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TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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## Dr. Schreffler's Gift Supports Temple's Scholarship Initiative

BY ASHA DAVIS

“I’ve always believed in giving back to my profession,” stated Dr. Jack Schreffler, one of the founders of the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine later to become the Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine.

Dr. Schreffler recently gave the School of Podiatric Medicine an extraordinary lead gift of over \$130,000 in support of the scholarship initiative launched by Temple University to raise \$100 million for scholarships, doubling the amount of financial aid available to students.

Dr. Schreffler sat down with *Strides* to talk about his history with the school and his inspiration for giving such a meaningful, generous gift.

Dr. Schreffler received his pre-podiatry education at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA, and graduated in 1956 from Temple University's School of Chiropody. He worked to put himself through school as a salesman selling cooking items for Wearever. However, he also relied on the generosity of alumni who established scholarships. **“There were graduates ahead of me, people I didn't know, who endowed scholarships so that I could pursue my chosen profession,”** said Schreffler. “Upon graduation, I made it a purpose and responsibility to make available the same opportunity for other hardworking students,” he added. “In my mind it wasn't an option.”

In addition to his recent gift, Dr. Schreffler is a long time Conwell Society member. In 1999 he endowed the Dr. and Mrs. Jack Schreffler Scholarship Fund to provide scholarships for podiatry students with financial need. **“To continue to elevate our profession, you have to believe and support our young, upcoming students...well qualified students to keep your lifeblood going,”** he said.

When the School of Chiropody graduated its last class before its closing by Temple in 1960, Dr. Schreffler felt he had a duty and obligation to join fellow podiatrists with a conviction of opening a new school of podiatry. This tenacious group of podiatrists banded together, raised the capital and took out a mortgage acquiring and refurbishing the old Skin and Cancer Hospital at 8th and Pine Streets. The site re-opened as the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine, enrolling its first class in 1963. The School moved to its present location at 8th and Race streets in 1974.

Coming full circle, Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine was acquired by Temple University in 1998. “I am very proud of my profession and very proud of Temple University for accepting podiatry back as Temple School of Podiatric Medicine because that was where I graduated initially,” said Schreffler.

Dr. Schreffler wants to inspire like-minded individuals to give back to their school, the school that made it possible for thousands of podiatrists to have a successful, meaningful career. **“I'm committed to my School and I relish my experience here,”** he said, “and if alumni feel the way I do and want to share the rewards of their profession, they can help make the same dream possible for a qualified student.”

An accomplished pilot and avid golfer (he lettered on the Temple Golf Team), Dr. Schreffler is now happily retired and living at home with Joyce, his wife of 59 years. Together they have three children and five grandchildren. He spoke with nothing but pride and adoration for his family, profession and Temple. Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine is thankful to have Dr. Schreffler as an esteemed alumni and role model for future podiatrists. With his roots going back to Temple's School of Chiropody, Dr. Schreffler is truly “Temple Made.”



## ✦ A MESSAGE FROM DEAN MATTIACCI

Greetings,

**W**ith the close of 2012, we face the New Year with some specific challenges as well as an environment of change for both TUSPM and Temple University as a whole.

While our enrollment here at TUSPM has led to each class again being filled, there are issues facing our students that require developing short and long term solutions. The residency shortage has us concerned that the stability of the profession could be affected as well as the future of our students' careers. To that end, we have facilitated meetings with students and the hierarchy of the Pennsylvania Podiatric Medical Association in an effort to resolve residency and testing disputes. This is a step in the right direction; however we are open to and encourage the suggestions and input of our alumni regarding these serious issues impacting students.

We are pleased to report that our wound care clinics, as well as the lymphedema clinic, are new avenues to attract new and recurring patients. Promotion and publicity opportunities through newspaper advertisements and billboards, underwritten by vendor sponsorships, are giving TUSPM a brighter and recognizable presence in the community. As the smallest of the University's schools, we continue to increase the percentage of our alumni who generously support one of our existing scholarships or our annual fund; these alumni and friends are identified in the pages of STRIDES. We have added new faculty and staff members, including Joshua Moore, DPM, and Ryan Kipp,

and welcome their ideas and insights.

There was much anticipation and excitement in the arrival of the new President of Temple University, Dr. Neil Theobald who officially began his tenure at Temple on January 1, 2013. The tenth President of Temple University, Dr. Theobald was recruited from Indiana University where he served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. While meeting with Dr.




*John A. Mattiacci*

Theobald, I found him to be an affable man with an entrepreneurial spirit. His goal of lowering tuition rates for students and transferring to a revenue-based budget is setting the framework for much success institution-wide and beyond for Temple. Also, on February 5, 2013, Dr. Hai-Lung Dai was appointed Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at Temple. Prior to his appointment as Provost, Dr. Dai served as the Dean of the College of Science and Technology. We wish the leadership team of President Theobald and Provost Dai much success in meeting both the exciting and challenging times at Temple.

