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Good Morning Doctor,

I am sorry to tell you that one of our colleagues, and many of you knew him, has passed away. We lost Dr. Tony Cacioppo, who had worked many years at National College of Chiropractic and most recently at Palmer College. Tony was very instrumental in helping to develop the new Academy Diplomate examination, working with the Delphi Committees and as an examiner. Our deepest sympathies are with his family. He will be missed.

The Academy Board wishes to thank each one of our members for your continued support. We appreciate this support by continuing your membership with the Academy. We are continuing to try and improve the organization and expand our mission to support the chiropractic orthopedist. This cannot be done without you. Thanks!

The Grant Committee of the Academy is currently reviewing a restricted grant request that we received earlier this month. The members of this committee work independently of each other to review the request and return their comments and recommendations back to the Executive Secretary of the Academy. In the year-end e-letter, I'll review the restricted and unrestricted grants that the Academy has completed this year. Your membership helps make a difference and supports graduate education and research. Thanks!

The Academy was approached by the American Board of Chiropractic Specialties (ABCS) of the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) this past month. We were asked if the Academy had an interest in affiliating or joining this group and becoming a subagency of the ACA. This request prompted the Board to begin research and investigation into this request. This took us approximately a month to gather information. We consulted and reviewed information from academicians, scholars, certifying groups, medicine, osteopathy and specialty groups within the profession. Taking all of this information into consideration the Academy Board decided that **the Academy must remain an independent organization**. Interestingly, the research and discovery during this process have now opened some doors that we had not considered. We are embarking on two new projects because of this work, and both will strengthen the specialty and expand the orthopedic footprint. Our work is all preliminary now, and I hope to report some progress by early next year. These works will dove-tail nicely with the 2010 project! It has been said ... "One door closes -- another opens."

There is still time to register for the Texas Council of Chiropractic Orthopedists review class in Houston, Texas on January 25-27, 2008. Contact the Academy or Texas College of Chiropractic (TCC) for information and registration. They are currently contacting the states for CEU credits. If you are coming from a surrounding state or traveling a longer distance, contact TCC so they can apply for your hours to be accepted by your state.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

One can never consent to creep when one feels an impulse to soar ... ~ Helen Keller