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Students from 17 chiropractic colleges attended the World Congress of Chiropractic Students.

Dynamic Chiropractic Staff

GREENVILLE, South Carolina -- The World Congress of Chiropractic Students was held the week of Sept. 15th, and drew students from 17 colleges from around the world. The congress gives students an opportunity to exchange ideas and broaden their perspectives.

The Thursday session of the congress was held on the Sherman College campus during the "Chiropractic Discovery Day" celebration.

Dr. Thom Gelardi, founder and former president of the college, was on hand to speak, as was Sherman president, Dr. David Koch.

Cleveland KC Helps Children Become Better Readers

President Clinton challenged higher education to play a more vital role in developing the reading skills of children by further subsidizing the federal work-study program. In response to that challenge, Cleveland Chiropractic College of Kansas City (CCCKC) has planned and implemented a number of reading programs to help two low-income elementary schools.

The program, dubbed CHEERS (Cleveland Helps Educate Elementary Readers Succeed), began earlier this summer with an on-campus meeting, which attracted approximately 150 students. From the applicants, 30 students were selected to become part of CHEERS.

The CCCKC students are working with students at nearby Ladd Elementary and Phillips-Wendall Elementary. Ann De Boef, CCCKC's director of financial aid, said that since the schools are open only nine months, the college will also be working at the Kansas City Public Library System to help young readers.

A Triple Crown for Dr. Spresser in Colorado

Ken Spresser, DC, of Arvada, Colorado, has again been named "Chiropractor of the Year" at the annual awards banquet of the Colorado Chiropractic Association (CCA). This is the third consecutive year the honor has been bestowed on him, reflecting his tireless work for the association.

A graduate of Life University, Dr. Spresser has been practicing chiropractic for 15 years. He has served on the CCA Board of Directors since 1992, and has been active on many committees for the association. He now chairs the legislative and publications committees.

Dr. Spresser was also recently named a fellow of the International College of Chiropractors (ICC), an honor afforded only a few chiropractic leaders each year.

Doctors' Hospital Receives Proclamation from NY City Council

A few months ago, Doctors' Hospital of Staten Island became the first hospital in New York state to establish a chiropractic division (see DC, Sept. 8, 1997). Now the City Council of New York has given a proclamation to the hospital for their efforts to help promote chiropractic.

In part, the document reads: "The establishment of the Division of Chiropractic at Doctors' Hospital is a ground breaking event for the medical community and the community-at-large, at once, breaking barriers in health care and increasing public access to chiropractic."

The proclamation was awarded by Councilman John A. Fusco, who represents the district in which Doctors' Hospital is located. Fusco himself has received chiropractic care to treat severe headaches and called the introduction of chiropractic in a hospital setting "a progressive, new, ground breaking, teamwork approach to health care."

The proclamation from the city council follows a state Senate proclamation given earlier in the year, in which both Doctor's Hospital and Dr. Victor Dolan (the new chief of the chiropractic division) were honored for their services to chiropractic.

Life Graduate Sets Bench-Press Record

NEWARK, New Jersey -- Bernie Miller, DC, a 1996 Life graduate, captured national honors at the 1997 USAPL Bench Press National Championships in September.

Competing in the 56 kilogram (123.5 pound) weight division, Dr. Miller's opening attempt at 281 pounds broke two national records in the men's open division, and in the "drug-free" class. The record was at 275 pounds and was set in 1991. Dr. Miller also holds weightlifting records at the state, regional, and collegiate levels.

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