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AWARD FOR SCIENTIFIC WRITING

STEVEN Z. GEORGE, PT, PHD

Steven Z. George, PT, PhD, has made distinguished and meaningful contributions to the national and international rehabilitative literature, with a special focus on musculoskeletal rehabilitation and pain science.

George holds a number of leadership positions with the University of Florida’s Department of Physical Therapy and College of Public Health and Health Professions and Brooks Rehabilitation. He holds a PhD in rehabilitation science and MS in orthopedic physical therapy from the University of Pittsburgh, and BS in physical therapy from West Virginia University.

George is highly regarded as a national and international expert in pain-related psychosocial factors and their influence on rehabilitative outcomes in musculoskeletal pain conditions, particularly low back pain. His career as a clinical researcher is highlighted by many accolades, including substantial grant funding, invited presentations and high-impact publications. Furthermore George and his coauthors have been recognized with research and publication awards from the APTA, the American Pain Society, and the International Association for the Study of Pain.

George’s contributions to scientific journals include Physical Therapy (PTJ), Journal of Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy, The Spine Journal, Pain, Journal of Pain, BMC Medicine and PLoS One. In 2014, Expertscape identified George as the 10th ranked world expert for scholarly contributions to be the understanding and treatment of back pain, based on the quantity and quality of peer-reviewed clinical research publications in the National Library of Medicine’s MEDLINE database. As an editorial member, he continually collaborates with and encourages others to improve PTJ. He frequently serves as a moderator on the international PTJ podcasts and has participated in several PTJ sessions at the Combined Sections Meeting and Annual Conference. In these roles, he works to disseminate the content of PTJ in a different format, and encourages discussion of research findings by authors and outside experts, allowing for further impact and reach of journal content. He is an advocate for meaningful research and mentors multiple PhD students on PTJ articles.

In recognition of the consistency, scope, and impact of his publications, APTA is pleased to present Steven Z. George with the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is an honor to receive the Golden Pen Award as I am someone who found (and still finds) great enjoyment in reading Dr. Rothstein’s editorials in PTJ.

I acknowledge Meryl Alappattu and the Florida Physical Therapy Association for nominating me. Thank you for the unerring support.

I thank all those who mentored me in scientific writing. It was not something that came easy for me so I appreciate the patience you showed me. I have tried to pay that forward when working with other junior writers.

I thank all the people I have collaborated with while writing and reviewing for PTJ. This list is extensive and I know how lucky I am to have access to such a wonderful and talented network.

Finally, thanks to the encouragement to excel that is provided by my incredible family - Rebecca, Ethan, Samantha, and Evelyn.
Joshua A. Cleland, PT, PhD

Joshua A. Cleland, PT, PhD, has a distinguished record of service to Physical Therapy as an author, reviewer, and editorial board member. Currently he practices in outpatient orthopaedics at rehabilitation services of Concord Hospital, Concord, New Hampshire. Cleland is professor of the Physical Therapy Program at Franklin Pierce University in Concord. Cleland holds a DPT from Creighton University, Omaha; PhD from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale; and MPT and BS in biology from Notre Dame College, Manchester, New Hampshire.

Considered a standout contributor to the area of musculoskeletal content, Cleland has served Physical Therapy in multiple capacities for the past 12 years. He has been an author on many important papers since beginning his work with the publication in 2003. In addition, Cleland was an editorial board member from 2007 to 2013. During his service on the editorial board, Cleland mentored dozens of authors and played a key role in developing a clinical trial review process. He writes articulately on complex topics dealing with hot-button educational issues, such as the impact of continuing education on clinical practice, clinical prediction rules, and manipulation. Cleland has collaborated with several senior- and junior-level authors who have expressed gratitude for his service and mentoring.

An APTA member since 1998, Cleland has received the Chattanooga Research Award and the Eugene Michels New Investigator Award. He also has served on the Orthopaedic Section, where he has been honored with the Rose Award for Excellence in Research.

