

International Chiropractic Congress, South Africa

Editorial Staff

The organizers of the first International Chiropractic Congress are expecting a large contingent of chiropractors from all over the world to converge on the resort city of Sun City, South Africa, October 10-16, 1993.

"We are extremely proud to be hosting this year's event and would like to assure potential delegates that the Congress will be of top international standard and that we have laid on an exciting and varied program," said Congress Chairman Dr. Willem Boshoff.

The Congress is being organized under the auspices of the Chiropractic Association of South Africa, and is endorsed by the World Federation of Chiropractic. CCE license renewal credits are being sponsored by National College of Chiropractic in Lombard, Illinois.

Sun City is an ambitious \$350 million resort developed by Sol Kerzner and palatially designed by California architects. It comprises three hotels, a theme park (Lost City), a casino, lakes, waterfalls, and tropical gardens.

Sun City is located 100 miles (160 km) north of Johannesburg in the Valley of the Sun, formerly called the Valley of the Ancients, once the site of a tribal palace and city lost to the ages. The region today is part of Bophuthatswana, one of the regional "homelands" designated by the South African government as independent.

The international delegates to the Congress will convene at the Sun City Conference Centre at The Palace Sunday Oct. 10, where they will receive an official welcome from Dr. Geoffery Tasker, president of the Chiropractic Association of South Africa, and Dr. N.C.O.B. Khaole, Minister of Health of Boputhatswana.

"Your Spine in Time," will be the theme of the Congress, boasting internationally respected speakers presenting the very latest research findings. The eminent speakers include:

- Dr. Scott Haldeman, DC, PhD, MD (USA)

International researcher/lecturer "The failure of the pathology model to explain back pain."
"Research supporting the efficiency of chiropractic adjustment/manipulative procedures."

- Dr. Terry Yochum, DC, DACBR (USA)

International researcher/lecturer in radiology
"X-ray pathology and x-ray reporting."

- Dr. Virgil Strang, DC, PhC (USA)

Dean of Philosophy Palmer College of Chiropractic

"Chiropractic Perspective"

"Obstacles and Challenges Facing the Chiropractic Profession."

- Dr. Reed Phillips, DC, DACBR, PhD (USA) International researcher/lecturer, president of Los Angeles College of Chiropractic "Chiropractic education and research." "A diversified approach to spinal manipulation."
- Prof. Gunnar Anderson, MD, PhD. International researcher/lecturer in industrial injuries "Ergonomics at the workplace." "Biomechanics of Rehabilitation."
- Dr. Pamela Steed DDS, MSD (USA)

TMJ and oral medicine practitioner

"Whiplash of TMJ in cervical spine injuries."

- Dr. Maxine McMullen, RN, DC (USA) Dean of Chiropractic Science, PCC Specialty Pediatrics "The examination of pediatric and chiropractic management of pediatric patients. Examination and practical techniques."
- Prof. Jack Charteris, PhD (RSA) Dept. Human Movement Studies Rhodes University, SA "Ergonomic studies of the spine at the workplace."
- Prof. Marciej Henneberg PhD, DSc Researcher, Head of Dept. of Anatomy and Human Biology Wits Medical School, SA "The spine in evolutionary process."
- Prof. Gert Strydom, PhD (RSA)

Dept. Biokinetics Potchefstroom University, SA "The role of the biokinethesist in exercise & rehabilitation."

- Prof. Jack Allen, MD, ChM, FRCS (RSA)

Dept. Anatomy Wits Medical School, SA

"Embryological development of the spine."

- Mr. Ken Boffard, MD, FRCS(Ed) (RSA) Trauma consultant/lecturer, Trauma Unit, Johannesburg General Hospital "Emergency care & rescue of the spinal traumatized patient."
- Mr. Mike Bird, BA, Msc (RSA) Researcher Dept. of Orthopedics Wits Medical School, SA "New concept on the nutritional pathways of the synovial joint and its role in development of osteoarthritis."

Mr. Mel Siff, PhD (RSA) Dept. Biomechanical Engineering, Wits University, SA "Prevention of spinal injuries through applied biomechanics."

Mrs. Marg Steffan, Dip. (Physio) MSc (Physio) (RSA) Lecturer, researcher "Physiotherapeutic management of spinal stenosis."

A special panel discussion, "Your Spine in the Year 2093," will feature Drs. Haldeman, Henneberg, Anderson, Phillips, Strang, and Yochum on Thursday, Oct. 14.

Delegates will have the added pleasure of knowing that their attendance will advance chiropractic in Southern Africa: proceeds will go towards sponsoring the fledgling South African Chiropractic College, Technikon Witwatersrand (see the next issue of "DC" for an article on South Africa's two chiropractic colleges).

"We have compiled a truly memorable programme which will cater for all tastes," said Mrs. Pat Furno, member of the organizing committee. There will be a comprehensive spouses' program and several evenings' entertainment at Sun City.

The Congress will be a marvelous opportunity to stay abreast of international chiropractic trends, but the delegates will also have the opportunity to answer the call of the wild. Safari packages have been put together by the official travel agent for the Congress, including the nearby Pilanesburg National Reserve, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

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