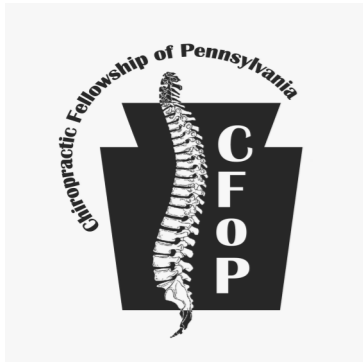


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CFOP MISSION STATEMENT

The *CHIROPRACTIC FELLOWSHIP OF PENNSYLVANIA* works to preserve, promote and defend the philosophy, science and art of chiropractic, with emphasis on the vertebral subluxation and innate principle.

Providing leadership through legislation, education, and communication, the *CHIROPRACTIC FELLOWSHIP OF PENNSYLVANIA* works to eliminate barriers that restrict access to or infringe upon the practice of chiropractic.

Through a highly trained staff, the *CHIROPRACTIC FELLOWSHIP OF PENNSYLVANIA* addresses professional and fellowship needs by providing practice information and benefits to enrich lives and practices.

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CFoP *Straight Talk*

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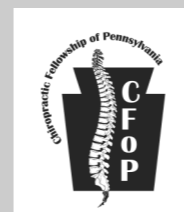
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What is the thing to do? Is it necessary to come to some conclusion as to what you and I, as Chiropractors, are to do with these diseases. We have waited in vain for the medical man to show results and in this particular line of thought he is absolutely non-committal, showing his inability. Must we study and spend hours on the disease of these organs or tissues, all to be discarded when we adjust the cause? Must we study these branches just to "talk intelligently to the patient?" Must we include urinalysis just to continue to travel in dead men's shoes and follow dead men's customs? Must we swindle, fool, misinstruct the public, just to make the gullible, the unthinking public look up to and revere us for the things they think we have, for the things they hope we will do, for the faith and belief they would place in us like the superstitions in some metal or stone idol? Or can we afford to ask them to think with us, in forestalling this superstition, and replacing theory with fact? Is a string of these unpractical speculations necessary to win the apprehension of the people? Must we deceive them to make ourselves a success? If our basic philosophy is correct, then discard and drop all past dead men's customs and accept the modern philosophy and make a success of the present.



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"Philosophy Day"

Coming in October!

See Inside for the Details

B.J. Palmer 1920

The Philosophy of Chiropractic

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“PHILOSOPHY DAY”

**SATURDAY,
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SPEAKERS: Beth Risser, D.C., L.C.P., Tom Petrisko, D.C.,
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Skip George, D.C., L.C.P., Jim Dubel, D.C.
Plus 3 more speakers

REGISTRATION: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

SPEAKERS: 12:00 pm to 5:15 pm

SOCIAL TIME 5:15 pm to 6:00 pm

BUFFET DINNER: 6:00 pm

DJ Dancing

CHIROPRACTIC FELLOWSHIP OF PENNSYLVANIA

Members and Non-Members: **\$35.00** per person/ includes Dinner

Call to Reserve 717-441-6042

Please mark your calendar, and register today. This special day has been long over due. It is time for the Silent Majority of Chiropractors who love Chiropractic to wake up and once again become involved with fellowship and for clarity in the direction of our profession. Today, many D.C.'s say that no one is interested in Philosophy, but we feel different. We feel that many of us just lost that passion dealing with insurance and not attending programs like this one to help us get more clarity within our practice. For many of us old timers, it is time for us to have fellowship, renew old acquaintances, and meet the new faces in our beautiful profession. Please join us and become passionate about Chiropractic once again.

Remember October 11th, 2008, and make that commitment today.

“THOTS”

TO LIVE BY

By

Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C.

“Techne tou biou”

Greek phrase meaning “the craft of life.”

techne refers to mechanical skills and

instruments and biou (pronounced view)

refers to the sum of one's existence.

Great phrase and great concept.



Dr. Fred Barge

1933-2003

What of our “craft of Life,” the caring for our patients chiropractically? Is this the sum of your existence? To all of the great chiropractors it certainly was!

The late Dr. James Parker often used the old Lucky Strike slogan to describe his #1 technic. This slogan meant “Lucky Strike Means Fine Tobacco.” Dr. Jim said, “Loving Service My First Technic.” Yes, to care for and service our patients should be #1 in all fields of the many fields of doctoring. Allow me to paraphrase Dr. Sid Williams' motto, “To give, love and serve out of your own abundance.”

What is your “biou” my friends, what is your view of your existence, of your profession? Dr. Crawford Long, M.D., the physician who discovered sulfuric ether as an anesthetic, said;

“My profession to me is a ministry from God.”

View your “craft of life” in this way, doctors, as you provide your patients with chiropractic care – you are rendering them a service that is a gift from God. The hands-on healing benefits of chiropractic care. Let service be your #1 technic, “to give out of your own abundance,” share with all those you touch, you speak to and meet, the understanding of chiropractic's “Life Without Fear.”

