MS CONNECTION

Volunteers needed at the chapter office to help us prepare for Bike MS. Please contact Joy McManus at joy.mcmanus@nmss.org if you can help.

National MS Society task force launches ambitious project to change how MS disability and progression is measured

In line with key goals of its Strategic Response to MS, a National MS Society task force is launching a far-ranging collaboration to analyze how MS is measured in clinical trials that involves a new method for measuring disability related to MS and resulting progression. Read more.

In other news...

>Fast Forward and the University of Cambridge collaborate to find new drugs that will repair the nervous system in people with MS

>FDA updates prescribing info for Ampyra to address risk of seizure in those with reduced kidney function

800 volunteers needed for City to Shore weekend, Sept. 29 & 30

Bike MS: City to Shore Ride 2012 is quickly approaching and we still need over 800 volunteers to help out throughout the weekend.

With more than 7,000 cyclists participating, we need hundreds of volunteers to make this event a success.

This is a great volunteer experience to share with your family, with friends or co-workers. All ages are welcome and we encourage large groups.

Volunteers help us set up, hand out water and snacks, cheer on the cyclists, help with trucking duties and even act as photographers!

Volunteer for one day or the whole the weekend. Sign up today or contact Joy McManus for more details.

Tonight: Battleship New Jersey Cocktail Reception to benefit the National MS Society

You're invited to a cocktail reception aboard the Battleship New Jersey featuring butlered hors d'oeuvres, as well as pasta and carving stations. Plus, enjoy live music and the view of the water and the center city skyline. Tickets are $60 each, and various sponsorship opportunities are also available.

August 29, 5:30-9:30 p.m.
Battleship New Jersey, 62 Battleship Place, Camden, N.J.

To purchase tickets and for more information, visit http://theanp.org/charity-events/ or contact Daniel Morse at 610-520-1500 x122 or email dmorse@thephiladelphiagroup.com.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Raffle

We're glad to work with local organizations to make a bigger impact in our community. Our friends at Big Brothers/Big Sisters will be hosting a raffle to support its mentoring program in Camden, Burlington and Gloucester Counties.

Grand Prize- 60% of prize pot up to $15,000

Second Prize - 20% of prize pot up to $5,000

Third to Seventh Prize - each is 4% of prize pot up to $1,000

$10 per chance

Is Eight Enough? A summary of current and upcoming MS treatments

This informative progam for families affected by MS will cover existing and emerging disease-modifying therapies. Clients and thier guests are encouraged to participate in a question and answer session following the presentation.

This program is being offered in two locations:

Trevose, PA:
Sept. 15 from noon to 3:30 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Bucks County

Cherry Hill, NJ:
Sept. 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Cherry Hill

Visit calendarMS.org for additional details and to register.

The Hidden Effects of MS: Money matters, relationships and everyday living

Join us as we explore ways to manage living with MS from addressing financial concerns to tips on maintaining relationships.

The program, open to clients and their guests, will take place on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Chateau Resort & Conference Center in Tannersville, Pa.

Light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Accessible bus transportation is available from Pottsville and Browmanstown, Pa.

Click here for more information and to register.

Maximum of 5000 to be sold

Drawing to be held Wed., October 3, at 9 a.m.

Tickets can be purchased at www.bigraffle.org.

Fall interns still needed

We still have a few fall internships available. Click here for job descriptions.

Send cover letter and resumes to joy.mcmanus@nmss.org.

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Program for kids and teens living with MS

We Get MS Too is a program for kids and teens living with MS and their families. This program will focus on staying active while living with MS.

The program will take place on Saturday, Sept.15, from 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Rockville SportsPlex in Rockville, MD.

Click here for additional details and to register.

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