While new leaders began their work at the University, we are saddened that we had to say goodbye to a few distinguished leaders among our alumni and friends of TUSPM. In July, Dr. Andrew Delgado passed away. Dr. Delgado was a founding member of PCPM as well as a member of the Conwell Society and the Board of Visitors. In January 2013, Dr. Leonard Abrams passed away. Dr. Abrams was a member of the Board of Visitors, the Conwell Society, and the TUSPM Wound Care Center was named in his honor for his generous contribution to the Wound Care Center. Most recently, in February, Dr. M. Doris Stelmach passed away. Dr. Stelmach graduated from TUSPM in 1943 and was an active member of the Board of Visitors and Foundation Board, while also being a Conwell Society member. TUSPM sends prayers and condolences to the families of each alumni and their legacy will not soon be forgotten.

We sincerely thank you, our wonderful alumni, for continuing to support our institution, our students, and our profession through your personal investments and generous donations. Our doors are always open and if you find yourself near TUSPM in the upcoming spring and summer, please stop by!

John A. Mattiacci, DPM '70  
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## ★ FIRST LYMPHEDEMA CLINIC RUN BY PODIATRIST AT TUSPM

BY GIAVANNA IPPOLITO

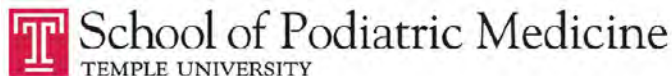
*(As seen in the Philadelphia Metro, underwritten by Devon Medical)*

The Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine (TUSPM) has recently collaborated with corporate partner, Devon Medical Products, to open the first podiatric-run lymphedema and diabetic ulcer clinic in Philadelphia at the Foot and Ankle Institute.

Under the direction of Dean John Mattiacci, DPM, who is president of the Podiatric Guild #45 of OPEIU (Office of Professional Employees International Union), the goal of both TUSPM and Devon Medical Products with this venture is to increase quality of life for patients with lymphedema and prevent ulcers and potential amputations for patients with diabetic foot and other arterial diseases. The renowned podiatric team at Temple is identifying and treating patients with these complications early and quickly. The podiatric team is also working with Devon Medical Products' wound care experts to help treat patients with non-healing wounds.

Devon Medical Products is a global medical device manufacturer and distributor that provides podiatric-focused devices. Their product line includes the extriCARE™ Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) system, the CircuFlow™ series of lymphedema compression pumps, and the ArterioFlow™ arterial compression pump. These devices address the distress patients face when entering the Foot and Ankle Institute with lymphedema, diabetic ulcers, non-healing wounds, and the like.

In October 2012, TUSPM and Devon Medical Products released an



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advertisement in the Philadelphia Metro newspaper, which ran for five weeks. The goal was to raise awareness about lymphedema – a highly undiagnosed disease – and also inform patients that the Foot and Ankle institute could treat this complication. The success rate of this advertisement far surpassed expectations as over 120 patients have contacted Temple for appointments. Even with the ending of the advertising campaign, calls have continued at a rapid pace.

If you find that your patients are suffering from massive leg swelling, or lymphedema, pain and itching in the legs, non-healing wounds, diabetic foot ulcers, venous insufficiency and arterial deficiencies related to diabetes that cause swelling or poor blood circulation, please contact TUSPM at 215-625-5289. With product-related questions, please contact Devon Medical Products at 610-755-4958.



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For more information contact Ryan Kipp, Assistant Director of Development (215) 625-5248 or [rkipp@tuspm.temple.edu](mailto:rkipp@tuspm.temple.edu)

## ★ TUSPM WELCOMES THE CLASS OF 2016



In August 2012, TUSPM welcomed 98 new students to campus.

### Demographics:

- Average age: 24
- Students from 7 countries and 17 states
- Graduates of 69 colleges, including 4 from Temple
- 42 percent are female, and 58 percent are male
- 48 percent are minorities
- 96 U.S. citizens and 16 Pennsylvania residents

## ★ TUSPM CLASS OF 2012 GRADUATES



## ★ ALUMNI AND STAFF NEWS (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

### **CARMEN APRIL, DPM, '07**

Dr. April was named as one of the 2013 40 Under 40 honorees in the Nashville Business Journal for her commitment to her community and practice.

### **DESMOND BELL, DPM, '95**

Dr. Bell's article "When Do You Refer A Patient For Vascular Intervention?" was published in the December Issue of *Podiatry Today* (Vol. 25:12). Dr. Bell's article "Peripheral Arterial Disease Overview" provided guidelines for disease prevention and treatment (Vol. 32:1).

### **MICHAEL DOWNEY, DPM, '83**

Dr. Downey was featured in the February issue of *Podiatry Today*, in which he coauthored the article "Point-Counterpoint: Is Conservative Care The Best Approach For Plantar Fibromatosis?" with Byron Hutchinson, DPM. Dr. Downey discusses conservative treatment for Plantar fibromatosis.

