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From the President...

R. Scott Kretchmar

It is customary for the President in the fall Newsletter to outline goals for the year, announce special committees, and otherwise provide leadership. While I am not against leadership, and though I have my own set of pet projects, I wonder if Presidents sometimes make too much of one set of plans, one year, one person's version of our objectives. When I look at the names of those who have been in the Academy from 1930 on--Clark Hetherington, R. Tait McKenzie, J. B. Nash, Amy Morris Homans, Charles McCloy, Mabel Lee, Arthur H. Steinhaus, Thomas D. Wood, Rosalind Cassidy, and one of my teachers, Eleanor Metheny--I realize that we are more stewards than owners, recipients than originators, beneficiaries than benefactors. This year, my year, stands in the shadows of many past years of passionate, creative activity-worthy efforts that still often brought slow change and minimal gains.

The point is not to defend a laissez faire attitude, ratify the status quo, and least of all engender a sense of defeatism. Rather it is to caution against puffery and acknowledge our indebtedness to those who walked these paths before. It is to acknowledge that no one set of plans, least of all no one person's set of plans, is likely to suffice. No one subdiscipline in our field, no single methodology, and no particular professional option would appear to have a corner on either the truth or utility. No simplistic answers on how to promote the so-called

active lifestyle or gain a stronger foothold in universities and public schools seem to be on the horizon. With a degree of humility then, you and I should plan to take a step forward this year--though we cannot be guaranteed beforehand that it will be a large one or even that it will be headed in the right direction.

In Utah, our three lead speakers reminded us in very different ways that, if we lose touch with our past, we court difficulties. Steven Portch argued that we may have lost touch with those roots that would help us articulate a clear account of who we are, what we do, and what we have to offer. He wondered out loud if, today in kinesiology and physical education, we really have a coherent story at all. Hal Lawson suggested that we have lost our roots in social mission and this, he argued, had sent our field adrift. And Bill Harper mused about our having lost our roots in old-fashioned work, and having turned movement into an opulent, comfortable, all-things-to-all-people dirigible (Minerva)-one that would never get off the ground.

These are three ideas that have a disarming simplicity and power to them. In different ways they were already thought and lived by many of our predecessors in the Academy. And so, as we rediscover, reconnect, and modify them for our own times, we should probably give credit and express gratitude.

For my tastes, that sets the right tone for the year and my activity as President. This is, after all, a continuation, and all of us are but temporary stewards who have the twin duties to care for and improve. I look forward to working with all of you this year on both.

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President-elect's Column...

Timothy P. White

I am deeply honored to be entrusted by the Fellows to be the 1999-2000 President of the Academy. As we cross the transom into the new millennium, we find unprecedented opportunity, challenge, and promise, and I remain committed to help move this society and our field forward.

My first significant discovery as President-elect was to come to appreciate the challenge of constructing a compelling program for the 1999 meeting. I am comforted, if not motivated, by the successes of the distinguished colleagues who have preceded me in this role. Indeed, with the advice and counsel of many colleagues in the Academy, I look forward to a terrific program in 1999.

It is an interesting assignment to develop the annual program. We seek a timely and compelling topic that fulfills one of the primary purposes of the Academy, namely to encourage and promote the study and educational applications of the art and science of human movement and physical activity. We are constrained in financial resources for outside speakers, and thus seek the cooperation of many Fellows within the Academy to share their keen intellect and insight, and to prepare presentations and short manuscripts. We seek a topic that is broad enough to engage the diversity of interests of the Fellows, yet focused enough to be substantive and meaningful. And finally, I am interested in soliciting the participation of

many of the most recent Fellows inducted into the Academy, to provide an opportunity for involvement and enrichment of the Academy discourse.

I seek to accomplish three programmatic goals with the 1999 meeting. First, a substantive and integrated theme is being developed around the notion of physical activity for those with special needs, including human aging--life span really--and impaired human function due to disability, disease, and social injustice. For this first portion of the program, we will be seeking integrated approaches where insight, good judgment, and wisdom in one area informs work in another. A second goal of the meeting will include focused conversation regarding the professional impact of our work, and further progress on the evaluation of doctoral programs. And thirdly, in light of the relatively large increase in the number of new Fellows, it seems timely to have a "primer" on our heritage - a conversation about the contributions of leading ancestors from the early days of the Academy.

I reiterate my enthusiasm for the opportunity you have provided to me, and ask that you not hesitate to offer advice and counsel on the development of this program, or any other aspect of the Academy's activities. I may be reached electronically at Tim.White@orst.edu, or by phone (541) 737-3256.

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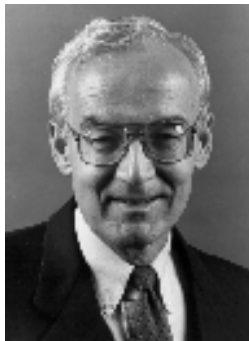
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Past President's Report ...

Jack Wilmore

What a fantastic meeting we had in Park City, Utah! What can I say? How about starting with, "Way to go Scott!!" Who would have ever thought that a "rag arm" pitcher and a "salty old" catcher would team up after 65 years to put on one of the best ever Academy annual meetings? Now this last sentence will mean nothing to those of you who elected to stay away from the action in Park City, but will mean a great deal to those of us who were there. Our very own Academy President, Scott Kretchmar, was the "rag arm" pitcher; and would anyone have ever guessed that Hal Lawson was the "salty old" catcher? This all happened back in high school in the state of Ohio, long, long, long ago. What a great story to kick off Scott's "Telling Our Story" theme for the annual meeting.

