

California Forum

Editorial Staff

CCA Rep. Meets First Lady

Dr. Patricia Connelly represented the California Chiropractic Association (CCA) at a brunch acknowledging the efforts of 100 Northern California Democratic supporters during the California political races. A 1982 Life College graduate and key CCA representative to local legislators, Dr. Connelly met and spoke with Hillary Rodham Clinton at the San Francisco event.

CCF Winter Conference

The California Chiropractic Foundation (CCF) will conduct its annual HSF/Winter Conference on the weekend of January 22-23, in San Jose, and the weekend of February 12-13, in Los Angeles. The seminar, "Surviving the System," will have three separate four-hour modules, and has been submitted to the state board for continuing education credits.

Module A focuses on managed care and how it operates in the workers' compensation environment. R.T. Donahue, DC, and Dan Nusser, DC, will teach participants how recent changes in workers' compensation will affect the managed care system as well as the new treating physician requirements. Other topics include: quality assurance, group health care environments, and reimbursement arrangements.

Module B gives a first-hand account of how percipient witness and depositions will affect doctors of chiropractic. This module will be presented by Shawn Steel, Esq.

Module C featuring speakers Craig Little, DC and David Willat, DC, examines the latest changes in the workers compensation fee schedule. Participants will learn about the different types of reimbursement according to the new reforms and how to bill under the new treatment fee schedule.

The Winter Conference will also offer QMEs a six-hour refresher course. John Hemauer, DC, and James Gentry, DC, will teach participants how workers' compensation reform affects them, how to use the new medical-legal fee schedule, and how treating physicians differ from AME/QMEs. The course will also review new practice time requirements, conflict of interest issues, and IMC re-appointment procedures. The refresher course has been submitted to the state board for six hours of continuing education credit.

For more information about the HSF/Winter Conference call the CCF at (916) 387-0177.

California State Assemblyman Visits LACC

Bert Margolin, a California state assemblyman who is noted for his skepticism of the chiropractic

profession, visited the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC) in late October at the invitation of the California Chiropractic Association (CCA).

Assemblyman Margolin was welcomed to the campus by LACC President Reed Phillips, DC, PhD, DACBR, and Lawrence Tain, DC, member of the Board of Regents of LACC. Accompanied by CCA President Bradley Sullivan, DC, and CCA Executive Director Mr. Garrett Cuneo, Assemblyman Margolin was given a complete tour of the Whittier campus. He asked many questions on the educational process as well as making comparisons to chiropractic education and traditional medical education. LACC officials said that they felt Margolin was impressed with the college.

"Mr. Margolin said he wished to stay on campus longer than he had originally scheduled, which indicated to me that he was impressed with what he had seen," said Dr. Phillips. "He was clearly interested in investing the time to get the information he needed."

Earlier this year, Mr. Margolin authored and submitted a regulatory bill to the Assembly Health Committee which would limit chiropractors' scope of practice. Although not always in agreement, the California Chiropractic State Board of Examiners and the CCA worked together to resolve the challenge created by his action. (See "Calif. Board Adopts Emergency Regulations under Threat" in the Sept. 1 issue.)

"Today represents a real triumph for chiropractic, Los Angeles College of Chiropractic, and the California Chiropractic Association," said CCA President Dr. Sullivan after Mr. Margolin's visit. "The more Mr. Margolin knows about chiropractic, the more likely it is that he will become a chiropractic proponent."

California College Highlights

Life College of Chiropractic West

Romanian Orphanage Project Official Visits Life West

Dr. Nicolae Teleki, president of the Romanian Society for Physical Medicine, visited Life Chiropractic College West (LCCW) November 11-12 during a tour of the US to study chiropractic science, practice, and education as part his position as director of the Romania Clinicship Program. The program, organized jointly between the ICA and the Municipal Hospital and Medical School in Bucharest, sends US chiropractic interns to Romania to provide chiropractic care for seriously disabled children in a state-run orphanage. Life West students Aine Sweeney and Michael Grant left for Romania on November 16 and will return to classes this month.

Sixteen Life West Students Named to Who's Who

Life West will have the names of 16 of its students in the 1994 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Life West students named this year are: Michael Beddoe, Jaineen Bloss, Elizabeth Carpenter, Ron Crawford, Michael Granant, Randy March, Lucia Owen, Michelle Paris, Michael Putman, Matthew Ruiz, Sandy Skolnik, Elizabeth Smith, Aine Sweeney, Paul Vose, June Wieder, and Brian Wong.

Life West Students Receive Outstanding Student Scholarships

Two students from Life West have been awarded Outstanding Student scholarships for fall quarter 1993, while one student received awards for both fall 1993 and winter quarter 1994. Each award is for \$500, and recipients are selected based on community service, dramatic career changes, academic standing, and personal accomplishments. Recipients of the fall quarter award were Ron Crawford and Lindsay Morin. Roechelle Smith received an award for both fall and winter quarters.

Mr. Crawford has a bachelor of science from California State University-Hayward. He has been active in Life West's student council, serving as council treasurer and class representative, and has worked on various college projects including homecoming and speaker scheduling for student seminars.

Ms. Morin is a certified rolfer with a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Colorado. She is active in Biophysics Club, Life West's student ICA chapter, and the Motion Palpation Club.

Ms. Smith has a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Stanford University and is currently employed as a marketing engineer with Hewlett-Packard, in addition to her chiropractic studies.

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic

1994 Year Book of Chiropractic

Seven members of the LACC faculty and staff are contributing editors for the 1994 edition of the Year Book of Chiropractic. Heading the list of contributing editors is LACC President Reed Phillips, DC, PhD, DACBR, Alan Adams, DC, vice president for professional affairs; Jeffrey Ameen, DC, clinical associate professor; Vaughn M. Given, DC, clinical associate professor; Nehmat Saab, MLS, director of library services; Shoreh Saljooghi, MLS, assistant librarian; and Gary Schultz, DC, associate professor and chair of the radiology department.

The publication is designed to present summarized information from a vast array of literature relevant to the chiropractic profession that has been published over the past year. The editors also write commentaries on the summarized articles.

The Year Book of Chiropractic is published by Mosby-Year Book, Inc.

LACC Boasts 31 Students in the Who's Who

The 1994 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will include the names of 31 LACC students, selected on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success.

Students from LACC are Luis Arriaza, Timothy Beatty, Cynthia Benkert, Miles Bodzin, Frank Corbo, Rob Engel, Craig Gelfound, Kevin Gilbertson, Donald Graham, Michael Hagan, Ana Ireta, Sherri Kim, Amy Levin, Stephen Mar, Dionne McClain, Sherrilyn Mead, Nancy Molina, Dennis Nguyen, Margaret Savastano, Dana Schultz, Heidi Schumacher, R. Paul Scott, Deana Shields, Peter

Shipka, Andrea Sinclair, Sharon Smith, Adam Story, Todd Von Hofe, Gina Wald, and Robert Ward.

These student join a select group of students from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning across the United States and from several foreign countries.

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