

## California Chiropractic College News

Editorial Staff

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic

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LACC Alumnus Wins California State Assembly Seat

Martin Gallegos, DC, a 1982 graduate of Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC), was elected to the California State Assembly in November, winning the 57th State Assembly seat. A 38-year old Democrat, Dr. Gallegos has been practicing in Baldwin Park for almost 10 years, and has been a member of the Baldwin Park City Council for the past four years.

"Managed care will soon dominate health options for Californians," said Dr. Gallegos. "Now, more than ever, we must fight to protect the individual's right to choose a chiropractor to meet their health care needs."

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LACC Board of Regents Mourns the Loss of Member Dr. H. Magee

Herbert Magee Jr., DC, DABCO, a member of the LACC board of regents, passed away January 9th. A 1954 graduate of LACC, Dr. Magee was a second generation chiropractor, and had served on the board of regents since 1980. He had recently been nominated for the position of chairman of the board of regents, a post scheduled to be filled at the board's next meeting.

As well as being involved with the ACA, Dr. Magee served as president of the San Mateo County Chiropractic Society and vice president of the CCA.

A boating enthusiast, he held various positions in the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association and the Peninsula Yacht Club.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic, P.O. Box 1166, Whittier, CA 90609-1166.

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### Cleveland Chiropractic College, Los Angeles

CCCLA Joins Los Angeles Mission Chiropractic Care Program

Beginning in October of last year, Cleveland Chiropractic College of Los Angeles (CCCLA) interns and clinicians began offering chiropractic care to men and women at the Los Angeles Mission, an inner-city Christian relief agency which occupies a 156,000 square foot building in the skid row area of Los Angeles. The mission provides food, shelter, clothing, rehabilitation, and job search programs for homeless and destitute men and women 20-30 years old.

The Los Angeles Mission chiropractic program was initiated by Dr. Gary Phillips, a 1991 CCCLA graduate, who visited the mission with his local Kiwanis Club, and was impressed with its programs. Dr. Phillips established the mission's "BackHealth" chiropractic clinic in August 1992, and donated one morning a week to treat patients on site. During the summer of 1994, he approached CCCLA about joining the program. "The project we established is a dream come true," said Dr. Phillips. "Interns at CCCLA have the opportunity to serve the homeless by participating in a great community service, and at the same time receive graduation credit. The homeless rehabilitation participants benefit from the healing touch of chiropractic that they would not normally have access to."

Rev. Mark Holsinger, the mission's executive director, expressed high hopes for the involvement of the CCCLA interns and clinicians. He said that he expects the personalized care to instigate some big changes: "CCCLA works with men and women in the program and assists them in re-establishing healthy lifestyles by providing them with individual attention. This care will change their entire outlook on life, especially their self-esteem."

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### CCCLA Volunteers Help Bring Centennial Float to Life

Dozens of volunteers from CCCLA donated their time and energy to decorate the Chiropractic Centennial Foundation (CCF)'s entry in the Tournament of Roses Parade.

"It was great fun and involved an incredible amount of teamwork," said Dr. Carol Claus, CCCLA chiropractic sciences chairperson and organizer of the CCCLA volunteers. "Everyone was enthusiastic. Spirits remained high through even the most tedious jobs. The wonder of the centennial celebration was exemplified through this float and everyone felt the excitement."

Volunteers spent many hours turning the mechanical 40-foot eagle, perched atop a 55-foot-long float, into a work of art. "I really enjoyed working with the chiropractors," said Laurie Hoch, one of the supervisors appointed by the float builder Fiesta Parade Floats. She added: "The volunteers who spent countless hours decorating the float are some of the finest and deserve to be saluted."

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### Cleveland College Board of Trustees Welcomes New Members

Lavonia Banks and Kathleen Godfrey have joined Cleveland Chiropractic College as new members of the multi-campus board of trustees. They will take over for board members Dr. Ethel Stalling and Dr. Jerome Banks, both of whom have passed away.

Mrs. Banks, widow of Dr. Banks and an employee of Hallmark Cards, Inc., for 34 years, said one of her main goals as a board member is learning more about what she can do for CCC, including familiarizing herself with the Los Angeles campus. "Through my placement on the board, I will do the best job I can," she said.

Ms. Godfrey, who in 1992 left a career in banking to focus on doing volunteer work full time, is a member of the St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary Board and hospital volunteer. She said that she believes spreading the word about the benefits of chiropractic care is of the utmost importance. "The fact remains that in order to proceed into the future, we need to educate the public," she said. "Those who have had positive experiences need to share their knowledge and educate individuals within the community who have not been exposed to the benefits of chiropractic."

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## California Happenings

San Diego DCs and friends thank Metagenics for sponsoring their road trip to Azusa to help decorate the centennial float.

### San Diego DCs and Friends Help with Centennial Float

On December 29th, 27 chiropractors, DC spouses, chiropractic assistants, and chiropractic patients representing the San Diego County Chiropractic Society and the San Diego Chiropractic Health Foundation trekked their way to Azusa to volunteer on the Chiropractic Centennial Foundation (CCF) Rose Parade float. Sponsored by Metagenics, Inc., the San Diego group spent hours gluing rice, parsley, coconut flakes and corn husks to the body of the float.

Trip organizer Holly Croft said, "We really want to thank Metagenics, Inc., for their support and Rick Flaherty, Don Petersen, Michael Schroeder, and the CCF board who gave us this once-in-lifetime experience."

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