"Thanks" to all of you who were in attendance at the annual meeting. I think that it is safe to say that a good time was had by all (with the possible exception of those of us who were "roasted" by the banquet master of ceremonies Bob Christina). A very special thanks to all of the speakers who challenged each of us in the audience to rethink how we tell our story. Our keynote speaker, Dr. Stephen R. Porch, Chancellor of the University System of Georgia, was even bold enough to suggest that we really didn't have a story to tell. For those of you who were unable to hear this keynote address, please read his story in the Academy Proceedings in [*Quest!*](#) A critical part of this year's meeting included two sessions organized by Gil Reeve and

his Committee on Doctoral Program Evaluation. This committee worked hard all year to bring to the Academy a plan of action for initiating a doctoral program review. A very special thank you to Gil and his committee members for their hard work over this past year and for a jump start in getting us closer to a formal system for reviewing and evaluating doctoral programs at tier one research universities. And, it would have been impossible to have such a successful meeting without the efforts of Julie Martens and Susan Scott this past year to bring this meeting together. Site selection and arrangements were exceptional! We particularly appreciated their arranging to have such an enthusiastic group in the meeting room next door to ours who continued to applaud and cheer our speakers throughout their talks! (Again, this is meaningful only to those who were there.) They even went to the trouble of providing two days of snow for those of us who had just come from, and had to go back to, 100+ degree days.

Finally, my sincere appreciation to my two mentors, Bob Singer and Rainer Martens, who helped me through my year of leadership. As I passed the baton on to Scott Kretchmar during the annual meeting banquet (a truly forgettable evening thanks to Bob Christina), I realized that my time of leadership was over and that the Academy was in very capable hands with Scott and Tim White in the key leadership positions over the next two years. Please give serious thought to the leadership of the future. I am now chairing the Nominations and Elections Committee, and we need your input as to who will be our leaders for the future as we go into the 21st century. Please send me your ideas for potential candidates for officers in this next cycle of elections. I can be reached at the following e-mail address: jwilmore@tamu.edu.

Thank you for your support over these last two years. It has been a blast!

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Summary of the Fall Conference. . . R. Scott Kretchmar

The fall conference was well-attended with the second best turnout in our history--second only to last year's session in Chicago. The location was spectacular, and Utah cooperated by provided lovely snow flurries on the second day of the meetings. With a special western dinner, and golf, and tennis, and hiking in the colorful mountains, the occasion was one to remember.

The theme of **Telling Our Story** seemed to resonate with those in attendance, perhaps because many of our concerns in education and the marketplace depend on our ability to portray, paint a picture, get attention, and persuade. One conclusion that struck many of us early is that, while we are well-educated individuals who have good communication skills, we still may not be adept at telling our kinesiology and physical education story effectively--particularly in political and business arenas. Another conclusion: Such effective story telling may be as important as securing good research data to support these accounts. And a third: Telling a persuasive story is not the same thing as "presenting the facts." It is a science and an art.

The program also raised questions:

1. Do we currently have a coherent story to tell our various audiences?
2. Should we have, for external consumption, a more-or-less unified account of our worth? Or should we have multiple stories, pointing to different values?
3. Do we need to revitalize our sense of social mission and is that what our story should be about? Have we complicated the content of our story in order to pander to the preferences of our culture? For example, have our accounts been too much about comfortable play and too little about work, effort, achievement, and even suffering?
4. With much impressive story telling going on at the national level (Surgeon General's

Report, AAHPERD/NASPE promotions, the CDC/ACSM efforts, and the President's Council), can we determine yet how well it is working? Will this result in a larger portion of the population adopting an active lifestyle? More support for physical education in the schools? Social policies that support active living?

5. Will graduate program evaluations help us communicate persuasively in university settings? Will the procedures proposed by our Presidential Committee serve the whole field?
6. How well are we telling our story in school settings? To school boards? To urban students? Via new interdisciplinary programs?

Other questions were raised as well, but this gives an overview of the issues we pondered as part of the formal program.

The Academy Banquet was another feature of the conference, particularly with Bob Christina as the Master of Ceremonies. Having turned philosopher (something that has happen to more than one empirical scientist during the latter years of a career), Bob asked us to consider such imponderables as: "If you were to glue buttered toast (butter side up) to the back of a cat, and then toss the cat into the air, will the animal land on his back or his feet?" And "If you were to send styrofoam to someone, what would you pack it in?" It should be reported that the high IQ audience in attendance thought the questions humorous but actually came up with very few answers.

The two highlights of the evening were the inductions of twelve Active and two International Fellows into the Academy, and the presentation of the Hetherington Award to Vern D. Seefeldt. For those who missed the event, it was most heartening to hear of the marvelous accomplishments of these individuals, each one having given so much to our field.

Additional Notes

Two sessions were held on graduate program evaluation. They proved very productive, for the Academy endorsed a plan during the Business Meeting to test the recommended evaluation procedures during the next two years. (See the report from Gil Reeve and Minutes from the Business Meeting.) If your institution has a doctoral program in kinesiology and physical education, your department head should be receiving an invitation within the next few weeks to volunteer for consideration as one of 20 schools selected for the pilot project. Please encourage him or her to nominate your department for inclusion.

Because work will continue in this area through this year, I have re-appointed the committee charged last year by Jack Wilmore. Graciously, Gil Reeve has consented to stay on as chair of that group.

Also, because legitimate questions were raised in Utah about the sufficiency of the pilot procedures for professionally-focused doctoral programs, I am appointing a presidential committee to make recommendations in this regard. The intended result of the efforts of both committees is to allow the Academy to make an informed decision about graduate program

review--specifically, about its continuation and potential modification.

