

The Graduate & Professional Student Senate would like to announce the opening of three (3) positions on the 2006-2007 Executive Board. The positions of President, Finance Chair, and Public Relations Chair have become available due to academic reasons and scheduling conflicts.

If you are interested in running for a GPSS Executive Board position, please come by the GPSS Office (STU 106 - across from the USCard Office and adjacent to the USC Post Office) to pick up an "Intent to Run" form. Please keep this important time line in mind:

- > Thursday, Sept 7th: Intent to Run forms and Candidate Statements will be due to the GPSS Office by 5:00 pm.
- > Friday, Sept 8th: Candidate Statements will be posted on the GPSS website.
- > Monday, Sept 11th: Elections will be held at the first Senate Meeting.

For more information regarding Executive Board descriptions and responsibilities, please see the following pages on the GPSS website:

http://www.usc.edu/org/gpss/resources_gpss_bylaws.html

If you have any further questions, please contact the GPSS Elections & Recruitment Chair, Jason Harris at gpsser@usc.edu.

b. First Senate Meeting - Monday, September 11th @ 6:00 pm

The first GPSS Senate Meeting of the Fall 2006 semester will be Monday, September 11 (location in LAW - Rm TBA).

PLEASE NOTE - New Senators must attend the Orientation Session at 5:30 pm

Fall Meeting Schedule (also on the GPSS website):

- > Monday, October 2nd @ 6:00 pm | LAW TBD
- > Monday, November 6th @ 6:00 pm | HSC TBD
- > Monday, November 27th @ 6:00 pm | LAW TBD

c. GPSS Welcome Back BBQ & Picnic!

Join GPSS on Wed 9.6.06 in Associate's Park (the one near Bovard) from 11:30 am - 2:00 pm for eats from Earle's Grille (hotdogs and sandwiches) to kickoff the 2006-2007 year!

d. GPSS Finance Orientations

UPC Dates:

The following will all be held in Topping (TSC) Rm. 206:

- Tue 9.5.06 | 1:00-2:00 pm
- Thu 9.21.06 | 11:00-12:00 pm
- Mon 10.2.06 | 2:30-3:30 pm

HSC Dates:

- Wed 9.13.06 | 12:00-1:00pm at KAM B 27
- Tue 9.26.06 | 3:00-4:00pm at KAM B 27

Questions? Contact gpssfund@usc.edu

e. GPSS Women's Concerns Committee - 1st Meeting

The first meeting of the Fall semester of the GPSS Women's Concerns Committee will be on Thursday, 9.21 at 12 noon. Location TBD.
New and old members most welcome!

Questions? Contact Committee Chair Margaret Sallee: gpsswcc@gmail.com

f. Book Salon - Academic Affairs Committee

The Book Salon is back! The first book will be:
"Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time" by Mark Haddon.

Stay tuned for updates for time and location.
Questions? Contact the Academic Affairs Chair: gpssacad@usc.edu

g. Join the GPSS Listserv!

- Join the GPSS listserv to get announcements, event information, campus activities, and items of interest to graduate and professional students.
- To join, visit the subscription web-page:
http://www.uscgpss.com/resources_gpss_weekly_digest_signup.asp
- Want to learn more about GPSS? Visit our web-site: <http://www.usc.edu/gpss>
- Have any questions or concerns? Email: gpss@usc.edu

2. GPSS HSC EVENTS

Thanks to everyone who came out to make the Ice Cream Social its biggest and best ever!

a. Yoga Classes begin on 9.12

Tuesdays, 5-6 pm starting 9/12/06. Location: Norris Topping Tower.

url for the flyer:
http://www.usc.edu/org/gpss/documents/Fliers/YOGA_FLYER_HSC_29Aug06.ppt

Questions? Contact: gpsshsccl@gmail.com

b. Bally's Gym Deal - Back Again!

This offer is open to all students and to one other person living at the same address (at a cost of \$199 plus \$6.25 processing fee per person).
Sign up process:

Sign-in (use USC username and password)
Pay on the PayPal site, using a credit/debit card, or PayPal
Click return to merchant

Link to the Ballys site to enter your personal information and receive your confirmation e-mail from Ballys!

Link info:

In order to launch the Ballys page: You just need to put the link for the paypal page online: i.e. Put this link: [http://usc.edu/gpss/auth_login/paypal.html] on an open web page.

