

Buddha Presented to New York Chiropractic College

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At a recent visit to the New York Chiropractic College, Dr. Masanori Murai, president of Chukyo College of Chiropractic, Nagoya, Japan, presented a gift of a Buddha to NYCC, which symbolizes the "God of protection over the campus."

Dr. Murai said in presenting the Buddha to Dr. Domenic Firriolo, vice president of academic affairs, "May this Buddha always keep vigil in the protection of your students and your campus. It is offered as a gift of our friendship, and thanks for the many courtesies extended to the students and staff of Chukyo College of Chiropractic."

In accepting the Buddha, Dr. Firriolo thanked Dr. Murai and invited him and his students to visit the new Seneca Falls campus next September.

NYCC Expects to Open Clinic in Syracuse

The New York Chiropractic College has purchased a building at 447 James St., Syracuse, which will be utilized as an outpatient clinic. The expected date for opening will be in December 1990, after the completion of an extensive renovation and refurbishing program in the building.

The outpatient center will be under the supervision of a New York State licensed doctor of chiropractic with senior interns of the college providing the necessary chiropractic health care to the public.

The internship programs at NYCC are designed to allow the entering interns to utilize and perfect the training and information they have acquired during the classroom portion of their education.

Life West Grows with Tokyo Chiropractic College

The links between Life Chiropractic College West and Toyko Chiropractic College are growing after four years. Two contingents of Japanese students are scheduled to attend anatomy seminars at Life West this fall, according to Gerard Clum, D.C., president of Life West.

The first group of 42 students will arrive on the San Lorenzo campus on November 9, 1990, for five intensive days of anatomy training under the direction of Ms. Peggie Phillips, basic sciences division chairperson at Life West.

The second group of 42 will arrive the following week on November 16, 1990.

The Japanese students are provided with dissection experience unavailable in Japan at the seminars, which will be taught through interpreters by a team of Life West instructors and student assistants.

Life Chiropractic College Triathlete Makes Comeback Thanks to Chiropractic

Five years ago Dale Basescu was a professional triathlete ranked number one in America and fifth in the world. Success was in his grasp, if tragedy hadn't struck.

Disaster occurred when he suffered severe upper respiratory damage from breathing chemicals (in his recently fumigated apartment). He had to drop out of the United States Triathlon series race and soon found himself gasping for breath trying to climb stairs.

After his illness, a series of medical doctors offered him no help for his problem. A friend of Basescu's suggested a chiropractor, Dr. Murray Galbraith of Temecula, California, who said he might be able to help him. While the former triathlete had been adjusted during his competition days he thought chiropractic was only for biomechanical problems.

Dr. Galbraith began adjusting the former triathlete, correcting some obvious biomechanical problems first. But then Basescu began seeing improvements in his lungs as well and his breathing capacity increased. He was so impressed by what chiropractic had done for him that he decided to pursue chiropractic as a career.

After spending a few quarters studying in a California chiropractic college he hit upon using his talents to benefit the profession. He was already competing again and improving everyday.

Dr. Sid Williams, president of Life Chiropractic College, offered Basescu a scholarship so that he could pursue his studies at Life while at the same time compete in races.

Since transferring to Life, he has already asserted himself as one of the best triathletes in the South -- taking first place in a series of state and regional contests. On the racing circuit he is known as the "triathlete from Life College."

Regional Reception for Health Professional Schools

A reception for health professional schools was recently hosted by Life College School of Chiropractic. More than 200 representatives of minority programs at colleges, universities and medical schools from across the southeast converged on the Life campus.

The schools are participants in the Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) which is designed to increase the representation of minorities and disadvantaged in the health professions.

Through the Health Careers Opportunity Program there will be an increase of minority chiropractors in the country, according to Dr. Sid E. Williams, founder and president of Life College.

Life College was recently approved for a \$407,000 three-year federal grant to institute the program. The school is the first chiropractic college to receive a HCOP grant for cross-section of minorities and disadvantaged students.

