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Senator Orrin Hatch Visits LACC

July 9th, Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT) was the honored guest and speaker at a Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC) luncheon held to raise funds for his re-election.

At the luncheon, sponsored by the ACA, Sen. Hatch spoke on his faith in chiropractic care, and the fact that he has fought for the profession since the beginning of his political career nearly 20 years ago.

Senator Hatch was the first member of the Senate to support Congressional authorization of federal funding for chiropractic-related research and advanced educational training projects (Title VII Public Health Service Act Reauthorization). He also led the reform of the HEAL student loan program to better serve chiropractic students.

CCCLA Interns Complete Hospital Rotations

Four interns from Cleveland Chiropractic College of Los Angeles (CCCLA), Mark Lockwood, Kevin Malone, Leo Romero and Marjan Shakib, completed four-week clinical rotations on July 13 at Coast Plaza Doctors Hospital in Norwalk, California.

The interns (called externs at the hospital) had rotations in the radiology, physical therapy, pathology and surgery/anesthesia departments. Said Dr. George R. Austin, CCCLA director of chiropractic extern education at Coast Plaza Hospital, "I was really impressed with the chiropractic students. They gained confidence working with medical professionals and were relaxed in the hospital setting."

Intern Leo Romero said, "It's an excellent program, and the doctors there make you feel very welcome. It's good to see how the medical model works."

LACC Co-Sponsors AHC Annual Meeting

LACC is a co-sponsor of the 12th Annual Meeting of the Association for the History of Chiropractic (AHC) on October 24-25, 1992. Some conference topics will include: "Who killed the first chiropractic legislation?"; "The legitimation of Chiropractic: The first 30 years," and "A tribute to Dr. Joseph W. Howe -- Pioneer in chiropractic radiology."

Among the speakers will be Joseph C. Keating Jr., Ph.D., from Palmer West, who will give a threehour chiropractic history seminar covering the first 50 years of LACC's history. Dr. Keating, in conjunction with LACC President Dr. Reed Phillips and LACC Registrar Marie Oliva, is currently researching and compiling the history of LACC. For more information on the AHC meeting, call

CCCLA Student Awarded Gonstead Scholarship

Cacinda L. Clark-Maloney, a trimester ten student at CCCLA, was the recipient of the 1992 Clarence S. Gonstead Educational Trust Scholarship. The scholarship will cover the full costs of her tuition, fees and required textbooks for one academic year, and it will provide an addition \$700 for living expenses.

The scholarship is awarded on a rotating basis to chiropractic colleges in the United States that hold accredited status with the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE). The three schools eligible for this year's award, each of whom submitted three student finalists to the Gonstead scholarship committee, were Texas Chiropractic College (TCC), Palmer West, and CCCLA.

LACC Students Treat "Simulated" Patients

Sixth term LACC students began participating July 6th in the new "standardized patient program," as part of LACC's ADVANTAGE curriculum. Students test their clinical skills on individuals who have been trained to simulated certain clinical conditions, representing "standard" conditions that DCs often encounter in practice.

Students must take a history of the patient who exhibits acute distress, maneuver the patient, and determine appropriate examination, x-ray or laboratory studies necessary to arrive at a working diagnosis.

For accuracy and realism, each standardized patient trains for two weeks with LACC's standardized patient program coordinator Nancy Gour, R.N.; Chairperson of the department of Principles and Practice Dr. Paul Hooper; and Chairperson of the division of Clinical Sciences Dr. Alfred Traina.

The students are videotaped during each history-taking and physical exam session. The professor and class then review the video and evaluate the student. The purpose is for students to practice effective communication with patients. As one student commented, "This was the most uplifting experience and came at just the right time."

LACC's Asian American Club Supports Emergency Loan Fund

Nearly 30 members of LACC's Asian American Student Club met in President Dr. Reed Phillips office on June 1st to formally present a \$400 contribution to the Reed B. Phillips Emergency Student Loan Fund. The fund allows needy students to receive temporary assistance until their educational loans are received. Since the fund's creation in 1991, 39 loans have been awarded, ranging in amounts up to \$2500 per loan.

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