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1998 New Fellows

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- Carl J. Caspersen, *Centers for Disease Control*
- Carl P. Gabbard, *Texas A & M University*
- David L. Gallahue, *Indiana University*
- James M. Hagberg, *University of Maryland*
- Shirl James Hoffman, *University of North Carolina, Greensboro*
- Jeffrey A. McCubbin, *Oregon State University*
- David H. Perrin, *University of Virginia*
- John B. Shea, *Florida State University*
- Charles H. Shea, *Texas A & M University*
- Charlotte A. Tate, *University of Houston*
- Kathleen Williams, *University of North Carolina, Greensboro*

International Fellows

- Neil Armstrong, *University of Exeter, UK*
- Bruce Kidd, *University of Toronto, Canada*

1998 Election of Officers

- Tim White, *President-elect*
- Jim Morrow, *Secretary/Treasurer*
- Deb Feltz, *Member-at-large*

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Minutes of the AAKPE Executive Committee Meeting Thursday, October 1, 1998 Park City, Utah ...Janet C. Harris

Present: Jack Wilmore (president), Tim White (incoming president-elect), Scott Kretchmar (president-elect), Rainer Martens (past president), Julie Martens (business manager), Jane Clark (member-at-large), Kirk Cureton (member-at-large), Jim Morrow (incoming secretary - treasurer), Janet Harris (secretary-treasurer)

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by President Jack Wilmore.

Minutes prepared by Janet Harris for the February 24, 1998, Executive Committee meeting (held by conference call) were approved.

The Treasurer's report (containing data provided by Julie Martens and analyzed by Janet Harris) was discussed and will be considered again at the second EC meeting on October 3. AAKPE spent \$3,475.94 more than it received in income during 1997-98, and the proposed budget for 1998-99 currently shows a deficit of \$5,876. These deficits are due primarily to expenditures for the AAKPE doctoral program evaluation project, moving the AAKPE archives to The Pennsylvania State University, and giving special amenities to new Fellows at their first AAKPE conference.

Julie Martens reported that the site and dates for the 1999 conference will be determined after examining the results of the member survey concerning future conferences.

Tentative ideas for the 1999 conference were discussed. Tim White will continue to refine these throughout the conference, and the Executive Committee will discuss them again at the meeting on October 3. Efforts will be made to promote the conference among interested individuals and groups beyond the AAKPE membership.

Rainer Martens reported that the AAKPE will receive \$20,000 from C. Lynn Vendien's estate. The money will be invested appropriately. Money from this fund will be used each year to support the C. Lynn Vendien International Lecturer. This person will be an international scholar whose work is relevant to the current program theme. He or she will be selected by the current program chair and receive travel expenses to the conference, a \$500 honorarium, and a plaque. The first Vendien Lecture will be selected for the 2000 conference.

Jack Wilmore reported that the AAKPE is in the process of moving the archives to Penn State.

Formal thanks were extended to Gil Reeve, chair of the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee, who worked extremely hard with his committee to produce a plan for doctoral program evaluation that will be considered by the membership at the current AAKPE conference. The Executive Committee supports a pilot study of this instrument/process during the 1998-99 year at 20 institutions. Moved, J. Harris; seconded, R. Martens. Passed.

The revised operating codes for all elected and appointed offices were approved. Moved, R. Martens; seconded, K. Cureton. Passed.

Rainer Martens will discuss the "electronic biographies" project with the membership at the Business Meeting. The goal of the project would be to produce video/audio-taped biographies of older leaders in our field.

The Executive Committee agreed to establish a Web Committee consisting of the past president and the two members-at-large. The senior member-at-large will chair the committee. The committee will develop an operating code.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet C. Harris
Secretary-Treasurer

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Minutes of the AAKPE Annual Business Meeting Saturday, October 3, 1998 ... Janet C. Harris

The meeting was called to order by President Wilmore at 1:28 p.m.

The minutes reported by Janet Harris from the Business Meeting held September 13, 1997, in Bloomingdale, Illinois, were approved. Moved, Harris; seconded, Singer. Passed.

Janet Harris presented the Treasurer's report. The report was accepted. Moved, White; Seconded, Spirduso. Passed.

The Academy standing committee reports were received. Moved, Wade; seconded, Thomas. Passed.

The report of the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee concerning doctoral program review was accepted. Moved, Morrow; seconded, White. Passed. Discussion of the report followed. Decisions resulting from the discussion were as follows:

1. A pilot study using the doctoral evaluation instrument and process developed by the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee will be conducted during the 1998-99 year; the results will be distributed prior to the next AAKPE meeting; and the results will be discussed at the next AAKPE meeting. Moved, Thomas; seconded, White. Passed.
2. All departments with kinesiology and physical education doctoral programs will be informed of the pilot study and invited to participate; all relevant professional associations will also be informed of the pilot study. Moved, Pate; seconded, White. Passed.
3. The Graduate Program Evaluation Committee will not ask for money from institutions participating in the pilot study. Moved, Tate; seconded, White. Passed.

4. Funds should be allocated to a new committee charged with development of an evaluation instrument and process for professional doctoral degree programs, with suggestions that Larry Locke be appointed chair of the committee. Moved, Harris; seconded, Franks. With all due respect to the comments made in favor of the motion, Tim White moved to table the motion; seconded, Gallahue. Motion to table passed.

Memorial statements were read for the following individuals who passed away during the preceding year, and a moment of silence was observed for each: Simon A. McNeely (read by B. Don Franks), Michael L. Pollock (read by Jack Wilmore), and C. Lynn Vendien (read by Larry Locke).