In recognition of Joshua Cleland’s outstanding work as an author, editorial board member, and reviewer, APTA is pleased to present him with the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I would like to thank the Physical Therapy Editorial Board for nominating me for the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award. To the many mentors who have assisted me in my professional development over the years, I have endless gratitude. There are many gifted individuals with whom I have collaborated over the years, and I am grateful to them as they were instrumental in bringing many studies and publications to fruition. It is a terrific honor to not only receive such a prestigious accolade but to also join the illustrious list of recipients who have received the award in previous years.
JULIE M. ROTHSTEIN GOLDEN PEN
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DIANE U. JETTE, PT, DSc, FAPTA

Diane U. Jette, PT, DSc, FAPTA, has made lasting contributions to the growth of physical therapy science in critical areas such as outcome measurement, education, and acute care, and to Physical Therapy Journal as an editorial board member and spearhead of the journal’s Linking Evidence and Practice (LEAP).

Currently, Jette is professor and chair of the Department of Rehabilitation and Movement Science in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at the University of Vermont. She held academic positions at Simmons College prior to her move to Vermont and served as a research coordinator at Boston’s Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She holds a DSc in Epidemiology and Biostatistics from Boston University’s School of Public Health, MS in Physical Therapy from Boston University’s Sargent College, and BS and certificate in Physical Therapy from Simmons College in Boston.

Jette has served PTJ in multiple capacities over the past 30 years. She has been an author of many papers and began her service as a reviewer in 1983. She was an editorial board member from 1996 to 2013, and became co-chair of LEAP manuscript category at its inception in 2010. The LEAP initiative has led to the publication of 19 papers to date related to the translation of evidence on high-impact topics relevant to physical therapists. A prolific author of papers on complex topics dealing with hot-button education issues, outcomes for various types of patients, and acute care, she has personally published 27 full-length papers for PTJ and served as first author for 20. Her clear, concise, and illuminating writing has assisted many clinicians, students, and academics in understanding complicated issues related to education, the delivery of physical therapy in a variety of settings, and the assessment of the outcome.

Jette has been an APTA member since 1972, with involvement in not only PTJ but also the Sections for Education, Research, and Health Policy and Administration. She served on the Committee for Licensure Examination and Committee for Screening Proposals and Abstracts, and as a member consultant for the Shared Vision for Clinical Education and Clinical Research Agenda for Physical Therapy. APTA has honored her with the Dorothy Briggs Memorial Scientific Inquiry Award, Chattanooga Research Award, and elected her as a Catherine Worthingham Fellow, in addition to many other distinctions from various committees and sections.

APTA is grateful to Diane Jette for her sustained interest in and dedication to scholarly writing for the physical therapy profession and is pleased to present her with the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

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I wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the editorial board for honoring me with the Jules Rothstein Golden Pen Award. It is an honor to have an award named for Jules, as it was an honor to be on the PTJ editorial board when he was the editor. It has been my privilege to have my work appear in PTJ over the years and to learn from some wonderful reviewers and editorial board members.
DENNIS L. HART PT, PHD

Dennis Hart, PT, PhD, (deceased 2012) was a clinician, national and international speaker, researcher, educator, and author. He received his undergraduate degree in physical therapy and went on to obtain a doctorate in industrial engineering. He served as the Director of Consulting and Research for FOTO, Inc., an international medical-rehabilitation outcomes database management company where he analyzed outcomes data, developed outcomes instruments, and used item response theory methods to develop computerized adaptive testing applications. He published over 85 articles in peer-reviewed journals, and served as a reviewer for several peer reviewed journals, including Physical Therapy Journal, for his expertise in measurement, item response theory methods and computerized adaptive testing, ergonomics, industrial rehabilitation and litigation support. Dr Hart received several awards for his writing, including APTA's Chattanooga Research Award and Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.
Paul F. Beattie, PhD, PT, OCS, FAPTA, demonstrates superior writing skills by style and clarity of presentation and creativity, as well as timeliness of content. Dr. Beattie is currently a Clinical Associate Professor in the Program in Physical Therapy at the University of South Carolina. He received a BS degree in Physical Therapy from Quinnipiac College, a Master’s degree in Orthopedic Physical Therapy from the Medical College of Virginia, and a PhD in Exercise Science from University of New Mexico. Dr. Beattie is a Catherine Worthingham Fellow of the APTA and has been a practicing physical therapist and APTA member for 37 years. He is an active member of the Orthopedic section and was among the first group of physical therapists to be Board-Certified in Orthopedic Physical Therapy. Currently, Dr. Beattie is an Advisory Member to the Board of Directors of Journal of Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy, a member of the Scientific Review Board for Health Services Research within the Veteran’s Administration and is a member of the International Scientific Advisory Board for Expert Clinical Benchmarks, LLC.

