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540 days until 1999 December 31



Grant Hall under a Full Moon

Upcoming Events

Holiday! Monday August 3rd is the Civic Holiday and the University will be closed.

FYI

Dr. Geoffrey Flynn will be stepping down as Vice-Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences effective September 1, 1998.

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Service Milestones

30 years

Pedro Garbe - Hematology

25 years

Janet Boyle - Histopathology

Suzanne Torgerson - Hematology

15 years



Judith Bertrand - Chemistry
 Jillann Jaynes - Histopathology
 Shari Neal - Hematology
 Lana Tingle - Specimen Procedure
10 years
 Kim Tran - Specimen Procedure
5 years
 Jane Burden - Infection Control
 Laura Clark - Specimen Procedure

Queen's News

New Directors

Effective July 1, 1998 Dr. David Hurlbut will be succeeding Dr. Lois Shepherd as the Director of our Postgraduate Education programs and as Director of General Pathology. Directors of individual programs are: Anatomic Path and General Path - Dr. D. Hurlbut; Hematopath - Dr. L. Shepherd and Neuropath - Dr. S. Ludwin.

Effective July 1, 1998 Dr. Lois Mulligan will be succeeding Dr. Bruce Elliott as the Graduate Program Director.

New Phone Exchange

The new exchange, 533, is part of a consolidation of Queen's phone system, which will also see five-digit internal extensions introduced during the Christmas break in December 1998.

Fume Hood Annual Maintenance

Fumehoods in Richardson Labs will be having their annual maintenance check done starting the week of Monday July 13 and ending with Friday July 17.

Agnes Etherington Art Gallery Construction Begins

Construction begins this week on the \$6-million expansion to the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. Demolition of the 1966 wing will be followed by excavation, with the exterior shell of the new wing expected to be in place by early fall. Details in an upcoming Gazette. Official opening of the expanded Agnes is scheduled for spring, 2000. Information:, Trish Howarth, ext. 5100.

About those old phone books . . .

Don't throw that old Bell phone book out! Deposit your phone books in RichLabs 201, where they will be collected by custodial staff for recycling.

Tips of the day.

You can avoid neck injury and eyestrain at work by just quitting your job and finding one that doesn't involve computers in any way.

PostGraduate News

Welcome Dr. Tim Childs (R1) to the Residency Program.

Research News

Richardson Research Seminars
Tuesday at 4:00 pm in Richardson Amphitheater

May 12th	Cancelled until September
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UPS predicts surge in Net document delivery
June 16, 1998, 9:40 a.m. PT

SINGAPORE--About a third of all urgent document deliveries will be switched from physical to virtual transmission over the Internet by 2002, express delivery firm United Parcel Service (UPS) predicted.

"By 2002 a third, or about \$11.2 billion of the global document delivery market, will be moved electronically," Jerome Fontaine, UPS's Asia Pacific strategic research and development manager, told a news conference.

Did you know...

If your modem is broken or your E-mail destination is busy, you may communicate with friends by means of objects called "paper", "envelopes" and "telephones"

Grants'n'Such

NSERC

All researchers who intend to apply for a Research Grant in the 1999 competition must submit a Notification of Intent to Apply for a Research Grant (Form 180) and related documents by **August 17, 1998**. These documents allow NSERC to begin the preliminary Grant Selection Committee assignments and select appropriate external referees before the actual application deadline.

KGH Research Grant Fund

Research applications are invited for the newly established Kingston General Hospital Research Grant Fund competition. Funding for the 1998

competition is expected to be approximately \$40,000. Four grants of up to \$10,000 each will be awarded this year. The deadline is Monday, August 3rd - 4:30 p.m. A copy of the Terms of Reference and Guidelines for Submission are available from Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Animal Utilization Protocols

Renewal forms are now available for existing protocols and new submissions and 3rd year renewals. Forms are now available in Word and WordPerfect format and can be requested by email: ivimeyd@post.queensu.ca. Please submit new and renewal protocols by **Monday, June 22nd** (for review at the July 6th meeting) or by **Monday, July 27th** (for review at the August 10th meeting). If you require further information please contact the Office of Research Services at 4588 (Queen's) or the Animal Care Service at 2187 (Queen's).

Canadian Space Agency

The Canadian Space Agency is pleased to announce opportunities for Canadian researchers to participate in the international program of space flight research in Life Sciences on the International Space Station. For more information and proposal forms, please see their website at www.science.sp-agency.ca. A hard copy is available from Jennifer Jackson at 613-991-9582.