The C. Lynn Vendien International Lecturer program was announced by Rainer Martens. It is made possible by a \$20,000 gift to the Academy from Lynn's estate, and it will begin at the AAKPE conference in 2000. With this money, each year we will be able to bring to the conference an international scholar whose work is relevant to the conference theme.

Jack Wilmore announced that the AAKPE archives are being moved to The Pennsylvania State University.

Rainer Martens discussed the "electronic biographies" proposal. It involves making video recordings of outstanding professionals in the field, capturing their comments about our field, and their contributions. Rainer is willing to provide technological help for this project, and Frank Katch is willing to work on it. Endorsement of the concept was expressed, and it was suggested that funding sources (including endowments from emeritus members) be explored.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet C. Harris
Secretary-Treasurer

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AAKPE Minutes

...James R. Morrow

Minutes of the AAKPE Executive Committee Meeting. Saturday, October 3, 1998

- Executive Committee Members Present: Kirk Cureton, Deb Feltz, Scott Kretchmar, Jim Morrow, Tim White, Jack Wilmore
- Human Kinetics Representatives Present: Julie Martens, Susan Scott

President Kretchmar called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

Old Business

1) Conference site/dates survey

Julie Martens reported on the site survey results received to this time:

- Mid-September to mid-October most favored
- Thursday-Saturday best choice

- Start early on Friday morning with continental breakfast was acceptable
- Price was important but resort location was most desirable (\$120-\$135 range for rooms)
- Most important factors related to coming to the meeting were date (23), location (11), and cost (4)
- Everyone liked moving around the country

Julie Martens will send a survey to those who did not attend this year's meeting. Because of timing, these responses will not influence the 1999 site selection but may be helpful in future policies. Julie Martens is hoping to have a site and date set by mid-November for 1999. Looking at mid-September to early October 1999

2) 1999 AAKPE Conference Theme

President-elect White discussed the possible program theme for 1999. He will use the Executive Committee and others as a "sounding board."

3) Budget

Julie Martens and Jan Harris met to reconcile the budget. One-time expenses (e.g., archives, Evaluation Committee) influenced the 1998-1999 budget. The Executive Committee does not wish to continue with deficit spending.

4) Annual Meeting Program Responsibility and Creation

Discussion focused on if it is best to have the President-elect (current process) or Past-President develop the program for the subsequent year. Jack Wilmore will work with a number of AAKPE Past-Presidents to get their suggestions on this concept.

5) Doctoral Program Evaluation

The Executive Committee discussed the Doctoral Program Evaluation sessions conducted at the meeting. It is expected that the Doctoral Program Evaluation Committee will consider the points raised during the various discussions at the 1998 meeting. President Kretchmar will talk with Gil Reeve regarding a letter to departments with doctoral programs (as approved at the AAKPE Business Meeting of October 3, 1998). The letter notifying departments of the Academy's plans and progress will be signed by President Kretchmar after discussion with Gil Reeve and input from the Doctoral Program Evaluation and Executive Committees.

President Kretchmar will charge a Presidential committee to consider work on the evaluation of professional-based doctoral programs. The new committee will be developed with a liaison person identified to work with the current Doctoral Program Evaluation Committee.

6) Academy Fellow Nominations

Academy Fellows are encouraged to nominate underrepresented populations for Fellow status.

New Business

1) Involvement of new members

President Kretchmar discussed the importance of involving new Fellows in Academy projects (presenters, committee membership, etc.). It is the Executive Committee's desire that as many Fellows as possible be involved in Academy activities. Fellows reflect a wide range of areas of expertise and it is important that they contribute to Academy activities.

2) Electronic Biography

The Executive Committee is very supportive of following through on this concept. President Kretchmar will appoint individuals or a small committee to further pursue this idea.

3) Follow-up of Theme of 1998 Conference

President Kretchmar reflected on the theme of "Telling our Story." Several thematic phrases resonated throughout the 1998 program. Consideration was given to development of a committee to investigate how members of the Academy might best work with the National Coalition for Promoting Physical Activity (NCPA). President Kretchmar will contact representatives of the NCPA to further investigate these possibilities. Concern was raised that the NCPA focuses on selected populations. Other populations (e.g., Provosts, Chancellors, University Administrators, etc.) should also be considered as potential audiences to which we should be telling our story.

4) Life Trust Agreements

The current budget will not provide the opportunity for the Academy to engage in large-scale (i.e., more costly) projects. Consideration should be given to developing Life Trust agreements. President Kretchmar will develop a Presidential committee to consider these options and opportunities.

Agenda Items for Mid-Year Teleconference

1) Secretary-Treasurer Morrow will review the 1999 budget and provide an update to the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Morrow, Jr.

Secretary-Treasurer

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Report of the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee ...Gil Reeve

Several years ago, the Academy recognized the importance and need for a national evaluation of graduate programs in kinesiology and physical education. With the appointment of the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee, the planning was begun to develop the criteria and procedures for an evaluation of the graduate programs in our field. The issue for graduate program evaluation has been discussed during the last two Academy meetings. From those meetings, a strong commitment for the development of a national evaluation of doctoral programs in our field has been established.

At its most recent meeting, the Academy members took several important steps toward the evaluation of doctoral programs. First, the plan for the evaluation doctoral programs was discussed. The plan, which had been previously distributed to all members of the Academy, described a process and the criteria for the evaluation. Feedback from the members was received by the committee and will be used as the committee moves forward on the program evaluation. Second, the Academy approved a pilot study for the doctoral program evaluation. The pilot study will include 20 doctoral degree-granting institutions. Results of the pilot study will be used to finalize the procedures and criteria for the evaluation which would be conducted in the year 2000. Third, a second evaluation committee was proposed that would determine the appropriate criteria for evaluation of doctoral programs that were professionally oriented, rather than research oriented. The Academy President will appoint this committee.

