## New Perspectives GSA Introduction

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## The Graduate Student Association



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# fnalgrad listserv

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- 847 members, with a reach far beyond just the graduate students at Fermilab. Events, jobs, cheap secondhand goods (cars, furniture, baby stuff)
- NO ATTACHMENTS. If you have pictures, host them on image sites, and include links.
- Please don't argue publicly Reply only to the person that sent the email.
- Don't harass the people trying to give us jobs.

# **Upcoming Expansion**

- Still planning GSA-> Fermilab Student-Postdoc Association (pending approval)
- We basically already are that, so there's no meaningful change for the people that are already attending the regular GSA events.
- If you aren't already attending the regular GSA events, you should.

# **Pub Nights**

- "Once a month" (not really) meetings at some of the finer (i.e. cheap) restaurants/pubs in the area.
- Great opportunity to meet your fellow graduate students in a social, casual setting.
- Fun times.

## **Student Talks**

- Weekly talks around lunch time, in whatever rooms we manage to reserve.
- Topic of the speakers choosing, either be on their own work, or on topics they find interesting.
- Recently casual "chalk talks", but we'll accept PPT, as well.
- Always looking for volunteers!
- Next Thursday, 12:30PM, room TBD?

# **RECRUITING DRIVE**

- Looking for new officers for next year!
- We'll have a more formal and direct invitation at the End of Summer BBQ
- For now, start thinking about it. If you're interested, talk to us!
- Great opportunity to develop skills and have experience that are not normally part of being a graduate student
  - DC trip!
  - Ex-officio UEC Membership (meeting with URA/FRA, project heads and spokespeople, Pier, Young-Kee, Bruce Chrisman, etc. invited as speakers)
  - Opportunity to take a leadership role among graduate students

## Advice for today

- Don't go over 15 minutes, because we will cut you off.
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- Take the opportunity to ask questions.
- Come to the BBQ @ Kuhn Barn, 6PM!
- Have fun!!!

#### Don't be afraid to finish a minute or two early.