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## For Your Info

Effective July 1st Queen's changed its carrier for employment benefits. On receipt of your pay stub for July you should note that many of the deductions for most of these benefits have been reduced as well.

**Queen's Gazette:** If you ever hand-deliver material to the Gazette, please be advised that they have moved their offices! To Fleming Hall, Stewart - Pollock Wing Room 107.

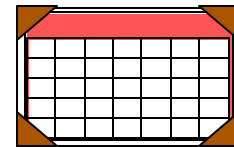
**How to Book a KGH Room:**  
 The KGH Room Booking Office has been combined with the Education Services Department on Empire 1. The phone number is the same (K-4664). Be sure to have on hand 1) The name & date of the event  
 2) starting and finishing time of the event  
 3) number of persons attending  
 4) person responsible name and number  
 5) a preferred location and an alternate

**KGH becomes a Smoke-Free Hospital**  
 Effective July 1st, 1996 no smoking is allowed anywhere on KGH property by staff physicians or visitors. There is one designated patient smoking room on Connell 8.



## Appointments, Awards & Professional Activities

**Milestones:**  
 Sandra Caine (Cancer Research Labs): 10 years!



## Calendar of Events

**Department of Pathology Research Seminars: Tuesdays, 4:00 pm**  
**Richardson Amphitheatre,**  
**Richardson Labs**

Cancelled for the rest of the summer... to resume in September.

## General News

**Report of the Task Force on Women in Science and Engineering to the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council**

Dr. Manley has received the above report from the Task Force, which was established to advise Council on how to create an environment that facilitates and encourages greater participation of women in science and engineering research in Canada, particularly through NSERC's core programs. A status report on the actions taken to date by NSERC in response to the recommendations made by the Task Force are also included. If you would like to see a copy of this report see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

KGH released a two page memo on August 1st regarding "Changes for a Healthy Future", the proposed Kingston model in Southeastern Ontario for acute, continuing and rehabilitative care. It's too long to reproduce here so try and track down a copy from regular channels.

## Employment Wanted

Lisa Young is looking for a position as a

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**Richardson Labs**  
**Queen's University**  
**Kingston, Ontario,**  
**Canada**

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research assistant/technician. She has a BSc in Life Sciences with first class honours and her MSc in Physiology from Queen's with Dr. Mark Bisby as her supervisor. She has experience in experimental techniques in immunocytochemistry, mRNA preparation, reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction, in situ hybridization, western blotting and metabolic labelling plus others. If you are interested in Lisa and would like to see her CV please see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

## Resident's Column

*Submitted by Dr. Lois Shepherd*

Summer is flying by and the latest update on resident news is as follows: First, a warm welcome to **James Safadi** who spent the month of July in the department and is now off to do his clinical rotations as a PGY1 in Pathology. We'll be seeing him off and on over the year.

Second, old resident news: **Charles Yee** is about to sign on as a staff pathologist in West Palm Beach Florida, having finished his year in Beth Israel in Boston. **Alan Tuck** has accepted a position in London, 60% research and 40% service work. He is very pleased. **Mai Gu**, for those of you who remember Mai, is finishing up her residency in Cornell and will be doing a Fellowship in Surgical Oncology at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering in New York in 1997. And **Michael Wendelboe** is off to Kenya for a few years with his wife and 2 sons to work as a pathologist with a group that provides volunteer pathology services to the rural Kenyan population.

Third; Old fellow and locum news: **John Lentz** continues to survive and thrive in Toronto East General doing Hematopathology and looking after his triplets. And for those of you who don't know **Dr. Dilys Rapson**, she is doing a locum 2 days a week in Hematopathology. She is a wonderful teacher, so residents passing through Hemepath will have the advantage of her enthusiasm and knowledge over the next several months.

Fourth: The resident research day and BBQ is coming up in September. Date to be announced.

Fifth: **John Vu** is married and has great wedding pictures to look at. Congratulations and our warm regards. Also, John won a travel grant to the RCPSC/CAP meeting in September in Halifax which is very nice news indeed.



## Graduate News

Updated versions of the Department Rules & Regs for Grad Studies will be distributed to students early in September... keep your eyes open for them.

Courses offered this year:

**Pathology 811 Clinical Cytogenetics**, Dr. Duncan, subject to minimal enrollment

**Pathology 823 Cancer Biology**, Dr. Elliott, fall term

**Pathology 824/410 Pathology for Non-Medical Students**, Dr. Kisilevsky, fall term

**Pathology 825 Human Genetics**, Dr. Mulligan, winter term

**Pathology 826/430 Molecular Basis of Disease**, Dr. Kisilevsky, winter term

**Pathology 799 Introduction to Animal Care**

## Women's Graduate Soccer Team

After a year of intermittent triumphs, the team from Pathology graciously bowed out in the semi-final play off game against Pharmacology. Pharmacology will now play the Polysoccerides from Biochemistry (including several Pathology outcasts) in the final. With half the team and both co-captains originating from our laboratory, the soccer season is always a time of heightened physical activity on Richardson level 5. This year, there were no mortal woundings, only the occasional twisted knee and the usual crop of bruises (are we transforming everyone into hemophiliacs in this

laboratory?). Special mention should go to the following people for their contributions over the past season. To Jolene Brady and Meg Begby for getting the team out to play, to Angela Lyons (aunt to Andy and Martha's children) for remembering the rules of soccer, to Brenda ? (from Biology) for being our not-so-secret attacking threat and to Sharon Windsor for yet again being a stalwart on defence.