### **CODY BLAZEK, CLASS OF '15**

Sophomore student Cody Blazek was recently featured in a PPMA Update article, "Young Members Corner" (June/July 2012, p. 19), in which he discussed his pursuit of a career in podiatric medicine.

### **BRENT BERNSTEIN, DPM, '93**

Dr. Bernstein coauthored "Developing a Comprehensive Diagnostic and Treatment Plan for Charcot Neuroarthopathy-Pt.1" in the February issue of *Podiatry Management* with Huoi Lam, DPM and John Motko, RN, in which they contributed to Continuing Medical Education program that offers clinical case studies.

### **J. PALMER BRANCH, DPM, '95**

Dr. Branch was published in the December issue of *Podiatry Today*. In his article, "Exploring The Potential Of Acellular Dermis Grafts For Wound Healing And Soft Tissue Repair", he discussed the use of acellular dermis grafts for foot and ankle wound healing, tissue repair and supplementation (Vol. 25:12).

### **JOSEPH CAPORUSSO, DPM, '89**

Dr. Joseph Caporusso was recently featured in a *Podiatry Management* article, "The Anything-Is-Possible President" (August 2012, p. 81), in which he discussed his installation as APMA in March at APMA's House of Delegates meeting.

### **ED CHAIRMAN, DPM, '69**

Dr. Chairman was featured in *Podiatry Management* article, "Tips for Making a Smaller Practice Successful" in which he briefly discussed his experiences in private practice and the importance of positive patient interaction.

### **JAMES CHRISTINA, DPM, '83**

Dr. James Christina was featured in *Podiatry Management News* (January 5, 2013 #4, 657) in regards to his contribution to Fox News where he briefly discussed the common condition of flat feet and the simple steps people can take before seeking a podiatrist.

### **CHRISTOPHER CORWIN, DPM, '02**

Dr. Corwin, was recently featured in the October issue of *Podiatry Today* for his article "Preventive Insights On Shoewear And Bike Fit For Cyclists", in which he discussed the importance of bicycle fit and proper lower extremity care when cycling (Vol. 25:10).

### **CORINE CREECH, DPM, '11**

Dr. Creech was recently featured in the February issue of *Podiatry Today* in which she coauthored "Pertinent Pearls on Fifth Metatarsal Osteotomies" with Jane Pontious, DPM, '85. They offered insight into options for treating a tailor's bunion including distal metatarsal osteotomies and the lateral exostectomy (Vol. 26:2).

### **ROBERT CREIGHTON, DPM, '88**

Dr. Robert Creighton recently published a children's book entitled, *Me, My Pillow and Kicking Feet*. The book was inspired by his children that seem to constantly kick their pillows.

### **EDDIE DAVIS, DPM, '82**

In the January 1, 2013 #4, 653 issue of *Podiatry Management News* Dr. Davis was featured for recently co-producing an original musical entitled "In Their Shoes", which will play March 6th and 7th in San Antonio, Texas. For more information about the musical see <http://www.tovarubinshow.com/>

### **JOHN GUILIANA, DPM, MS, '86**

Dr. John Guiliana and Dr. Hal Ornstein, DPM, friend, coauthored a *Podiatry Management* article, "Stress: All in a Day's Work - Part 1" (August 2012, p. 205). The Drs. wrote "Aptitude Determines Altitude... Fly High" in the October issue (Vol. 31:8). The Drs. were

also in the November/December issue of *Podiatry Management* for their article "You Put the 'I' in Integrity" (Vol. 31:9). In the January issue of *Podiatry Management*, they coauthored an article entitled "You Need to See the Goal to Reach It Part- 1" (Vol. 32:1). The second part of the article, was featured in Vol. 32:2. Dr. Guiliana coauthored "Five Ways to Enhance Patient Compliance" with Neil. The article appeared in the November/December issue of *Podiatry Management*, as a reprint from *The Journal of Medical Practice Management* (May/June 2011, pgs 363-366)

### **ARTHUR E. HELFAND, DPM, '57, FACULTY**

Dr. Helfand published the "When Routine Foot Care Should Not Be 'Routine-Part 1'" in *Podiatry Management's* October issue (Vol. 31:8), in which he discussed the history of podiatry and Medicare. Part two is featured in the January issue (Vol. 32:1).

### **ALLEN JACOBS, DPM, '73**

Dr. Jacobs frequently writes for the blog section of *Podiatry Today* where podiatrists share their experiences and offer insight into the field. His posts can be read at [www.podiatrytoday.com/blogs/290](http://www.podiatrytoday.com/blogs/290). Dr. Jacobs participated in the round table discussion in which doctors share opinions on ethical issues. The article of the discussion was featured in *Podiatry Management's* January 2013 issue (Vol. 32:1)

### **MARIA KASPER, DPM, '98**

Dr. Maria Kasper was recently featured in a *PPMA Update* article, "Young Members Corner" (April/May 2012, p. 19), in which she discussed her experiences in podiatric medicine.

