



The University of Sydney

Alumni

MEDICAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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1. Student mentoring and home hospitality for new GMP and other students

At the most recent meeting of the Medical Alumni Association Council, we discussed with the Dean, Bruce Robinson, and student representatives how we could implement student mentoring early in the New Year. This will be done jointly by Sydney Medical School and the Medical Alumni Association. We much appreciate other comments and suggestions from alumni who have contacted us. To welcome especially our international and interstate students to Sydney, we hope that many of our alumni in the Sydney region will volunteer to host students at their homes.

In this season of goodwill, if you are willing to welcome students in your home early in the first semester of 2010, please get in touch with me (see below). Further details will follow in the MAA e-Newsletter in mid-January.

2. Sydney Medical School / Medical Alumni Association Dinner - Friday, 12 March 2010

Following a successful Medical Alumni Association Dinner in May this year, and after discussion with Bruce Robinson, we will hold an SMS/MAA Dinner in the Great Hall on Friday, 12 March 2010. More details about booking will follow in the next MAA e-Newsletter.

Please make a note in your new diary and contact your alumni friends and colleagues to arrange a table for this dinner!

3. Victor Coppleson Symposium and Seminars in 2010

We are keen to have your comments on the seminar program in 2009 - the suitability of topics presented and speakers, timing of seminars in the evening, and venues. We welcome your suggestions on the program for seminars in 2010, especially topics and speakers from Sydney Medical School. To enhance participation by alumni, academic staff and researchers, we are proposing that some seminars should be held on evenings after scheduled Sydney Medical School meetings.

We also intend to hold a Symposium for alumni on Friday, 12 March 2010, in conjunction with the SMS/MAA Dinner on 12 March. Please send me suggestions for speakers and topics - email: pallancaster@gmail.com.

4. Medical Alumni Association Council

As several members of the current MAA Council have resigned recently and others are completing their term on the Council, we are keen to ensure that we have some enthusiastic new members. If you are interested in being nominated for the next MAA Council early in 2010, or have suggestions for potential nominees, please let me know.

5. University of Sydney Senate election

Congratulations to Barry Catchlove and Michael Copeman who were among the five graduate Fellows elected to the University Senate. The other three graduate Fellows are Peter FitzSimons, Jane Spring and David Turner.

6. Death notices (year of graduation in brackets)

Recent published death notices of medical alumni included: Noreen Loreto Smith (nee Moloney) (1948); Clara Campbell (MB, BS, UQld 1943; DPM USyd 1956).

We hope to see you at some of our functions in 2010!

With best wishes for a safe and happy festive season.

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