



## June 2010 E-Newsletter

### Graduation



The College's 99<sup>th</sup> Commencement Ceremony took place at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall in New York City on Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Family and friends joined the Class of 2010 in celebrating their tremendous accomplishment.

A host of distinguished speakers addressed the graduating class, including Louis Levine, President and CEO of NYCPM, Stanley Mandel, Chairman of the NYCPM Board of Trustees, Munjed Salem, D.P.M., President of the Class of 2010 and Rotem Ben-Ad, D.P.M., Valedictorian of the Class of 2010.

The keynote speaker for the ceremony was American Osteopathic Association President, Larry Wickless, D.O. Dr. Wickless was awarded an honorary doctoral degree, which was conferred by President Levine and Board of Trustees Chairman, Stanley Mandel. Dr. Wickless is known for his enduring commitment to the advancement of osteopathic medicine throughout the world and helping to establish the Osteopathic International Alliance (OIA), which he chaired from its incorporation in 2005 until 2008.

## **Last Chance to Apply**

The deadline for applications for September 2010 is fast approaching, but if you submit yours by June 30<sup>th</sup> you can still be considered. Spaces are filling up quickly, so don't wait long.

If you can't make it in time, you can still apply for January 2011. The deadline for January 2011 is November 30<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to send in your transcripts and MCAT to AACPM and your letters of recommendation to NYCPM's Office of Admissions.

For more information on applying, visit <http://www.nycpm.edu/application.asp>.

## **Heritage Tour & Luncheon**



NYCPM will be holding a grand tour of their new housing property, Heritage on Fifth, on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-1:30pm. Participants will get a chance to view 3 and 4-bedroom apartments along with all of the on-site amenities.

Following the tour, those in attendance will be able to attend a free luncheon at a neighborhood restaurant where they will have a chance to meet and get to know their future colleagues. Sign up by emailing [enrollment@nycpm.edu](mailto:enrollment@nycpm.edu).

## NYC Ranked Safest City

Based on preliminary statistics from the FBI, New York ranks as the safest big city in America so far this year. Of the 25 largest cities in the country, New York recorded the lowest crime index and of the 263 U.S. cities with populations greater than 100,000, New York's crime rate ranked 245<sup>th</sup>.

The report shows that crime dropped by 5.1 percent in New York in 2009, outpacing national trends, and making New York the safest large city overall in 2009.

Crime in New York has been falling for several years in a decline widely attributed to a "broken windows" strategy of no tolerance for even the smallest infraction, and the system of identifying and addressing problem areas.

In announcing the 2009 statistics, Mayor Michael Bloomberg also gave credit to his efforts to clamp down on illegal guns.

## Meet a Professor



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### What are your responsibilities at NYCPM?

I am currently an attending clinician at the Foot Clinics of New York and a surgery instructor for the surgery department.

### What made you decide to pursue a career in podiatric medicine?

I was originally interested in children with congenital deformities of the feet and wanted a way to help them by volunteering my time through mission organizations.

### What is your area of expertise?

I work in the surgery department at NYCPM. I am skilled in both forefoot and rearfoot deformities with application of external fixation as a means of correcting a deformity.

### What advice do you have for incoming students?

You can do anything you put your mind to and with a little bit of hard work you can achieve your goals.