### **STEVEN KRAVITZ, DPM, '79**

Dr. Kravitz was featured in the November/December issue of *Podiatry Management*, in which he discussed his organization Academy of Physicians in Wound Healing (Vol. 31:9).

### **HUOI LAM, DPM, '10**

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## ★ ALUMNI BOARD PROFILE: DR. BURTON J. KATZEN, DPM '71

BY JEFF JANICZEK

**B**urton J. Katzen, DPM, 71 has been an active TUSPM Alumni Association member for more than a decade, as well as a member of the Temple University Cromwell Society. He currently practices in Temple Hills and Clinton, Maryland. Dr. Katzen sat down with *Strides* to discuss his involvement with the Alumni Association Board and career in podiatric medicine.

*Strides: How did you first become involved with the TUSPM Alumni Association?*

Dr. Katzen "When I first joined the Alumni Association, I had not been involved with the school for over 30 years. Dr. Mattiacci was a good friend of mine throughout school, and when I heard he had become Dean, I knew he would be a real advocate for the school and I was excited to become involved."

*Strides: What is the role on the Alumni Association Board of Directors?*

Dr. Katzen: "As I see it, the main functions of the board are to make student life better by serving as a liaison between the students and the school and raising scholarship money to financially aid students by reaching out to alumni and by our yearly Alumni Association seminar. I also believe it is very important that we, as a board, assist students in beginning their careers after graduation. We also co-sponsor the Nicaraguan trip."

*Strides: What has been the most rewarding part of being involved in the Alumni Association?*

Dr. Katzen: "I would say it's being able to raise as much money as we have over the past four years through our alumni seminar. I believe we

have raised close to \$130,000.00 in the past four years, and I am sure this money has eased the financial burdens of several students."

*Strides: What advice do you give to students and young alumni?*

Dr. Katzen: "The best advice I can give is to remember why we exist as a profession. It is natural for all young graduates to want to become surgeons. I believe we exist and have grown as profession for one simple reason. As my mentor, the late Charlie Turchin said, we are the only profession where people walk into our office in pain and walk out feeling better. Learn biomechanics and learn how to do a good debridement of corns, calluses, diabetic ulcers, and nails while still in training. It may not seem as glamorous as surgery, but it will build your practice and be very satisfying when you see happy, pain free patients. Remember, even Harvard Medical School internists still treat common colds. I still derive the majority of my surgical patients by my ability to satisfy and gain the confidence of patients by first relieving their pain in the office. We need to remember that podiatry started out as a profession to treat common foot problems both surgically and non-surgically. Also, when I graduated, most orthopedists were not performing foot surgery. This has changed throughout the 41 years I have been in practice, but we still do the best foot surgery, save the most limbs, and relieve the most foot pain when compared to any other medical specialty."

*Strides: Do you have any hobbies away from medicine?*

Dr. Katzen: I coached American Legion baseball for many years retiring in 2005. That



was a very rewarding "2nd full time job" as most of my players went off to play college ball. I do exercise, play tennis, and ride a bicycle. I also am a Civil War buff and a sports memorabilia collector, but my real favorite hobby is spending time with my 3 granddaughters who live in Philadelphia, (with a forth on the way in Washington). This is one reason why I have no problem traveling from Washington to attend Alumni Board meetings.

*Strides: Where do you see TUSPM 10 years from now?*

Dr. Katzen "It would seem that the natural progression would be to be incorporated into the main campus of Temple's Medical School. I believe it would give our students more opportunity to learn from, interact with, and be accepted by the mainstream medical community.

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*(Left to Right) Dr. Larry Newman, DPM, Steven Nelson and Robert DeWaters.*

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### STEPHEN LEVIN, DPM, '96

Dr. Levin was recently elected as 2nd vice president of The Florida Podiatric Medical Association.

### DAVID LEVINE, DPM, CPED, '87

Dr. Levine provided the monthly case study for the September issue of *Podiatry Today*. His case, "When There Is A Disconnect Between Different Specialties (Vol. 25:9)," focused on a 78 year old patient with diabetic neuropathy. His article can be read at

<http://www.podiatrytoday.com/when-there-disconnect-between-different-specialties>

### SABINA MALHOTRA, DPM, '10

Dr. Malhotra coauthored the *Podiatry Management* article "The Podiatrist's Role in Treating Running Injuries in Today's Society" (Vol. 32:2) with George Lane, DPM and John Davis, in which they discussed common running injuries, prevention of injury and treatments.

### VINCENT MANDRACCHIA, DPM, MHA, '76

Dr. Mandracchia was recently promoted to executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Broadlawns Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa, a position that ranks immediately below the president and CEO. Prior to this promotion, Dr. Mandracchia held the position of Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at the hospital since 2006.

### JUDITH MANZI, DPM, '79

Dr. Manzi contributed her experiences in the *Podiatry Management* article "Balancing Career and Family", in which she along with three other podiatrists discuss motherhood and podiatry (Vol. 32:1).

