Editorial

Professor John B. Chang, MD, FACS, FICA

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On February 8, 2014, Dr. John B. Chang received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the LIJ Medical Center Staff Society recognizing him for his exceptional qualities as a physician, educator, leader, compassionate humanitarian, and friend. This highly prestigious honor recognizes Dr. Chang's eternal devotion and dedication to his students, residents, and peers. We feel that a brief mention of Dr. Chang's outstanding personal and professional career is an essential component of our continued recognition of such a unique achiever.

John B. Chang, MD, FACS, FICA is a board certified vascular surgeon with many years of experience. His academic appointments include Professor, Clinical Surgery, Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine, Uniondale, NY, and Adjunct Professor, Clinical Surgery, Albert Einstein School of Medicine, Bronx, NY. He is a member of the MD Appointment Committee, Department of Surgery, Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine, Uniondale, NY. He is currently Director of the Long Island Vascular Center, Roslyn, NY, and senior attending surgeon, North Shore-LIJ Healthcare System, New Hyde Park, NY. He is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the International College of Angiology, Editor-in-Chief of *International Journal of Angiology*, and Founding Chairman of the Asian Society for Vascular Surgery.

His weekly vascular teaching rounds and conferences for medical students, interns, residents, and fellows serve as blueprints for the development of future surgical leaders. Dr. Chang's passion to further the career of future achievers led to the establishment of the "Young Investigator's Competition Award" and the "Professor John B. Chang Research Achievement Award" programs of the International College of Angiology and Asian Society for Vascular Surgery. Dr. Chang is the Program Chairman for scientific teaching conferences and the Annual World Congress of the International College of Angiology, and Program Chairman for quarterly, multidisciplinary conferences of the International College of Angiology's Workshop.

Dr. Chang's extra-mural professional responsibilities include appointments to the editorial board of *The Journal of Neurological and Orthopaedic Medi-*

cine and Surgery, and *Asian Journal of Surgery*. He is editorial advisor and guest writer for *Vascular Diseases*, reviewer for the *Journal of Vascular Surgery*, and International Advisor for the Congress of Vascular Society of India. He is also a member of the editorial board of *Aorta*. As if these achievements were not enough, he is also an Honorary Police Surgeon for the City of New York, NY.

Dr. Chang holds fellowships and memberships in 23 national and international professional societies and organizations. He has received over 53 professional honors, awards, recognitions, and citations for his work in vascular surgery. The International College of Angiology has established the Prof. John B. Chang Oration Lecture in his honor. Dr. Chang has also been distinguished for his teaching at the Department of Surgery of Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine.

He has given more than 166 invited presentations at national and international scientific forums. He has authored numerous books, and published more than 137 articles and book chapters on the medical and vascular surgical management of patients with special emphasis on research, and in particular, long-term outcome of carotid endarterectomy with vein patch, aortic aneurysms, and lower extremity revascularization.

Dr. Chang is married to the beautiful Lucy (also a physician trained in anesthesiology). They have two sons, Victor (Director of Counseling in Southern Oregon University and Co-Director of Southern Oregon University Health Center) and Robert "Bobby" (also a highly talented Ivy-league trained vascular surgeon).

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