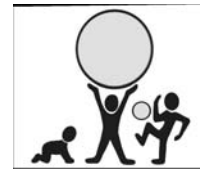


# MINOR Matters

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## February Birthdays



Happy Birthday to Phillip,  
Emma, Spencer and Jack!

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## Pediatric Physical Therapy 101

We completed our very first Pediatric teaching assignment at Franklin Pierce College on Friday, January 31, 2003. The class went from 11am-5:30pm (we have a lot to say about kids) and focused on the evaluation and assessment of children. This topic of discussion allowed us to spread the mission of MINOR Improvements that children do indeed require a different approach than

adults. Our second class, on February 7, revolved around the use of standardized tests in pediatric settings. We were lucky enough to have a 4 year old child come into to assist us with the demonstration/administrati on of a standardized test. Then we helped the students realize how difficult and strange the tests can seem to children by having **them** perform some of the tasks on a test designed for 8-16 year olds. Humbling to say the least! Everything is going great so far!

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## Continuing Education

We have remained committed to staying on top of the latest and the greatest of pediatric PT and therefore attended a conference presented by Cascade Orthotics on

January 24 and 25, 2003. The two day course focused on the use of dynamic foot and ankle orthotics that allow for increased foot and ankle stability and positioning, while maximizing available mobility. We are now certified to cast for the orthotics and will soon be providing that service to our patients at MINOR Improvements PT.

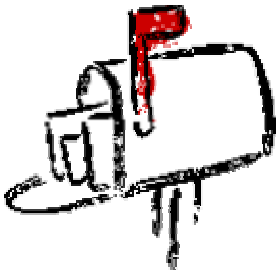
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## Building Update

Well, we're at the top of the stack! A few more formalities and we should have our building permit and be ready to break ground on March 1st! The pool is ordered and we're on our way at last!



## Testimonial



Karen and Shaun:

I couldn't let another day go by without thanking you both.

I am sure you remember the story. In the fall, my son Ryan sustained a serious football injury. As you know, athletics have always been a significant part of his identity and his life.

The emergency room physician referred him immediately to an orthopedic specialist who, during our first visit, made no promises that he would fully recover let alone be able to participate in sports ever again.

As a result of your expertise, care and aggressive intervention,

Ryan has made a full recovery. He has begun intramural volleyball and is looking forward to Spring training for baseball.

At a time when Ryan was very low, you both gave him the encouragement to work hard and achieve the goals you set for him. He truly looked forward to coming for physical therapy because it gave him control over his injury.

I wish you well as your practice grows and I don't hesitate to tell anyone who will listen about the exceptional outcome Ryan experienced. In this day of managed care and rising insurance costs, it is nice to know there is a place to go for the best care from the best physical therapists.

God Bless You Both,  
Kathie



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