Most recently, the Graduate Program Evaluation Committee has discussed the specific issues raised at the recent Academy meeting. A sub-committee will meet in early December to revise the criteria and procedures to be used in the pilot study. The entire committee will approve these plans and the pilot study should begin in early 1999. The results of the pilot

study will be discussed at the Academy meeting next year. Based on those results and careful consideration of the issues related to doctoral program evaluation, the Academy will make a final decision regarding its national evaluation of doctoral programs.

Universities which participate in the pilot study will receive summary information regarding the relative evaluation of their programs. Universities that participate in the pilot study will not be identified. However, such information, even from the pilot study, may be useful to the individual universities for benchmarking. If you believe that your university (department) would be willing to participate in the pilot study, please contact Gil Reeve, Department of Health and Human Performance, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36849-5323 (email: reevetg@mail.auburn.edu).

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Vern D. Seefeldt The 1998 Hetherington Award Recipient

Vern D. Seefeldt, Fellow Number 280, has been a scholar and leader of research in motor development and youth sports throughout his professional career, a period spanning more than three decades. Upon completion of his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin in 1966, he joined the faculty at Michigan State University where he founded and served as Director of the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports.

Vern has stimulated and produced research and has also effectively disseminated professional knowledge through writing and speaking. He has published more than 130 papers and delivered almost 350 presentations at professional meetings. His work is particularly distinguished in three areas:

FIRST--Among physical educators in the United States, Vern has established a solid foundation in the study of motor development, specifically in the context of growth and maturation of children and youth. He and his colleagues at Michigan State University systematically described patterns of development of several fundamental motor skills in the context of a mixed-longitudinal research design. Also, Vern initiated the Motor Performance Study at Michigan State University, a longitudinal study of physical growth and motor performance which has provided a comprehensive set of reference data for a variety of motor

performance and motor fitness items.

SECOND--In the area of youth sports, Vern has been the single most important individual in the development of youth sports research and coaches' education in the United States. Through the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports which he founded in 1978, Vern undertook a survey of patterns of sports participation by Michigan youth. The survey was the first of its kind, and his subsequent national survey in 1988 of patterns of participation and attrition in youth sports in the United States was a major landmark in youth sports research.

THIRD-Vern's efforts were most important in establishing several milestones in the domain of youth sports. Among those noteworthy achievements are the young athlete's "Bill of Rights"; a comprehensive education program for coaches; the National Association for Sport and Physical Fitness (NASPE) standards for the education of coaches of youth sports; and most recently, an initiative to highlight youth sports-related needs of inner city youth.

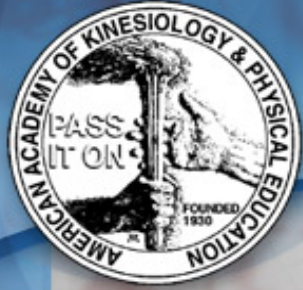
In addition to the three areas of contribution cited above, Vern has been a constant champion for school physical education in the United States. His career commitment to children and youth in the context of movement, physical education, and sport is consistent with the spirit of Clark W. Hetherington to the profession. Therefore, the members of the American Academy of Kinesiology and Sport recognize the significant achievements and contributions of Vern D. Seefeldt by presenting him with their highest honor-the Clark W. Hetherington Award.

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Han Kemper Receives Honorary Degree

Professor Dr. Han C.G. Kemper, a distinguished member of the faculty of the Emgo Institute Medical Faculty at Vyre University in Amsterdam, has been offered an honorary doctorate for his scientific research by the University of Surrey. The Academy congratulates Dr. Kemper, an International Fellow, on this recognition of his exemplary contributions to the science of our field.

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Beautiful Callaway Gardens. The Site of the 1999 Conference

September 23-25, 1999

Just a little over an hour from Atlanta you'll find the magical hideaway chosen for next year's annual conference. Callaway Gardens has everything we look for in a conference location - not too far from a major airport, excellent meeting rooms, nice accommodations, and a wide-range of leisure activities - all in a lovely setting. So mark September 23 - 25, 1999 on your calendar now.

Located about 60 miles southwest of Atlanta in Pine Mountain, Callaway Gardens is a man-made landscape in a unique natural setting. It was conceived and created by Cason J. Callaway and his wife, Virginia Hand Callaway, for the benefit of mankind. The purpose is to provide a wholesome family environment where all may find beauty, relaxation, inspiration and a better understanding of the living world.

Callaway Gardens, a public, educational, horticultural and charitable organization is owned and operated by the non-profit Ida Cason Callaway Foundation. We will be staying in the Callaway Gardens Inn, which features 349 tastefully appointed rooms. In addition to being comfortably furnished, Inn rooms are convenient to restaurants, shops, and meeting facilities on site. Our meeting will be held in the Executive Conference Center, a wonderfully laid out facility that you'll find to be ideal for AAKPE members.

You can choose from a number of dining rooms for those meals not included as part of the registration fee - or for your spouse/significant other to enjoy while you're attending the meeting. We'll fill you in on more of the details as the conference gets closer.

Leisure time activity will present a real challenge to you - because there's so much to choose from! The Gardens View and Lake View golf courses are available while we're there (their Mountain Course will be closed in preparation for the following week's Buick Challenge.); there are tennis courts (eight clay courts and two hard courts), two racquetball courts, fishing, shooting (trap, skeet and five-stand), bicycling, hiking, jogging, and to top it off - the renowned Gardens.