### JEFFREY MCALISTER, DPM, '09

Dr. McAlister and Christopher F. Hyer, DPM, MS, FACFAS coauthored "How To Address High Intermetatarsal Angles In Bunion Surgery" in *Podiatry Today's* December issue (Vol. 25:12), in which they discussed what to consider before surgery, the benefits of and protocol post corrective surgery.

Dr. McAlister along with Dr. Terrence M. Philbin, DO, completed an online case study on [Podiatrytoday.com](http://www.podiatrytoday.com) for the November issue of *Podiatry Today* (Vol. 25:11). The study entitled, "A Closer Look At The Distal Tibial Osteotomy For Ankle Varus" The article can be found at <http://www.podiatrytoday.com/closer-look-distal-tibial-osteotomy-ankle-varus>

### LYNDA MCGINNIS, DPM, '85

Dr. McGinnis was honored with the 2012 Podiatrist of the Year award from the Maryland Podiatric Medical Association. She was congratulated in *Podiatry Management News* (January 22, 2013 #4,671).

### JAMES MORROW, DPM, '12

Dr. James Morrow and Dr. Tracy Vlahovic (TUSPM faculty) coauthored "Ustekinumab in the Treatment of Moderate to Severe Lower Extremity Psoriasis: A case series" in *The Foot and Ankle Online Journal* (November 1st, 2012), which they addressed Ustekinumab's effects on plaque psoriasis of the lower extremities.

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### MARY OEHLER, RT (R,N) ARRT, FACULTY

Ms. Oehler's article "Producing Quality Computed Digital Radiographs" was published in the February issue of *Podiatry Management* in which she discussed the advances in digital radiography and its benefits over computed radiography. She is currently the supervisor of the Radiology Department at the Foot and Ankle Institute.

### KAREN PADMORE, DPM, '97

Dr. Karen Padmore was recently featured in *Podiatry Management News* (December 20, 2012, #4, 643) which discussed her introduction of a new laboratory for custom-made foot orthotics intended to help fight diabetes, at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Barbados.  
<http://www.podiatry.com/pmnewsissues.cfm>

### JOSEPH PASQUINO, DPM, FACULTY

Dr. Pasquino, Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Podiatric Medicine and Orthopedics, was recently elected as president of the Pennsylvania Podiatric Medical Association.

### GARY PICHNEY, DPM, '91

Dr. Pichney was the featured podiatrist in the *Wall Street Journal* article "Young People Also Weigh Surgery To Relieve Ugly, Painful Bunions", offering insight into young people's decision to opt for bunion surgery instead of non-surgical treatments. The article can be found online at <http://online.wsj.com>

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*John Harding, DPM '51, Dean John Mattiacci, DPM '70 and James Campbell, DPM '51 visited TUSPM for the first time in September 2012 since they graduated in 1951.*

## ✦ IN MEMORIAM: DR. ANDREW J. DELGADO

It is with great sadness that Strides informs the TUSPM community that Andrew J. Delgado, D.P.M., '52, a founding member of the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine Board of Trustees, recently passed away at the age of 89. Dr. Delgado served on the School's Advisory Council and was a member of both the Conwell and Wachman Societies in addition to serving on the TUSPM Board of Visitors.

"Dr. Delgado was a man who gave of himself freely," said Mr. Rod Jones, Associate Dean. "When I came to what was then PCPM, there were times when I truly felt alone. Dr. Delgado made it a point to reach out to me, to let me know that he had faith in me and that I had his support. He was someone that I wanted to emulate, not because of the things he had, but because of the character he had."

In 2001, Dr. Delgado received one of Temple's highest honors as the recipient of the School's "Gallery of Success" award. He most recently attended the TUSPM Graduation and Board of Visitors meeting on May 9, 2012. On August 20, a memorial service was held for Dr. Delgado.

"The Delgado Family would like to express our gratitude to the School of Podiatric Medicine family," said Joya Harris, Dr. Delgado's niece. "Our uncle had such a special place in his heart for the school, students, faculty and staff. It meant so much to him to be able to attend graduation last May. It was beyond heart-moving to hear the testimonials at his memorial service."

In 1984, Dr. Delgado endowed the Andrea Delgado, M.D. Memorial Scholarship to provide scholarships for fourth-year podiatry students who have excelled academically, have a record of service to the School of Podiatric Medicine, and who demonstrate financial need.

"Although we clearly knew what he did, to hear the magnitude of his professional and personal influence on others was so incredibly touching," Harris said.

In memory of Dr. Delgado, the family is requesting that donations be made to the Andrea Delgado Memorial Scholarship. Checks can be made payable to Temple University, or if you prefer to make a donation via a credit card, please contact Gia Ippolito (see masthead).

