

# Public Notice - Higher Learning Accreditation

ATSU is seeking comments from the public about the University in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The University will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit February 16-18, 2009, by a team representing The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. ATSU has been accredited by the Commission since 1994. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation. The public is invited to submit comments regarding the University:

**Public Comment on A.T. Still University of Health Sciences  
The Higher Learning Commission  
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602**

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments cannot be treated as confidential.

All comments must be received by January 10, 2009.

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## November Events

**November 8** Arizona Campus Founder's Day  
**November 8** Rhapsody in Red Heart Gala  
**November 12** SOMA Outreach Dinner  
**November 14** ASHS fall quarter ends  
**November 18** Women's Wellness Kick-Off Luncheon  
**November 27** Thanksgiving

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## Our Mission

Consistent with the University's heritage as the founding school of osteopathic medicine, the mission of A.T. Still University is to educate students to become competent healthcare professionals who continuously develop and demonstrate compassion, integrity, and ability, while advancing osteopathic principles and philosophy. The institution is committed to scholarly inquiry that anticipates and addresses society's healthcare needs. The University encourages its constituencies to become leaders in improving community health and wellness with a comprehensive appreciation of the interaction of body, mind, and spirit.

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## Founder's Day heads West



The little cowboys and girls had a boot scootin' good time on the dance floor.

NEARLY 700 attendees dressed in their cowboy best to celebrate Founder's Day at the Wild Wild West-themed Still-A-Bration on October 10. Lil' buckaroos saddled up for pony rides while the rest of the gang gathered for dinner, a game of Texas Hold 'Em, the talent showcase, and cowboy ball. Other Founder's Day activities included the Scott Memorial Lecture, an all-campus meeting, first-year versus second-year women's football game, and a 5k run/1 mile walk.



Theta Psi hosted the Texas Hold 'Em tournament, with all proceeds benefitting its building fund.

# snapshots

## Detweiler named chair of ATSU Board



Peter W. Detweiler graduated from Northeast Missouri State University – now Truman State University – in 1981. In addition to his role at Alliant Bank, he is a member of Noon Rotary, the Kirksville Country Club, Shrine Club, Moose Club, and First United Methodist Church.

PETER W. Detweiler was named chair of the ATSU Board of Trustees at its October meeting. Detweiler has served on the Board since 1998 and has acted as chair of the finance committee since 2003. “I am extremely pleased that Pete now leads ATSU’s board,” said ATSU President Jack Magruder. “He is a community leader and a leader to this University. With his guidance, both will continue to thrive.”

Chief executive officer of Alliant Bank for four years, Detweiler is treasurer of Kirksville Regional Economic Development Incorporated and received the Center of Influence Award during a Freedom Celebration recognizing local National Guardsmen and their families.

“I am proud, honored, and humbled to be chosen as chair of ATSU’s board,” Detweiler said. “My ambition is to look back a year from now and know this was the best year the University has ever had.”

Carl G. Bynum, D.O., M.P.H. '75, of Jefferson City, Mo., was named vice chair and Cynthia D. Byler, D.O., M.P.H., (KCOM '85 and SHM '04) of Edwardsville, Ill., was named secretary of the Board.

## Eleven Au.D.s earn white coats

ELEVEN students received white coats at ASHS’ doctor of audiology white coat ceremony October 11. The ceremony symbolizes the transition of second-year students from didactic studies to a concentration on laboratory course work and clinical experiences. “It represents our desire to have students see themselves in the role of compassionate caregiver,” said Audiology Chair Tabitha Parent-Buck, Au.D.

Keynote speaker and clinical preceptor Sue Doucette, Au.D., spoke on the difference between professionals and professionalism. “Professionals possess skills,” she said. “Professionalism is a quiet confidence and absolute joy you receive from serving others; it comes from the heart of your character.”



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# awards & honors

## KCOM ranks as best medical school

KCOM ranked 20th in the 2008 *Hispanic Business Magazine's* list of best medical schools for Hispanic students. Each year, the magazine compiles survey rankings based on a point system for enrollment, faculty, student services, retention rate, and reputation. "This is exciting news that makes us all proud and encourages us to make everyone feel welcome," said KCOM Dean Philip Slocum, D.O., '76. KCOM is one of three osteopathic medical schools on this year's list.



