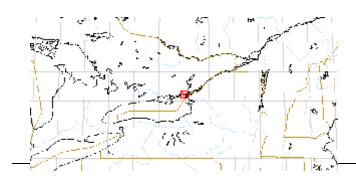
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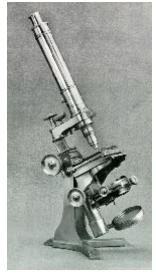
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We publish only that which is submitted! (There are no expense accounts and no reporters) If there is no news about your area that means we haven't received any!

# rom the Head Welcome to Troy Feener

We have been fortunate in hiring Troy Feener as an excellent replacement for Blake Gubbins. Troy started working in the department on February 13, 2001.

Troy has a B.Sc. in Zoology and M.Sc. in Parasitology from the University of Calgary. During his training he has learned a variety of techniques through using tissue samples for research purposes. He also has experience in multiple aspects of microscopy, photography and computer graphics. Earlier this year Troy was an instructor in Human Physiology in the Nursing department at Loyalist College.

Troy and John DaCosta now have complementary skill sets. John will be concentrating on the electron microscopy, histopathology and other tissue related work. Troy will have primary responsibility for the work related to the NCIC Clinical Trials Group, plastination, imaging and photography, and will also act as the Safety Officer for Richardson Laboratory. We have been fortunate that Blake is available part-time to facilitate Troy's acclimatization and to ensure continuity of our services in the short term.

Troy is very enthusiastic and capable and I would encourage Faculty to consider his involvement in new departmental projects.



### Richardson Labs Closure Monday April 16<sup>th</sup>

The building will be closed from 06:30 until AT LEAST 12:00 on Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> due to the work on the power grid in Botterell Hall. Queen's Physical Plant/Security will be on hand to ensure that no one is in the building during the closure (security/fire and personal safety issues)

All electrical equipment must be turned off prior to 06:30 (? There may be surges/brownouts?)

So at first look this will require some people in early Monday to look after some of the critical equipment (-80 freezers come to mind), whereas most other equipment (lights, workstations, etc) can be turned off earlier.

The state of our network at this time is in doubt. It may not be available at all. Luckily that Monday is a KGH holiday (Easter Monday).

More information will be forthcoming from Dave Piper's Office.

### **Annual Reports**

It's that time of year again!! Annual Reports for the 2000 calendar year are once again due in the Faculty Office. If you are a basic scientist (QUFA faculty) then your report will already have been completed and forwarded to the Faculty Office on the February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. If you are a clinician then your report is due in the Faculty Office March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2001. The template

for the 2000 clinical annual report may be accessed at: http://meds.queensu.ca/reports/arbs.htm. The form was updated (year changed, MRC changed to CIHR, etc) but the questions and content remain the same as last year. As the Head of the Department is required to prepare an appraisal form for each faculty member and include it with the Annual Report, you must submit both the report and your curriculum vitae **in duplicate** to Dr. Manley at least **one day** prior to your scheduled appointment with him. Also, please put an updated copy of your CV on the net under: G:/sec/cvs/2000/lastname.

#### TIPS

TIPS for Faculty will be held March 22nd and 23rd this year. At this workshop we explore various aspects of teaching and learning, including:

- teaching is not telling or speaking to people, but speaking with people in order to facilitate their learning.
- how to write effective learning objectives that not only tell the learner what new skill or knowledge they should be able to do following the session, but also facilitate the lesson planning for the teacher.
- how to organize a session to optimize learning using the "set, body, closure" system.
- what makes visual aids effective or ineffective.
- how to use questioning to encourage active and interactive learning.
- how to give and receive feedback effectively.

All this, and we still have time for microteach practice groups each day! For more information, see <a href="http://meds.queensu.ca/ce/tips.html">http://meds.queensu.ca/ce/tips.html</a>

# Work Study Program - Spring/Summer 2001

Are those odd little jobs just piling up in your office? Would you be just a little less overworked if you could hire someone to do all the stuff you just can't find the time to do yourself? Want to hire a student for \$2.00/hour? Well, Work Study has the solution!