## ✦ IN MEMORIAM: DR. DORIS STELMACH

Dr. Doris Stelmach passed away February 20, 2013. She graduated from Temple's school of Chiropody in 1943 and was later a member of the Foundation Board and Board of Visitors until her passing. She is survived by four children and eleven grandchildren. All donations in memory of Dr. Stelmach can be made to the Dr. Gallman-Stelmach Endowed Scholarship Fund.

## ✦ IN MEMORIAM: DR. LEONARD ABRAMS

Dr. Leonard Abrams, member of the Board of Visitors and namesake of the Leonard S. Abrams Center for Advanced Wound Healing in the Foot and Ankle Institute, passed away January 13, 2013. He is survived by his two children, five children and five great grandchildren.

## IN MEMORIAM

Leonard Abrams, DPM

1940s

Doris Stelmach, DPM, '43  
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1950s

Andrew J. Delgado, DPM, '52

1960s

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1970s

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## ✪ BUILDING A NEW RELATIONSHIP

BY JEFF JANICZEK

When Assistant Dean Samuel Spadone, DPM, visited Wenzhou, China, last December, he found a country very much at odds with preconceptions based on his high school geography classes. "I knew things were bound to have changed over the course of nearly forty years, but I still half expected to see streets full of bicycles. The streets were indeed very full, but anything with only two wheels seemed to be a Harley Davidson and I learned that the best-selling car in China is the Buick Regal," Dr. Spadone said. Dr. Spadone noted that the transportation sector wasn't the only modern one in China. During his visit Dr. Spadone toured the campus of Wenzhou Medical College, its affiliated hospitals, and a pharmaceutical company. He described the facilities as "first rate."

Dr. Spadone visited Wenzhou, China, for three days on behalf of TUSPM to sign and affiliation agreement with Wenzhou Medical College. Prior to his trip, a delegation from Wenzhou Medical College (WZMC) led by Vice President and professor Xiaoming Chen, M.D., visited Temple University to explore collaboration with schools of pharmacy and podiatric medicine. The affiliation agreement was the culmination of numerous email exchanges over a six-month period and covers multiple avenues of cooperation between the two institutions..

"A slightly larger segment of the Chinese population suffers from diabetes than in this country and the estimated fraction of those whose diabetes is undiagnosed is greater still," Dr. Spadone explained. "More diabetes, especially undiagnosed diabetes, is expected to lead to a proportionate increase in lower extremity complications and the need for comprehensive care. Our colleagues in



*Dr. Samuel Spadone (left) and Dr. Chen (right)*

*Dr. Samuel Spadone (left) and Dr. Chen (right)*



Wenzhou are interested in learning a comprehensive approach to lower extremity pathologies. There will be a need for more foot and ankle services and they're going to be very busy."

The chief purpose of the agreement was to establish intent and goodwill between the two parties, which Dr. Spadone believes was a great success. "I developed laryngitis enroute to Wenzhou and could barely whisper at the signing ceremony, but thankfully, the interpreters had strong, clear voices. Everyone seemed genuinely interested in my perspectives and we had good exchange of ideas."

"My hosts were very warm and friendly. They really couldn't seem to do enough to make me feel among friends. I couldn't go anywhere on campus without seeing an electronic billboard welcoming me," said Dr. Spadone, adding, "It was a wonderful experience."

On the final day of his visit, two of his hosts took Dr. Spadone to Yan Dang Mountain, just outside of Wenzhou, which is located in southeastern Zhejiang province in eastern China. "It was absolutely beautiful, very picturesque," Dr. Spadone said. "I can't explain it, but a sense of serenity was almost palpable in the air."

Dr. Spadone is in the process of developing a program to allow one or two doctors from Wenzhou to come to TUSPM for a few months at a time to observe lower extremity care as it is practiced here. "Our friends in Wenzhou have an appreciation for what we may be able to offer and I'd like them to have the opportunity to take something back for their patients."

## ★ DR. RICHARD ADLER IS AWARDED 2012-2013 GALLERY OF SUCCESS

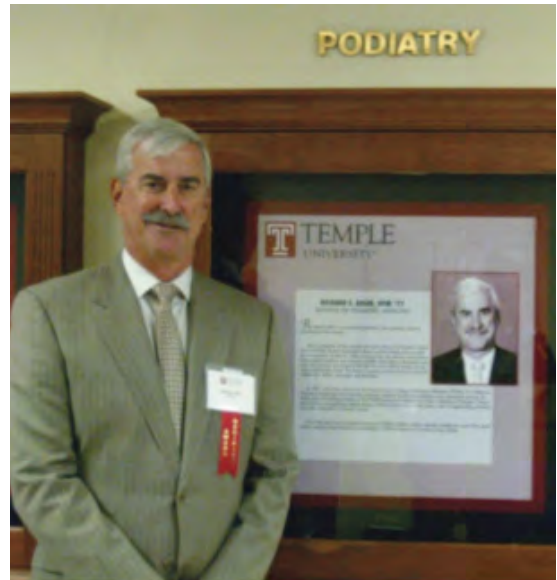
BY ASHA DAVIS

Dr. Richard Adler, '77 joins 16 other Temple Alumni that were chosen as shining examples of the brilliance of Temple alumni. Every fall, 17 alumni are honored in the Gallery of Success in Mitten Hall's lower level. His biography and picture will be on display for a year for everyone to regard his commitment to the University and TUSPM.

