Editorial

Bidding a faithful friend a fond farewell

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It is with gratitude that the editors of the JCCP take a moment to acknowledge our recently retired friend, Molly Rangnath, and the unwavering dedication and countless contributions she has made over decades of service to the International Chiropractor’s Association’s Council on Chiropractic Pediatrics.

Molly, who most recently has served as Editor-in-Chief and Deputy Executive Director for Programs for the International Chiropractic Association, was integral in the founding of the Pediatric Council and the launching of the Diplomate in Chiropractic Pediatrics with Drs. Maxine McMullen, Peter Fysh and Joan Fallon.

After launching the inaugural annual conference, Molly successfully hosted an annual conference for the Council, gathering together, year after year, the growing community of graduating diplomates (and their families!) as well as many participants ranging from chiropractic students to seasoned practitioners interested in staying on the cutting edge of pediatric education.

Molly also hosted many educational events here in the United States as well as around the world (always “Building Bridges”) that have been offered over the decades to chiropractors wanting to expand their knowledge and provide a more specialized level of care to the pregnant and pediatric population.

Always aware of the need to support chiropractors in their clinical practice as well as the face of pediatric chiropractic “in the world” (of insurance, legislation, etc), Molly supported the leadership of the Council in launching the Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics in 1996, published in hard copy until 2014 when she then began to publish the JCCP online (jccponline.com), making it open access, enhancing the ability of chiropractors and other associated healthcare professionals to access pediatric chiropractic literature.

We will miss Molly’s insight and ingenuity, her ability to imagine, organize and accomplish the unexpected, her constant reminders that we were pediatric chiropractors and the importance of guarding that privilege and her propensity to constantly raise the bar for us to be all she believed we could be. But what will be missed most is her understanding and support of providing excellent chiropractic care to a very special population — children.

We will never be able to thank you enough, Molly, and we wish you a peaceful and joyous next stretch of your journey!