scott Swamp Road, Farmington, CT between 12:30-2:00 (860.678.7231) There is a parking lot at the restaurant should you want to leave a car to ferry your bike back to Yale.

Please park on the left side and behind the restaurant. We will

have lunch here and they have saved tables under the BIKE CT for Education.

The WALKERS will leave at 9:00 AM and return to the same location. The WALK will be two hours and will bring you through quiet neighborhoods in New Haven and East Rock Park. There are several walking trails in the park which are quiet and forested. You will return the same way you came and end up at the Yale Coop to pick up your car(s).

I have a few recommendations for the BIKERS. Day 1 can take up to 3.5 hours so bring plenty to drink and some light food. We will pass out directions at the beginning of the event and be sure to follow them as we are on 2/3 road and 1/3 Farmington River Canal. If you should get lost please call on your cell phone and we will try to locate you. In addition this route can be crowded in the summer and safety is our main concern so be safe. Remember it is not a race but rather a fund raising event.

Sunday the 27th BIKERS will be leaving from the Joey Garlic's

restaurant and travelling 31 miles north to the Massachusetts border where we will end with a celebration lunch at Terry O'Donnell's house. We will gather at 8:30 AM and leave at 9:00 AM promptly from Joey Garlic's. Towards the 27th mile we will turn off the Farmington River Canal and go right on to Phelps Rd. Then right on to Mountain Rd and left on to North Stone St. Terry's house is 69 North Stone in West Suffield, CT. We are planning on finishing between 12:30 to 1:15 PM. If you get lost please call me on my cell phone at 203.217.3559.

Sunday the 27th the WALKERS will start at 10:00 AM from 69 North Stone St. in West Suffield and walk either 3.6 or 5.2 miles in a beautiful setting near the MA border and returning to Terry's house. Here we will all gather for lunch.

The Farmington River Canal/Railway has been transformed in to a bike/walkway and the car factor will be eliminated while we are on this portion of the trail. Transportation for each of the riders/walkers should be ar-



ranged by each of the participants. The CT PAF is not responsible for transportation.

We are asking everyone including family, friends, colleagues, and acquaintances for sponsorship. Every dollar counts. We are looking to raise \$15,000 for this year's event. Often I am asked whether non-PAs can Bike or Walk. Of course they can. We are asking that they sign up for e-mails so we may contact them with E-vites to obtain a final count. Please contact Rick Pope at pop5rjhjc@aol.com should you have any questions about the event.

Enclosed in this Newsletter is a signup sheet should you be interested in donating or attending. Any checks for sponsorship should be made out to "CT PAF" and sent to the address on the back side of the donation flyer. Please be sure to put BIKE/WALK for CT Education on the memo line.

We hope to see you there and many thanks to all for helping to make this a successful event.

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continue working in international health development and Kathleen's goals include working with injection drug using and infectious disease positive patients in her clinical practice. Ben and Kathleen will present their research in 2011 at

the Annual Fall Committee on International Health Symposium.

In February, the first-year PA students and medical students organized the annual Service of Gratitude. It serves to honor those who donated their bodies to science and became our first patients. Each member of both classes contributed a personal Haiku, which was incorporated into a commemorative book to be placed on display in The Anlyan Center's anatomy wing. The program also featured several displays of gratitude in the forms of: musical pieces, readings, and song.

Four members of the class participated in the Vagina Monologues, to celebrate Valentine's Day and support the campaign to end violence against women. With the help of Yale's professional and graduate colleges, several thousand dollars were raised, benefiting the Haven Free Clinic. The Haven Free Clinic is located in New Haven, run by Yale medical, PA, and nursing students and offers medical services at no cost to the New Haven community.

On April 9, 2010, the class of 2011 received their white coats. Yale has a unique tradition in which first-year PA students do not receive their white coats upon matriculation. Following the successful completion of a history taking class, UConn standardized patient sessions,

and an 18-week long physical exam skills course, the students are then awarded the great honor of donning the white coat. It was a very proud moment for all 37 members of the class of 2011, their families, and the PA program faculty and staff.

