



America's Most Influential Podiatrists—Part 1

In 2001, *PM* asked its consulting editors to each select 25 DPMs whom they thought were the most influential. What emerged was a virtual Who's Who of podiatry. This diverse group ranges from well-known legends to up-and-coming superstars. They represent a cross-section of the country and some of the brightest lights in the profession.

We decided to repeat this process every five years. This time, we also asked the readers of *PM News*, our Internet newsletter, to nominate additional podiatrists who might have been overlooked in the difficult selection process. We have not listed some legendary podiatrists because they are no longer active in the profession. Their legacies, however, will live on eternally in the *PM* Podiatry Hall of Fame.

Because of space considerations, we've listed these deserving DPMs al-

phabetically from A-K. Part 2 (letters L-Z) will appear in the June issue. We've listed a short curriculum vitae for each honoree. This is a condensation of current and past positions, publications, and notable achievements and is based on information submitted by each podiatrist. We commend those who were selected. Their hard work and devotion have illuminated this profession and they serve as role models for all of us.

Abbreviations are used for commonly-known colleges of podiatric medicine and well known organizations. For example, APMA = American Podiatric Medical Association. Colleges graduated from are listed by the current college name. For example, graduates of the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine are listed as TUSPM (Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine).

Abbreviations:

- AZPOD** = Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine at Midwestern University
- BUSPM** = Barry University School of Graduate Medical Sciences
- CCPM** = California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt College
- DMU** = College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery, Des Moines University—Osteopathic Medical Center
- KSCPM** = Kent State College of Podiatric Medicine (Formerly Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine)
- NYCPM** = New York College of Podiatric Medicine
- SCPM** = Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
- TUSPM** = Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine
- WUSPM** = Western University School of Podiatric Medicine

Stephen Albert, DPM
Greenwood Village, CO



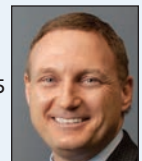
- **Podiatry College Graduated from:** CCPM, 1975
- **Major Positions Currently Held:**
 - Consulting Podiatrist (WOC), Surgical Service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Denver, CO.
 - Deans Advisory Council for the College of Podiatric Medicine at Western University of Health Sciences, Pomona, CA
- **Past Positions Held:**
 - Chief, Podiatric Section, Surgical Service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Denver, CO.
 - Chief, Podiatric Section, Department of Surgery, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO.
 - President of the American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine
 - American Board of Podiatric Orthopedics and Primary Podiatric Medicine examination committee member and oral examiner.
 - Board of Directors of the American Board of Podiatric Orthopedics
- **Books or Articles Published:**
 - Co-editor *Lower Extremity Biomechanics: Theory and Practice Vol. I* Bipedmed Publishing 2013
 - Co-editor, *Contemporary Pedorthics* Elton-Wolf Publishing 2002
 - 8 book chapters
 - 15 articles in peer-reviewed publications.

■ **Notable Accomplishments and/or Awards:**

- Founded the podiatric residency program at the Surgical Service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Denver, CO.
- Founded the podiatric fellowship program at the Surgical Service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Denver, CO.
- Established and was first chairman of the podiatric section in Department of Surgery, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO.
- First podiatrist to obtain operating room privileges at University Hospital & Children's Hospital, Denver, CO.

■ **In a Nutshell:** *Nationally recognized author, educator, and podiatric political leader.*

Marque Allen, DPM
San Antonio, TX



- **Podiatry College Graduated from:** TUSPM, 1995
- **Major Positions Currently Held:**
 - Clinical Assistant Professor, Dept. of Orthopedics, University of Texas Health Science Center—San Antonio

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Louis J. DeCaro, DPM (continued)

- Medical Director/Co-owner/inventor: Nolaro24 RX24 Quadrastep
- Member: American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine
- Attending Staff, Podiatric Medicine & Surgery: Holyoke Medical Center, Holyoke MA
- Peer Reviewer, *Podiatrics: The Foot & Ankle Online Journal*

■ Past Positions Held:

- Board Member: Massachusetts Podiatric Medical Society (MPMS)—2002–2012
- MPMS State Podiatry Political Action Committee (PPAC) Coordinator: 2003–2012
- Committee Chairman: Massachusetts Podiatric Medical Society Education Committee—2001–2006
- Regional Representative: Young Members Assistance Program, 2000–2006
- Editor In-Chief: *American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management (AAPP) Newsletter*, 2004–2006

■ Books or Articles Published:

- Scientific articles in *JAPMA*, *Podiatry Management*, *ACFAP Quarterly*

■ Notable Accomplishments and/or Awards:

- APMSA Presidential Leadership Award for Outstanding Leadership and Service to Podiatric Medical students and the Association—August 1998
- Commencement Speaker Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine Class of 2015
- Greater than 10 International National lectures per year consecutively for the past 7 years

■ **In a Nutshell:** *Pediatric Foot & Ankle Specialist and International Lecturer on Pediatric Podiatry and Biomechanics.*

