

## MD STUDENT ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS & WVU CSL ANNOUNCEMENTS MOTW September 19, 2017

REMEMBER TO RSVP ACCORDINGLY!

### NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS (listed alpha)

AMWA FLAG FOOTBALL The flag football tournament is **Friday, September 29 at 1pm**. If you register and play you will get 2 hours of community service and it will be a great way to have a fun study break! Please [sign up here](#) and pay by **Friday, September 22 at 5pm** to ensure you get to play!

SIGN meeting will be taking place on **September 28th at noon in room 7608 HSCN**, where Dr. Smith, a neuromuscular disease specialist, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association's representative in Morgantown, will be bringing patients with ALS to discuss the role of caregivers for patients with this terminal condition. These patients will be sharing their stories of living with and caring for individuals with ALS. Please [RSVP here](#) by Monday, **9/25** if you would like to attend so we can get an accurate count for lunch. This meeting will be a joint meeting with The Mindful Physicians group-- we hope to see you there!

### REPEAT ANNOUNCEMENTS

WVU's AMERICAN MEDICAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION is collecting meaningful items to be donated to local women's shelters. These gifts will go to victims of domestic abuse and homelessness in hopes to make a meaningful impact and brighten someone's day. Items in need include: shampoo, fuzzy socks, books, nail polish, cosmetics, grocery store gift cards, and journals. Donations can be dropped off at the med student lounge or at the student services office until **October 8th** or made via Venmo @ WVUAMWA. Donations worth \$10 are equal to one hour of community service.

LGBTQ ADVOCACY & INCLUSION WEEK INVITATION: **October 23rd - 27th** - daily noon lectures, multiple Grand Rounds Speakers, and evening events during the week. We have confirmed nationally prominent speakers including the Educational Director from Fenway Health in Boston. The week is being organized by volunteers in the Departments of Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Plastic Surgery, the WVU SOM SHAPE group, and the WVU LGBTQ+ Center.

OF THE MINDFUL PHYSICIAN and STUDENT INTEREST GROUP in NEUROLOGY: Dr. Smith, a neuromuscular disease specialist, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association's representative in Morgantown, will be bringing patients with ALS to discuss the role of caregivers for patients with this terminal condition. These patients will be sharing their stories of living with and caring for one with ALS. Please join us for this on **Sept 28 at noon** in HSCN 7608. Sign up below [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNOMEHwS7UqkxVQOThneWJzcxvzMz3tkS-hO-lnqIhY\\_jZOw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNOMEHwS7UqkxVQOThneWJzcxvzMz3tkS-hO-lnqIhY_jZOw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

PATHOLOGY INTEREST GROUP meeting will be held on **Friday, September 29th at noon** in room 2165. Lunch will be provided to those that RSVP by September 26th. Please RSVP to Brooke Bertus (bbertus@mix.wvu.edu).

### WVU CENTER FOR SERVICE AND LEARNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAINTERS AND PLANTERS Needed at **Arthurdale Heritage Historic Site** on **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Grab a paintbrush or a pair of gardening gloves and join volunteers and community friends to help historic Arthurdale with some much needed maintenance work! Volunteer teams will be pulling weeds, removing shrubs, painting doors, and more. Make sure to wear weather appropriate clothes that you don't mind getting dirty! Lunch will be provided. Sign up to volunteer by visiting [iServe.wvu.edu](http://iServe.wvu.edu). Contact Jane Gilchrist for more information [americorpsjane@arthurdaleheritage.org](mailto:americorpsjane@arthurdaleheritage.org) or 304-864-3959. Arthurdale Heritage, Inc. is an official community partner of the Center for Service and Learning.

BUCKWHEAT FESTIVAL. CASA for Kids seeks volunteers to help make and serve buckwheat cakes and sausages on **Friday, September 29th from 7AM-9PM** at the Buckwheat Festival in Preston County. Funds raised directly help children of Monongalia and Preston Counties who are victims of abuse and neglect. Sign up to volunteer by visiting [iServe.wvu.edu](http://iServe.wvu.edu) If you are unavailable for the full day, shifts are available upon request. For more information, contact

Kayla Benson casadirector@hotmail.com 304-599-1087. CASA for Kids is an official partner of the Center for Service and Learning.

FALL SERVICE FAIR. The VP Office is partnering with the WVU Center for Service and Learning to host a Fall Service Fair at HSC on **September 26th from 11:00 am – 2:00** in the Pylons.'

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) Volunteers are needed to help people in your community prepare their tax returns in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program. Volunteer tax preparers provide free, basic income tax preparation services to community members who are low to moderate income families and individuals. The program will run from Nov 2017 for training until end of tax season **April 15, 2018**. Receive training at no cost via the IRS Link & Learn internet based program (linklearncertification.com) or join us in the classroom. All resources needed to prepare taxes are supplied. If you would like to get involved sign up on iServe. For more information, contact Suree Sarceno, 304-265-3200 or email ssarceno@ncwvcaa.org. VITA is an official partner of the Center for Service and Learning.

BOTANICAL GARDEN The annual Fall Children's Festival at the West Virginia Botanic Garden is **October 8, 2017**. Volunteers are needed to assist with crafts, setting-up, monitoring children, and taking-down. The event is open for families to attend from 1-4 p.m. Volunteers may work morning or afternoon shifts. WVBG is located at 1061 Tyrone Road in Morgantown. Please sign up on iServe. If you are new volunteering with WVBG, you must also complete a volunteer application and background check at wvbg.org to help with this event for children. Email Kay Jones at volunteers@wvbg.org for more information. WVBG is an official partner of the Center for Service and Learning.

FACE OF HOMELESSNESS PROJECT **Prof. Kofi Opoku Presents: Face of Homelessness**

Face of Homelessness is a project by WVU College of Creative Arts' Assistant Professor of Graphic Design, Kofi Opoku, to serve as a voice for people who are currently homeless or have recently been housed in Morgantown. A series of photographs from the project will be on display at Evansdale Library **September thru December 2017**, with a public presentation by Prof. Opoku on **Sept. 28 at 4:30pm**, in Evansdale Library Room 228/229. For more information contact Sally Deskins, WVU Libraries Exhibits Coordinator, sbdeskins@mail.wvu.edu, 304-293-0369.