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North Dakota Relief Fund

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It may take years for the Grand Forks area and other cities along the Red River to recover from the devastating floods.

In the June 16 issue of Dynamic Chiropractic, Kevin Gruhot, DC, gave a first-hand account of the devastating flood waters that ravaged his community of Grand Forks, North Dakota. While the muddy waters were submerging and ripping apart homes and businesses, Dr. Gruhot's home and practice escaped the flood's fury. Dr. Gruhot was fortunate, but many weren't.

Although it's been nearly three months since the flood waters began to subside, it will take years to repair the damage done to the Grand Forks area and other cities along the Red River. To assist the state's chiropractors in the reestablishment of their practices, the North Dakota Chiropractic Association has started a flood relief fund.

Donations may be sent to: North Dakota Chiropractic Association, P.O. Box 656, Bismarck, ND, 58502-0656. For further information, please contact Sharon Muggli at (701) 222-4901.

"Best State Association" Website Awards

The Kansas Chiropractic Association (KCA) and the California Chiropractic Association (CCA) were chosen as winners of the State Association Website Contest, sponsored by the American Chiropractic Association. The two first place winners (based on membership size) were announced at the ACA house of delegates meeting in Reno, Nevada on June 7, 1997.

KCA webmaster Dr. James Edwards and CCA President Dr. Michael Pedigo accepted the awards on behalf of their state associations.

Kansas Chiropractic Association:

[url=http://www.cjnetworks.com/~kca]http://www.cjnetworks.com/~kca[/url] California Chiropractic Association: [url=http://www.calchiroassn.org]http://www.calchiroassn.org[/url]

Chiropractic Assists at Mexico Junior Olympics

Chiropractic played a big part at the Mexico Junior Olympics held recently in Mexico City. For nearly two weeks, Mexican and American chiropractors collaborated in a central clinic with medical doctors, physiotherapists, and other health care professionals in treating young athletes in individual and team sports. Chiropractors also provided care at events such as the tae kwon do and judo competitions.

"It was a great experience," remarked Dr. Tim Stark, a graduate of Northwest College of Chiropractic. "I hope next year the Mexican Chiropractic Federation will be able to acquire more sports-oriented DCs from all over the world who are Spanish-speaking to provide a stronger representation of sports chiropractic care."

Life University Claims Another National Title

The titles just keep rolling in for the athletics program at Life University. Life's teams this year have won the NAIA national championships in men's basketball and indoor track and field; the ice hockey team claimed the American College Hockey Association's Division II title; and the Life University's club soccer team just won the state championship of the Atlanta District Amateur Soccer League.

Now Life has added a fourth national title, winning the NAIA National Outdoor Track and Field Championships, which were held on their home field May 21-23.

Life's men's team won the title with a total of 94 points, easily outdistancing second place Prairie View A&M. The Running Eagles' long distance runners clinched the title, as freshmen Silah Misoi, Japeth Kirui and Sammy Nyamongo swept the top three spots in the 5,000 meter race. Kirui and Nyamongo also finished 1-2 in the 10,000 meters, and Nyamongo won the 3,000 meter steeplechase with a time of 8:40.98.

Other great performances were turned in by Marten Ejdervall and Peter Lindstalh, who finished third in the hammer throw; Annie Guillet, who finished second in the javelin; and Solomon Birir, who took third place in the men's 800 meters.

"Everyone just peaked at the right time," said head coach Mike Spino, "plus we got tremendous support from the fans. It really fired everyone up."

The Life women's team also fared well, coming in fourth with 48 points. Zoila Stewart, a former Olympian from Costa Rica, won the women's 400 meters in 53.34 seconds and was second in the 200 meters. The women's 4x100 relay team finished second in their match; they also came in fourth place in the 4x400 relays.

Nearly 750 athletes from more than 100 colleges throughout North America competed in this year's meet, the 46th annual championship for men and the 17th annual for women.

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