Chiropractic Gaining Respect at the University of Bridgeport

A step was recently taken to secure the respect of chiropractic education: namely the on site evaluation conducted at the University of Bridgeport. The evaluation to determine the licensure of the Doctor of Chiropractic degree program was administered by educators representing the State of Connecticut Department of Higher Education.

The establishment of a chiropractic college, affiliated with a university, represents a progressive step for both the chiropractic profession and higher education. Chiropractic schools, of necessity,

have developed on their own. A significant reason for this isolation was the premeditated, well designed plan of the medical establishment to stifle chiropractic's growth. As a result, chiropractic education grew without the benefit of state or federal funds. The American public developed the perception that chiropractic education was second rate.

The results from evaluation will be forthcoming in October, according to Frank Zolli, D.C., program director at Bridgeport. The optimism is high for its success. "I think it went well," Dr. Zolli added. "They didn't broach any subjects we weren't prepared to answer."

Florida Legislator Visits Palmer College

Florida House Representative Everett Kelly was a recent visitor to the Palmer College of Chiropractic campus. Representative Kelly is working to put chiropractic issues within the state on the forefront. His trip is co-sponsored by the Florida Chiropractic Association and the American Chiropractic Association.

Accompanying Rep. Kelly was Dr. Jim Glisson, a 1962 Palmer graduate. Dr. Glisson has maintained a practice for over 25 years. He is a past member of the Florida State Senate and House of Representatives.

Rep. Kelly took part in a round table discussion with the deans of the college. The day closed with an open discussion between staff, faculty and students with the gain of better understanding between those involved.

Editor's Note: If more legislators were invited to chiropractic colleges, these visits could have a favorable influence when house bills concerning chiropractic are legislatively presented for consideration.

Palmer Exhibit Teaches Children About Good Health

Palmer College is putting the finishing touches on its exhibit, Your Spine and Your Health, for the Children's Curiosity Corner at the Happy Joe's Superstore in Davenport. Your Spine & Your Health is made up of five hands-on activities that let children explore the spinal column and the nervous system and understand how important they are to good health.

Palmer's exhibit will include:

An electric spine allowing children to twist vertebrae out of alignment with lights that indicate which parts of the body are affected.

A two-sided electric board demonstrating how the nerves connect throughout the body. The child can press buttons on the spine and see which parts of the body are supplied by different nerves that run through the spine.

A matching quiz, much like Sesame Street's "Three of these things ... " asking children to identify which pictures go together.

A children's video program featuring puppets acting out ways to stay healthy.

A plastic replica of a backbone children can play with.

The store is located at 201 West St., Davenport, Iowa 52803

Palmer Presents Scholarships to the Soviet Union

Recently, 24 cyclists from the Soviet Union were involved in the Cycle for Peace -- Iowa. The event ran from Sunday, August 12 to Saturday, August 18. The cyclists rode along the Mississippi River.

While in the Quad Cities, the cyclists received two \$35,000 Presidential Scholarships from Palmer College of Chiropractic. The scholarships entitle two prospective Soviet students to become doctors of chiropractic.

The cyclists will present the scholarships to the Soviet Ministry of Health. If the Soviet Ministry grants permission, it will be the first time a Soviet citizen will attend Palmer College of Chiropractic.

Chiropractic Participation Slated for American Society of Biomechanics

The 14th annual meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics will be held at the University of Miami, Florida, November 15-18, 1990. Two familiar faces from chiropractic will be there representing our profession: Dr. Triano of the National College and Dr. Fuhr of Activator Methods, Inc. Dr. Triano is pursuing a Ph.D. in biomechanics at the University of Michigan and Dr. Fuhr is a collaborator in a project with the departments of chemical, mechanical, and bio-engineering at Arizona State University.

Dr. Fuhr states that the meeting is the second largest meeting of biomechanics in this country. One to two hundred participants are expected to present to 200 to 300 registrants. The conference is an excellent opportunity to meet with the leading minds in this growing field and stimulate an interest in investigating the problems we face as clinicians.

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