Patrick A. DeHeer, DPM Franklin, IN



■ **Podiatry College Graduated from:** SCPM, 1990

■ Major Positions Currently Held:

- Trustee, American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA)
- Chair APMA Legislative Committee
- Clinical Instructor (Adjunct Track) Department of Podiatric Medicine and Radiology Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
- Team Podiatrist Indiana Pacers
- Founder, Step-By-Step Haiti and Foot Aid non-profit organizations

■ Past Positions Held:

- Board of Directors American Society of Podiatric Medicine
- Board of Directors American Podiatric Medical Association Political Action Committee
- President, Indiana Podiatric Medical Association
- Board of Directors American College of Foot and Ankle Pediatrics
- APMA House of Delegates, Delegate 2011–2015

■ Books or Articles Published:

- Guest Editor *Clinics in Podiatric Medicine And Surgery—Pediatric Deformities*, October 2013
- Guest Editor *Foot & Ankle Quarterly—Clubfoot Summer Issue* 2014
- 8 additional published articles.

■ Notable Accomplishments and/or Awards:

- Meritorious Service Award from the Indiana Podiatric Medical Association—2000
- Meritorious Service Award from the Indiana Podiatric Medical Association—2004
- Humanitarian of the Year 2011 American Podiatric Medical Association—2011
- T.H. Clarke Achievement Award Indiana Podiatric Medical Association—2011
- Humanitarian of the Year 2014 International Federation of Podiatrists—2014

■ **In a Nutshell:** *Nationally recognized podiatric political leader, sports medicine authority, and humanitarian.*

Jeffery DeSantis, DPM Orange, CA



■ **Podiatry College Graduated from:** CCPM, 1990

■ Major Positions Currently Held:

- Trustee, APMA
- Chair, Vision 2015/ Path to Parity
- Claims committee, Podiatry Insurance Company of America

• CEO, Cambridge Foot and Ankle Associates, Inc.

■ Past Positions Held:

- President, CPMA
- Podiatric Expert, Medical Board of California
- Director, Irvine Multi-Specialty Surgical Fellowship
- Chief of Podiatric Surgery/Assistant Residency Director, Western Med Center, Orange County, CA

■ Notable Accomplishments and/or Awards:

- Initial V2015 member worked to formalize PMSR standardized 3 year residencies.
- Chair, Path to Parity formation USMLE Pilot project
- CPMA President during passage AB932 for modernization of CA Podiatric Practice Act signed into law by Gov. Schwarzenegger.

■ **In a Nutshell:** *Nationally recognized podiatric leader.*

John DiMaggio, DPM Bandon, OR



■ **Podiatry College Graduated from:** NYCPM, 1973

■ Major Positions Currently Held:

- President, American Society of Forensic Podiatry (ASFP)
- President, Forensic Podiatry Consulting Services, PLLC

■ Past Positions Held:

- Private Practice, Tri-City Podiatric Physicians and Surgeons, Ltd. Tempe, AZ
- Certified Peace Officer State of Arizona, Mesa Arizona Police Department, Reserve Status, Patrol Division, 1984–1999
- President, Tempe Nuevo Kiwanis Club, Tempe, AZ
- Residency Director, Mesa General Hospital, Mesa, AZ
- Board Member, Friendship Village Life Care Center, Tempe, AZ

■ Books or Articles Published:

- DiMaggio, John. A. and Vernon, Wesley *Forensic Podiatry—Principles and Methods*, New York, Springer Science and Business Media L.L.C. 2011,
- “The Role of Feet and Footwear in Medicolegal Investigations,” Ch. 13, Rich DPM, Jeremy, Dean MD, Dorothy E., Powers PhD. *Forensic Medicine of the Lower Extremity*. Humana Press, CT., February 2005.
- *Prints of Thieves, BioMechanics Magazine*, Vol.IX, Number 3/March 2002:16–26.
- *Forensic Podiatry—Part Two, Evidence Technology Magazine*, Volume Number 3, May–June 2008
- *Forensic Podiatry—Part One Evidence Technology Magazine*, Volume 6, Number2, March–April 2008.
- *The Crime of the Century, Podiatry Management Magazine*, July 2007.
- *The Emerging Science of Forensic Podiatry, Podiatry Management Magazine*, pp14–151, August 2005.
- *Forensic Podiatry—An Emerging New Field, Journal Forensic Identification*, 45 (5) 1995, 495.497.

■ Notable Accomplishments and/or Awards:

- Founder ASFP, 2003
- Member, American Academy of Forensic Sciences
- Invited Speaker, Forensic Podiatry and Barefoot Evidence, presented at the “First International Conference on Forensic Human Identification in the Millennium” October 1999, London.
- Invited Speaker—Queen Margaret University College, Edinburgh, Scotland, November 1, 1999, “Forensic Podiatry and Barefoot Evidence.”
- Invited Participant “Barefoot Evidence Symposium,” FBI Academy, Quantico, VA, February 17–20, 1998.

■ **In a Nutshell:** *Internationally recognized authority on forensic medicine.*

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