Results of MRC March 1998 Operating Grants Competition

Updated - 30/06/98

Name Institution Title	Operating Amount	Equip ment	Term
COLE, Susan P.C. Cellular and molecular studies of MRP-mediated multidrug resistance	\$137,780		3
GREER, Peter Alan A molecular and genetic analysis of murine fer gene	93,628	4,892	3

KISILEVSKY, Robert Amyloidogenesis: an analysis of the causative factors in an experimental murine model	102,058		3
LILICRAP, David Paul Factors regulating the developmental expression of factor IX	104,119		4
NESHEIM, Michael Ernest Functional properties of prothrombinase	92,964		5

Misc News

Wanted: Children's or beginner's **waterskis**.
Contact Lloyd Kennedy at K-4193

Wanted to Buy

Vertical air conditioner in good working order at least 6,000 BTUs. Call Barb at Queen's extension 4887 or after working hours at 382-2701.

Thank You

The following is a letter received from Alan Grant, Vice-Chair of the KGH Board after a visit to the department on Friday, June 19th. "Dear Paul and Dave: A short note to thank you both for taking time from your busy day to show me around. I found the tour fascinating and have a much better understanding of what you do and how it fits into KGH and the broader community.

I look forward to supporting you and your areas so as to provide the very best patient care possible within the resources available to us.
Sincerely, Alan Grant"

The following is a letter to Dr. Manley from Chris Udell at Graduate Student within the department

who received a Pathology Studentship in the 1997-98 academic year. "I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to you and the Department of Pathology for awarding me the Pathology Special Studentship. I am very honored to have received this award during the past year. I believe it was very successful and I am looking forward to building on the work I have done in the first year of my Masters Degree.

I have been fortunate enough to receive a Predoctoral Scholarship from the US Army Breast Cancer Research Initiative for the next three years. I plan to complete a Mini-Masters Thesis this year and then do my PhD thesis research with the Department of Pathology in Dr. Scott Davey's laboratory where I am currently working.
Sincerely, Chris Udell".

Congratulations to Dr. Konrad Chan and Dr. M.E. Treloar whose Poster Presentation tied for 1st place at the recent OAP Meeting held in London, Ontario. The title of their poster was: "Development of Stool Examination Criteria for Investigation of Infective Diarrhea in a Community Hospital".

Congratulations to Dr. Beverly Wang who recently passed her AP/CP Exams.

Hello from Boston and Charles Yee

A recent note Dr. Manley received from Charles. "I hope you are well. I would like to thank you for all your help during my training and helping me secure a good position. I will soon be starting my 3rd year of community practice of General Pathology here in Framingham (as in the famous heart study and near the starting line of the Boston Marathon), MA. I had a tremendous fellowship year at Beth Israel Hospital studying diagnostic Hematopathology with Marshall Kadin. After getting my American Boards in Anatomic, Clinical and Hematopathology I practiced in West Palm Beach, FL running a very active diagnostic flow cytometry lab and doing surgical pathology for a year. In August '97, I started my current position

at Framingham Union Hospital. It's a very well balanced practice 25 minutes west of downtown Boston. Our Cancer Center is part of the Dana Farber Cancer Center so we have been getting some great cases. My colleagues are very good pathologists and very good people. So far, so good. Please give my best regards to everyone back in Kingston. Best wishes, Charles Yee"

**TO: ROBERT HALL MORE, MD., MSc;
BELATED CONGRATULATIONS ON HIS
85th BIRTHDAY**

Dr. Robert H. More, the former Chairman of the Department of Pathology at Queen's University (1951- 1966), celebrated his 85th Birthday on December 16, 1997.

These very best wishes and congratulations are being conveyed to Dr. More only now owing to both a misunderstanding and an oversight. However, no matter with how much delay, the occasion for expressing these wishes should not be missed.

Dr. More came to Queen's from the Department of Pathology at McGill University where he trained in Pathology (and received also his MSc) under the supervision of Dr. G. Lyman Duff, and later was a Faculty member.

In Kingston, Dr. More held the appointment of the Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology at Queen's University, Pathologist-in-Chief at Kingston General Hospital and of Consultant in Pathology to all teaching hospitals.

The term of Dr. More's office holds a particular significance to the Department of Pathology at Queen's. He inherited a small department, largely concerned with service and the undergraduate teaching. In the 15 years of his chairmanship he established for the first time a (complete) residency training program in General Pathology and

graduate programs (both MSc and PhD). Thirteen MDs and fully qualified Pathologists obtained a graduate degree in Pathology during Dr. More's chairmanship. Under his direction several subspecialties were introduced in the Department, i.e., Paediatric Pathology (1960), Neuropathology (1962) and Haematopathology (1964). He achieved this by sending residents completing their training in the Department to special centers in the USA and U.K. and creating for them suitable posts in the Department at Queen's upon completion of their specialization. In addition, the subspecialties of Obstetrical-Gynaecological, Nephrological and Cardiovascular Pathology were also established at that time in the Department. The Department (not including the members of Hotel Dieu Hospital) grew from two to eleven full-time academic pathologists (at the time of his leaving).

