President's Welcome

The September Plexus is here!

Thank you to all students who have attended our recent (and first ever) General Meeting and Open Forum. A number of ideas were shared and a copy of the meeting's minutes will be available on the website shortly.

In terms of recent events, our Annual Sports Night turned out to be a great success (enjoyed by both staff and students), and our first ever Charity MedRevue & Dinner raised funds for the Children's Medical Research Institute. A huge thank you to all students for getting involved and supporting our initiatives!

UWSMS Organisational Restructure

We are pleased to announce a new and improved Executive/Council structure for 2015: an Executive Committee of seven members (President, 2 Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Academic & Events Directors) and a larger, stronger Council supported all year–long by the Executive. Key positions on the Council include 2 Sponsorship Officers, an AMSA Representative, Publications & IT. More information will be uploaded via our website and on Facebook shortly. Nominations open next week on 8 September!

Sydney Uni MedSoc's Lambie Dew Oration Invitation
The Lambie Dew Oration is the premier academic event held annually by Sydney Uni's MedSoc, commemorating the first Professors of Medicine and Surgery at Sydney Medical School. This year, Dr John Yu AC is delivering the oration on 10 September 2014. Dr Yu is a distinguished paediatrician whose oration will be titled 'Community Values and the Challenges of Change'. More info here.

UNSW Invitation: Art/Design Exhibition on Health

UWS Medical Students are invited to 'Mighty Healthy', an event where student work challenges social health issues, explores applications in therapeutic contexts and attempts to extend the frontiers of medical engineering. More information here.

AMSA Council 3 - October 2014

Guest positions are now closed for the third AMSA Council. Brian Fernandes (Official Observer) will be working together with me in representing UWSMS officially, submitting a report and voting on important advocacy issues. There will also be a number of guests from UWS attending, either to learn or up-skill. We will be organising an AMSA ThinkTank shortly, which is a way for members (you) to voice out concerns and express opinions on a number of issues that will be tabled at AMSA Council. More details will follow.

Did you know?

UWSMS spends over $20,000 yearly in subsidising events (a way of supporting our members, by selling tickets for less). Attending events and purchasing tickets early is a way for you to benefit from this subsidy – you can also up-skill and socialise! UWSMS also provides $7,500 to members as conference subsidy, via our Travel Grants Scheme.

Best of luck to our students in Years 4 & 5 for the upcoming exams! If you are thinking of running for a position on your MedSoc and being involved in 2015 in an official capacity, feel free to send me an email and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have! Otherwise, keep an eye out for our Elections posters and call-outs in the next few days!

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UWSMS President 2014
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September Elections Are Coming!

Are you keen to get involved in MedSoc? Have a passion in ensuring that students only receive the best of the best?
Keep an eye out for UWSMS September elections, with executive and council positions open!
Nominations open 8th – 14th of September.
Voting opens 16th – 22nd of September.
Positions up for election will be up soon, so keep an eye out!

Leah Seneviratna
UWSMS Secretary 2014
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Global and Community Conversations

FASD Seminar Student Callout

Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder is a continuum of various birth defects associated with foetal alcohol exposure.

We want to deliver an education & awareness program to secondary school students about FASD.

If you are interested in taking part or just want more information, please contact commglob@uwsms.org.
GHAWS Corner

Bake Sale is on Monday 15th September! Get ready to bake for Brand New Day female services in Macarthur. Sign up sheets will be coming to the SoM common room.

Following on from Live Below The Line, Oaktree is furthering their efforts to end poverty and social injustice through the 'End Poverty Campaign', here. For more information and if you want to be involved in the Roadtrip to End Poverty from Sep 28–Oct 4, contact ghaws@uwsms.org.

Dani Abosh
UWSMS Community and Global Health Officer 2014
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Conference Corner

Head to the UWSMS Website for a list of upcoming conferences.

Travel Grants Scheme

We have your financial interests at heart. TGS aims to subsidise registration and travel costs when attending conferences and workshops.

Upcoming Events

- Year 3 mOSCEs (3, 17 September)
- 2015 Executive & Council Nominations open 8 September
- 2015 Executive & Council Voting opens 15 September
- GHAWS Bake Sale 15 September
- MedBall 26 September

Check out our calendar for more info.
Get In Touch

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