

OLYMPIA CHIROPRACTIC & PHYSICAL THERAPY NEWSLETTER

ADJUSTING PERSPECTIVES

YOUR PATH TO WELLNESS WITH
OLYMPIA CHIROPRACTIC & PHYSICAL THERAPY



Are you feeling anxious and overwhelmed this holiday season?

Do you have a cold and are feeling tired and run down?

Is your entire body tight with tension?

WE CAN HELP!

DISCOVERING HEALTHY WAYS TO COPE WITH STRESS IS ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO KEEP YOURSELF WELL, AND CHIROPRACTORS ARE THE PERFECT HEALTHCARE PARTNER TO HELP YOU GET STARTED.



THE IMPORTANCE OF LISTENING TO YOUR BODY (BODY SIGNALS):

THE HOLIDAYS ARE ONE OF THE MOST STRESSFUL TIMES OF THE YEAR. UNAVOIDABLE FOR MANY, THE STRESS STEMS FROM THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE AT THE STORES, ERRATIC DRIVING ON THE ROADS, AND THE GENERAL NEED TO CHECK ALL OF THE "TRADITION" BOXES THAT TAKE UP DWINDLING FREE TIME. WE FEEL THE STRESS IN OUR MINDS. WE FEEL THE STRESS IN OUR BODIES.

CHIROPRACTIC CARE CAN OFFER RELIEF!

RESEARCH THAT MATTERS:
Chiropractic Care for Holiday Stress:

WHEN YOUR BODY IS IN A CONSTANT STATE OF STRESS, IT PRODUCES HORMONES THAT CAN DISRUPT ALMOST ALL OF YOUR BODY'S NATURAL PROCESSES. CHIROPRACTORS CAN OFFER RELIEF AND EASE THE TENSION

- STRESS CAUSES OUR BODIES TO TIGHTEN UP IN KNOTS. THIS CAUSES TENSION IN MUSCLES, MOVING THINGS OUT OF ALIGNMENT - AN ADJUSTMENT RESTORES THE BODY AND MIND RELEASES TENSION
- NOURISH YOUR BODY

DURING THE HOLIDAYS WE OVEREAT OFTEN ON SUGARY FOODS.

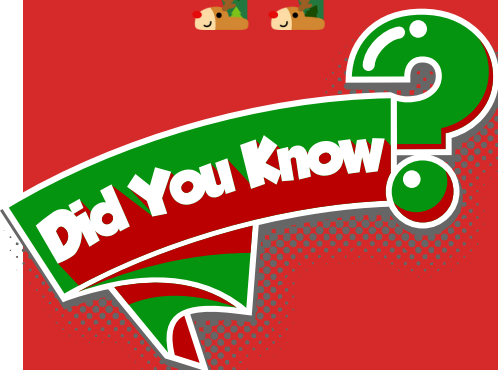
NUTRITION IS A CORNERSTONE OF CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND OUR DOCTORS CAN PROVIDE INDIVIDUALIZED GUIDANCE ON WHAT TO EAT AND WHAT NOT TO EAT. THEY ALSO EDUCATE ABOUT EXERCISE, STRETCHING, AND RELAXATION TECHNIQUES SPECIFIC TO THEIR PATIENTS' NEEDS. IT ALL WORKS HAND-IN-HAND.

- SUSTAINABLE STRESS RELIEF

THE HUMAN BODY HAS THE ABILITY TO HEAL ITSELF OF ITS AILMENTS, INCLUDING STRESS. OLYMPIA CHIROPRACTIC AND PHYSICAL THERAPY PROVIDES PATIENTS WITH THE NATURAL CARE AND RESOURCES TO HELP THEM REDISCOVER THEIR CENTER AND BETTER COPE WITH THE HECTIC HOLIDAY SEASON—EVEN WHEN IT'S ALL OVER.



**WHERE DO SANTA'S REINDEER
STOP FOR COFFEE?
STAR-BUCKS!**



**DID YOU KNOW THAT THE DOCTORS AT
OLYMPIA WILL GIVE FREE LUNCH AND LEARN
LECTURES AND POSTURE SCREENINGS AT
YOUR PLACE OF WORK?!**

**CONTACT LISA AT
LSHAW@OLYMPIACHIROANDPT.COM
TO GET THIS SET UP WITH YOUR EMPLOYER TODAY!**

CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND THE HOLIDAYS:



YOU COULD PROBABLY GUESS WHY SANTA MIGHT SEE THE CHIROPRACTOR ON DECEMBER 26TH! ON HIS BIG NIGHT HE'S MISSING SLEEP, LIFTING A SACK FULL OF TOYS AGAIN AND AGAIN, AND OVER-INDULGING ON MILK AND COOKIES EVERY CHANCE HE GETS! CHANCES INCREASE FOR AN INJURY WHEN YOU'RE STRESSED AND CHRISTMAS CAN BE ONE OF THE MOST STRESSFUL DAYS FOR SANTA. HE'S USUALLY IN THE OFFICE THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS TO GET HELP WITH ANY INJURIES HE MIGHT HAVE SUFFERED.