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and crumpled into a kitchen chair, head in hands. Where was J. R. Tolkien when you needed him? I mused.

Cup in hand, I traipsed back to my office to find—O joy!—an email waiting in the Inbox from Dave Barry. My hand trembled as I clicked on the envelope icon. Instantly a body of text filled the screen.

"Thanks for your recent inquiry about appropriate treatment of a wounded Orc with BPH, agitation and malocclusion in hypovolemic shock. Actually, we see this type of patient all the time down here in Miami. Standard treatment consists of one tankard of mead, well quaffed. I never met an Orc who failed to respond to mead within minutes. Just beware: one Orc's mead is another man's poison. Best of luck with the remainder of your fantasy exam."

I leaned back in my chair and heaved a sigh of relief. Six weeks left, and only 299 questions to go.

ConnAPA and PAs Take Aim at Health Reform

Jonathan Weber, MA, PA-C



In late February, a CT delegation to the 2010 Capital Connection in Washington, DC hit Capitol Hill running! The team of 13 PA students and 4 PA faculty from Quinnipiac and Yale along with AAPA President-elect Patrick Killian joined over 225 PAs from across the country in this collective advocacy effort.

Expectations were high! 1st Year Yale PA student, Kelsey Moore related, “I went to the AAPA Capital Connection because I thought it would be great exposure to a crucial aspect of being a PA – learning how to meet with government leaders to help us to better help our patients.”

PA students participated in lively workshops in advocacy, attended briefings on key legislative issues, prepped for meetings with CT senators and representatives, and

then met with legislators or congressional staff. The main goal of each meeting was to request support or direct sponsorship of specific legislation of particular concern for PAs, namely:

Enacting Meaningful Health Care Reform & Utilization of Physician Assistants in a Reformed U.S. Health Care System

AAPA urges Congress to enact health care reform legislation that embraces the AAPA’s health care reform principles and fully utilizes physician assistants.

Updating the Federal Workers’ Compensation Program To Allow PAs to Diagnose & Treat Federal Employees who are Injured on the Job

AAPA urges Congress to amend

the Federal Employees Compensation Act to recognize PAs as covered providers through the Federal Workers’ Compensation Program.

Allowing Physician Assistants to Prescribe Buprenorphine

AAPA urges Congress to amend the Drug Addiction and Treatment Act of 2000 to allow PAs to obtain a DEA waiver to prescribe and dispense buprenorphine for opioid addiction (in states where PAs are permitted to prescribe Schedule III, IV, and V medications).

The stage for the two-day advocacy conference was set on Day 1 with an overview by AAPA President, Stephen Hanson. The Honorable Nancy Johnson, former U.S. Representative from CT’s 5th District, followed with her perspective on prospects for health care legislation and the 2010 political landscape.

Day 1 culminated with a presentation of the *2010 AAPA President’s Award* to U.S. Surgeon General, Regina Benjamin. Dr. Benjamin motivated PA representatives from constituent chapters and inspired PA students alike. Many students were fortunate to meet and speak with the Surgeon General. “It’s great to know that our nation’s leading spokesperson on matters of public health is such an ardent supporter of the AAPA”,



stated Erin Lyons. “Knowing that a PA has been an integral part of Dr. Benjamin’s practice for many years makes me feel confident that the MD & PA model of care is something she holds in high regard,” said Sondra Jasienowski.

On Day 2, over 225 PAs and PA students from across the country met with 240 members of Congress and/or congressional staff. The 18-member CT delegation successfully “divided & conquered” – meeting with all five CT congressional representatives and both CT senators or staff.

The PA students complementing the CT delegation included:

Quinnipiac University:

Jennifer Buck
Ryan Narciso
Rebecca Reeve
Molly Riemenschneider
Crystal Rose

Yale University:

Ingrid Abrahamson
Kelsey Moore
Heather Dobbin
Megan Duet
Sondra Jasienowski
Erin Lyons
Corinne Pogemiller
Amelia Siani

Arriving home experienced advocates, PA students have begun

urging their fellow classmates to “get involved” and speak for the profession – both on Capitol Hill and off. “The Capital Connection motivated me to become more of an advocate for PAs both at the state and national levels”, stated Heather Dobbin. Kelsey Moore added, “I think we really made our voice heard! And I think it serves as encouragement to other PA's to attend these conferences and be a part of the national voice.”