The July/August 2008 issue of *Hispanic Business Magazine* ranks its top 20.

## Above & Beyond Awards



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**1** Michelle Chasse and Beth Poppre. **2** Stephen Laird, D.O., Claude Conley, Lydia Walter, Clyde Potter, Burl Glaspie, Donna Brown, Robert Wood, and Mary Ellyson. **3** Brian Draper, OMS II, Rebecca McClure, and Michelle Gendron, OMS II. **4** Laura Bank, Ph.D., PA-C, and Sheree Fiske. **5** L. James Bell, D.D.S., and Greg Sikora, D.M.D.. **6** Tom Nack, D4; Jack Dillenberg, D.D.S.; Craig M. Phelps, D.O., '84; Randy Taylor, D3; Beth Poppre, M.Ed.; O.T. Wendel, Ph.D.; and L. James Bell, D.D.S. **7** Andrew Thornton, DPT '09, and Sue Hillman, M.S./M.A. **8** Beth Poppre and Tonya Watson, M.B.A.

## “Father of the Au.D.” donates artifacts

DAVID P. Goldstein, Ph.D., who is often referred to as “The Father of the Au.D.,” donated historical audiology archives to the Arizona Campus on October 4 at the Audiology Foundation of America’s Conference on Professional Education II. The AFA board of trustees joined audiology faculty in a ceremony to reveal a wall plaque in recognition of Dr. Goldstein that will be located with the archives in the Superstition classroom.

Dr. Goldstein, professor emeritus of audiology at Purdue University, was instrumental in audiology’s transition to a doctoring status in recent years. He is also responsible for introducing the concept of an Au.D. program to ASHS. “It is a rare gift for a professor to step off the beaten trail to pursue a mission that is considered impossible and live to see its success,” said Dr. Goldstein. “Recognition by the AFA as ‘The Father of the Au.D.’ is my special reward.”

According to Audiology Chair Tabitha Parent-Buck, Au.D., Dr. Goldstein’s documents represent a rich history for audiology, academia, and the birth of the Au.D. “When I thought about David’s work to promote the Au.D. and the autonomous practice of audiology, I knew his archives would provide valuable resources for our program, our faculty and students, and our profession,” Dr. Parent-Buck said.



From left to right: Henry Trahan, Au.D.; Kirsten Vesey, Au.D., '07; David Goldstein, Ph.D.; Les Schmeltz, Au.D.; and Tabitha Parent-Buck, Au.D., audiology chair.



David P. Goldstein, Ph.D., donates historical audiology archives to the Arizona Campus. “What better site for an archive of this history than the institution that was so intimately a part of the journey,” Dr. Goldstein said. “It is an honor and a pleasure to know the record will live on within the proud ATSU tradition.”



## ASDOH hosts leadership institute

THE Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors graduated 14 members from the second annual National Oral Health Leadership Institute. This year’s class included dentists and hygienists from 12 states and the District of Columbia. The Institute began April 27 at the National Oral Health Conference in Miami, Fla., and concluded with a three-day retreat at ASDOH, a sponsor of the Institute, on

September 11-13. Participants learned about leadership, policy, risk management, and working with the media. Speakers included the Honorable Phil Lopes, minority leader of the Arizona House of Representatives. Pictured are NOHLI graduates.

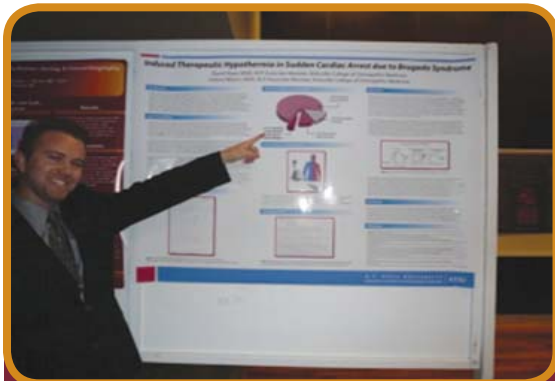
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## KCOM shines at ACP meeting

THE competition was heated for David Shaw, OMS IV, Jason Dutton, OMS IV, and Jeanne Hansen, OMS III, in the Doctor's Dilemma Game at the American College of Physicians Arizona Chapter meeting October 4 at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz. It was a battle of wits among 10 teams in the Jeopardy-like game. KCOM was the only medical school in the finals and earned second place overall, narrowly

missing first place by a contested question.

