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Logan Mourns Loss of Former President -William Coggins,DC

Dynamic Chiropractic Staff

Dr. William Coggins, 92, Logan College president from 1961 to 1979, has passed away. Dr. Coggins had a chiropractic practice in South St. Louis from 1940-1961, and was a faculty member and dean of the college before becoming president.

He was known as a tough instructor, but like to speak with his students after class. Dr. Coggins was remembered for inspiring loyalty among his contemporaries, and was instrumental in the purchase of the Chesterfield campus, which was occupied by the college in the summer of 1973. Dr. Coggins took great pride that with the help of the Logan alumni the campus was paid for before his retirement in 1979. The main building is named in his honor - the "William N. Coggins, DC Administration Center."

"Dr. Coggins exemplified the generation of chiropractors who struggled and made tremendous sacrifices for the survival of our profession," observed Logan President Dr. George Goodman. "His intelligence, his leadership skills, his work ethic and his problem-solving abilities continually benefited Logan College and the profession. We join his family in mourning his loss, and our thoughts and prayers are with them."

Dr. Coggins is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; a daughter, Logan graduate Virginia Lee Horine, DC; a son-in-law, Logan graduate Michael Horine, DC; two sisters, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Condolences can be sent to the Coggins family c/o Drs. Michael and Virginia Horine, 2078 South Woodland Lane, Pinetop, AZ 85935. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the William N. Coggins, DC Memorial Fund, c/o Logan College of Chiropractic, 1851 Schoettler Rd., PO Box 1065, Chesterfield, MO 63006-1065.

A History of Los Angeles College of Chiropractic

The 90-year history of the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (today called the Southern California University of Health Sciences) is in book form, thanks to its editors, Dr. Reed Phillips, president of the university, and Homewood Professor Joseph Keating Jr., PhD.

"LACC has been an integral component in the story of chiropractic in California, throughout North America, and, via the lifework of thousands of alumni, throughout the world," noted Dr. Keating, the vice president of the National Institute of Chiropractic Research, the Association for the History of Chiropractic, and author of the "Historical Perspectives" column for *Dynamic Chiropractic.* "Many of those associated with the college are among the best known and respected in the profession's history," observed Dr. Keating.

"This was a seven-year work of love and dedication," said Dr. Phillips, president of LACC since 1991. "Anyone who reads it will have a true appreciation - not only for chiropractic and its struggle

for public acceptance over the years - but for those who have dedicated their lives in producing quality doctors of chiropractic at our campus over the last nine decades.

"We took the opportunity to reflect on our past success and dedicate ourselves to the future of alternative health care. Chiropractic will continue to be a leader in this area, and with the creation of our College of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, it's our belief that these disciplines will also have a significant place in the future of mainstream health care," Dr. Phillips added.

Joy of Life and Chiropractic

Elaine Dembe,DC, a Toronto practitioner for the past 23 years, is the author of the 1995 best-seller *Passionate Longevity: 10 Secrets to Growing Younger*, and a follow-up book published last year, *Use the Good Dishes: Finding Joy in Everyday Life*, now in its third printing.

Her philosophy? "Joy is in the temporary, in the moments that don't last; in the day that is gone before we know; in the life that is gone before we know it."

Dr. Herbert Lee Given Parker's Lifetime Achievement Award

TORONTO, CANADA - Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas, Texas joined with leaders in Canadian chiropractic to honor Herbert Lee, DC, 92, of Toronto with a "Lifetime Achievement" award.

Dr. Lee graduated from Illinois National Chiropractic College (the National University of Health Sciences) in 1941, and opened a practice in Toronto. He became one of the founding members of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) in 1945, and is still on staff. The school's clinic was named in his honor in 1991. Dr. Lee is also president of the Canadian Chiropractic Historical Society.

Dr. Lee lectures seniors on health, and had the following advice for young chiropractors: "Always be ready to serve your patients and to serve your community; teach them about health; share your knowledge. If you show them that you are knowledgeable, the rest will fall into place."

Dr. Robert Nelson is Colorado's "Chiropractor of the Year" for Second Year

Robert Nelson, DC, DACBSP, of Lakewood, Colorado, was named "Chiropractor of the Year" for 2001 by the members of the Colorado Chiropractic Association (CCA). The award is presented to the doctor in practice for at least 10 years who has contributed the most to the success of the CCA and the chiropractic profession.

Dr. Nelson is the president of the Colorado Chiropractic Sports Council, the state chapter of the ACA Sports Council. He is also president of the American Chiropractic Board of Sports Physicians.

Life West's Michael Comini on Hayward Human Services Commission

HAYWARD, CA - Michael Comini, dean of students at Life Chiropractic College West, will serve a four-year term on the Hayward Human Services Commission. The commission coordinates the development of community social resources, and is an advisory body to the Hayward City Council. It is also a consultant group for the city's Paratransit program for disabled persons.

Mr. Comini, a certified social worker, earned his BS in psychology from St. Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, and his MSW from the University of Pittsburgh. He has been with Life West since 1999.

Correction

In the October 8 "News in Brief," we reported on the formation of the Councils on Chiropractic Education International (CCEI). We listed the affiliations of the CCEI, including the Council on Chiropractic Education of Canada (CCEC), identifying a representative of the CCEC as Mr. Peter White *(sic)*, when his name in fact is Peter Waite.

Peter Drake of the Australasian Council on Chiropractic Education was identified as a DC, but is a PhD.

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