## Undergraduate News:

Pathology 410/824 and 430/826 have been booked into Richardson Amphitheatre for Wednesday afternoons from 2:30pm to 4:30 pm

**PATH410/824 Pathology for Non-Medical Students** Dr. Kisilevsky Fall 082 WED 1430-1630 RICHLA AMP

**PATH430/826 Molecular Basis of Disease** Winter Dr. Kisilevsky 082 WED 1430-1630 RICHLA AMP

## Grants & Deadlines

A database that provides information about sources of funding for fellowships, operating grants etc. is available on the World Wide Web. The address is <http://cos.gdb.org/> once in there go to the Funding database and then to the Funding browser.

### NSERC Research Networks

Researchers can apply to the Research Networks program for projects costing between \$500,000 and 1 million per year for up to five years. Projects must involve at least five researchers at three or more non-affiliated institutions (and preferably involve companies).

In order to be considered for the next round, February 1997, applicants must submit a Letter of Intent describing their initiative by August 15, 1996. Research network proposals are due by October 1, 1996. Please note that researchers who do not submit a Letter of Intent by August 15, 1996, will not have their project evaluated until February 1998.

### Dystonia Medical Research Foundation Grants

Dystonia-related research should be hypothesis-driven. Typically, studies focus on genetics, human brain tissue, anatomy, and physiology of the basal ganglia and relevant brain circuitry. All non-profit organizations or institutions within the United States, Canada and those foreign countries where supervision of grant administration is possible are eligible to apply. Acknowledging the increased cost of research, the annual budget for grants, effective 1997, has been raised to \$35,000/year per grant. Under exceptional circumstances, funding may be allowed for a second year; but will entertain a second year only as a competing renewal. No more than one award can be given to an individual investigator per year.

The deadline for applications is January 6, 1997 to be awarded in March 1997. For applications contact: Dystonia Medical Research Foundation, 1 East

Wacker Drive, Suite 2430, Chicago, IL 60601-2001, USA. Tel. 312-755-0198, Fax. 312-803-0138, e-mail: [dystfndt@aol.com](mailto:dystfndt@aol.com)

### CSCI/Schering Canada Research Fellowship

This is a Fellowship in research training that is focused on clinicians and is open to candidates holding a degree in Medicine and eligible for licensure in Canada. Applicants must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada and on completion of the award must have a commitment for a position from an institution in Canada. This Fellowship is intended for scientists who are in the "formative phase" of their career. Although the Fellowship is for clinical investigators, the nature of the research may be either basic or clinically oriented.

The Fellowship will provide the sum of \$25,000 per year for two years to the chosen candidate. Since the Fellowship is for two years, applications will only be accepted every second year. The deadline for the receipt of applications is **December 1, 1996**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications are available from the Faculty of Medicine Office.

### Canadian Cancer Society Student Travel Awards

The NCIC is pleased to announce a new travel award for senior level students.

**Applicants must be enrolled in a PhD or MD/PhD program at a Canadian institution and be in their final phase of study.**

Awards of up to \$1,000 are available to help defray travel costs associated with making a scientific presentation at a conference, symposium or other appropriate professional gathering. Eligible applicants must be attending a conference for the purpose of presenting data from a cancer-related project on a **first-author** basis.

Competitions will be held three times per year. Deadline dates are: April 1, September 1 and December 1. **The first**

**competition will take place September 1, 1996.**

For complete details and application forms please see Barb in Dr. Manley's Office.

### Research Opportunities

If you did not receive a recent copy of the School of Graduate Studies and Research "Research Opportunities" with deadlines for September-December 1996 please see Barb in Dr. Manley's office. Also included in this edition of Research Opportunities is "Changes in Conference Travel Awards".

Two different criteria have been developed; one for new researchers, and one for established researchers. New researchers will be funded for travel to present papers at regular conferences of their discipline but established researchers will be expected to fund such travel from their own research funds. However, established researchers will be considered for support to attend significant meetings where they present an oral paper and/or play an important role in the meeting. There are specific deadlines for conference travel applications: **September 15, January 15 and April 15**. Researchers who normally apply to Subcommittees II and V for conference travel will now apply to the Office of Research Services for travel funds.

**New Researchers** - within 6 years of their initial appointment (with appointments as listed in Category 1. Support for Junior Researchers ARC/PDF Program).

