



**NYCPM**  
New York College of Podiatric Medicine

## **NYCPM's Match Day 2016: Nerves, Suspense, Cheers, High-Fives, and a Jar Full of Money**



*Members of the Class of 2016 celebrate their matches.*

NYCPM's Match Day 2016 was a festive occasion, celebrated with a breakfast reception and a chance to mingle with faculty before the ceremony, which was led by President and CEO Louis L. Levine and Michael Trepal, DPM, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean. After the breakfast reception, the students moved to one of the main lecture halls where they were greeted by faculty, staff and administrators in anticipation of the match ceremony.

The ceremony was made more festive by a whimsical practice (common to various medical schools, including NYCPM) that asks faculty and students to place dollar bills into a jar that eventually is won by one of the students in attendance. Here's how it works: the president randomly picks one of the envelopes and calls the name of the student who is the first to come up to receive his/her envelope with the match results. That student places a dollar in the jar and proceeds to pick an envelope at random with another student's name. This was

done with all the members of the class. The last student called wins the money jar. This year, Lara Kozin was the lucky winner!

The money jar lightened what can be a very nerve-racking and suspenseful event with a bit of fun, not to mention a nice prize. Exactly at 11 am, the time that the match results were revealed in all of the schools, the seniors opened their envelopes as a class and the room erupted into cheers, hugs, laughter, high fives and a plethora of signs of celebration that carried into the halls and other parts of the College. Congratulations Class of 2016 on a job well done!



*Lara Kozin (right) won the Money Jar at NYCPM's Match Day. She celebrates with President Levine (left) and Dean Trepal (center).*



*Left to right: Adam Bernanski, Anthony Jabra, Dr. Trepal and Sarah Mohamed celebrate their matches with NYCPM.*



*Members of Class of 2016 show their envelopes!*