Dr. Beattie’s primary research area relates to spine imaging and back pain as well as the measurement of patient satisfaction with physical therapy care. Since 1987, he has published 37 articles in peer-reviewed journals, and was the lead author of 28 of those articles. The majority of his work has been published in high-impact journals with acceptance rates of less than 27 percent. A key focus of this work has related the influence of manual therapy to physiologic events detectable by magnetic resonance imaging. In addition, Dr. Beattie is the first author on the majority of papers published worldwide describing measurement of patient satisfaction with physical therapist care. His body of work on this subject, including his articles published in Physical Therapy, demonstrates his ongoing commitment to developing knowledge within the content area of patient satisfaction among readers on a global scale. Dr. Beattie is currently collaborating on an ongoing project approved by the World Confederation of Physical Therapy to collect data measuring patient satisfaction with physical therapist care in 35 countries.

APTA is pleased to recognize Beattie’s outstanding written contributions to the PT field with the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

It is an absolute privilege for me to receive the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen award. Our most influential scholars have been past recipients of this award and I am humbled to be in their company. I am receiving this award because of the tireless efforts of my friend, colleague and mentor Roger M. Nelson PT, PhD, FAPTA who has given me so many enormous opportunities.

Jules M. Rothstein PT, PhD was, and remains, the pivotal influence in my professional career. His untimely death was a tragic blow to the profession but the positive aspects of his legacy are seen every day. I am honored to accept this award in his memory.
G. KELLEY FITZGERALD, PT, PhD, OCS, FAPTA

G. Kelley Fitzgerald, PT, PhD, OCS, FAPTA, has contributed significantly to Physical Therapy (PTJ) as author, reviewer, and Editorial Board member, with papers focusing on arthritis and psychometric properties, including 2 critically important randomized controlled trials.

Presently associate professor, Department of Physical Therapy, School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, and Clinical and Transitional Science Institute, University of Pittsburgh, and director of the Physical Therapy Clinical and Translational Research Center, Fitzgerald has also served in teaching roles at Hahnemann University and the University of Delaware. He has held clinical positions at Centers for Rehabilitation Services Center for Sports Medicine, Medical College of Virginia Hospitals, Milwaukee Medical Clinic, Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Hospital, and Good Samaritan Medical Center. Fitzgerald received a PhD from MCP/Hahnemann University; MS from Virginia Commonwealth University; BS from University of Health Sciences/Chicago Medical School; and BS from the University of Illinois.

Fitzgerald began his service to PTJ as a reviewer in 1987 and subsequently served on the Editorial Board for 6 years. Since 1983, he has had 19 publications in the journal, including full-length papers, letters, and commentaries. His papers have covered a variety of topics dealing with arthritis and psychometric properties of measurements used in musculoskeletal care, providing a variety of thoughtful perspectives of cutting-edge issues of interventions for patients with knee arthritis. As an Editorial Board member, Fitzgerald led a group that redesigned the manner in which case reports are presented to PTJ, and provided a highly innovative mechanism for authors to follow when writing cases about patients or when writing cases about administrative and education processes. He made critical contributions to all 3 editions of Writing Case Reports: A How-To Manual for Clinicians, a popular reference work and APTA bestseller. His writing work has assisted many clinicians in understanding complex issues related to the process of rehabilitation.

An APTA member since 1980, Fitzgerald has participated in the Orthopaedic and Research sections, and is a member of the Association of Rheumatology Health Professionals of the American College of Rheumatology, and the Osteoarthritis Research Society International. Awards and honors have included Catherine Worthingham Fellow of APTA, Manuscript Reviewer of the Year, and Dorothy Briggs Memorial Scientific Inquiry Award.

