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The Society of Fellows Newsletter

July 2008

Postdoctoral Services Office

As the summer days get shorter and the signs of autumn appear, it is a good time to think about your career plans. Here are a few programs offered by the Postdoctoral Services Office at TSRI (please, contact rwheeler@scripps.edu for more information or to register):

Undecided what path to take after your postdoctoral training?

Career Transitions Group is a 3-session workshop designed to help postdocs to think through whether an academic career or other career options may be best for them. **Workshop: July 9/16/23, 3pm-4:30pm**

Need interviewing practice?

Videotaped Practice Interview allows you to hear constructive comments about your verbal responses and body language from the facilitators and a small group of peers. Your answers will be videotaped and critiqued on-the-spot as you take turns fielding standard HR screening questions. **Next Session: September 8, 3pm-4:30pm**

To take full advantage of the available resources and to keep up to date with the schedule of the events join our mailing list postdocs@scripps.edu or visit us at www.scripps.edu/services/postdocs/.

Want to learn about effective networking?

Dining and Reception Etiquette for Scientists will offer demos and tips for business dining and making a memorable impression at receptions. **August 14, 3pm-4:30pm**

Making Conversation for Scientists is aimed to help life scientists improve their communication skills and establish successful connections. **September 18, 2pm-3:30pm**

What about industry jobs?

Transition to Industry Symposium is a 2-day program designed to connect San Diego postdocs and graduate students with local industry experts. Hear about the region's life science industry and learn how to market yourself to hiring managers. **September 19-20 at Biogen Idec**

Other upcoming programs:

The Academic Job Search: Vitas and Cover Letters
Biotechnology Start-ups

Career Adventures Beyond the Bench

San Diego Lab Management Course (early 2009).

Soccer League

SoF Soccer League was a great success with more than 60 people playing for six weeks. ACC was the League Winner and the team Grassy Asses won the Fairplay Cup. The league finished with the Award Ceremony during the SoF Happy Hour, where we had more than 150 people. Most of the players were from Scripps, but we had also some teams from UCSD, Burnham and one team from Metabasis together with Pfizer. Everybody is asking about when will we have the next Soccer League. With more help we could extend it to the other Institutes and Biotechs/Pharma companies around Scripps and make a Fall Season.

Organizers:
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more photos at: <http://www.scripps.edu/~jmdias/soccerscripps>

Miscellaneous

•SoF is planning on organizing and sponsoring several social events this summer. Details on our annual summer trip to the **Del Mar Races** and **Go Kart Racing** event will be available latter this month and will be posted on our website. Stay tuned !

•Seminar: *Adventures in starting biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies* has been postponed.

•Suggestions about the Newsletter or to the SoF in general are welcome at fellows@scripps.edu. This newsletter was compiled by Larissa Krasnova and Deboshri Banerjee.

SoF Upcoming Events

Summer Bash @ Canes Bar and Grill August 1, 2008, 9 p.m.

3105 Ocean Front Walk, SD, CA 92109

www.canesbarandgrill.com



Come join us for our annual Summer Bash party right on the beach, with the gorgeous roof patio being accessible later in the evening. Enjoy the rocking night with DJ Fabstar spinning the discs. Free drink coupons will be available to the early birds. Doors will be open from 9 p.m.

NWiS Mentoring Lunch August 26, 2008, 12 p.m.-1.30 p.m.

Tennis Room @ TSRI Faculty Club

Society of Fellows and Network for Women in Science invite you to a postdoc/graduate student mentoring lunch. Come and share your experiences as a postdoc with the graduate students. This is an opportunity to practice your mentoring skills and get to know the graduate students at TSRI. Space is limited so please **RSVP by July 11th to lshriver@scripps.edu**.

SoF Fall Research Symposium October 2 (Thu), 2008

An annual retreat for postdocs and a popular scientific event co-hosted by the SoF and the Postdoctoral Office. Do not miss a chance to present your work in front of fellow scientists at TSRI. Abstracts for oral or poster presentation will be considered in the following fields: Immunology, Molecular/Cellular Biology, Chemistry/Structural Biology, and MEM/Neurosciences. Submit your abstract online by **Wed, August 20**. Volunteers are needed to help the event run smoothly on October 2. <http://www.scripps.edu/services/sof/symposia/>

Happy Hour July 25 – August 22 – September 19

Come join us at the lawn behind the Immunology Building at around 5 p.m. Beer, wine, sodas and appetizers will be provided.



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