The Gardens are a fantastic place to get lost for an afternoon (or longer!).. You can visit the Cecil B. Day Butterfly Center, the John A. Sibley Horticultural Center, or Mr. Cason's Vegetable Garden. In addition, there are hiking/jogging trails and a scenic 7.5 paved Discovery Bicycle Trail. The toughest part will be deciding how to spend your time! You might even want to consider coming a day early. or staying after the meeting is over.

And you'll love the rates at the Inn -- only about \$100 for single/double occupancy (rates aren't yet final at the time of this announcement). We'll be sending you more information later this spring/early summer, but start making your plans now to attend next year's conference. And think seriously about bringing your spouse or significant other - they're sure to have a great time!

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Call for Nominations of Prospective Fellows

Nominations for prospective fellows are due to Dr. David R. Lamb, 129 Larkins Hall, 337 West 17th Avenue, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 43210, not later than Monday, February 1, 1999. Please contact Dr. Lamb (email address: lamb.5@osu.edu) for required forms to be submitted and page limitations.

AAKPE Membership Criteria

For Active Fellow

1. Be currently engaged in professional and/or scientific work in kinesiology and physical education.
2. Must be willing to participate in the Academy meetings and work in furthering the goals of the Academy.
3. Have demonstrated competence in this profession/discipline over a period of at least 10 years to include all of the following:
 - Significant contributions to the scholarly literature through the study or application of the art and science of human movement and physical activity.
 - Significant contributions to the professional literature in this field.
 - Leadership activities in professional associations and learned societies.
 - Other evidence of leadership in the field of kinesiology and physical education.

For International Fellow

1. Be currently engaged in professional and/or scientific work in kinesiology and physical education.

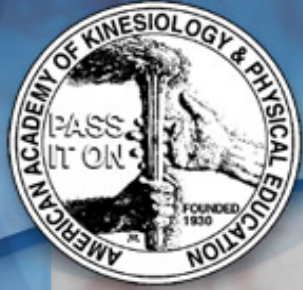
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Call for Officer Nominations

We must elect two new Academy officers in 1999—a president-elect and member-at-large. The criteria for those offices are as follows:

- **President-elect:** Active Fellow, 4 years membership in the Academy (Fellow number 360 or below, elected in 1994-95 or earlier)
- **Member-at-Large:** Active Fellow, 1 year membership in the Academy (Fellow number 393 or below, elected 1997-98 or earlier)

Other Eligibility Rules

1. Any Fellow currently holding office is eligible for nomination for the same or another office only during his/her final year in office.
2. Two Fellows from the same institution may not be placed on the ballot for the same office.
3. Nominations may be made by all Fellows, but only Active Fellows are eligible for office.

Send nominations by Monday, February 1, 1999, to Dr. Jack Wilmore, Department of Health and Kinesiology, Read Building, Room 158, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-4243. Email: jwilmore@tamu.edu

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Call for Nominations for the Hetherington Award

The Hetherington Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Academy, was established in honor of Clark W. Hetherington to provide recognition for an Academy Fellow's service to the American Academy of Kinesiology and Physical Education and for contributions specifically related to the purpose of the Academy as an organized group of leaders in physical education. Such service and contributions may include the following:

- a. Production or stimulation of needed research;
- b. Contributions of philosophical and/or scientific concepts;
- c. Effective dissemination of professional knowledge through writing, speaking, and/or teaching;
- d. Direction of theses and dissertations where significant contributions have been made;
- e. Active participation and service as a member of the Academy and its affairs.

Any Academy Fellow (Active or Emeritus) who has retired from his/her professional position is eligible for this award [Article X, Section I, By-laws (1980)]. No one may receive the award twice.

The completed nomination shall include information concerning (1) the area of contribution and (2) the nature of the contribution by the nominee. By Monday, February 1, 1999, the completed nomination and a detailed, current vita of the nominee's qualifications for the Hetherington Award should be sent to Dr. Patty S. Freedson, Department of Exercise Science, Totman Gymnasium, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003. Email: psf@excsci.umass.edu

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Letters to Monty

May 18, 1998

Dear Henry,

In 1975 I resigned from the University of Southern California to continue my work as a sculptor. I intend to work as a sculptor for as long as I am able. Recently the Architectural Committee for the City of Palm Desert, California, selected one of my sculptures to be placed in the median of El Paseo Boulevard for one year. I have been represented by the Zantman Galleries in Carmel and Palm Desert for twenty-four years.

My sculptures are made from sheet copper which is approximately the thickness of a penny. I do life-size human figures and several kinds of animals. My studio is located in an industrial park about two miles from my home. Needless to say, my study of kinesiology has been of significant importance to my sculpture.

My wife and I have had some interesting trips over the years to Europe, China, Central and South America. As we have gotten older we are finding that cruises are easier. We are preparing now for a Scandinavian cruise which includes St. Petersburg where we are anxious to visit the Hermitage Museum.

It is good to know that many departments have now adopted kinesiology as a discipline in the university structure.

Sincerely,

Gene Logan, Fellow #188.



August 22, 1998

Dear Henry,

This letter is long overdue and I apologize for being so tardy. I fell and broke my hip the night my wife died four years ago, and I am still fighting to get my strength back but at 83 it gets a little harder. I am back to walking three miles every day.

I remain active in YMCA and church work. My class at Springfield College celebrated its 56th class reunion this past spring. I wanted to get back for the occasion but could not make it. I gave up driving this past year because of a serious accident--my car was totaled--so I miss the every day transportation. I'm still the "class coordinator" so am able to keep in touch with most of the gang. We raised \$10,000 for the college this past year even though only about 25 of us are still alive.