APTA is pleased to recognize G. Kelley Fitzgerald with the Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

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I would like to thank Jules M. Rothstein, PT, PhD, FAPTA, and Robert L. Lamb, PT, PhD, FAPTA, for providing me with a solid foundation in scientific writing and getting me started in service as a manuscript reviewer. I would like to thank Lynn Snyder-Mackler, ScD, PT, FAPTA, Anthony Delitto, PT, PhD, FAPTA, and James J. Irrgang, PT, PhD, FAPTA, for further developing my career as a scientific writer. I would like to thank Beck Craik, PT, PhD, FAPTA, Jan Reynolds, managing editor of PTJ, and Daniel L. Riddle, PT, PhD, FAPTA, for providing me with the opportunity on the PTJ editorial board that provided me with some of the most satisfying experiences in my professional career. Finally, I would like to thank my wife and best friend, Lynn M. Fitzgerald, PT, MS, for encouraging me and supporting me through our entire life together.
Andrew Guccione, PT, DPT, PhD, FAPTA, is deputy director, Health Services Research and Development Service, Office of Research and Development, for the Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, DC. Previously, he was senior vice president, Division of Practice and Research, for the American Physical Therapy Association. Prior to relocating to the Washington area, Dr Guccione was director of Physical Therapy Services for Massachusetts General Hospital, and also had spent 11 years with the Boston University Multipurpose Arthritis Center as part of the Health Services Research Unit. His research interests are in geriatrics, health status measurement, and functional outcomes after rehabilitation. In addition to authoring or co-authoring over 20 manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals, he has received grant funding from the Arthritis Foundation and was the recipient of a Special Emphasis Research Career Award from the National Institute on Aging. His clinical practice has centered mainly on geriatrics and musculoskeletal impairment in older adults. He is the editor of a textbook in geriatric physical therapy, now preparing its third edition.

Dr Guccione received his PhD in sociology and a certificate in gerontological studies from Boston University. He also holds a master’s degree in philosophy from Temple University and a master’s in physical therapy from Boston University. He was graduated from Boston College with an AB cum laude in English and philosophy. His t-DPT was awarded by the MGH Institute of Health Professions. During his career, he has held faculty-level appointments at Sargent College, Boston University; Boston University School of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; MGH Institute of Health Professions; and George Washington University.

Concomitant with his professional development, Dr Guccione became a student member of APTA in 1977. He currently is the chief delegate for the District of Columbia. An active member of the Massachusetts Chapter for 20 years, he was, at various times, chapter newsletter editor, chair of the Eastern District, delegate and chief delegate. He has participated as a delegate or attended every House of Delegates as APTA staff since 1980 except two. His contributions to the Massachusetts Chapter earned him the chapter’s Mary MacDonald Service Award and the chapter’s Research Award. Dr Guccione was the first chair of the Geriatric Specialty Council for the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties and led the team that developed the first clinical specialist examination in geriatrics. Nationally, he served on the Judicial Committee (as it was called then), and also was elected to two terms on the Board of Directors as Speaker of the House. He has been honored by APTA with a Lucy Blair Service Award in 1989 and election as a Catherine Worthingham Fellow in 1998. In addition, Dr Guccione received this year’s Jules Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.

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It takes a village to publish an article. I would like to thank over 50 co-authors who forced me to be clear and the numerous reviewers and editors who made me even clearer. And I am so proud of the accomplishments of the former students and colleagues who published their work at my encouragement or insistence. I would especially like to thank my newest colleagues in Italy who have burst into the literature. Every name that is joined with mine on a publication represents a key relationship in my professional life. I had the unique pleasure and enormous benefit of knowing Jules as a colleague, mentor and friend. To be associated with his name is a great honor. To be associated with his legacy, Physical Therapy, a premier scientific journal of rehabilitation science that extends his vision with each issue, is an honor beyond measure.
JULIE M. FRITZ, PT, PhD, ATC

Julie M. Fritz, PT, PhD, ATC, has greatly contributed to the growth of Physical Therapy (PTJ) as an author of papers, letters, and commentaries; and as a collaborator, reviewer, and Evidence in Practice advisor.

Currently associate professor at the University of Utah Department of Physical Therapy as well as outcomes research scientist with Intermountain Healthcare Inc in Salt Lake City, Dr Fritz has also served as assistant professor and research associate at the University of Pittsburgh’s School of Health and Rehabilitation, Department of Physical Therapy. Other clinical roles have included staff physical therapist and athletic trainer for the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and Healthsouth Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center in Birmingham, AL.