Questions? Contact Paul @ HSC: gpsshsc@gmail.com

3. CAMPUS EVENTS

a. a. Image and Text. A Dialogue with Robert Pinsky and Michael Mazur. 9.7.06

Tuesday, September 7, 2006, 6 PM at the Alfred Newman Recital Hall, Hancock Building

"Image and Text. A Dialogue with Robert Pinsky and Michael Mazur"

Former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky, poet and translator of "The Inferno of Dante" will be joined by Michael Mazur, artist, whose illustrations accompanied Pinsky's award winning English version of the famous poem (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1994). Mazur and Pinsky will talk about their collaboration, its challenges and discoveries, which led to the successful resolution of both text and images.

This event, organized by the USC Fisher Gallery, is also supported by the USC Roski School of Fine Arts, the USC Department of English, and Spectrum.

<http://fishergallery.org/>

b. Beating the Odds: Preparing Underrepresented Minorities for Research Careers

A Special Lecture by Dr. Freeman A. Hrabowski, III - President, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Location and Date of event: Monday, October 9, 2006 @ Norris Theatre

The USC Graduate School and the Viterbi School of Engineering will host a lectureship on diversity in higher education, 12pm-1:30pm on October 9, 2006. This event features guest speaker, Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, III, President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) and nationally recognized scholar on science and math education with special emphases on minority participation and performance.

This is a no-cost, open event for all members of the USC community welcoming students, faculty, and staff. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to enrich campus-wide discussions on diversity in higher education.

Questions regarding this event may be directed to cecildec@usc.edu.

c. Program Board Events

PB Website: <http://www-scf.usc.edu/~prgbrd/index.php>

d. USC Spectrum Events

Spectrum website: <http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/spectrum/index2.php>

Next Event:

College of Letters, Arts & Sciences Debate Series: Public Policy/Personal Beliefs:
Separation of Church & State: A Debate
September 12-13, 2006 | Bovard Auditorium | Tue 7pm & Wed 7pm

Alan Brownstein teaches Constitutional Law, Law and Religion, and Torts at UC Davis. While the primary focus of his scholarship relates to church-state issues and free exercise and establishment clause doctrine, he has also written extensively on freedom of speech, privacy and autonomy rights and other constitutional law subjects.

Eugene Volokh teaches free speech law, criminal law, copyright law, the law of government and religion and a seminar on firearms regulation policy at UCLA Law School. Before coming to UCLA, he clerked for Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on the U.S. Supreme Court. Brownstein and Volokh square off as they debate the separation of church and state.

e. USC Event Calendar

http://www.usc.edu/webapps/events_calendar/custom/32/

4. OTHER INFO

a. The Joint Educational Project House (JEP) wants you to know about Americorps!

Close the Achievement Gap! Flexible Hours! Perfect for College Students!
BECOME AN AMERICORPS MEMBER AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
Positions Available: Academic Tutors, Community Resource Specialists, Academic Coaches

See the flyer:
http://www.usc.edu/org/gpss/documents/Fliers/JEP_amicorps_31Aug06.doc

For more info:
Tammy Anderson
USC JEP House
213.740.1837

b. Optional Dental Insurance Enrollment Deadline is 9.8.06!

USC Health Insurance has an option to enroll in Dental Coverage and the deadline to enroll is next Friday!

Costs:
> Student only \$143
> Student and Spouse only \$267
> Student and children only \$267
> Student and family \$404

Link to the Enrollment form:
http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/docs/2006.dental.enrollment.form.pdf

Plan Guide:

http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/docs/2006.dental.plan.guide.pdf

Drop off your Enrollment Form at the Insurance Office in PSD.

c. Fall 2006 Tram Schedule now available

Please find the tram schedule on the USC Transportation web site:
<http://transnet.usc.edu/Trams/newroutes.aspx>

d. Keck School of Medicine - Associated Student of the School of Medicine Board for 2006-

Please join us in welcoming your incoming student leaders to their new positions!

Presidents: Sarah Gee, MSIII, Julia Cormano, MSII
Vice Presidents of University Affairs: Chad Sarver, MSIV, Neil Parikh, MSII, Krishna Ramaswamy, MSII
Vice Presidents of Social / Community Service Affairs: Michelle Vijverberg, MSII, Sumeet Syan, MSII
Student Organization Treasurer: Amar Amin, MSII
Travel Fund Treasurer: Walavan Sivakumar, MSII
Secretary: Asia Fredrickson, MSII

For more information about ASSM, please visit <http://www.usc.edu/assm>

Have a great Labor Day Weekend!

Jessica :)
GPSS Communications Chair.

If you would like to be added or removed from this list-serve, Please visit <http://www.usc.edu/gpss>

Would you like your event or announcement to appear in the next GPSS newsletter?
<http://www.usc.edu/org/gpss/newsletter.html>

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