The departmental quarters were renovated and modernized and the space more than doubled by additions. The newest techniques and tools were introduced in the service and investigative work at a time, when most academic departments of Pathology in the country were not so advanced in mid-sixties.

Dr. More brought with him to Queen's the "spirit of investigation". Thus, he himself pursued with other members of the staff and graduate students or stimulated the study of renal, connective tissues, neurological and cardiovascular diseases. The results of these investigations, published in scientific journals and presented at innumerable meetings, soon gained an international reputation for the Department.

It is fair to state that Queen's Department was molded in those years to reflect Dr. More's vision of what conceptually could be considered to represent an Institute of Pathology.

Dr. More's departure from Queen's late in 1966 (to McGill University) was considered by many as an

end of a very special (golden) era, and some of us remained close to, and in touch with him and his lovely wife Dorothy, throughout the years.

A few years following his retirement from McGill University, Dr. More moved with his wife "back home", i.e., to Kingston, re-joining their son David with family and old friends. He remains interested in public life and is keen to keep abreast in academic affairs, as ever.

This is to extend to Dr. More (belated but nevertheless) best wishes for good health and happiness for many years to come on behalf of all of those who have known him as a mentor, a colleague and/or friend.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS!
M. DARIA HAUST, MD., FRCPC

Network News

Pathology Y2K Action Plan

Kevin will be doing a comprehensive inventory and test of all computer related devices in Richardson Labs and those in the Douglas Wing that he normally looks after (faculty & their secretaries, Infection Control) and the Doran Wing computers.

This will not include any KGH non-computer equipment... they will have someone check those items.

The current timetable is to complete the inventory by the end of August. Once identified, fixes will be implemented as soon as possible after that with a final completion of the end of August 1999.

Some of this has already been completed. For instance, Richardson Labs HVAC and power systems have been checked out and were found in compliance by Campus Physical Plant Services, as has the elevator and other mechanical support

Some items have already been identified as NON-compliant... this includes the main **Department File Server Pathology and the File Server Mother**... and they will have to be replaced as Novell will not be providing fixes for it. Look for Mother to be replaced in July and Pathology as soon as early August.

The Pathology Library Book & Journal Index (along with a bunch of other stuff) is now online and available from your web browser.

From <http://www.path.queensu.ca/> select the Secure internal area then the pathology library searchable index or go directly to

<http://www.path.queensu.ca/secure/>

then the pathology library searchable index

Access to this area is currently restricted to internal to the Department workstations only.

Image Analysis Systems

Scanned a bunch of files on one of the image Analysis Systems and don't know how to FTP them to your computer? You can now use your Netscape Browser! Aim it at:

<http://www.path.queensu.ca/secure/image.htm> and follow the instructions & links posted.

Logging off and shutting down Tips

For those of you running under Windows NT v4.0 & Win95, here are a few ideas to make your life a little easier

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- * You know that you need to log off at the end of the day or else you get "kicked off" the server in the middle of the night, possibly causing any programs you left running to crash (eg wordperfect, word, pegasus, ontime, etc) and maybe even corrupting some of your data.
- * So far this summer we have been hit by many power "events" (brownouts, blackouts & surges).
- * You should find that WinNT/95 is more stable than previous operating systems but even so, once in awhile weird things start to happen. Especially after it has been up and running for some time. Memory tends to "leak" when the system has been up for a long time.

Email traffic in and out of the Department

	May	June
1994	368	341
1995	2441	?
1996	3495	3491
1997	5269	4455
1998	7851	8863

Printers and paper jams

This is the season of heat and humidity and enough of it leaks into the buildings that our printers start jamming more and more. On anything less than a brand new printer, the rubber paper rollers don't grip as well as they used to and as a result paper often slips and jams.

Two possible solutions are: reduce the level of humidity in the area and try to use a rougher grade of paper (usually the "cheap stuff").

Here's my suggestion:

At the end of the day, continue to log off your computer. At the end of the week, shut it down and power it off. This will protect the computer against power problems on the weekend, give it a chance to restart Monday morning with a clean slate, and allow easier maintenance of network systems with fewer machines up, running and connected.

(Windows 3.1x users should continue to shutdown windows, log off and power off their systems at the end of the day.)

Article 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 *Tuesday August 4th, 1998*

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 *pathology\drive2:general\pathnews* (more commonly mapped as drive g).

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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