

Dr. D'Amico's 'Truth Search' Continues at 10th Richard O. Schuster, DPM Biomechanics Seminar



Schuster Seminar Faculty (left to right): Drs. Jinsup Song, Howard Dananberg, James Losito, R. Daryl Phillips, Richard Blake, Jeffrey Cusack, Joseph D'Amico, Russell Volpe, Paul Jordan, Paul Coffin, Barbara Resseque, and Samantha Landau.

The 10th Annual Richard O. Schuster, DPM Memorial Biomechanics Seminar, held November 19 and 20 at Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine in Miami, was co-hosted by NYCPM; seminar creator **Joseph C. D'Amico, DPM, DSc** was its scientific chair and the seminar was co-chaired by **James Losito, DPM, MS** of BUSPM. Funded by a grateful patient of Dr D'Amico, the two-day academic and non-commercial conference gathered experts in biomechanics, sports medicine and pediatrics as well as doctors, students, and health professionals from around the world to present and hear lectures that emphasized the vital role of biomechanics as the cornerstone for the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery, while analyzing contemporary concepts and practices. This seminar continued Dr. D'Amico's 'Truth Search' in biomechanics, modelled after Dr. Schuster's 'Truth Search,' in which Dr. D'Amico questions the validity of certain accepted statements and practices in the discipline.

Drs. Jeffery Cusack, Samantha Landau, Barbara Resseque and **Russell Volpe** represented NYCPM at the seminar. Dr. Landau, recently named Fellow in Orthopedics (in Biomechanics and Gait-Related Disorders), presented "A Critical Analysis of the Twisted Plate Theory," which, according to Dr. D'Amico, "dispelled some of the myths and misunderstandings regarding this re-issued, newly popular concept." One of Dr. D'Amico's topics was "Heel Pain: The Seinfeld Solution. A Ten-Year Retrospective Analysis;" at the end of the presentation Dr. D'Amico played a short video in which Mr. Seinfeld provides an update on how he's done over the past decade.

Co-chair Dr. Losito presented his current Sports Medicine Fellow lecture on "Medial Tibial Stress Syndrome." Dr. D'Amico also points out that Dr. Losito is Director of Biomechanics at BUSPM and is team podiatrist for the Miami Heat as well as for Miami University.