

## Georgia Chiropractic Association's "Humanitarian of the Year"

Editorial Staff

Dr. James Schantz, a 1986 graduate of National College of Chiropractic, has been honored as the Georgia Chiropractic Association's "Humanitarian of the Year." Dr. Schantz received the award at the GCA's fall conference, which was held in Atlanta in October.

Dr. Schantz was chosen for his volunteer work over the past three years with Mercy Mobile Health Care (MMHC), an Atlanta-based nonprofit medical group that provides low-cost and free health care to the indigent and homeless. Schantz began providing chiropractic services at MMHC's Central Health Clinic in 1996.

More recently, Dr. Schantz volunteered his services at Edgewood, a residential facility in Atlanta for people that are HIV-positive. He has also provided care to Peruvian villagers under the auspices of Flying Doctors of America. Such efforts led to Dr. Schantz being honored with the "Chiropractic Award of Excellence" from Prevention magazine in 1998 (Editor's note: see "The Community Health Service Awards Go To ..." in the July 13th issue of *DC*, or at <http://www.ChiroWeb.com/archives/16/15/18.html> ).

The Humanitarian of the Year award is given to individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievements to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Georgia. Previous winners of the award have been former president Jimmy Carter and Governor Zell Miller.

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### *New York Times* Apologizes for Not Using Title of "Dr."

The *New York Times* has sent a written apology to the American Chiropractic Association for its failure to use the professional title "Dr." when referring to chiropractors. The apology came in response to a letter sent by the ACA to the paper's editorial department for failing to use the "Dr." title numerous times in the past, even though the paper's stylebook notes the use of "Dr." for doctors of chiropractic.

"You are right; we were wrong," wrote William Borders, a news editor with the *Times*. "We have alerted the staff to this lapse, and I hope we have raised people's consciousness."

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### Life West's "Alumna of the Year"

Dr. Yael Weiss of Avihail, Israel has been named the 1999 "Alumna of the Year" by the Life Chiropractic College West Alumni Association. Dr. Weiss received the award during the college's homecoming celebration on October 23rd, shortly before giving birth to her third child, Jasmine.

A 1993 graduate of Life West, Dr. Weiss has maintained a private practice in her hometown while providing leadership to the chiropractic profession in Israel. She has been on the Israeli Chiropractic Society's board of directors since 1995 and has served as vice president, secretary and chair of the society's continuing education committee. She also finds time to present lectures and spinal care programs to elementary students, high-school students and volunteer organizations throughout Israel, and has designed a spinal care and prevention lecture kit to explain the benefits of chiropractic.

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