

NYCC Gives \$15,000 towards Solla Lawsuit

Editorial Staff

Remarking that "the time has come to support those who are fighting for our profession," NYCC Dr. Kenneth Padgett presented a check for \$15,000 to the three lead plaintiffs in the Solla HMO antitrust lawsuit: Drs. Andrew Lacerenza (NYCC '79), Nicholas Napolitano (NYCC '65), and Phillip Solla (Palmer '64). They received the funding at New York Chiropractic College's "Free Alumni Day."

Dr. Lacerenza presented an update on the status of the anti-trust suit. "This is not just about New York," he observed. "We're fighting this in federal court, so this will affect chiropractic in all 50 states. We appreciate NYCC's support and hope this will inspire all the colleges, and their 50,000 alumni, to join in the fight."

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The Chiropractic Alliance
199 N. Wellwood Ave.
Lindenhurst, NY 11757

Dr. Cleveland III Speaks at Kansas Hospital

Dr. Carl Cleveland III, president of CCCLA and CCKKC, spoke to a group of medical doctors February 5th at the Columbia Overland Park Regional Medical Center in Overland, Park, Kansas. His presentation, "Introduction of Contemporary Chiropractic Care," was part of the hospital's continuing medical education series. Dr. Darrell Fore, a 1967 CCKKC graduate and Kansas Chiropractic Association past president, was co-presenter.

Ila Petersen, MD, chair of the hospital's Continuing Medical Education Committee, indicated that more and more MDs are interested in learning about chiropractic care and its role when used in a partnership with medical care. The committee has found a growing number of patients are concurrently receiving medical care and chiropractic care, and MDs have a growing desire to know more about the kind of care their patients are receiving from DCs. Additionally, Dr. Petersen said that she feels there are more MDs now who are willing to refer specific patients who have had previous experience with chiropractic care and are comfortable with it.

Drs. Cleveland and Fore covered the basic principles of chiropractic, including the clinical approach and the educational experience. They also presented outcomes effectiveness studies pointing to the benefits of spinal manipulative therapy and vertebral adjustment in reducing pain and enhancing patient function and return to normal daily activity.

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC) recently welcomed three new deans to its campus: Dr. Delmas Allen, dean of academic affairs; Dr. Nathan Church, dean of student affairs; and Dr. Ross Woolley, dean of postgraduate education and research.

Dr. Delmas Allen served in academic administrative positions as vice president of academic affairs at North Georgia University; associate dean of the college of health sciences for the School of Allied Health Professions at Georgia State University; and president of North Georgia College. He obtained his doctorate in biology and human anatomy from the University of North Dakota.

Dr. Nathan Church comes to LACC with 20 years of management experience in higher education: he recently held a position as western regional vice president of business development and operations for Collegiate Health Care, a management services organization. He also spent seven years as the director of counseling, health and wellness services for Western Washington University. He received his PhD in sociology from Rutgers University.

Dr. Ross Woolley was chairman of the department of community health development at the School of Public Health at the University of Hawaii. Most of his academic career was spent at the University of Utah as a professor and division chief of epidemiology, biostatistics, and prevention research in the department of family and preventative medicine. As a prolific scholar, teacher, and administrator, he has garnered external grants exceeds \$17.5 million.

NWCC Expands Paraprofessional Program

Northwestern College of Chiropractic (NWCC) will be implementing a new chiropractic paraprofessional program at Normandale Community College. The two-year program leads to an Associate in Applied Science degree.

"This is a breakthrough program and we believe it will one day become the new standard for the chiropractic profession," said Larry Kuusisto, DC, dean of students at Northwestern and director of the program.

Depending on the demand from students currently enrolled in the general courses at Normandale, NWCC will be offering its first technical courses in the fall of 1997.

Northwestern is also developing an additional paraprofessional educational track for potential students interested in a less comprehensive schedule of courses. The new track, co-sponsored with the Minnesota Chiropractic Association, is a 10-month program held on weekends. Dr. Kuusisto calls the track "a great program for current chiropractic assistants who want to increase their levels of competency, yet may not be able to attend weekday classes."

Many of the credits taken as part of the 10-month program can be transferred into the two-year program. A series of individual courses designed to enhance current chiropractic assistants' skills and help them meet certain licensing requirements are also being offered.

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