As B.J. said, “you have a sacred trust, guard it well.”

“Enuf” Said,



Medicare

MEDICARE CORNER

RECENT CHANGES AND TRANSITIONS IN MEDICARE

The Advanced Beneficiary Form has been modified and updated. Previously the Medicare ABN form only had two choices for Medicare services that the provider thinks may be denied. With the new form (Revised ABN CMS-R-131 Form) there are several choices for the patient and areas that the provider can complete to explain the choices to the patient. The form is available for download from the internet. As the previous form also required, the form should be printed with the doctor's name, address and phone number at the top. The patient should get a copy of each ABN form that is signed. When the ABN form has been completed, the doctor should put the "GA" modifier on the CPT code for the date of service.

We are presently in a transition stage for the new ABN form. It is your choice to use the old form or switch to the new. However, September 1st is the deadline for mandatory usage of the Revised ABN CMS-R-131 Form. The website to download the form, along with instructions on the correct usage, is at

www.cms.hhs.gov/BNI/02_ABNGABNL.asp

Highmark Medicare Services, the Medicare carrier for Pennsylvania, was recently awarded the contract for Jurisdiction 12. This means that Highmark also will process Medicare Part B claims for other states as part of CMS dividing the country into jurisdictions. This will have minimal impact on Pennsylvania chiropractors. One change will be a modification of the present Local Coverage Determination guidelines for chiropractic coverage (LCD Z-6K). Highmark is modifying that guideline and took comments on it up until May 15, 2008. The guide can be located at the Highmark Medicare Services website by looking up the J12 MAC listings. You may directly access it at www.highmarkmedicare.com/transition/j12/lcd.html and going to L27480, chiropractic services.

With the Jurisdiction 12 contract awarded, Highmark Medicare Services will also process claims for Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and the District of Columbia. Check the website frequently for any changes in claims processing while the transition is going on.

The Portland Project ADVANCING CHIROPRACTIC

Who We Are: In the winter of 2006, a dedicated group of chiropractors from around the globe met in Portland, Oregon, to identify key issues facing the profession. They resolved to work toward finding viable and productive solutions that would advance the cause of chiropractic. Although the meeting was NOT affiliated with any chiropractic organizations, participants shared a common vision of chiropractic as the premiere health care approach of the 21st century; one that maintained its independence and unique identity; one based on the merging of art, science and philosophy.

The group took its name from its major mission: **Advancing Chiropractic** and formulated a visionary document known as the **Portland Paper**. In the months after the meeting, the group continued to work together, to develop the **Portland Paper**, a clear and concise, yet visionary document that outlines the mission and goals of the group for chiropractic's future.

Advancing Chiropractic's web site is a place where you can add your name in agreement to the **Advancing Chiropractic Mission Statement**. Having more supporters of the mission statement will help us maintain and advance awareness of the harmful effects of vertebral subluxation within the colleges, chiropractic organizations, and the public.

The web site will also provide an online connection to organizations, seminars, research, C.C.P. Guidelines, and other avenues that preserve the right for chiropractors to correct vertebral subluxation because it, in of itself, is detrimental to one's health.

Please tell others about our mission and our web site. The SILENT MAJORITY of chiropractors must be heard.

www.advancingchiropractic.com



CE CREDITS DUE AUGUST 2008

The two year rotation for renewing CE credits will come due this August of 2008. In preparation for these requirements (24 credit hours of board approved education) the Fellowship will be having presentations on Chiropractic Science, Art and Philosophy

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PROGRAMS, DATES, AND

LOCATIONS BEING HOSTED BY THE CFOP:

July 12, 2008	Dr. Steve Marini	Holiday Inn	New Cumberland
July 17, 2008	Dr. Tedd Koren	Sheraton Harrisburg/Hershey	Harrisburg
July 26, 2008	Dr. Steve Marini	Crowne Plaza	King of Prussia
August 21, 2008	Dr. David Smith	Radisson/Expo-Mart	Monroeville
August 23, 2008	Three-D Seminars	Ramada	State College
August 28, 2008	Dr. David Smith	Hampton Inn of Willow Grove	Willow Grove
August 30, 2008	Dr. Gary Trout	Inn at Chester Springs	Exton

For more information on these programs, visit the CFOP web site at www.chirofellowpa.org

Focus Chiropractic

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Focus will be starting up again in the Fall. This is a great Chiropractic Philosophy program hosted by Dr. Sharon Gorman. Focus Philosophy Nights are held at the Howard Johnson on Route 611 in East Stroudsburg.

The dates are:

September 6th October 4th November 1st December 6th

More information on the speakers will be announced closer to the dates. ***Don't miss these!*** They are filled with great philosophy!



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