

## News in Brief

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### North East Chiropractic Council Hosts Leadership Conference

The North East Chiropractic Council (NECC) hosted a leadership conference in Warwick, R.I., on Oct. 21, 2006. According to the NECC, the conference was designed to find common ground among the different chiropractic associations and open dialogue for other, more far-reaching events in the future.

Representatives from the major chiropractic associations of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York and Vermont all participated in the conference. The two college NECC affiliates, New York Chiropractic College (NYCC) and the University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic (UBCC), also participated, as did several invited speakers from non-NECC-affiliated organizations. The program was facilitated by Dr. Tom Ventimiglia, dean of postgraduate studies at NYCC.

In addition to presentations from various speakers and highlights of each state's activities, including discussions of legislative, insurance and membership issues, new NECC officers were elected: Dr. Albert Kalter (Mass.), president; Dr. Kevin Donovan (R.I.), vice president; Dr. Allan Vargas (N.J.), treasurer; and Dr. Peter Morgan (N.Y.), secretary.

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### Parker College Volunteers Lend Helping Hands to Breast Cancer Walk

Participants in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk found welcome relief each day from Parker College of Chiropractic volunteers. Interns, staff and doctors provided meals, water, snack stops, gear transportation, showers and portable restrooms to the approximately 2,500 walkers and 340 crew members supporting the walk. The interns also provided a total of 449 adjustments during the three-day walk.

"Parker College of Chiropractic feels honored to participate in this worthwhile event," said Dr. Fabrizio Mancini, college president. "Our efforts are Parker College's means to show support for the patients and the very important research and education programs funded through this event."

The walk is expected to raise millions of dollars, enabling event beneficiaries to fund breast cancer research, education and community outreach programs. Net proceeds from this and other 3-Day Walks benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund. The Komen Foundation funds breast cancer research, screening and education programs; while the Philanthropic Trust provides endowment for breast cancer initiatives.

"The 3-Day Walk is a life-changing experience for the participants as they can make a personal difference in the fight against breast cancer. As the chiropractic partner, we provided them with our expertise chiropractic care through evaluations, treatment and management of injuries," Mancini explained.

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## New Faculty at Logan College of Chiropractic

Logan College recently announced three new faculty appointments: Muriel M. Perillat, MS, DC, has accepted the position of director of student health; Carl W. Saubert IV, PhD, has been named associate vice president of academic affairs, and Maureen T. Helfrich, MA, has joined the staff as director of sports and activities.

Dr. Perillat, a native of France, earned a master's degree in biochemistry and a doctor of chiropractic degree, and has practiced in Missouri, Kansas and France. Her pediatric practice focus has been on children with special needs. She has more than 25 years of experience as an instructor, clinician, department chair, and clinic director at Cleveland College of Chiropractic - Kansas City.

Dr. Saubert previously served Cleveland College of Chiropractic as vice president of academic and student services; multi-campus director of planning and institutional studies; interim director of student services/registrar; and interim multi-campus vice president for student and alumni relations. He also has served in the Chief Academic Officers Group and the Institutional Assessment and Planning Administrators Group of the Association of Chiropractic Colleges, and has published abstracts and articles in numerous journals.

Maureen Helfrich has a background in corporate fitness/wellness, hospital-based fitness, athletic training, therapeutic massage and teaching. She holds a bachelor's degree in physical education/athletic training, and a master's degree in exercise physiology. She is certified as an athletic trainer, exercise specialist and massage therapist.

"I am very pleased that Logan College has been able to add to its depth of experience and talent with the additions of Dr. Perillat, Dr. Saubert and Ms. Helfrich," said Logan President George A. Goodman, DC, FICC. "With their contributions, we look forward to meeting the future challenges of continued growth and development at Logan."

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## Oklahaven's Have-A-Heart Campaign Begins Feb. 13

The Oklahaven Children's Chiropractic Center is kicking off its "Have-A-Heart 2007" fundraising campaign on Feb. 13, 2007. Participating chiropractors will be supplied with a video of children treated at Oklahaven that they can show to their patients. If a patient donates money to the center, their name is displayed on a colorful heart in the doctor's waiting room.

Now in its 45<sup>th</sup> year of existence, Oklahaven works with severely disabled children, including those with asthma, autism or paralysis. The center also provides a support group for parents of patients. If you are interested in participating in this campaign, please visit [www.chiropractic4kids.com/heart.html](http://www.chiropractic4kids.com/heart.html) to receive a Have-A-Heart packet with video, display hearts and patient pamphlets.

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