It was wonderful to hear from you Henry. I miss the professional stimulation and fellowship the Academy provided. Give my best to all those who remember me.

Sincerely,

Karl Oermann, Fellow #162

August 22, 1998

Dear Monty,

It was good hearing from you. Following retirement in 1998 I have been traveling to Europe, Japan, and the British Isles. Golf takes up most of my time, playing in the local pro-am

tourneys and traveling to Scotland, Ireland, and Hawaii for general golf.

I have had visits from Academy members Wilmore, Katch, and Skinner from time to time, so I have not lost all contacts with the group. Santa Barbara is truly paradise, and I welcome any of the old group to visit.

My advice to the younger members is to travel and visit foreign laboratories. I have made good friends with Gunnar Borg in Sweden and the faculty at the Sport Institute in Warsaw, Poland. They welcome any visits and help share expenses.

Best to you,
Ernie Michael, Fellow Emeritus

September 13, 1998

Dear Henry,

Since retiring in 1989, I share the time-deficit feeling of those who say I wonder how I ever had time to work. While my daily life does not seem to be visibly productive, I continue to enjoy golf and regular rehab exercises with my coronary-event buddies (still haven't developed those "buns of steel" we all long for). And although I keep very busy, like my favorite philosopher, Yogi Berra, I usually take a one-hour nap from 2 to 4 in the afternoon.

Summers are filled with motor home travels, trying to escape Tucson's weather that makes you want to drive with oven mitts on. Fishing, golfing, sightseeing, visiting friends, and doing "nothing" are summer's sweet parts. As someone said, doing nothing is sometimes more meaningful than the swirl of activity that defines our days.

The location of this year's Academy meetings, Park City, brings back fond memories of my young years when I lived in Salt Lake (Elizabeth Hayes was my dance teacher at the University of Utah). In those days the pristine ski slopes were rather primitive and local residents hung their clothes on lines strung across the main street--a far cry from today's lavish surroundings. The theme of this year's meetings also sparks professional recollections. "Telling Our Story" is a reminder that is where I came in. A flashback shows the Academy examining professional purposes and common goals. Today the Academy still may be one hopeful symbol of an ever-continuing need to weave together various threads in the sub-disciplines and provide a broad glimpse of the wholeness of the profession.

Wish I could be with you and old friends in the land of my youth and share in the Academy's compelling challenges.

Sincerely,
Donna Mae Miller, Fellow #190

August 31, 1998

Dear Henry,

After retiring from the University of Texas in 1985, my time was spent in caring for my wife, Tillie, who was handicapped with Parkinson's Disease. It was possible for me to prepare a history from 1923 to 1985 of the Texas AHPERD with which we served for 31 years as Executive Secretary-Treasurer and editor of the state journal. After her death in 1993, I have served on one or more committees each year. Since 1993, a Diamond Jubilee Committee has kept me active in planning activities for our 75th year in 1998. This has included writing articles and editing others for a special issue of the journal. The activities will culminate with the state convention in December in Houston where 3,500 are expected to attend.

Other activities include participating in programs of the Westminster Presbyterian Church that Tillie and I joined in 1949. As a member of the Board of Directors of the Austin Unit of the American Cancer Society since 1967, I continue to be involved in the fight against cancer. I continue to live in our home in Austin from which I can visit my relatives in the Dallas area and Tillie's in Kerrville, where I met her in 1938. Many of them in turn visit me.

Sincerely,

Lynn W. McGraw, Fellow #189

November 7, 1998

Dear Monty,

I'm doing very little professionally except for the 5th edition of The Physical Education Curriculum and article reviews for the Journal of Health Educators. Oh yes, I am an AAHPERD evaluator of college/university health education major programs for NCATE. I consider this lengthy procedure a very important contribution to the profession. There are pretty good programs around the USA seeking NCATE (AAHPERD) accreditation.

I swim and try to play tennis regularly until x-country skiing begins, and I enjoy singing in the Clearlakes Chorale here on the shores of Lake Winnepeasaukie. And, of course, we all enjoy ice boating and skating around here. I'm still quite interested in environmental health and conservation of our natural resources. I've previously served over 10 years on our conservation committee.

We love Elderhostels--and have attended two dozen of them, the most recent in Ireland. So, as we get older (I'm 82) we try to read, listen, and watch--and grow old gracefully.

Best to you.

As ever,
Carl Willgoose, Fellow #183

October 25, 1998

Dear Monty,

I've been retired from New York University for the past 17 years. Just celebrated my 82nd birthday with no apparent end in sight, as nearly as my internist can tell. I hope not for I have many miles to go before cashing in my chips (literally). Rosalee and I (married almost 56 years) have been enjoying a most rewarding, but somewhat exhausting, effort to distribute our resources in ways that will best benefit education. Resource centers for doctoral students in two universities, lectures in two universities and two national professional organizations, doctoral scholarship programs in three universities, a university chair and a think tank project--all in perpetuity. Because we want to enjoy as many of these as possible, most have been started with annual gifts, also giving us the chance to see how workable and productive these activities will be.

We both continue in private practice as licensed psychologists, and I still manage to find time to enjoy golf in season and a home driving cage out of season. My weight at 147 pounds is the same as it was as a gymnast in 1936-1940, for which I credit regular workouts on a home treadmill and universal resistance equipment plus flexibility exercises.

Don't know if this is appropriate for the Academy Newsletter, but these are the things that occupy my time.