Dr. Adler represents the School of Podiatric Medicine with pride and accepted his award with excitement.

"Receiving the Gallery of Success was a great honor for me because I felt that my peers were recognizing the efforts I had made on behalf of the Podiatry School. I think that most of the time we work towards certain goals and very little is said about our efforts, here Dean Mattiacci and the administration were taking the time to say "Hey- We appreciate the work you are doing to make TUSPM a better place."

Dr. Adler is the immediate past president of the Alumni Association Board. He has been a member of the board for many years, serving three years as president.



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## ★ FOOT & ANKLE INSTITUTE AWARDED THE EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIP AWARD

The Foot and Ankle Institute was recognized at the Health Information Professions graduation ceremony on August 9th, 2012 for excellent collaboration with the Center for Social Policy and Community Development. Nikki Scullon, Director of Operations at FAI, accepted the award on the clinic's behalf. The award reads below:

“*The Foot and Ankle Institute at Temple University's School of Podiatric Medicine has been a partner with the Center for Social Policy and Community Development for almost a decade. This industrious teaching hospital has provided expertise on curriculum development, internship experiences and collaboration on our Employer Engagement committee. The Director of Operations Nikki L. Scullon, has added a new internship experience with the inclusion of the surgery scheduling department. Loretta Edwards, Manager of Medical Records, and Loretta J. Ooten, Supervisor of patient billing, complete the team by providing day to day supervision and direction to the existing teams and willingly incorporate our students for a well-rounded and realistic work environment. As a result of demonstrating their skills during internship, several students have been hired by the Foot and Ankle Institute. Therefore, a special thank you is extended to all of the employees at Foot and Ankle who welcome our students and take them under their wings.*”

## ALUMNI AND STAFF NEWS

### JANE PONTIOUS, DPM, '85, FACULTY

Dr. Pontious is a current Associate Professor in the surgery department and was recently featured in the February issue of *Podiatry Today* in which she coauthored "Pertinent Pearls on Fifth Metatarsal Osteotomies" with Corine Creech, DPM, '11. They offered insight into options for treating a tailor's bunion including distal metatarsal osteotomies and the lateral exostectomy (Vol. 26:2).

### RON RADUCANU, DPM, '99

Dr. Raducanu frequently writes for the blog section of *Podiatry Today* where podiatrists share their experiences and offer insight into the field. Read his posts at <http://www.podiatrytoday.com/blogs/558>

### SHARON RAFALOFF, DPM, '87

Dr. Rafaloff contributed her experiences in the *Podiatry Management* article "Balancing Career and Family", in which she along with three other podiatrists discuss motherhood and podiatry (Vol. 32:1).

### BRET RIBOTSKY, DPM, '88

Dr. Ribotsky was recently quoted in the *Palm Beach Post* (January 14th 2013) in which he discussed the potential medical risks of pedicures. The story was reproduced in *Podiatry Management News* (January 16, 2013 #4,666). Dr. Ribotsky continues to host his interview program Meet the Masters on [www.podiatricssuccess.com](http://www.podiatricssuccess.com) where he conducted 48 interviews in 2012.

### JEFFERY ROCKEFELLER, DPM, '83

Dr. Jeffery Rockefeller was recently featured in *Podiatry Management News* (December 21, 2012, #4, 644) in which he is recognized for having performed foot surgery on famed tennis player Serena Williams.

### STEPHEN ROGERS, DPM, '92

Dr. Rogers was featured in *Podiatry Management News* advising his patients to monitor toenail fungus and offers advice for how to treat fungus during the winter months (January 29, 2013 #4,677)

### GINO SCARTOZZI, DPM, '87

Dr. Scartozzi was a member of the round table article "Biomechanics 2012" in the September issue of *Podiatry Management* in which participants gave updates on the advancements in biomechanics (31:7).

### JODI SCHOENHAUS GOLD, DPM, '01

Dr. Schoenhaus was recently featured in *Podiatry Management News* (January 3, 2013 #4, 655) for her recent work with student athletes examining them in the school gym and giving advice for proper foot care during "Athletes Helping Athletes" event. Dr. Schoenhaus wrote "Are Acellular Dermal Matrices Effective For Grade 0 Ulcers And Fat Pad Augmentation?" which was published as the surgery pearl in *Podiatry Today's* November issue (Vol. 25:11).

### KYLE SCHOLNICK, DPM, '11

Dr. Schlonick's article "Diagnosing Osteomyelitis" was featured in the November/December issue of *Podiatry Management* in which he reviewed diagnosis of osteomyelitis (31:9).

