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For Your Info

Office Changes:

Hermina Lawlor and Melissa Johnson are now back in their old (but newly renovated!) office on Douglas 4, E-mail capable and everything! Due to cutbacks the Biology Department will no longer be sending us *This Week in Biology*. If you are interested in this Newsletter you can access it on the internet via the World Wide Web http://biology.queensu.ca/TWIB.html

Tidbits from various office bulletin boards:

NOTICE!

Lack of planning on your part does not constitute an emergency on my part.



Appointments, Awards & Professional Activities

Congratulations

Sam Laldin, president of the Ontario Society of Medical Technologists and retired supervisor of haematology at KGH was presented by Mayor Gary Bennett and MP Peter Milliken an award from the Canadian Alumni of the World University for his contribution to medical technology.

Employment Wanted

Melanie Beaton a 4th year Life Sciences student is looking for a summer position in a research laboratory. If you are interested in taking on a summer student her C.V. and transcript are available from Barb Latimer.

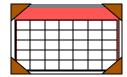
Employment Offered

Assistant Dean, Student Affairs

The Faculty of Medicine has an opening for

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an Assistant Dean, Student Affairs. Expressions of interest or nominations should be directed to Dr. Duncan Sinclair by the end of March. For a complete job description see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.



Calendar of Events

Department of Pathology Research Seminars: Tuesdays, 4:00 pm Richardson Amphitheatre, Richardson Labs Topics are TBA.

March 5th, 1996 Dr. Jayne Danska

"Regulation of DNA Repair and V(D)J Recombination in Normal and Neoplastic Lymphocyte Development" March 12th, 1996 Karen Ambus, Mian Gao March 19th, 1996 Dr. D. Lasko March 26th, 1996 Lawrence Martins,

Scott Wright April 2nd, 1996 Jennifer Klassen, Lorena Taricani April 9th, 1996 Dr. W. Muller

General News

IN THE NEWS

We have received a news item of interest regarding a famous bowler in our midst. Sally Morin and her team from the Lansdowne Mixed Bowling League has advanced to the regional finals of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association, Holiday Classic House Tournament to be held in Kingston in March.

Another news flash! A famous curler is also in our midst!! Congratulations to **Carolyn Stephenson** who is a member of the team who finished as the first event winners of the Business Women's Draw for the Bennett's Trophy at the Royal Kingston Curling Club.

Honourable Mention

R. Jay Stewart, a former graduate student in the department was awarded an Honourable Mention in the 1996 Sheard Sanford Medical Student Award Competition, for his manuscript entitled, "Laminin Gene Expression During Experimental AA Amyloidosis". As a token of appreciation Jay will receive a plaque from the ASCP and co-sponsor Leica, Inc..

It is Hard to Believe but Asoka's Gone

On February 29th Asoka Premachandra, a technologist in Histopathology, since October 1974 took his well earned retirement. A devoted tech he was always eager to help with call backs for frozen sections and other special cases. His keen interest in special stains and his analytical skill in problem solving was a great asset to the laboratory. Whether it was a technical problem or a new method to be set up, you could bet that by the next day he would have consulted the library and have ready a strategy to recommend. His experience and knowledge in histopathology plus his outgoing personality made him a natural with the Medlab students and residents. We wish him well in his retirement.

Summer Studentships

Successful applicants for the summer of 1996 are: Tamara Pringheim and Chris Borth at KGH and James Gray at Hotel Dieu.

Resident's Column

No submission so we're going with some jokes instead! Things heard in the labs, from the Usenet newsgroup sci.med.laboratory:

"That reminds me of when I was a resident doing Surg. Path. at Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburgh (c.1977). One day, some guy aspirated a hotdog at a Pitt football game. They rushed him across the street to the

E.R. where an ENT resident extracted the thing from his larynx. It was submitted to Pathology labelled only "tissue from larynx". I recognized what it was, but was feeling punchy enough to submit sections anyways. The next day I had a good time passing the slides around getting people to guess what it was. You don't want to know what was in that hotdog!"

"A nurse called down to the lab to find out why a sed rate was taking us so long. I explained to her that once we receive the blood, it takes 60 minutes to actually do the test. She then asked "Well, could you do it for 15 minutes and multiply it by 4? We really need that result!"

"Are electric lights included with isozymes?"

And finally: "Calling to find out if the results of the blood cultures drawn 30 minutes earlier were ready."

Graduate News

Schedule of Dates for the Spring 1996 Degree List

March 15, 1996 Last date for submitting thesis for PhD Oral Examination

April 4, 1996 Last date for submitting thesis for Master's Oral Examination

April 19, 1996 Last possible date for holding oral thesis examination

April 26, 1996 Last possible date for submitting thesis to Graduate School for final permanent binding.

MRC Studentship Award. Submitted by David Lillicrap

Undergraduate News:

Nothing this month.