Best regards,
Raymond A. Weiss, Fellow #149

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In Memoriam

Simon A. McNeely

Fellow # 153
1913-1998

Simon A. McNeely died May 1, 1998, at the age of 84, at Columbia Pentagon City Hospital after an apparent heart attack. He had been living with his wife, Susan, in Kensington, Maryland.

"Si," as he was affectionately known by a wide circle of professional and personal friends, received his Bachelor's (1937) and Master's degrees (1938) in Health, Physical, and Safety Education from Louisiana State University. He later pursued further graduate studies at Columbia University and the University of Maryland. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

McNeely, a native of New Orleans, began his professional career in Louisiana, where he served as State Director of Health and Physical Education prior to his call to the Navy. He was serving as the Executive Director of the Society of State Directors of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation at the time of his death, having also served as the Society's secretary and treasurer over a span of 50 years. Si also had served in the U.S. Department of Education from 1947 to 1961, and then again from 1970 until his retirement in 1982. In addition, he was Director of Federal-State Relations with the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports from 1961-1970. And, he was active with the U.S. and International Olympic and UNESCO Committees during his career. Si authored about a half-dozen books on physical education and fitness and was a recipient of a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Service Award.

The degree of respect various professional groups had for McNeely is demonstrated by two groups naming national awards in his honor. In 1992, the Society of State Directors of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, renamed their annual Honor Award, given for outstanding professional service, the Simon A. McNeely Honor Award. And, in August, 1998, the Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, renamed their award for service to the profession, the Simon A. McNeely National Leadership Award. This announcement was made in Atlanta when DASH posthumously presented McNeely its first National Leadership Award.

Si's first marriage of nearly 42 years to Lee was ended by her tragic death in 1982. His life was enriched again when he met Susan Messerli, whom he married in 1984. He was very proud of his family of four children, two step-children, six grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren. When he wasn't traveling, dancing, or listening to jazz, he could usually be found tending to his yard and gardens, or cheering the Washington Redskins. In fact, he was about to step out of his car at the Army-Navy Club in Arlington for a night of dancing with Susan when he had his heart attack.

Thanks to William Noonan, Baton Rouge, LA, for contributing this statement.

Michael L. Pollock

Fellow # 273

1936-1998

Michael L. Pollock was born on June 24, 1936 in Los Angeles, CA. A gifted athlete and scholar in high school, he continued his education at the University of Arizona where he played baseball and received his B.S. in physical education (1958). He served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army, from 1958-60. He then went to the University of Illinois where he completed M.S. (1961) and Ph.D. (1967) degrees in exercise physiology under Dr. Thomas K. Cureton.

Dr. Pollock began his professional career at Wake Forest University (1967-1973) as Director of the Physical Fitness Laboratory. He was Director of Research at the Institute for Aerobics Research in Dallas, TX (1973-77); Director of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program and Human Performance Laboratory at Mount Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee, WI (1977-84); and Director of Cardiac Rehabilitation Program, Sports Medicine and Human Performance at the Travis Medical Center in Houston, TX (1984-85). He joined the faculty at the University of Florida in 1986 where he was serving as Director of the Center for Exercise Science in the College of Health and Human Performance at the time of his death.

Dr. Pollock was a prolific researcher, having published over 275 articles, three books and two monographs. Dr. Pollock pioneered research in the areas of physical fitness and cardiac

rehabilitation, and was honored for his work with the Honor Award from the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance in 1979; the Research Honor Award from the Association for Fitness and Business in 1984; the R. Tait McKenzie Award from AAHPERD in 1987; the Award of Excellence from the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation in 1993; and the Citation Award from ACSM in 1994. Dr. Pollock was President of the American College of Sports Medicine in 1982-83 and founding Co-Editor of the Journal of Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation (1979-1991).

Dr. Pollock died on Friday, June 5, 1998 in Orlando, Florida. He had just completed a major presentation at the ACSM Annual Meeting when he suffered a brain aneurysm. Dr. Pollock is survived by his wife Rhonda, and his children Jonathan (16), Lauren (13) and Ellie (8). He had a deep love for his profession, his wife and children, and his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Prepared by Jack H. Wilmore, Active Fellow #252

C. Lynn Vendien

Fellow #282

C. Lynn Vendien, Fellow Number 282, died on March 18, 1998. She was elected to the Academy in 1980, was a professor-emeritus at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, and during a long professional career had been a pioneer in comparative and international physical education. Despite her status as an emeritus member, she remained an active participant in the affairs of both the Academy and other professional organizations until shortly before her death.

Born in Munising, on Michigan's upper peninsula, she returned there to teach in the public schools in 1932 after completing her undergraduate degree at Eastern Michigan. She received the Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1957, and was John Nixon's first doctoral candidate at that institution - a relationship that was to endure through several decades and a series of co-authored textbooks. She came to the University of Massachusetts in 1961 and retired as Professor of Physical Education in 1980.

Among her most cherished honors were the R. Tait McKenzie Medallion, awarded in 1986 for distinguished service to the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance; the position as Honorary Life president of the International Society for comparative Sport and Physical Education; and her membership in AAKPE. In the Academy, as in other academic and professional organizations, she was an advocate for services that would allow and encourage meaningful continuation of careers beyond the end of full-time employment. On the University of Massachusetts campus she always was deeply involved in the promotion of causes for international students--both those coming to the USA for degrees, and those of our own heading abroad for periods of study. Until the final months,

her home continued to be a gathering place for students and it was there that she served as surrogate mother for whole generations of lonely travelers--throughout a labor of love and of professional service.

Prepared by Lawrence F. Locke, Active Fellow #240

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