BUT SANTA IS ALSO A REGULAR THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.... A PROPERLY FUNCTIONING NERVOUS SYSTEM HAS NUMEROUS BENEFITS. IT CONTROLS EVERYTHING IN YOUR BODY, FROM YOUR MUSCLES TO YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM.

SANTA RECOGNIZES HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO BE PROACTIVE ABOUT HEALTH. IF HE WAITED TILL HE GOT SICK, HE'D BE IN TROUBLE IF IT HAPPENED ON CHRISTMAS!

Give us a Google Review!



25 HEALTHY HOLIDAY SNACKS TO MAKE

Healthy recipe to try!



Yummy

HELP US TO SPREAD THE GIFT OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS TO OTHERS!

CLICK ON PICTURE FOR THE RECIPE

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

**THE TALLEST
CHRISTMAS
TREE EVER
DISPLAYED WAS
IN SEATTLE,
WASHINGTON
AND WAS 221
FEET
TALL**



**Hometown
HOLIDAY** *family fun day*

**🎁 GIVE THE GIFT OF HEALTH
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON! 🎁**

**HELP YOUR LOVED ONES EXPERIENCE THE
BENEFITS OF CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND
PHYSICAL THERAPY AND AS A BONUS, HAVE A
CHANCE TO WIN AMAZING PRIZES!**

HOW IT WORKS:

**KNOW SOMEONE WHO COULD BENEFIT FROM
CHIROPRACTIC CARE? SIMPLY PROVIDE THEIR
NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION, AND
WE'LL SEND THEM A SPECIAL HOLIDAY CARD**

**FROM YOU WITH A GIFT OF HEALTH
FOR A FREE CONSULTATION, EXAM, AND X-
RAYS (A \$250 VALUE!).**

**FOR EACH REFERRAL, YOU'LL RECEIVE ONE
RAFFLE TICKET FOR A CHANCE TO WIN
\$200 VISA GIFT CARD**

**\$100 GIFT CARD TO A LOCAL RESTAURANT
GIFT BASKET**

**STOP IN TO FILL OUT YOUR CARD TODAY! OR
PROVIDE THE INFORMATION BY CLICKING HERE**

LOCAL DECEMBER FUN:

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 11 AM TO 4 PM
IN THE CITY CENTRE PLAZA**

**JOIN US IN DOWNTOWN ELMHURST FOR A HOMETOWN HOLIDAY FAMILY
FUN DAY! BRING YOUR CAMERA TO CAPTURE THE CITY CENTRE
FOUNTAIN PLAZA HOLIDAY DISPLAY. MEET SANTA, ANNA AND ELSA
FROM FROZEN, AND THE CITY CENTRE PENGUIN.**

**ENJOY A DJ SPINNING YOUR FAVORITE SEASONAL SONGS ALONG WITH KIDS
ACTIVITIES, FREE HOT CHOCOLATE AND COFFEE, AND DELICIOUS TREATS.**



Get to know our
Employee!
JOE LANG



Job Title: Physical Therapy Tech
Length of time at Olympia: 2 months
Favorite Food: Filet - cooked medium rare!
Favorite Movie: Remember the Titans
Pets: :(none currently
Fun facts: I am a die hard Notre Dame fan!

HOW TO NOT GET SICK DURING THE HOLIDAYS:

CHRONIC HOLIDAY STRESS CAN TAKE A TOLL ON YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM. CORTISOL CAN CREATE AN INFLAMMATORY RESPONSE THAT CAUSES A CASCADE OF ACHES AND PAINS. IN ADDITION, YOUR BODY DECREASES ITS LYMPHOCYTE PRODUCTION. THESE WHITE BLOOD CELLS ARE ESSENTIAL TO HELPING FIGHT OFF INFECTIONS, AND WITH LESS OF THEM YOU COULD BE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO VIRUSES AND COLDS. FOLLOW THE HEALTH TIPS LISTED BELOW TO LOWER YOUR STRESS AND IMPROVE YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM FUNCTION.

- WHEN YOU'RE FEELING STRESSED OUT, REACH FOR A HEALTHY SNACK**
- TAKE A FEW MINUTES BEFORE BED REDUCE YOUR STRESS BY READING OR MEDITATING.**
- STAY ACTIVE THROUGHOUT THE DAY**
- GET ADJUSTED REGULARLY -IMPROVE LYMPHATIC FLOW TO GET RID OF GERMS AND CLEAR YOUR NERVOUS SYSTEM**

WE



OUR PATIENTS



PLEASE PASS ON THE GIFT OF HEALTH BY SHARING THIS NEWLETTER WITH THOSE YOU FEEL COULD BENEFIT FROM OUR CARE!