The Work Study Program at Queen's University is designed to assist students, who can demonstrate financial need, find a part-time job on campus. Students must be registered in at least a 60% course load during the spring/summer sessions to be eligible to apply for the program.

Students who have been approved to work in the Work Study Program Spring/Summer 2001 will begin looking for work as early as May 1, but we need jobs for them to do! If you have any type of job(s) for students during this time please get the word out to us!

If you would like more information or would like to post a job, just visit our Website at <a href="http://www.careers.queensu.ca/Work%20Study%20">http://www.careers.queensu.ca/Work%20Study%20</a> <a href="Program/Index.htm">Program/Index.htm</a> (if that doesn't work, try <a href="http://www.queensu.ca/">http://www.queensu.ca/</a> and look under Faculty/Staff for the Work Study link).

### Congratulations to

Drs. Mike Raymond, Caroline Rowlands, and Sherry Taylor on their reappointments, Dr. Christine Collier on her reappointment and promotion to Associate Professor, Drs. Sandy Boag and John Rossiter on receiving Tenure and Dr. Scott Davey on his promotion to Associate Professor in the Department of Pathology.

Grants have grown to such a huge page of the newsletter that we have split them off into a separate supplement to the newsletter. All researchers & faculty will receive the supplement as well as any one else who wants it. Otherwise the rest of the subscribers get everything but.

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There are 11 pages for March.
These are available on our web site:
<a href="http://www.path.queensu.ca/pathnews/grants.htm">http://www.path.queensu.ca/pathnews/grants.htm</a>

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Department of Pathology Seminar
Schedule
2000 - 2001
Winter Term
Tuesdays @ 4:00 p.m.
Richardson Amphitheater, Richardson Laboratory

DATE	SPEAKER		
March 13	Suzie Abu-Abed, PhD Student		
March 20	Adina Vultur, PhD Student		
March 27	Dr. G. Lukacs, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto		
April 3	Dr. I. Maroulakou, U of S Carolina		
April 10	Martin Kang, MSc Student		

raduate News

During February, Lee Fraser successfully defended his comprehensive proposal and Jennifer Struthers successfully defended her MSc thesis.

## From the Queen's University Senate Statement on Proposed Tuition 2001/2002

#### *Graduate Programs:*

Despite having no increase in 2000/2001, Queen's Graduate tuition fees remain among the highest in the Province. In order to remain competitive, and to ensure adequate funding for graduate students, it is

recommended that, once again, there be no adjustment to tuition fees in 2001/2002. The School of Graduate Studies and Research consulted all departments on this position. The result was an overwhelming consensus to keep fees at their current level.

The Hospital for Sick Children
Applications are invited for an academic
Hematopathologist at the Hospital for Sick
Children. Responsibilities include assisting in the
professional and academic direction of a full service
Hematology Laboratory including molecular diagnosis
and flow cytometry. Emphasis will be placed on
diagnostic hematopathology and undergraduate and
postgraduate teaching. Initiation of and participation
in collaborative research and developmental programs
would be expected. Research experience would be
an asset.

Candidates must hold Canadian Specialty Certification or equivalent and be eligible to hold an Ontario medical license and be cross-appointed to the Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto.

Send curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees before March 31, 2001 to: Dr. L. Becker, Chief, Department of Pediatric Laboratory Medicine, The Hospital for Sick Children, 555 University Avenue, Toronto, ON, M5G 1X8.





### **Server Upgrades**

None to speak of this past month.

#### **Email Viruses:**

People keep sending and forwarding ad infinitum, ad nauseam, email messages about viruses and warnings and don't open this or do that.



#### PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE STOP!

Under no circumstances should you be sending or forwarding these to ANYONE, especially me. As a rule you can depend on the fact that **they are untrue** and strictly rumour/hoax based. In addition, the vast majority of viruses will be caught and stopped by our anti-virus protection and most of the common email viruses are targeted at users of MICROSOFT OUTLOOK, which we do not use for email.