The AAPA Capital Connection – an exciting, interactive, and informative program that can help PAs take their advocacy skills to the next level.

Springtime is Busy at Quinnipiac

Kevin Wood, PA-S

With May rapidly approaching, Quinnipiac University is about to enter chaos month for staff, faculty and students alike. Second-year students are wrapping up clinical year and getting ready for the home stretch of preparing for graduation and the PANCE. The incoming first-year students will be the first summer-session students at the North Haven campus. At least faculty won’t be digging through already packed boxes looking for bubble sheets. Still, Professor Cynthia Lord and her stellar staff have their work cut out for them. Thank goodness they have Janice Dadio to make sure things go smoothly.

The first-year students are concluding their academic year and

are very anxious to move on to clinicals. With only a few weeks to go, there is still no shortage of exams though. This has been their busiest semester yet. They have endured IVs, blood draws, casting, and NG tubes at the hands of fellow classmates. The latter is probably just payback from professors for too many questions about exams during the last year. Professor Barratt was seen snickering several times. They also have been attending their weekly pre-clinicals gaining valuable experience interacting with patients. This ritual will allow a smoother transition into the clinical year, eliminating some of the anxiety. They have also been continuing their weekly volunteering to read to children at

ACES and the Hospital of Saint Raphael’s. KEEP (kidney early evaluation program) season is also here again and students will join forces with the Kidney Foundation to perform screenings for early kidney disease to those who would otherwise be unable to afford such vital tests.

During March break they sent their second group of volunteer students to the Dominican Republic. They paid their own way and raised donations to support Health Horizons / Crossroads. This organization provides free clinic care to the impoverished people of the Dominican. Students shared a wonderful learning experience of hands-on care and memories which will stay with them through-

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Springtime is Busy at Quinnipiac

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\$500.00 to Peter Sandor for chip #3.

No animals were harmed although our own Keri Klink narrowly escaped being charged by a ram-bunctious cow. Now we know cows actually can run. Thanks Keri! Of course this was all possible through the efforts of Professor O'Donnell's committee who put in exhausting hours to pull off the event: Kevin Fitzsimmons, Lauren Hartnett, Alyson Jessel, Keri Klink, Dorin Parlatore and Kevin Quigley. Special thanks to all who supported fundraising efforts with their time and donations.

Here at Quinnipiac we are very proud of our two Connecticut Physician Assistant Foundation Scholarship winners, Lisa McCarroll, class of 2010 and Megan Schulz, class of 2011.

As the academic year draws to a close, students are getting ready for Atlanta and some well deserved time with friends and family. It has been a long year and I, for one, am ready for the next step.

out their PA careers. A similar group had gone in January. Kudos!

On Saturday, April 10th they held their annual 5K Road Race and Cow Chip Bingo. Proceeds from the race benefit the Georgia Migrant Farm Workers and the Cow Chip Bingo benefits the host city prevention campaign for the national convention. Awards for the race were given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in various age categories for men and women. Overall place winners were;

Men:
Fox Herron 19:00

Kurt Ogren 19:10
John Strahly 19:52

Women:
Sheree Rascati 21:12
Allison Brigham 21:29
Dawn Alguard 21:57

The cows did a spectacular job this year and were able to get the job done in just a couple of hours. Prizes were given to the following for guessing where the BM would bounce:

\$1500.00 to Clifford Shultz for chip#1
\$1000.00 to Nick Porell for #2
(no pun intended)

ConnAPA Job Fair

Friday, July 16, 2010

Hosted By The Quinnipiac University PA Program

This first-time event will be free to all current ConnAPA members and PA students seeking new employment or a change in their career. Mark your calendars and watch for further details to come.