January 2015

Healthy Family Newsletter

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Chiropractic Families

Some of you may have noticed the fabulous new décor in the hallway and lobby. Since chiropractic is a "family affair" we have decided to decorate accordingly. If you would like to be one of our happy, healthy families, we would **LOVE** to have you! We will be taking more family pictures in the spring − talk to any of us to add your family to the list. ⊕



AND.....We Have a Winner!!

Congrats to Dave Shrum! He was the winner of our \$250 drawing during the month of December.



CONGRATULATIONS!

We had so many entries, and it was so fun to read them all. There were LOTS of random acts of kindness going on because of all of our wonderful patients - way to go!~



Chiropractic will help keep your spine and nervous system, the master control center of the body, functioning at peak efficiency. Use this coupon to start 2015 off the right way – by taking care of your health!

This coupon is good for \$5 off of your next chiropractic adjustment.

 $(Out\ of\ pocket\ expense-Limit\ one$

Insurance Changes?

Please let Michelle Johnson know if you have any changes to your insurance information after January 1st.





"I'm sending you to a seminar to help you work harder and be more productive."

And....He's OFF! (For more education, that is!)
Dr. Loder will be out of the office on January 29th
& 30th to attend continuing education classes.

SVC Product of the Month



Come and Get Your Liquid Sunshine! ©



Ahhhh....Snow!!

<u>Lift Light, Shovel Right – Tips for</u> <u>Avoiding the Ache</u>

- -Keep your adjustment schedule, a healthy spine is prevention plus!
- -Warm-up before beginning any snow removal.
- -Pick the right shovel − a lightweight, push-style.
- -Push, don't throw.
- -Bend your knees.
- -Take frequent breaks.

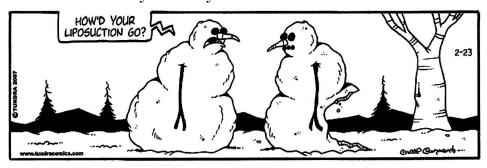
(And my personal favorite...when all else fails, call that 12 year-old that lives across the street! His mother will love you for it!)



"Keep Christmas in your heart all year long. It will leave less room for cholesterol."

All I Need to Know About Life, I Learned from a Snowman

It's okay if you're a little bottom heavy. Hold your ground, even when the heat is on. Wearing white is always appropriate. Winter is the best of the four seasons. It takes a few extra rolls to make a good mid-section. There's nothing better than a foul weather friend. The key to life is to be a jolly, happy soul. We're all made up of mostly water. You know you've made it when they write a song about you. Accessorize! Accessorize! Accessorize! Avoid vellow snow. Don't get too much sun. It's embarrassing when you can't look down and see your feet. It's fun to hang out in your front yard. Always put your best foot forward. There's no stopping you once you're on a roll.



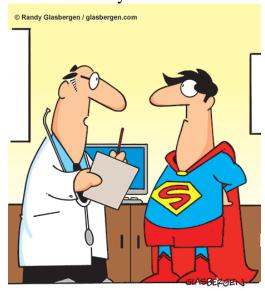
20 Tips for a Positive New Year (These are great tips for 365 days/year!)

- 1. Stay Positive. You can listen to the cynics and doubters and believe that success is impossible or you can trust that with faith and an optimistic attitude all things are possible.
- 2. Take a morning walk of gratitude. I call it a "Thank You Walk." It will create a fertile mind ready for success.
- 3. Make your first meal the biggest and your last meal the smallest. Eat breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince and dinner like a college kid with a maxed out charge card.
- 4. Zoom Focus. Each day when you wake up in the morning ask: "What are the three most important things I need to do today that will help me create the success I desire?" Then tune out all the distractions and focus on these actions.
- 5. Talk to yourself instead of listen to yourself. Instead of listening to your complaints, fears and doubts, talk to yourself and feed your mind with the words and encouragement you need to keep moving forward.
- 6. Remember that adversity is not a dead-end but a detour to a better outcome.
- 7. Don't chase dollars or success. Decide to make a difference and build meaningful relationships and success will find you.
- 8. Get more sleep. You can't replace sleep with a double latte.
- 9. Don't waste your precious energy on gossip, energy vampires, issues of the past, negative thoughts or things you cannot control. Instead invest your energy in your purpose, people and the positive present moment.
- 10. Mentor someone and be mentored by someone.
- 11. Live with the 3 E's. Energy, Enthusiasm, Empathy.
- 12. Remember there's no such thing as an overnight success. There's no substitute for hard work.
- 13. Believe that everything happens for a reason and expect good things to come out of challenging
- 14. Implement the No Complaining Rule. Remember that if you are complaining, you're not leading.
- 15. Read more books than you did in 2013. I happen to know of a few good ones. :)
- 16. Don't seek happiness. Instead decide to live with passion and purpose and happiness will find you.
- 17. Focus on "Get to" vs "Have to." Each day focus on what you get to do, not what you have to do. Life is a gift not an obligation.
- 18. Each night before you go to bed complete the following statements: I am thankful for Today I accomplished
- 19. Smile and laugh more. They are natural anti-depressants.
- 20. Enjoy the ride. You only have one ride through life so make the most of it and enjoy it.

Get Up and Move!

Move as if your life depended on it...because it does!

Exercise is a lot like chiropractic – it keeps your body strong and flexible, and firing on all cylinders. Exercise strengthens your core muscles, aiding in a healthy spine. Ready to get active? Make sure your spine is ready too! Get adjusted to ensure the full benefit of your activities.



"More walking, less flying."

Need some help getting started with healthier habits for 2015? Dr. Loder is the person to ask!

A Little Vitamin D Goes a Long Way!