ASK US ABOUT A SPECIAL CONSULTATION CARD FOR YOU TO GIVE TO THEM!

IMPORTANT

FROM OUR PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT:

HOW EXERCISE CAN HELP WITH HOLIDAY STRESS:

WHEN A DEMANDING HOLIDAY SEASON LEAVES YOU TWISTED IN KNOTS FROM THE STRESSES OF COMMITMENTS, CROWDS, SHOPPING AND ENTERTAINING, MOUNDS OF RESEARCH POINT TO A SIMPLE SOLUTION TO SUCH ANXIETY: SWEAT AWAY THAT STRESS BY MAKING EXERCISE A PART OF YOUR HOLIDAY ROUTINE.

BESIDES THE OBVIOUS BENEFITS OF IMPROVING YOUR PHYSICAL CONDITION AND FIGHTING DISEASE, THE ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN (ADAA) POINTS OUT THAT EXERCISE ALSO DOES WONDERS FOR THE MIND.

"EXERCISE IS ALSO CONSIDERED VITAL FOR MAINTAINING MENTAL FITNESS, AND IT CAN REDUCE STRESS," STATES THE ADAA. "STUDIES SHOW THAT IT IS VERY EFFECTIVE AT REDUCING FATIGUE, IMPROVING ALERTNESS AND CONCENTRATION, AND AT ENHANCING OVERALL COGNITIVE FUNCTION."

FROM A MORE SCIENTIFIC PERSPECTIVE, THE MAYO CLINIC POINTS OUT THAT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY LEADS TO THE INCREASED PRODUCTION OF ENDORPHINS, WHICH ARE NEUROTRANSMITTERS IN THE BRAIN THAT WARD OFF PAIN AND HELP YOU FEEL GOOD. IN ADDITION, EXERCISE HAS A "MEDITATION IN MOTION" EFFECT AS THE FOCUS ON PHYSICAL ACTIVITY HELPS YOU FORGET ABOUT THE STRESS OF YOUR DAY.

NEARLY ANY FORM OF EXERCISE - WALKING, RUNNING, LIFTING WEIGHTS OR TAKING YOGA CLASSES - CAN SERVE AS STRESS RELIEVERS, ESPECIALLY DURING PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT TIMES OF THE YEAR LIKE THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

"IF YOUR BODY FEELS BETTER, SO DOES YOUR MIND," STATES THE ADAA.

HAVE FUN. COMMIT TO ACTIVITIES YOU ENJOY AND WHICH FIT YOUR PERSONALITY. MIX IT UP. CHANGE YOUR WORKOUT ONCE IN A WHILE TO BREAK UP THE MONOTONY. ALLOW YOURSELF TO EXPLORE A DIVERSE SET OF ACTIVITIES AND DISCIPLINES THAT MAY CHALLENGE YOUR BODY IN DIFFERENT WAYS.

*Exercise =
Less Holiday
Stress*

*Schedule in
30 minutes
a day!*



EXERCISE ESSENTIALS-RELIEVE STRESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS:

WHEN YOU ARE STRESSED DURING THE HOLIDAY, YOUR BODY STARTS TO PRODUCE CORTISOL AND ADRENALINE. THIS CAN CAUSE YOUR HEART RATE TO INCREASE, SHALLOW BREATHING, AND ULTIMATELY HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE.

BELLY BREATHING IS ONE OF THE EFFECTIVE, SIMPLE MOVEMENTS FOR MANAGING HOLIDAY STRESS AND ANXIETY. IT HELPS TO REDUCE STRESS, LOWERS BLOOD PRESSURE, IMPROVES DIGESTION, AND ELEVATES YOUR ENERGY LEVELS.



The benefits of Diaphragmatic Breathing

- Decreases stress, increases calm
- Lowers blood pressure
- Improves digestion
- Relieves pain
- Increases energy

ASK US TO SHOW
YOU HOW TO DO
THIS EXERCISE!

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: **DIAPHRAGMATIC BREATHING**

**SIT UPRIGHT AND PLACE YOUR HANDS ACROSS THE
BELLY, BELOW THE RIBS**

THINK OF YOUR BELLY AS A BALLOON

**INHALE VIA YOUR NOSE FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR
SECONDS, AS YOU FEEL YOUR ABDOMEN EXPAND**

HOLD YOUR BREATH FOR ALMOST TWO SECONDS

EXHALE SLOWLY VIA YOUR MOUTH FOR

ALMOST 6 SECONDS