Dr Fritz has served PTJ in a variety of capacities over the last 11 years, beginning as an author, then manuscript reviewer and advisor for the journal’s Evidence in Practice series, which helped bridge the gap that existed between evidence application and standard clinical practice. Covering topics dealing primarily with spine care by physical therapists, Dr Fritz’s papers have covered issues related to measurement, neurological care, and a variety of musculoskeletal conditions. The hallmark of her work has been in the issue of classification in low-back pain, with many of her papers in this area becoming standard reading for physical therapists in this area of work, and her research on classification in low-back pain has generated great interest in PTJ among physical therapy researchers and clinicians worldwide. The author of 17 papers over a span of 11 years, Dr Fritz was first author of 9 of those papers, and has further contributed to the journal with letters to the editor, invited commentaries, and features. In addition, Dr Fritz has consistently collaborated with both senior- and junior-level authors throughout her publication history. She has served as manuscript reviewer for PTJ for 9 years and has provided constructive reviews of scientific credibility.

In honor of her longtime collaboration with PTJ and her commitment to sharing her knowledge with the PT community via the written word, APTA is pleased to present Dr Fritz with the Jules M Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing.
Alan M. Jette, PT, PhD, FAPTA, is Professor of Health Policy & Management at Boston University’s School of Public Health where he directs the Health & Disability Research Institute. Dr. Jette’s research interests include late-life exercise, evaluation of rehabilitation treatment outcomes, and the measurement, epidemiology, and prevention of disability. Dr. Jette is an international expert in the development and dissemination of contemporary outcome measurement instruments to evaluate health care quality and outcomes. He has published over 175 peer reviewed articles on these topics.

Throughout his 30+ year research career, Dr. Jette has received consistent research funding from numerous NIH Institutes, the NIDRR, CDC, CMS, SSA, as well as from several foundations and private corporations. Currently, he directs the Boston Rehabilitation Outcome Measurement Center funded by NCMRR/NIH, serves on the Executive Committee of the Boston Claude Pepper Older Americans Independence Center funded by NIA/NIH, and is Research Director for the New England Regional Spinal Cord Injury Center, funded by NIDRR. For 10 years he directed the BU Post Doctoral Fellowship Program in Outcomes Research funded by NIDRR and from 1996-2004 he served as Dean of Boston University’s Sargent College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences.

Dr. Jette has a long history of service to the physical therapy profession including: Editorial Board Member of PTJ (1990-1996), Deputy Editor PTJ (1993-1996), and Acting Editor-in-Chief (2005). He was PTJ’s Special Issue Editor on Disability Research in 1994 and was Co-Editor for the 2011 Special Issue on Disability Research. He chaired the APTA Committee on Practice from 1986-1988, and was a member of the APTA Task Force on Standards for Measurement in Physical Therapy. From 1993-1996 he served a member of the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Physical Therapy. He is currently a member of the Advisory Board of PTJ and a member of the Advisory Council for the Foundation for Physical Therapy.

At a national level, in 1990, Dr. Jette served as Co-Chair of the Panel on Assessment & Epidemiology on the Hunt Valley Task Force on Medical Rehabilitation which was instrumental in founding the National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research within NIH. From 1998-2002, Dr. Jette was a Member of the Institute of Medicine’s Committee to Review SSA’s Disability Decision Process. From 2004-2008 Dr. Jette served as a member of the National Advisory Board for the NCMRR/NIH. From 2005-2007, Dr.Jette chaired the Institute of Medicine’s study and co-edited the report, The Future of Disability in America which highlights disability priorities for the nation. From 2010 -2011, he served on the National Academy of Sciences’ National Research Council’s Panel that conducted an External Evaluation of NIDRR’s Research Programs. He currently serves on the NIH Blue Ribbon Panel that is evaluating rehabilitation research funding within the NIH.

In the international area, Dr. Jette served as a member of the International Advisory Panel on the evaluation of Swedish research on disability, Swedish Council for Social Research (2000-2001) was an International Review Panel Member, Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (2006-2007), and in 2010 was a Member, Research Review Committee, The Academy of Finland Research Council.

