

Faculty and staff accomplishments (as of Oct. 31, 2016)

Accomplishment kudos

Katherine Adler, DHA, FACHE, associate dean of academics and assessment, ATSU-CGHS, became Quality Matters certified in the following courses: Gauging Your Technology Skills, Creating Presence in Your Online Course, Assessing your Learners, Orienting Your Online Learners, Connecting Learning Theories to Your Teaching Strategies, and Evaluating Your Course Design.

Tom Bowles, network analyst, network technologies, ATSU, received the Missouri campus fitness award for the third quarter of 2016.

Stanley Brysacz, DO, assistant professor, family and community medicine, ATSU-SOMA, received the 2016 Lifetime Achievement award from the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association.

Brandi Buchanan, OTD, OTR/L, associate professor, occupational therapy, ATSU-ASHS, was selected to participate in the American Occupational Therapy Association's inaugural Academic Leadership Institute in 2016-17.

Ann Lee Burch, PT, EdD, MS, MPH, vice dean, ATSU-ASHS, was accepted to Harvard's Graduate School of Professional Education Program where she will complete a 12-week course.

James D. Cannon, DHA, PA-C, MS, '97, trustee, ATSU, retired from the military after 31 years of service, most recently in the U.S. Coast Guard. Dr. Cannon currently serves as associate professor for ATSU-ASHS and as a primary care and psychiatric certified physician assistant.

Lloyd Cleaver, DO, '76, assistant vice president of continuing education, professor of internal medicine, ATSU-KCOM, celebrated 30 years of dermatology practice in September.

Randy Danielsen, PhD, PA, DFAAPA, dean, ATSU-ASHS, served as one of three instructors for the Academy for Academic Leadership's Compass Program for Academic Advancement online training course in September.

Jack Dillenberg, DDS, MPH, dean, ATSU-ASDOH, was selected as the recipient of the National Network for Oral Health Access Lifetime Achievement Award.

Michael French, co-director, Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) program, ATSU, received the Red Koelling Award for Service to AHEC at the 2016 biennial conference of the National AHEC Organization, held in Washington, D.C., in June 2016. The Koelling Award is presented to an individual who has provided exemplary service and support to both the national AHEC network and a state or local AHEC network over an extended period of time.

Norman Gevitz, PhD, senior vice president-academic affairs, ATSU, received the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association Honorary Membership award in September.

Deborah Goggin, MA, ELS, scientific writer, research support, ATSU, received the Missouri campus Employee Excellence Award for the second quarter of 2016.

Jaana Gold, DDS, PhD, MPH, associate professor, master of public health-dental emphasis, ATSU-CGHS, was recognized by the American Dental Association and invited to attend the Evidence-based Dentistry workshop in Chicago, Illinois, from Aug. 11-13. In addition, she was elected to serve as section councilor for the American Public Health Association Oral Health section.

Stanley E. Grogg, DO, FACOP, FAAP, '71, trustee, received the Alumnus of the Year award from the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association in September.

Jason Haxton, MA, director, Museum of Osteopathic Medicine, ATSU, published a new children's book, "Andrew Taylor Still: Father of Osteopathic Medicine," which is included in the "Notable Missourians" book series.

Colleen Halupa, EdD, associate professor, doctor of health education, ATSU-CGHS, has written a chapter, "Mentoring Dissertation Students in Online Doctoral Programs," for the book titled "Fostering Effective Student Communication in Online Graduate Courses," which will be published by IGI Global. In addition, she was awarded the Sentinel of Science Award from Publons for 2016. She was recognized in the top 10 percent of peer reviewers internationally in the field of social science. She was tied for 17th place with two other faculty members.

Deborah Heath, DO, assistant dean of curriculum integration, ATSU-SOMA, received the 2016 Excellence in Osteopathic Medical Education award from the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association.

Mike Kronenfeld, MBA, MLS, university librarian, ATSU, was selected by the National Library of Medicine and the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries to serve as a mentor in the 2016-17 Leadership Fellows Program. He will serve as a mentor for William Olmstadt, associate director for Health Sciences Library at LSU Health in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Robert D. Ligorsky, DO, MACOI, FACP, FAHA, associate dean for the Arizona region, professor of internal medicine, ATSU-KCOM, received the Living Tribute Award from the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association in September.

Rob Long, technician, curriculum, ATSU, completed technical services training at Laerdal Medical Corp. in New York and is a certified technician for ATSU's Laerdal simulators.

Brenae Maddix, clinical education coordinator, ATSU-SOMA, received the Arizona campus fitness award for the second quarter of 2016.

Peggy Mikel, manager, and Kathy Stephenson, clerk, Matthews Bookstore, received the Distinguished Service Award from the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association in September.

Patrick Palmieri, DHSc, EdS, MBA, MSc, MSN, adjunct professor, doctor of health sciences, ATSU-CGHS, was awarded the degree Doctor Honoris Causa by the Universidad María Auxiliadora. The degree was awarded for his contributions to improving health and wellness of Peruvians through quality improvement and patient safety projects, creating programs to mentor new healthcare leaders, and philanthropy in higher education and health services.

Jae Park, DMD, PhD, MSD, MS, chair, postgraduate orthodontic program, ATSU-ASDOH, was named a regular member of the Northern California Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontists during a meeting in Oakland, California. In addition, he was re-elected to serve as an American Board of Orthodontics examiner.

Mary Katherine Smith, DrPH, chair, public health, ATSU-CGHS, joined the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health's Education and Diversity committees.

Bonnie Trahan, assistant to the chair, physician assistant studies, ATSU-ASHS, received the Arizona campus Employee Excellence Award for the second quarter of 2016.

Thomas "Tim" Tucker II, MSPH, former director, learning resources, ATSU, received the Distinguished Service Award from the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association in September.

Sheri Walters, PT, DPT, MS, SCS, ATC/L, CSCS, assistant professor, kinesiology, ATSU-CGHS, served as part of the medical staff for the U.S. Track and Field Team at the Paralympic Games in Rio. In addition, she was selected by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties to become a member of the Specialization Academy of Content Experts. She will serve as an item writer for a two-year term.

William J. "Bill" Wobken, research technician, anatomy, ATSU-KCOM, received the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association Honorary Membership award in September.