- funds to support a researcher to present a paper or a poster at a conference
- automatic qualification for an award of up to \$500 to cover costs of conference attendance
- additional \$500, i.e. total award of up to \$1,000 (normally) based on assessment of, researchers need, significance of the conference, availability of funds.

**Established Researchers** - more than 6 years from their initial appointment (with appointments as listed in Category

2. Individual research Initiatives  
ARC/PDF Program).

- funds to support a researcher to present an oral paper at a conference
- funding available of up to \$1,000 (normally) per conference (once every two years)
- funding criteria will include:
  - significance of the conference (Department Head may be consulted)
  - research need
  - significance of the role the researchers will play at the conference
  - availability of funds

In special cases, consideration will be given to provision of additional support for conference attendance where costs significantly exceed \$1,000.

Please contact the Office of Research Services for further information.



### Focus on Research

No submission this month

This space is intended for researchers to say a little bit about events in their labs. Since this doesn't seem to be happening, some of you lab workers are going to be drafted real soon now! :)



### The Dieu News

No submission this month



### The KGH Connection

Submitted by Shirley McDonald

**! Teleconferences/Education for August:** None.



- CPR - Basic Rescuer: Thursday August 12 at 0900-1700 hrs
- CPR - Heart Saver: Thursday August 29 at 1300-1700 hrs
- ! Hospital Library** (Dietary 3)  
New books: "HIV Infection" (Libman, Witzburg)

### ! Hospital Renovations/ Construction

- Safety upgrades are being done in the Nickel wing (eg. stairwells, fire doors)
- The Watkins elevator will be "down" until the end of August for a major safety upgrade
- Construction is due to begin soon in Medical Records (Kidd 1) to accommodate pre-admission testing

### ! Miscellaneous

- Connell 10 is closed until the end of August

### What's Happening in the Labs?

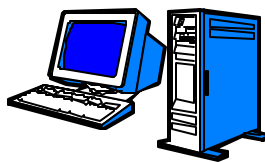
No report.

## Health & Safety Report

Annual maintenance on the fume hoods in Richardson Labs has been completed.

## Buy Sell & Trade

Wanted: Electric Lawn Mower (preferably used and inexpensive!)  
Contact Kevin Kell (Q-4889)



## 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



### Queen'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

## Library News

Bracken Library has released an OVID/Medline custom telnet client program. This is a windows based program that is very similar to our existing WINQVT/NET telnet package that is currently in use. The biggest advantage I can see of the new package is that instead of typing <ctrl>U for author, you can use your mouse to click on the author button. It takes 2-3 Mb of hard drive space. If you are interested, contact me (Kevin).

In our department library, workstation #4 has come back! .

Stacked in the southwest corner of the library, on the floor under the study carousel, are back issues of Science and Nature magazines, FREE FOR THE TAKING! Haul'em away and start your own library.

### What's new in WinPMail v2.4

WinPMail (Pegasus Mail for Windows) v2.42) was installed in late July and seems to be running exceptionally well.

The following is an announcement from Jim Lesslie, Manager, Distributed Information Technology at Queen's

### **Changes in Queen's software standards and support**

In response to recent changes both in the software industry and in the structure of the Department itself, Information Technology Services (formerly Computing and Communications Services) is reorganizing and reviewing the range of services it provides and the standards on which these services are based.

As a result, several key policy decisions have been made which will affect the entire University and for which ITS requests your assistance in communicating to departments and units. These include:

- \* The selection of Microsoft Windows 95 as the University's operating system. ITS will continue to support older versions of Windows.
- \* The selection, after extensive consultation and consideration of the alternatives, of Microsoft Office Standard Edition as the new standard suite of personal productivity tools for Queen's. MS Office is a suite of software including word processing, spreadsheet, presentation graphics, e-mail, calendar, and in some versions, database components.
- \* The selection of Microsoft Access as the personal or LAN-based relational database management system for Windows.
- \* The continuation of technical support for versions of WordPerfect up to and including WordPerfect for Windows Version 6.1 and WordPerfect for DOS Version 6.0b.
- \* The distribution of licenses, through DCREps (**Kevin Kell**), for the new Corel Suite software and tools. With the end of the CAP (Customer

Advantage Program) September 23 1996, however, ITS will no longer provide technical support for these products.

Complete details regarding these changes are available on the ITS homepage at:

<http://www.ccs.queensu.ca/services/software/standards.html>

### **Changes in KGH's software standards and support**

It appears that once the current KGH Wordperfect CAP site licence expires in September, it will not be renewed. KGH is pursuing the Microsoft Office package (as is Queen's), but without the "bridging period" package of Corel PerfectOffice..

All graphics seen in this newsletter are in word perfect 6.1 .wpg format and are available from the Department Novell network. Back Issues of this newsletter are also available from Kevin Kell.

## **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 September 9th, 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 *sys:general/pathnews* (more commonly mapped as drive f).**

**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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