Grants & Deadlines

The following is a list of various grant application information received in the department. For applications and more detailed information on any of these grants please see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

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The Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindberg Foundation - Deadline June 11, 1996

Canadian Liver Foundation, Summer Studentship Awards - Deadline March 15, 1996

Saunders Matthew Fund for Breast Cancer Research - Deadline April 14, 1996

Parkinson Foundation of Canada (research grants, fellowships and The Wherrett Fellowship) - Deadline April 30, 1996

The International Atherosclerosis

Society has a Fellowship Program to support travel funds for investigators. Last year a special award for junior investigators aged 35 and under was named in honour of Dr. Daria Haust for her achievements in basic atherosclerosis research and her invaluable work as a founding and long term executive member of the Society. The Fellowship is reviewed twice a year and the Daria Haust Award deadline is October 1. For further information and application forms see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Principal's Development Fund

The Principal's Development Fund for Visiting Scholars will again be allocating funds to faculties who apply for the 1996-97 academic year. This fund is to encourage academic visits by women, members of visible minorities and aboriginal people. Submit names of proposed visitors, along with a proposed budget and itinerary directly to Katherine Christmas, Faculty of Medicine, 230 Botterell Hall.



Focus on Research

The Dieu News



No submission this month.

The KGH Connection



Submitted by Shirley McDonald

! Teleconferences/Education for March:

Wed., March 6 (0900 - 1700 hrs): "Basic Rescuer"

Wed., March 13 (0900 - 1300 hrs): "Heart Saver"

ALL TELECONFERENCES/ VIDEOCONFERENCES HELD IN TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT, EMPIRE 1, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

! Miscellaneous

- Going to Florida for March Break? Join the KGH Disney Price Club, and get discounts on attractions, car rental, hotel and cruise costs! Available from Public Relations.
- Construction is currently underway in the Nickle building to build a stairwell against the west wall, across from the Douglas/Richardson buildings.
- Social Work Week Open House Wednesday, March 6, from 1000-1200 hrs in Empire 1.

Health & Safety Report

No submission this month.



Computer Support

Contact for Problem/questions related to:

KGH Floors

Pathology Novell Network

- Kevin Kell Q-4889 Hardware/Software

- KGH K-1396

Connection to Queen's services

- Kevin Kell Q-4889 Lab Information System - KGH K-1396 Software Licences

- Department Manager



Oueen's Offices

Pathology Novell Network

- Kevin Kell Q-4889

MVS, PCICS, Internet Services, Computing Services questions

- Kevin Kell Q-4889

Computer Hardware

- Ed Tyerman Q-4901 Software
- Kevin Kell Q-4889 Software Licences
- Dave Piper, Kevin Kell

New Software:

Pegasus Mail for Windows was upgraded on February 27th from v2.01 to v2.23 Included in the bug fixes are: better help, colour capabilities, a phone memo template on the toolbar and a bunch more. For details, run the WGUIDE.EXE program that comes with pegasus, located in f:\apps\wpmail

Netscape v2.00 was released last month and seems to be pretty stable. You can install it yourself (overwriting your old netscape) by running the program f:\apps\win\install\net2\setup.exe OR by emailing Kevin!

When it asks you if you want to overwrite your netscape.ini file, say no as this is your personal configuration from the old program.

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Mail News

Mail statistics: The following are the number of pieces of E-mail arriving and departing our mail server for the last few months:



1995 August: 2238 1995 September: 2509 1995 October: 3022 1995 November: 3193 1995 December: 2355 1996 January: 3156 1996 February: 4251

Instructional Material

Our Windows for Dummies Book is Missing! If you have it, please return it to Kevin in Richardson 201!

Inhouse Video Tapes:

#1 Wordperfect for Windows Beginning and Intermediate with some Advanced #1 (6 hours) #2 Wordperfect for Windows Advanced #1 and #2 (3-4 hours)

Queen's computing services is running the following educational courses over the next few weeks. If you are interested in any, get a registration form from me (Kevin), fill it in and return to Queen's.

You will require your Queen's staff card to register. KGH and other employees are no longer eligible to register for these courses.

1996 (S)=Seminar (W)=Workshop

Mar 27, Wednesday at 9:30am-12noon, (Stauf-008A)
Using the Internet on a Macintosh
Instructor: M. Fleming
Mar 27, Wednesday at 2pm-4pm,
(Stauf-007) WordPerfect Presentations
for Windows Instructor: CCS Staff
Apr 24, Wednesday at 1:30pm-4pm,
(Stauf-007) Introduction to Web
Publishing on a Windows PC
Instructor: R. Chan

Apr 25, Thursday at 9am-12noon, (Stauf-007) WordPerfect 6 for Windows - Advanced Features (S) Instructor: V. Meulenbroeks

Apr 25, Thursday at 9:30am-12noon, (Stauf-008A) Introduction to Web Publishing on a Macintosh Instructor: M. Fleming

For KGH users on the PCS system, there are a number of courses including "Intro to Windows" available. Contact Nicole Florent, PCS Education Coordinator, at K-2879

For Queens' Users, try to register for one of the Computing Services seminars/workshops listed previously.

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Pathology News Submissions

SUBMISSION DATE: Pathology News will be mailed to all faculty, housestaff, graduate students, and anyone who requests it on the Thursday following the first Monday of the month. The next deadline date for submission will be *Monday April 1st*, 1996

Send items (in order of preference) by: 1) email, 2) floppy disk, 3) paper mail, or 4) FAX.

If the submission is lengthy and if publications number more than 1 or 2, please send on disk (which will be returned promptly) in virtually any format or put on the Pathology network, location F:\general\pathnews.

Please type or print your submission and have it in a form ready to cut and paste into the newsletter.

Don't forget to indicate who submitted the information.

RETURN TO:

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