Scientists evaluated the effects of vitamin D3 on the mental health of 80 elderly patients, half of who were stricken with a mild case of Alzheimer's disease and the rest of whom had no problems with dementia.

The patients were evaluated using a battery of standard tests. Those with the lowest levels of vitamin D were 11 times more likely to be depressed than those who received healthy doses. Moreover, 58 percent of patients had abnormally lower vitamin D levels than the average.

Getting your vitamin D naturally from safe sunshine exposure is the best way to go. If you are not getting 30 minutes of summer sun over the majority of your body, you need to take a natural (D3) supplement. Adults require 5,000 IU's of D3 per day and children 1,000 IU's per day, per 40 lbs. of body weight.

Diseases that Vitamin D *positively* influences include: Heart Disease, Cancer, Diabetes, Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Multiple Sclerosis, and Osteoporosis. Vitamin D can also strengthen bones and the immune system, provide pain relief, and help with brain function.



Beach Week is Coming...

and You Won't Want to
Miss the Fun!
We will have special
prizes, drawings, food and
UMBRELLA DRINKS!

(We do live in Kansas...so we'll just have to **pretend** we're at the beach!) ©

Forget New Year's Resolutions!



If you are like millions of others, perhaps you made a list of New Year's resolutions. And again, if you are like millions of others, you have already forgotten what they were. We start with the best of intentions but then life gets in the way and before we know it, we are back to our old way of doing things. But don't be too hard on yourself. New Year's resolutions are doomed for failure from the very start. Who can resolve to do anything for a year at a time? It's hard enough to plan a month, a week or sometimes, even a day ahead. Instead of making New Year's resolutions, I suggest you make **New Day's resolutions** every morning when you get up. Instead of resolving to do something for a whole year, resolve to do it just for today. What are some of the things you can resolve to do today that will improve your health and your life?

- 1. Resolve to make healthier food choices just for today. Instead of chips, have carrot and celery sticks or an apple. Instead of that candy bar, have a piece of fruit. Instead of donuts for breakfast, have a scramble. Drink a bottle of water instead of the soda. It's the choices we make each day, each meal that make the difference. Resolve today to make at least one healthier choice.
- 2. Resolve to spend at least 10 minutes exercising today. You might spend 10 minutes in the morning just stepping in place for a few minutes followed by some stretches for your legs, back and arms. You could walk down the street for 5 minutes out and 5 minutes back. You could get in the floor for some crunches even if you can only do a few and some push-ups (modified if need be and as many as you can do). Resolve to do SOMETHING in the way of exercise just for today.
- 3. Resolve today to spend a few minutes in quiet contemplation and prayer. This can be in the morning, at work on your break or in the evening before bed. It could even be in the car as you are driving home. Turn off the radio and spend a few minutes thinking of all the things in your life for which you are grateful. Resolve to look at all the things going RIGHT in your life today.
- 4. Resolve to do something nice for someone today without expecting anything in return. It may be a word of appreciation, an e-mail of support or a phone call just to say hi. Is there someone you could visit? A child you can spend time with? What can you do for your spouse today? When we do nice things for others while expecting nothing in return, we are enriched and our lives become more fulfilled.
- 5. Resolve to take care of yourself. Schedule an appointment with your Chiropractor. A 5 minute adjustment can boost your immune system by 400%. Better yet, bring the family!

These are just a few suggestions. I'm sure you can think of your own. The key is to keep it simple and keep it in today. We are blessed that we have neat, clean 24 hour segments of time to live each day. Each day we get a new opportunity to start over, to improve, to make a difference. So forget your New Year's resolutions. Today is a new day!

Your success and
happiness lies in you.
Resolve to keep happy,
and your joy and you
shall form an invincible
host against



95 years of Chiropractic & the Flu

In the closing days of World War 1, a deadly form of the flu appeared. The flu pandemic of 1917-1918 claimed more lives than the war.

During this crisis, doctors of chiropractic noticed that their patients seemed to have a lower fatality rate than the general population. Although this observation remains unpublished in the peer-reviewed literature (since no scholarly journals were willing to publish chiropractic data in those days), a study was published by the osteopathic profession. Among doctors of osteopathy of the time, it was routine to check patients' spines for "osteopathic lesions" (subluxations), and to correct them with manipulation. Due to this similarity, the osteopathic publication effectively verifies the chiropractic experience.

The death rate among flu patients under conventional medical care in the U.S. was estimated at 5 to 6 %. The fatality rate among flu cases under osteopathic care was estimated at 0.25%. The implication drawn from this data by the study's author was that lesions (subluxations) depress the immune system; therefore, correcting the lesions assists immune function.

This conclusion, drawn by both osteopaths and chiropractors more than 80 years ago, has received support from recent research. The activity of the immune system's white blood cells has been found to increase after chiropractic adjustments. A small but intriguing study suggests that the immune response of HIV-positive patients (as measured by CD4 count) improves when spinal subluxations are corrected.

In your ordinary, day-to-day experiences, you are not likely to notice that your white blood cells are a bit sluggish. However, this may very well be one effect of spinal subluxation - even in the absence of a sore back or stiff neck.

"Our kids have been able to make it through the flu season antibiotic free for the first time in the past 8 years." Deb Talbott



New Year's Resolutions?

Since the best gift we can give to our loved ones is to take care of ourselves, why not take a different view of New Year's resolutions? Instead of simply resolving...take the steps to turn your resolutions into reality! Write 10 specific and achievable health resolutions that you can and will achieve that you can view as gifts to yourself and to your family.

Healthy actions result from the development of healthy lifestyle habits.

Regular chiropractic adjustments are a great start!