

Significant Donation Supports NYCPM's Vital Work in Biomechanics. Schuster Biomechanics Seminar Will Embark on "Truth" Search



Dr. Michael J. Trepal (left) accepts the contribution from Dr. Joseph C. D'Amico (right) for the Schuster Seminar.

For the ninth year in a row, NYCPM welcomed a significant, "anonymous" donation, via **Joseph C. D'Amico, DPM**, from a celebrity patient of his who happily was relieved of his years-long, persistent heel pain and wants to support Dr. D'Amico's work. NYCPM uses the funds to further the science of and teaching of biomechanics through its state-of-the-art Gait Lab and in delivering dedicated digital and live seminars, including the upcoming Schuster Seminar.

November 14th is the date for NYCPM's ninth annual Richard O. Schuster, DPM, Memorial Biomechanics Seminar, to be presented this year (as last) in hybrid form, both on-site and online. Last year, the seminar drew record attendance in its first hybrid format. In addition to respected speakers from around the globe, who will focus on biomechanics and its relationship and application in the everyday patient population as well as in pediatric, geriatric, and sports-related pathology, speakers this year will embark on a "Truth" search.

First instituted by Dr. Schuster, who questioned the validity of certain statements and attendant practice modifications, it spurred research and resulted in several publications that influenced the profession. Dr. D'Amico will begin this year's "Truth" talk with a presentation entitled, "The Truth About Equinus." **Dr. D'Amico** is a professor and past chair of the department of orthopedics and biomechanics at NYCPM, who coordinated and chairs this event. Another notable presentation will be a "Critical Analysis of Studies Refuting the Effectiveness of Orthoses in Children," given by the newest member of the NYCPM Orthopedics Dept., **Samantha Landau, DPM, MS**.