



Dalhousie Medical Students' Society Newsletter

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Welcome!

Thank-you for reading this edition of the DMSS newsletter. The goal of the newsletter is simple; we want to keep you in the loop about events Dal Medicine is involved in. The newsletter will provide an avenue to showcase the many interest groups, student initiatives and intermural teams within Dal Med. We also hope to use the newsletter to distribute information from the DMSS that might be of interest to you.

If you would like to make a submission for the upcoming issues please email them to DMSS@dal.ca

Congratulations!

To our recent election winners ...

Library rep: Katie Lightfood
Professional rep: Jocelyn Stairs
IT rep Jr: Jason Retallick:
Research rep: Jeremy Springer-
PAC members: Alison McIntyre & Tara
Jennings

DMSS: In the Loop

The new DMSS website has been launched! Check it out at dmss@dal.ca. We need some help beautifying the homepage. If you have any professional looking pictures of medical school, send them in to be used on the website. The best feature of the website is the google calendar. It will be kept up to date with all upcoming events and Tupper lounge bookings.

In the past two weeks the DMSS has supported the Emergency Medicine and Surgery Interest Groups in running Lifestyles in Medicine nights in Halifax. Both events were very popular among first and second year students in Halifax. The panels were both informative and diverse.

A new interest group is starting up on both campuses named SPRING. SPRING is the creation of Sara Davidson, Laura Stymiest, Miles Clayton and James Hudson from DMNB. SPRING, which stands for Societal, Procedural and Research Innovation Networking Group, hopes to elicit thought and conversation about how our healthcare system functions in the context of a social structure. They will be having monthly meetings where one member of the group will coordinate a presentation followed by discussion about a relevant topic. The goal of each session is to discuss innovative ways to improve the healthcare system and how to implement them into practice. This month's session is titled Behavioural Economic Approaches to Improve Patient Adherence – A Look at Case Studies of Incentive Programs. The discussion will be lead by Ethan Toumishey a Med 1 from DMNB. It is Thursday Oct 18th at 6:30. Please RSVP to Sara Davidson in Saint John or Rachel Doucette in Halifax.

Med Ball is quickly approaching! This year it is November 3rd at the Westin Hotel. The theme is Garden of Eden!!! The Med Ball committee members are hard at work to create a fabulous night for everyone. Ticket information will be announced soon.

The next DMSS meeting is at 6:00pm on Oct 17th, everyone is welcome!

Comments on the Newsletter? Have a suggestion of a more creative title for the Newsletter? Love to hear it! Send an email to dmss@dal.ca



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Psychiatry Interest Group

The Psychiatry Interest Group will be holding a Lifestyles in Medicine night on Monday October 29th in the Halifax lounge! We are happy to be hosting residents and staff psychiatrists who will be talking about the practice of psychiatry, how they got interested in it and pursued psychiatry as a career, and how psychiatry impacts all fields and specialties!

We will be serving delicious food starting at 5:30pm with the event itself starting around 6pm. This is a great opportunity to learn more about psych so come on by, we would love to have you!!

Please fill out this short form to let us know you're coming and ensure we get enough food: <http://tinyurl.com/dalmedpsych>

Unfortunately this event is Halifax-specific because of the technical issues in the lounge? sorry!

Look forward to seeing you Monday October 29th!

Maggie and Hyehyun
Dal Med Psych Interest Group

For The Health Of It

There will be a FTHOI meeting Tuesday, Oct 16th at 11:30 in the Tupper Lounge. We will read through the script and assign acting roles. We also need people to coordinate costumes and props! Please plan on attending the meeting if you'd like to be involved in the skit! For more information contact Cat Buhariwalla.



Above: Look at those muscles! Ryan, Dustin and Scott back stage at FTHOI 2011.

Upcoming Events...

- Oct 17th – DMSS Meeting 5:00pm food, 6:00pm meeting starts
- Oct 18th – SPRING meeting, 6:30pm
- Oct 25th – Health PEI Recruitment Visit 5:00pm in Tupper Lounge
- Oct 27th – Med 2 Neuroscience Lab Exam
- Nov 24th – FTHOI; Rebecca Cohn Auditorium
- Nov 3rd – Med Ball; Westin Hotel
- Jan 11-13th Med Games in Montreal
- Feb 23rd – Euphoria