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CLEVELAND CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE, KANSAS CITY

Dynamic Chiropractic Staff

Nat'l Student Conference

CCCKC students joined 55 other students from across the US and Canada at the Annual Student American Chiropractic Association (SACA) Midwinter Conference, November 11-14 in Washington, D.C. The students gathered to discuss policy affecting the future of the chiropractic profession.

SACA officers from CCCKC attending were: Jason Meisenheimer (president); Nancy Kahle (treasurer); Sheila Wilson (secretary); Melissa Porter (student council vice president); John Lemon (member-at-large); and Cynthia Dix (vice president).

The students were addressed by Richard Miller, ACA vice president for Government Relations; Mark Goodin, legislative consultant; Dr. Reeve Askew, board of governors, Missouri District III; and Dr. John Chicione, SACA committee chair. The speakers addressed the Clinton reform plan and chiropractic's position in the plan, in addition to the problems facing SACA chapters.

Fifteen SACA chapters visited 75 lawmakers or their aides on Capitol Hill. CCCKC's delegation visited the Senate offices of Bob Dole (R-KS), Christopher Bond (R-MO), and John Warner (R-VA), and the officers of Representatives Richard Gephardt (D-MO), Alan Wheat (D-MO), and Ike Skelton (D-MO).

"All of the aides were receptive to discussion on chiropractic inclusion in the proposed plan," noted Jason Meisenheimer.

The students emphasized the importance of letter writing campaigns to legislators and vowed to continue taking an active part in presenting chiropractic to government leaders.

Fall Commencement

CCCKC commencement ceremonies December 10 on the college's campus saw 45 students conferred the degree of doctor of chiropractic. Dr. Jack Kessinger, a 1963 CCCKC graduate and president of the Missouri State Chiropractors Association, delivered the graduation address. The students, the evening before the graduation ceremonies, attended the President's Dinner at the Hilton Plaza Inn in Kansas City.

Gonstead Scholarship

David Milot was recognized for his hard work and effort with the Gonstead Chiropractic Educational Trust scholarship for one academic year.

"I am extremely grateful to have received the award," he said, adding that the scholarship would help defray the cost of future loans.

Parker College of Chiropractic

Five Students Receive Scholarships

Dr. Genevieve Bergiers of Brussels, Belgium, a longtime follower of Parker seminars and member of the World Congress for Women Chiropractors (originated by Dr. Jim Parker) approved the first recipients of her namesake scholarship created from a donation of more than \$2,700.

The scholarships go only to students from Europe or the Near East. The students to receive \$500 are: Bruno Bertrand (Belgium); Aysegul Ozturk, MD (Turkey); Monika VanNeste (Belgium); Angelika Gugganig (Austria); and Loik de Tienda (France).

Teaching Staff Increased: Library/Resource Center to Expand

Parker has added new instructors in the Center for Chiropractic Science. James Guest, DC, will be returning as an assistant professor in clinical nutrition and clinical orthopedics; William Hetzel, DC, course director for laboratory diagnosis and differential diagnosis; Kenneth Lustik, DC, DACBR, assistant professor of academic radiology and course director for soft tissue pathology; Judith Bast, DC, DACBR, assistant professor in academic radiology; and Sandy Sandbote, MA, course director for the new communications course.

The Parker library and resource center will acquire an additional 4,456 feet of space from the outpatient clinical areas which are now housed in the new Parker public clinic. Six new group study rooms, three enclosed computer rooms to include laser disc and word processing stations, an archive's room, and two additional offices for librarians are planned for the new library space. Four new microfiche stations, 20 additional study stalls, and a periodical section expansion will complete the project.

Gonstead Trust Awards Scholarship

Parker student William T. Cobb received a full scholarship from the Gonstead Chiropractic Educational Trust in Madison, Wisconsin for one academic year, including tuition, fees, textbooks, and living expenses. Qualifications for the scholarship include exceptional skills in the application of the Gonstead technique, maintaining academic excellence, and preparing an essay about the Gonstead work.

The scholarship originated from proceeds of Dr. Clarence Gonstead's estate in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin during the early 1980s and is awarded on a rotating basis to chiropractic colleges twice annually. It was Dr. Gonstead's wish that the method he developed be perpetuated through the chiropractic colleges. The Gonstead method is one of nine techniques required in the Parker curriculum. To date, there have been four other Parker recipients. ©2025 Dynanamic Chiropractic[™] All Rights Reserved