The Learning Communities at UWSMPH have three guiding principles:

- **Create a caring community for all learning community members**
- **Help learning community members make sense of their experiences**
- **Empower the community and its members to make transparent and positive decisions**

Through these guiding principles, the learning communities will foster community, leadership, professionalism, well-being and sharing of knowledge in order to develop more intellectually, socially, physically and emotionally prepared physicians.
For the first time, Match Day was held in the Wisconsin Union Theater. The Wisconsin Medical Alumni Association (WMAA) provided a wonderful pre-Match reception overlooking Lake Mendota. M4 Aos Karim created an amazing computer program that did everything from announcing the specialty, to sharing pictures, and pinning the Match location on a map. The entire event was live-streamed for those who couldn’t attend in person.

Class co-president, Alex Girgis, addresses a crowd that nearly filled the 1000-seat theater.

Some students choose to peek in the envelope before they go on stage!

Before opening that envelope, students received individual congrats on their specialty.

Special photos scrolled as students, family, and significant others opened their envelopes and discovered their Match.

Students trembled, people cried, and entire families shook their groove thing!

Thanks to the map, we all knew the Match location!

The Class of 2016 says that they have the best Match T-Shirts ever! And the stage fit everyone!
Spring is a time of transition for current student leaders and welcoming new leaders into their roles.

Continuing Leaders:
M4s: Will Jacoby and Mina Alfi are Class of 2017 co-presidents. Sarah Clark and Kathryn Ritter continue as the 2017 Class Representatives.

M3s: Laura Lins and Sean Buck are the Class of 2018 co-presidents, and Alex Douglas and Jeremy Riekena continue as the 2018 Class Representatives.

M2 MSA/IHC leadership for the upcoming 2016-17 academic year are:
- Spencer Klein - President
- Melissa Drezdzon - Vice President
- Brian Kroll
- Donna Ugoaja
- Justin Jagodinsky
- Katie Lucarelli
- Kevin Beene

Admissions:
- Mike Kern
- Rachel Her
- Mark Kelly - EPC
- Molly Sygulla - OSR

Class Co-Presidents:
- Jessica Chung
- Andy Van Pay
- Matt Guerrieri - Treasurer
- Arezu Monawer - Webmaster

As the Learning Communities transition with the new curriculum to The Neighborhood, nine House Officers have been elected:

House Officers
- Laura Steenberge-Bamforth
- Minbo Bai-Bamforth
- Kofi Fosu-Bardeen
- Nadia Sweet-Bardeen
- Nicole Altman – Gundersen
- Felicity Harl-McPherson
- Lauren Shuda-McPherson
- Mckenzie Bruce-Middleton
- Sherry Tang-Middleton

In the coming months, we will share more about our House Officers as well as new directions for student leaders and The Neighborhood!

Welcome 2016-17 Gold Humanism Honor Society Members

The current M3s recently nominated members of their class for the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS). We welcome the following students to membership in this nationally-recognized honor society:

Bamforth House
- Elizabeth Abbs*
- Sarah Brown*
- Carly Kruse
- Abigail Navarro
- Jon Scholl

Bardeen House
- Christopher Culhane
- Sarahmaria Donohue
- Dennis Ea

Gundersen House
- Abigail Chilsen
- Scott Grogan
- James Ircink
- William Jacoby
- Brock Polnaszek
- Kelsey Schmidt
- Laura Wittman*

McPherson House
- Andrew Beine
- Elizabeth Maxwell
- Andrew Weber

Middleton House
- Joseph Lawton
- Saamia Masoom
- Ashley Van Galen

“We welcome back Elizabeth Abbs, Sarah Brown, and Laura Wittman who were inducted with the 2015-16 members and are now returning from pursuing dual degrees and research opportunities.

GHHS meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month from 6:00-7:00pm. Meet our new inductees at the next meeting on April 13th. We look forward to the discussions and projects that the 2016-17 GHHS members will plan!”
Preceptorship and Packers

Mario Ademaj, M4 in Bardeen House, recently shared a few words with House Calls about his 4th year preceptorship rotation in Green Bay.

What a great opportunity for students! Part of my rotation for my preceptorship includes creating a community-based program or project regarding health. Since I am very interested in Sports Medicine and Primary Care, my project is on sports-related injury prevention. As part of my project, I had the chance to meet with, and learn from, the Packers’ physicians. Dr. Ebben is on the left of the picture, Dr. McKenzie is on the right.

House Cup Blood Drive Results

Stephanie Fricke (Middleton House) and Cassie Schandel (Bamforth House) were two of many volunteers for the House Cup Blood Drive. The drive netted 49 units of blood from 47 donors, just one unit shy of their goal amount to collect 50 units of blood.

House Cup Paint Night...Sold Out!

AND IT WAS SO MUCH FUN THAT WE’RE GOING TO DO IT AGAIN!
DOUBLE THE FUN PAINT NIGHT!

Wheelhouse Studios from Memorial Union is bringing Paint Night back to the medical school! The class will tentatively be held April 21st in the evening. Up to 120 students can join in on the fun in two separate 9”x12” canvas paintings sessions! And we'll TRIPLE THE FUN by having “classic” House t-shirts available for a suggested donation of $5. Donations will be added to the House Cup fund and awarded to the community partner of the House Cup winner!

Please complete Paint Night Sign Up if you are interested in attending. The two most popular canvas painting ideas will be selected. You may sign up for one class as the date approaches. The cost of participating in the class will be approximately $5.