### ANDREW SCHNEIDER, DPM, '97

Dr. Schneider was featured in the September issue of *Podiatry Management* in which he wrote "Five tips to Grow Your Custom Orthotics Practice". He urges podiatrists to refocus on lower extremity biomechanics (Vol. 31:7). His article "After the Amputation... A Podiatrist's Job Isn't Done" was featured in the November/December issue of *Podiatry Management* in which he discussed the work that follows a patient's amputation surgery (31:9). He wrote "Leveraging Technology to Dig You Out of Your E-mail Prison" in the January issue *Podiatry Management* to provide insight into methods of managing emails (Vol 32:1).

### NAOHIRO SHIBUYA, DPM, '03

Dr. Shibuya was featured in the September issue of *Podiatry Management* in which he wrote "Can Amputation Be Cost-Effective?" He analyzed the factors to consider when understanding the cost efficiency of amputation (Vol. 31:7).

### BRYAN SNYDER, DPM, '97

Dr. Snyder was featured in *Podiatry Management News* and on CBS local news in Virginia for his work with an annual shoe drive, "Let Someone Fill Your Shoes." The annual shoe drive benefits those in need of shoes and looking to make a donation (*Podiatry Management News* January 25, 2013 #4,674).

### GEORGE TRACHTENBERG, DPM, '77

Dr. Trachtenberg was featured in the December issue of *Podiatry Today* for his article "When Lower Extremity Dysfunction Contributes To

Back Pain", in which he discussed how back pain may be due to lower extremity conditions and gave insight into lumbar spine flexion (Vol. 25:12).

### SCOTT WEISS, DPM, '05

Dr. Weiss was featured in *Podiatry Management News* in which he and his father Dr. Robert Weiss conducted a tour of the Foot and Ankle Institute of Darien and informed Connecticut congressman Jim Himes of their involvement with the "meaningful use program"

### KENDRICK WHITNEY, DPM, '83

Dr. Kendrick Whitney was honored by Merck Research Laboratories for his contributions to *The Merck Manuals* as author of the chapter "Foot and Ankle Disorders."

### TRACY VLAHOVIC, DPM, '00, FACULTY

Dr. Tracey Vlahovic coauthored *Skin Disease of the Lower Extremities: A Photographic Guide* with Stephen M. Schleicher, MD, which outlines different skin conditions of the lower extremities. She along with Dr. James Morrow (TUSPM alumni) coauthored "Ustekinumab in the Treatment of Moderate to Severe Lower Extremity Psoriasis: A case series" in *The Foot and Ankle Online Journal* (November 1st, 2012), which they addressed Ustekinumab's effects on plaque psoriasis of the lower extremities. Her article "How To Treat Dystrophic Nails" was featured in *Podiatry Today* (Vol. 26:1) in which she discussed diagnosis of various dystrophic nail conditions and their respective treatments.

### ELIZABETH WEBER, DPM, '98

Dr. Weber was featured in *PPMA Update* in which she was recognized for volunteer efforts with her father as a ski instructor to special needs persons at Greek Peak Mountain Ski Resort. In addition to teaching, she and her father help skiers fit equipment for limb length discrepancy, get custom orthotics for boots and help adjust braces and footbeds of snowboards and skis.

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Michael Litman, DPM '71

James E. McNerney, DPM '70

Angelo S. Monaco, DPM '52

David C. Novicki, DPM, '74

Richard Roccapriore, DPM '53

Robert A. Rovner, JD

Arthur H. Saxon

Jay Schnitzer, DPM '71

Edwin Seave, DPM '43, JD '51

Eugene M. Smolens, DPM '68

\*Doris Stelmach, DPM '43

Clarence Milton Stewart, DPM '95

Michael F. Zarro, DPM '83

\*Board Member Emeritus

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

*Join us at these upcoming events and conferences:*

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#### **Alumni Association Meeting**

*April 20, 2013 at 11:30 AM  
TUSPM Board room*

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#### **Region III**

*May 2-3, 2013  
Trump Taj Mahal  
Atlantic City, NJ*

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#### **TUSPM and Devon Medical Breakfast at Region III**

*May 3, 2013 from 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM  
Tiara A, Trump Taj Mahal  
Atlantic City, NJ*

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#### **Bates Reception at Region III**

*May 3, 2013 from 5:30 PM until 7:00 PM  
Tiara A, Trump Taj Mahal  
Atlantic City, NJ*

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#### **TUSPM Commencement & Reception**

*May 14, 2013  
Ceremony: 10:00 AM at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia PA  
Reception: Immediately following commencement at the Doubletree Hotel,  
Philadelphia PA*

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#### **Board of Visitors Meeting**

*May 14, 2013 at 2:00 PM  
Doubletree Hotel, Philadelphia PA*

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#### **APMA National Meeting**

*July 21-25, 2013  
Las Vegas, NV*

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#### **5th Annual TUSPM Alumni Association Seminar**

*September 21-22, 2013  
TUSPM*