# Remember how to manually update your anti-virus program?

P Double click on the "Norton Anti-Virus Corporate Edition" golden shield icon on the lower right toolbar.

P Click on the "LiveUpdate" button

P Click on the "Next" button

Your Anti-Virus data file upgrade will soon be complete and updated with the latest in Virus identification

#### **Web Server News:**

We have started to publish electronically, all available presentations from the Thursday afternoon Pathology Rounds. If you are giving a presentation and it is already in electronic format, please notify Kevin and he will convert and put it online.

#### **Lighting (and security):**

You may have noticed new signs up in Rich101, 102, 107, The Library and the Lounge.

The ones in 102 and 107 ask you to turn off the lights and close the door, if you are the last one out. I arrive at work at 07:00 daily and have found that the doors to the conference rooms are often wide open at that time, having been left that way all night (it's not the janitorial staff... I've asked). Luckily our audiovideo equipment has been still there.

### From the Queen's Security Website http://www.queensu.ca/security/interest.html

All members of the Queen's community are advised to keep doors locked when not in their office, rooms or homes. Please do not leave personal items unattended, even for a brief time. There were 109 reported incidents of thefts under \$5000 (not

involving Queen's property) in 2000. There were 206 such incidents in 1998 and 276 in 1999.

There have been 45 theft and 44 Break & Enter incidents involving Queen's property in 2000. There were 69 thefts & 34 B&Es in 1998 and 104 thefts & 34 B&Es in 1999. Note: City Police have recovered some items in the past but had no way of identifying them as Queen's property. See "Protect Yourself Against Equipment Theft" in Safety Tips & Products.

In particular two data projectors were stolen (removed from ceiling mounts in auditoriums!) last month.

PLEASE remember to Close the doors when you are the last person leaving the conference rooms!

# **Security and Access Control**

Richardson Labs had a new Access Control system



installed over Reading Week in February. If you run into any problems after Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, please contact Kevin or Marg.

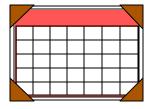
Some points to note:

- The existing access cards continue to work
- The keypad codes have been changed (in particular your card number is no longer a valid keypad code)
- The Library combination lock has changed

More details can be had from the folks mentioned above but not here as this newsletter is available on the Internet and it would not be good idea to put the codes or other detailed information here:)

### Microsoft Outlook Calendar System:

Another public folder has been added to handled bookings for the Photomicroscope located in Douglas 1 Autopsy area. This



joins the other bookable shared resources in the department:

- ' Autopsy Conference Room,
- Data Projector #1/Presentation Workstation#1
- Laptop#1
- MultiHead Microscope on Douglas2
- ' Richlabs102
- ' Richlabs107

### Laptop1:

The laptop was diagnosed with bad memory and a new memory chip was installed on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Since I haven't had a trouble report from it since, I am assuming it is working just fine.

#### **Email Traffic:**

Remember when I used to post the amount of email in and out of the department for the last month?





pieces of email in and out, and in general, they are getting bigger as more and more people send more and larger attachments.

#### LISImage

The digital image web site is up and running at <a href="http://lisimage/">http://lisimage/</a>

Access is restricted to specific workstations and at the moment that includes Faculty members, Dept. residents and managers only.

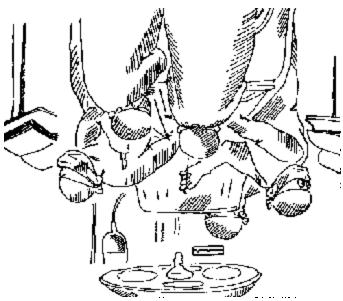
As of Monday March 5<sup>th</sup> we have:

Date	#cases	#photos	Total Mb
========	=====	======	=====
2001 Mar 05	338	1933	686

And this includes autopsy photos, surgical photos and plastinated museum specimens. We are currently adding over 1000 more images from the plastination museum and these should be online and indexed by the end of March. New material is being added on a TIME-PERMITTING basis as it is generated by Lloyd.

Access can be made by case number, keyword search or case search, browsing by case number and browsing by photograph number.





But mine is the Latest Edition!