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Sherman College Honors Dr. Jerry Hardee

Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic recently recognized former president Jerry L. Hardee, EdD, for his outstanding service to the chiropractic profession. Thomas A. Gelardi, DC, interim president and Sherman College founder, presented Dr. Hardee with an honorary Doctor of Chiropractic Humanities degree during the college's 108th commencement ceremony in December.



"To say that service has shaped Jerry Hardee's life is to tell only half the story," said Dr. Gelardi. "His service to humanity speaks for itself, yet as I think of Jerry Hardee, I think of a man who has fashioned his life to make a difference in the world. Dr. Hardee's dedicated service has meant so much to me personally, to Sherman College and to the chiropractic profession."

In 2001, Dr. Hardee became the first African-American president of an accredited chiropractic college, serving as the third president of Sherman College. As president, he reached out to students, faculty and health care profession advisors at historically black colleges and universities

to inform them of the opportunities available in chiropractic and the academic background needed for admission to a chiropractic college. In 2004, he was named Humanitarian of the Year by the American Black Chiropractic Association; the South Carolina Chiropractic Association named him Chiropractic Friend of the Year in 2005.

Dr. Hardee has not only dedicated himself to the advancement of the chiropractic profession; he also has devoted a lifetime of service to his community. He has served as an executive administrator at five different institutions of higher education in the Georgia state educational system, and has served on numerous nonprofit boards, including the advisory board of Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the board of directors of the American Red Cross and the Boy Scouts of America. He has been recognized by the Levi Strauss Foundation in honor and appreciation of his years of service and leadership with Project Change, an anti-racism initiative in Valdosta, Ga.

Currently, Dr. Hardee is dean of the Life University College of Arts and Sciences.

Foot Levelers Supports Future of Chiropractic

Foot Levelers has renewed its financial support to the Foundation for Chiropractic Education and Research (FCER) Fellowship Program. The program provides advanced graduate education, including research training, to promising young chiropractors, with the intent of increasing the number of chiropractic researchers.

"Research is a key component in the advancement of our profession," said Kent S. Greenawalt, president and CEO of Foot Levelers. "The ability to document our successes and communicate our value to the world is critical. There is no better investment to make in our future than to support new researchers who will be moving this important work forward."

"The importance of postgraduate support for chiropractic research cannot be underestimated, not only for the profession, but for the public as well" added Anthony L. Rosner, PhD, director of research and education at the FCER. "The entire future of chiropractic care lies in the hands of research to be able to document what is most effective, and in turn, the entire future of research lies in the hands of the fellows whom we support."

The FCER is chiropractic's oldest and largest nonprofit organization devoted solely to building the research and education infrastructure of the profession. In large part, the FCER has developed the research base the profession enjoys today, and strives to widen that base through research grants and the development of new researchers. More information on FCER can be found at www.fcer.org.

Correction

In the Dec. 3, 2006 issue, we reported on an exciting development in international chiropractic education: the development of the first accredited program in Spain. The program, scheduled to commence in October 2007 at the Maria Cristina Royal University Centre (Real Centro Universitario), was developed in consultation with the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic and with support from the Spanish Chiropractic Association (Asociación Española de Quiropráctica - AEQ)

In our article, we stated that the chiropractic program had been accredited by the European Council on Chiropractic Education. However, after going to press, we were informed that the

program has not yet received such accreditation. According to the AEQ, the council's *Accreditation Procedures and Standards in Undergraduate Chiropractic Education and Training* state that accreditation cannot be applied for until a program has graduated its first class.

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