Shaw placed first out of nearly 80 contenders in the poster contest, presenting "Induced Therapeutic Hypothermia in Sudden Cardiac Arrest due to Brugada Syndrome" with Juliana Wilson, OMS IV. Breion Mailloux, D.O., '07, presented a clinical vignette that was also well-received.



David Shaw, OMS IV, and Juliana Wilson, OMS IV, place first in the ACP poster contest. Pictured is Shaw.



David Shaw, Jason Dutton, and Jeanne Hansen place second in the Doctor's Dilemma Game.



Fatima Dalton, OMS IV, and her husband, Daron, at Harris-Stowe State University.

## Dalton becomes U.S. citizen

FATIMA Dalton, OMS IV, became a citizen of the United States at the Citizen Oath Ceremony on August 1. Approximately 270 people from 55 countries were naturalized as U.S. citizens at Harris-Stowe State University in St. Louis, Mo. "I am proud to be a citizen of the United States," Dalton said. "It takes a long time to become a citizen, but it's worth it."

## Bolte Taylor to keynote luncheon

NOTED scientist, author, and stroke survivor Jill Bolte Taylor, Ph.D., dedicated her career to the study of severe mental illness after discovering her brother suffered from schizophrenia.

At age 37, she found herself living out her research when she suffered a rare form of stroke, hemorrhaging the left hemisphere of her brain and causing her to lose her speech, memory, and sense of motion. She was acutely aware of the shift between the right and left hemispheres of her brain from a disconnected, quiet place where she couldn't walk, talk, read, or write.

It took eight years for Dr. Taylor to successfully rebuild her brain following the stroke. The injury to the left hemisphere caused the right to blossom, releasing a creative energy that she feels brought with it a better, more enlightened quality of life. Dr. Taylor shares her story in her book "My Stroke of Insight: A Brain Scientist's Personal Journey."

Dr. Taylor will join ATSU to keynote a luncheon celebrating the launch of the Women's Wellness Program on November 18 at the Hilton Scottsdale Resort and Villas. Recently named one of *TIME Magazine's* 100 Most Influential People in the World, she will share her personal story of survival and discovery during her presentation entitled "How to Get Your Brain to Do What You Want it to Do."



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## Endowment to benefit ITS

ATSU President Jack Magruder accepted a \$10,000 check from Ron and Cecelia Winkler to create the Ron and Cecelia Winkler - Winkler Communications Endowment. Income generated from the endowment will benefit Information Technology Services on the Missouri Campus. The Winkler's are longtime Kirksville residents and owners of Winkler Communications Services.



# compassion

## Students make fantastic voyage

SECOND-year ASDOH students Erik Smith, Hannah Schmidt, Mark Rehorst, Ben Bryan, Jeff Peifer, Jason Sherrell, and Kyle Goroski with faculty members Scott Morrison, D.D.S., and Roger Cooper, Ph.D., traveled to Flagstaff Medical Center to provide free dental screenings to children at the Fantastic Voyage! Flagstaff Health Festival. The festival, held September 27, introduced children to the inner workings of the human body and the importance of medicine and healthcare. The children also played games, took tours of the facility, and got an up-close look at air and ground ambulances.



Kyle Goroski, D2, gives a dental screening at the Fantastic Voyage! Flagstaff Health Festival.

## ATSU "steps out" and walks for cure



ATSU raised more than \$1,200 for the American Diabetes Association at StepOut on September 27.

THIRTY-two Arizona faculty and staff members participated in the American Diabetes Association's signature walk, StepOut, on September 27. The western-themed, two-mile walk took place at Rawhide at Wild Horse Pass, located in the Gila River Indian Community. ATSU raised more than \$1,200 for the American Diabetes Association.

"As an employee of ATSU and the mother of a child with diabetes, I am so pleased that ATSU supported this wonderful event," said Pam Korff. "It was encouraging to my daughter and our family to see such tremendous support from faculty, staff, and families for such a worthy, close-to-my-heart cause."