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Dear Fellow,

The next Society meeting of the 2025/26 session will be held on **Monday 27th October 2025**, when Mr Richard Pusey TD FRCS will deliver his lecture entitled:

WILLIAM HOGARTH, JOHN FREKE AND ST BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL

Richard qualified at Birmingham Medical School and specialised in Orthopaedic Surgery and practiced as a Consultant at Basildon Hospital. He also worked as part time Senior Lecturer in the Anatomy Department at UCL and served on the Court of Examiners of the Royal College of Surgeons. He now works as a qualified Green Badge London Tour Guide and has an interest in the History of Medicine.

The talk is based on Hogarth's famous engraving of the 4th stage of the "Reward of Cruelty" which features a public dissection. The principal players will be discussed and in particular, the chief anatomist, John Freke. He was a distinguished surgeon at Bart's at a critical time when the hospital was rebuilt and when the Barber-Surgeons company was split to form the new Company of Surgeons in 1745; his part in these events will be described.

A Buffet Supper will precede the meeting at 6.45pm, and the meeting will start at 8pm. The cost of the evening, to include the lecture and supper will be £45 per person for Fellows and Guests. If you wish to attend the supper, please send your cheque to reach the Registrar at the above address by Thursday 23rd October accompanied by the attached slip. Coffee and biscuits will be served after the lecture. Please note that we cannot usually accept orders for suppers after 12 noon on the Friday before a Monday meeting. However, if after Friday noon you decide you would like to attend, please telephone in advance to ascertain whether you can be accommodated for supper.

Yours faithfully,

Honorary Secretaries
Professor Heather Angus-Leppan MSc MD FRACP FRCP
Group Captain John Skipper LLB FRCS

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- ☐ I wish to attend the Buffet Supper on Monday 27th October 2025 and enclose a cheque for myself andguest(s) at **£45 PER PERSON**. If you wish to pay by **BACS: Sort Code 20 36 88 Acc 00756741**. Please use your **surname and date of the meeting as a reference** and send an email to info@medsoclondon.org to confirm your booking.
- ☐ I wish to attend the lecture only (no fee payable)

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