



NYCPM Shines at NY15 Podiatric Clinical Conference **Alumni Events, Faculty Presentations, Prospective Student Luncheon Featured**



Patricia Wade, PhD, helped staff the NYCPM table in the Exhibition Hall.

NY15 is now history. The New York College of Podiatric Medicine (NYCPM) was well represented at the 2015 New York Podiatric Clinical Conference on January 23-25 at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York City, by a popular booth; a jam-packed, lively reception for alumni; a plethora of speakers, and a well-attended alumni meeting.



Prospective students at luncheon near Times Square in their honor during Clinical Conference. Interested students braved snow and chill to attend.

Alumni Events a Focus for NYCPM



Honorees Andrew Shapiro, DPM ('86), left, and Arthur Gudeon, DPM ('60) with NYCPM President Louis L. Levine at the ARA reception.

At the crowded alumni reception, Louis L. Levine, President and CEO of NYCPM, awarded Arthur Gudeon, DPM ('60) and Andrew Shapiro, DPM ('86) plaques that honor their service. Dr. Gudeon was thanked for his support of the College and its alumni for over 50 years and Dr. Shapiro was honored for his support of the College and for his leadership in New York State. Dr. Shapiro is the president-elect of the New York State Podiatric Medical Association. Drinks and delicious hors d'oeuvres helped create a festive mood, as did a raffle at the end of the evening.

About 30 alumni attended the meeting of the Alumni Relations Association (ARA) on Sunday, the conference's third day. This was the seventh meeting of NYCPM's new alumni organization. Andrew Shapiro, DPM ('86), President-elect of the NYSPMA, said that the new alumni organization should be able to do everything the old organization did, and more. He also noted that NYSPMA will have its meetings at the College. Arthur Gudeon, DPM ('60), noted that the new alumni organization is a way to advance change and to keep moving forward. He added that funds from the previous alumni association have all been earmarked for the Bruce Frankel scholarship in perpetuity.

Desander Más, Vice President Development & Operations and Alumni Liaison at the College, said that long-term, the ARA wants to reach out to all of our alumni in the U.S.; Jennifer D'Amico, DPM ('09), who is now located in California, wants to organize a western charter group. Susheel Bathla, DPM ('94), a member of the Board of Trustees, wants to organize a South Asian chapter, and Stanley Idiculla, DPM ('04), wants to organize a DC-region group. Barry Block, DPM ('76), suggested that we organize a Florida chapter as well.



ARA Advisory Board President Nicholas Argerakis, DPM ('09), addressed the ARA meeting at the NY Clinical Conference.

In response to an invitation for suggestions as to what alumni would want from the ARA, there was a request for practice management instruction. Mr. Más added help for retiring doctors as well. Michael Anthony Conway, DPM ('90) suggested that the group organize an annual dinner/dance that reunites a class and could be a fundraiser.

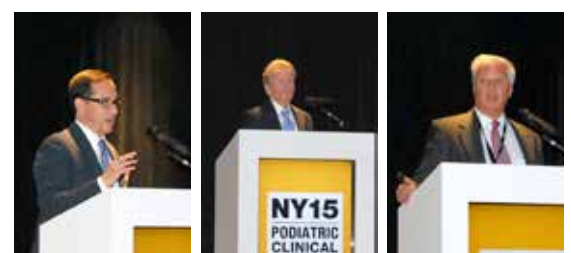
Nicholas Argerakis, DPM ('09), President of the ARA Advisory Board, said that the alumni need to tell the board what they want. "Let us know what we can do for you and how we can do it," he told the members. The meeting concluded with regards and words of support from Louis L. Levine, President and CEO of NYCPM, conveyed to all by Mr. Más.



At the ARA reception, left to right, were Louis L. Levine, President and CEO of NYCPM; Marc Brenner, DPM ('70); NYCPM Deputy Board Chairman Rock Positano DPM ('88), MSc, MPH; Marlene Brenner.

NYCPM Fields Roster of Distinguished Speakers

The well-attended lectures that ran throughout the conference were its clinical heart. A large number of NYCPM faculty gave lectures on a wide variety of topics as well as in the student program that ran on the second and third day. Faculty who spoke included: Robert Eckles, DPM; Loretta Logan, DPM ('89); S. Robert Rozbruch, MD; Kevin T. Jules, DPM ('84); Joseph C. D'Amico, DPM ('73); Mark Drakos, MD; Michael J. Trepal, DPM, FCFAS ('81); Gregory P. Taylor, PT, DPT; Nicholas Argerakis, DPM ('09); Thomas Vitale, DPM ('85); Jose Loor, DPM ('09); Peter Barbosa, PhD; Kenneth Astrin, PhD; Randy E. Cohen, DPM, Samuel Adegboyega, DPM ('06); Thomas DeLauro, DPM ('81).



Lecturers at the NY Clinical Conference--Left to Right: Gregory Taylor, DPT, PT, Joseph D'Amico, DPM ('73), Michael J. Trepal, DPM ('81), FCFAS