He received a BS in Physical Therapy from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1973 and a MPH (1975) and Ph.D. (1979) in Public Health from the University of Michigan.
LYNN SNYDER-MACKLER, PT, ATC, ScD, SCS, FAPTA

Lynn Snyder-Mackler, PT, ATC, ScD, SCS, FAPTA, has conducted groundbreaking research on functional recovery from anterior cruciate ligament injury and total knee replacement, which has changed physical therapy clinical practice for patients with these diagnoses. She has more than 150 peer-reviewed publications and considered an authoritative figure in her areas of investigation.

Presently adjunct associate research professor, Department of Orthopaedics, Thomas Jefferson University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, Snyder-Mackler was previously faculty and athletics representative at the University of Delaware and visiting researcher to the School of Health and Biomechanics and Movement Sciences, University of Delaware, and has also held academic roles at the Department of Physical Therapy, SHSH, Allegheny University of the Health Sciences, Philadelphia; Rothman Institute, Philadelphia; and Neuromuscular Research Center, Boston University. Snyder-Mackler received her ScD in Applied Anatomy and Physiology from Boston University, MS in Organizational Behavior from the University of Pennsylvania and BA in Quantitative Studies from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Snyder-Mackler has been investigating functional recovery from knee injury for more than 30 years. Her publications have had a significant impact on clinical practice and research related to physical therapy and rehabilitation of the knee. Early in her career, she demonstrated the benefits of neuromuscular electrical simulation (NMES) for improving quadriceps strength and kinematics of the knee after anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction. Her future studies went on to further elucidate the role of the quadriceps after knee injury and the potential benefits of incorporating NMES into the rehabilitation of patients with knee injury. Through the impact of this research on clinical practice, patients with a variety of knee problems have benefitted from Snyder-Mackler’s work, and she and her team were led to develop clinical practice guidelines for the treatment of knee ligament sprains and knee meniscus and articular cartilage lesions, now widely disseminated and standard for the development of clinical practice guidelines for musculoskeletal conditions treated by PTs.

For APTA, Snyder-Mackler has participated on the sections on Clinical Electrophysiology, Orthopaedics, Research and Sports Physical Therapy. She has held a number of leadership roles in the Section on Research, including president, president-elect, chair of the Nominating Committee and treasurer.
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JULES M. ROTHSTEIN, PT, PHD, FAPTA

Jules M. Rothstein, PT, PhD, FAPTA, was one of the most influential scholars in the history of the physical therapy profession, and his impact on the science, practice and peer-reviewed publication was extraordinary. Although Dr Rothstein made innumerable contributions to the physical therapy profession, his work on behalf of Physical Therapy was his most important work. Dr Rothstein served as Editor and Editor in Chief for 15 years and worked tirelessly to improve the quality and relevance of the articles that the Journal published. As Editor in Chief, he took great pride and joy in presenting the Golden Pen Award each year at Annual Conference. In addition, through his Editor’s Notes and presentations at professional meetings worldwide, Dr Rothstein addressed timely and essential issues related to professional writing, and by doing so, he inspired an entire generation of clinicians and scientists to become better writers.
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Eugene Michels

Eugene Michels (deceased 1996), as APTA’s Associate Executive Vice President for Research and Education, provided the major impetus in the Association’s plans to foster research in physical therapy. Michels received his physical therapy education and completed his graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania, where he then taught for twelve years. He was known by all as an excellent teacher and mentor. For many years, through his famous road shows, Michels generously gave his time to teach students and clinicians the basics for conducting clinical research, and to advise developing researchers on numerous aspects of designing, conducting, and reporting results of research in physical therapy. His sustained and outstanding contributions to the Association at the component, national and international levels are well known. He served as APTA President for two terms (from 1967 to 1973), as APTA Treasurer (from 1964 to 1967), as President of the World Confederation for Physical Therapy (from 1974 to 1982), and was an active member of the Section on Research. The Annual Eugene Michels Researcher’s Forum was established in his honor in 1982, and the Foundation for Physical Therapy established the Eugene Michels Fund for Educational Research in his honor in 1984. Eugene Michels received the Mary McMillan Lecture Award and was selected as a Catherine Worthingham Fellow of the APTA in 1986. His record of leadership and vision will continue to guide efforts to develop and improve physical therapy.