

Logan Makes Presence Felt at ACC Meeting

Editorial Staff

Logan College of Chiropractic made a strong showing at the Association of Chiropractic Colleges' March meeting in New Orleans. Nineteen members of the Logan faculty and administration attended, and 18 studies submitted by the college's research department were presented in panel discussions or poster presentations.

Logan Director of Research Dennis Nosco, PhD, noted that Logan's studies made up almost 30 percent of the research papers presented at the meeting. Doris Bell, DC, associate professor of chiropractic science at Logan, spoke on diversity in the profession, and Logan alumnus John Triano, DC, PhD, director of the chiropractic division of the Texas Back Institute, served on a panel that addressed motor learning and improving outcomes for spinal manipulation.

Of the 18 studies submitted by Logan's research department, five appeared in panel discussions, including "Clinical Utilization of Advanced Imaging at a Chiropractic Teaching Institution"; "Financial Experience, Knowledge and Attitudes Among Chiropractic Students in College"; and "The Effect of the Quadriceps Femoris Angle with the Insertion of an Orthotic Device." The remaining 13 studies appeared as poster presentations during the four-day conference.

ACA Offers Cabinet Members' Speeches Online

In March, Anthony Principi, U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and Tommy Thompson, U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, spoke at the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) National Chiropractic Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. [See "Two Cabinet Members Attend ACA Conference," News in Brief, May 5 DC: www.chiroweb.com/archives/21/10/15.html.]

Footage from Principi and Thompson's speeches is now available for viewing on the ACA Web site. The footage shows each secretary enthusiastically recognizing the contributions the chiropractic profession has made to America's health-care system. Several members of Congress also addressed the crowd at the conference, and appear in the footage: Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA), Rep. Jim Ramstad (R-MN), Rep. Bob Filner (D-CA), Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA), Sen. Norm Coleman (R-MN) and Rep. Chris Chocola (R-IN).

To view the video footage, go to www.acatoday.com/about/nclc2003/video.shtml.

ACA Presents Seven President's Awards

The ACA also presented seven individuals with its President's Award for "outstanding service to the ACA and the chiropractic profession" at this year's National Chiropractic Legislative Conference. Foot Levelers, Inc., President and CEO Kent Greenawalt received the award for the second time. Other recipients of the President's Award were: Dr. Carl Cleveland III; Rep. Bob Filner (D-CA); Dr. Patrick Gentempo; Dr. Fabrizio Mancini; Dr. Mark Sanna; and Janelle Whitehead.

"It is an honor to be selected again for this prestigious award," said Greenawalt, who was also named ACA Humanitarian of the Year in 1991. "It is my duty to serve the profession in any way that I can. I feel blessed to be recognized with other great leaders of chiropractic."

New Board of Regents, Executive Committee at SCUHS

WHITTIER, Calif. - The Southern California University of Health Sciences (SCUHS) recently appointed five new members to its Board of Regents.

Joining the board are Drs. Mark Dederichs (Glendora); Alexander Ediss (Palm Springs); Ward Henry (Los Alamitos); David Mortensen (La Crescenta); and Ken Tsai (Laguna Hills).

SCUHS President Reed B. Phillips, DC, PhD, also announced the members of the board's latest executive committee: Drs. Harry Douglas (chair); Andrea Sinclair (vice chair); John Hemauer (secretary); James Jones; Sam Liang; and William Valusek.

In other SCUHS news, the university's alumni association recently honored 14 alumni at an April luncheon. Drs. Arthur Croft (Spring Valley), Martin Gallegos (Baldwin Park), Craig Liebenson (Los Angeles) and Stephen Smith (Buena Park) received distinguished service awards; 10 other doctors of chiropractic received awards recognizing lifetime achievement:

- Alan Adams (Tallahassee, Fla.)
- Thomas Anderson (Los Angeles)
- Charles Cline (Azusa, Calif.)
- E. Maylon Drake (Knoxville, Tenn.)
- Delwyn Fitches (Bellflower, Calif.)
- Joseph Howe (Chesterfield, Mich.)
- Roy Logan (Garden Grove, Calif.)
- W.M. Marcussen (Arcadia, Calif.)
- Norman Marback (Culver City, Calif.)
- John Thie (Pasadena, Calif.)

Michigan Chiropractors in the Spotlight

The Michigan Chiropractic Association (MCA) has named Ken Hughes, DC, as its new president. Dr. Hughes, a graduate of Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic, has served the MCA previously in multiple leadership roles, including tenure at the district level as secretary, treasurer, vice president and district president. He also has served as chairman of the products, membership and legal and political-action committees, and was named MCA's Chiropractor of the Year in 1998.

"The association has reached many goals recently," commented Dr. Hughes. "I want to make sure we communicate that with our membership. We need to make sure the chiropractors in the state hear about our accomplishments."

One such recent accomplishment was Senate Bill 1121, also known as the MCA Patient Protection Bill. The bill, signed into law on Dec. 30, 2002, protects consumers by ensuring that only licensed, qualified practitioners provide chiropractic care. Dr. Tim Tarry, legislative chairman and longtime member of the MCA, worked alongside association lobbyists to bring the bill to the state legislature; the MCA recognized his efforts with its Chiropractor of the Year award for 2003. [See

"Landmark Michigan Law Protects Chiropractors, Patients," in the March 10 DC:
www.chiroweb.com/archives/21/06/08.html.]

Dr. Tarry has served in various district leadership positions for the MCA and has chaired each of its 12 committees. He also was a member of the Michigan Board of Chiropractic Examiners for 11 years.

A Call for Research Papers

The Fifth Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back and Pelvic Pain has announced a call for papers. The 2004 event is scheduled to convene at Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre in Australia, Nov. 10-13, 2004.

Every three years, the international congress invites practitioners, researchers and policy-makers from various health-care fields, including chiropractic, medicine, osteopathy and biomechanics, to attend the event. The Congress Conveyors and Scientific Committee have sought support from the United Nations and the World Health Organization to obtain the most relevant speakers and a high number of practitioners for next year's event.

The congress is asking for original abstracts on clinical or technical topics for oral and poster presentations and workshops. Abstracts should be forwarded to info@worldcongresslbp.com by Dec. 15, 2003. A list of acceptable research topics and other information on the 2004 Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back and Pelvic Pain can be viewed at www.worldcongresslbp.com.

Bringing Chiropractic to the Competition

In February, sports chiropractor Ira Shapiro and 15 other chiropractic and medical volunteers treated potential Olympians at the Titan Games at San Jose State University in San Jose, Calif. The competition, which featured individual events such as boxing, wrestling, martial arts and weightlifting, brought together almost 200 athletes from 19 countries, many on the "Road to Athens" and the 2004 Summer Olympics. Dr. Shapiro and his team treated problems ranging from overuse injuries to acute injuries suffered during competition, and also provided pre-event adjustments.

"Of all the events I've covered over the years, this was one of the best from the standpoint of cooperation between the medical and chiropractic staff," said Dr. Shapiro, a graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic. "We all worked together flawlessly."

Dr. Shapiro, also a certified EMT, has an impressive résumé that includes service as an attending physician at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta; the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City; the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo.; and the Gatorade Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii.

According to Dr. Shapiro, "All that experience has prepared me well for these events, but in the end, it all comes down to teamwork."

