

Life College Receives Federal Grant for Disadvantaged Students

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Life College of Chiropractic in Marietta, Georgia has been approved for a federal grant to institute a Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) for disadvantaged students. The program, funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is part of the Division of Disadvantaged Assistance of the Bureau of Health Professions.

U.S. Congressman Buddy Darden, D-Marietta, notified Life College that they will receive \$407,000 in federal assistance over a three-year period. Life College will furnish \$312,000 during a three year period in buildings, equipment, and instructors for the program. Approximately \$200,000, or 50 percent of the monies will be raised outside of the college to support the program when federal funds run out.

A total of 30 students will be recruited each year from Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee. In order to be eligible for this program, students must qualify as being disadvantaged by having a total family income under \$18,000 a year, or the student must be lacking in exposure to the academic subjects necessary to qualify for acceptance to a health profession school.

These students, who have completed at least one year of college, will be eligible to apply for the six-week summer program at the Life campus. They will be introduced to chiropractic philosophy, history and practices, and will study chemistry, biology, and anatomy. Through the program, the students will also receive extensive counseling in the development of basic skills and study habits, computer literacy, and the reading and exam skills necessary for acceptance into a professional school.

Life College is the first chiropractic college to receive an HCOP grant for a cross-section of minorities and disadvantaged students.

Introducing the Journal of Chiropractic Research and Clinical Investigation

Two of the leading chiropractic research quarterlies have merged beginning with the Summer 1990 issue. Chiropractic: the Journal of Chiropractic Research, Study and Clinical Investigation, and the Journal of Chiropractic Research will start their sixth year of publication as Chiropractic: The Journal of Chiropractic Research and Clinical Investigation.

By combining the expertise of the journal's staffs, Chiropractic will better serve both readers and authors. The latest in research developments from the colleges and the field will be accessible to our readers so the scholarly practitioner will be able to keep pace with the latest advancements. Chiropractic will strive to continue to publish works from the clinical and basic sciences relevant to the practicing clinician.

The increased dissemination of the combined journals will mean a greater readership for each author's work, thus heightening the chance of critical interchange so necessary for growth and

development of new thought.

Editorial offices will be located at the Palmer Institute of Graduate Studies and Research, Davenport, Iowa. Robert J. Wagon, current director of the institute, had been appointed as editor-in-chief of the new journal.

American Chiropractor Treats Visiting Soviet MIG Pilots

On July 8 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, a crowd of 100,000 came to see an exciting show: the F-14 Tomcat, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, the U.S. Army Golden Knights, and others. But there was one point of special interest -- something no other American air show audience had ever seen before: a MIG-29/Fulcrum, the Soviet Union's strongest jet fighter. There was also another first that took place during the Soviet visit: the delegation's request for an American doctor (chiropractor) to conduct an examination to help ensure their pilot's spinal health.

Like many cockpits in military aircraft, conditions are cramped. The pilot squeezes into a seat which accommodates the body with little room to spare. Because of this restricted environment and because of the position in which the pilot must sit, it is not uncommon for them to experience subluxations which can ultimately affect the pilot's performance.

The Soviets made arrangements with Michael Epitropoulos, D.C. of Kalamazoo, to examine and treat two of their test pilots, Roman Taskoyer and Marat Alykov of Moscow, who performed during the airshow. These pilots performed a grueling aerial demonstration which as Taskoyer remarked, "Places extreme stress on the spine."

When asked about his work with the Soviets, Dr. Epitropoulos remarked, "Fliers experience special structural problems which usually respond well to chiropractic. One of the pilots even spoke of a problem with his back, caused during an earlier (not in the U.S.) ejection from an aircraft. I've advised him to continue seeking further chiropractic treatment back home for the problem."

Dr. Epitropoulos is currently making preliminary plans to travel to the Soviet Union to work with other fliers and conduct workshops.

New York Chiropractic College Students Celebrate Most Successful Unity Day Ever

Anyone who attended New York Chiropractic College's (NYCC) annual Unity Day event would agree that the day of fun and comraderie was the most successful in the history of the college. Nearly 1500 alumni, students, faculty, and staff poured onto the 50 acre campus to celebrate what has become an annual reminder of the greatness of their collective purpose: chiropractic.

Under the chairmanship of 9th Trimester Class President, Robert David Argyelan, student organizers had planned a day filled with music, dance, sports, games, and plenty of food. The Unity Day committee was lead by Jennifer Asplin, director of student services. Miss Asplin not only provided valuable assistance and support to the students, she also provided much motivation and inspiration for creativity.

In the end, the college community agreed that the Unity Day festivities were not only the best to which they've ever been, but also that it served as a tremendous lead-in to the college's Homecoming '90 weekend.

Northwestern College of Chiropractic Group Treats Tour de YEH Bicyclists as They Pass Through Twin Cities

Northwestern College of Chiropractic (NWCC) student doctors and faculty doctors treated a group of 76 bicyclists from the Tour de Youth Ending Hunger (YEH) as they passed through the Twin Cities June 24-25.

Tour de YEH bicyclists come from the U.S., Soviet Union, Canada, Japan, Australia, Great Britain, India, Belize, Kenya, and Malaysia and have been supported by the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) during the tour.

The cyclists began their trip June 5 in Washington, D.C. and crossed the U.S. until they reached Seattle on July 21, just in time for the opening of the Goodwill Games there. Along the route, cyclists were cared for by chiropractors and other health care professionals.

Members of the NWC SACA Council on Sports Injuries and Physical Fitness who treated about 30 cyclists and support staff were: Kristi Chambers, Jeanine Wolf, Benedictine Faye, Kirk Nelson, and NWCC doctors Mike Przeslawski, D.C. and Larry Kuusisto, D.C.

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