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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Check out this issue for more construction updates from the new school. Photos were taken Sunday, July 6, 2008. See if you can spot the differences from last month's issue!
- Webmaster Marc-André is hard at work on the SOPhS website. Stay tuned for updates!

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The End is in Sight

Hello future pharmacists!

After many grueling months the end is finally in sight. Can you believe we only have 15 more days of class? We have all been extremely busy since the last issue and I would like to touch quickly on a few highlights.

Congratulations to everyone for surviving Job Mine and interviews! From what I hear, we are all gainfully employed for the fall. This is something we should all take pride in. I know I am not alone when I say that I can't wait to get to work!

Some of you may be wondering what will happen to your beloved newsletter this fall. Well, do not fret! We have full intentions of carrying on the newsletter during the co-op term. The issues may not have as many articles, but we want to keep you connected no matter where you are in the world. I am hoping to include some stories from different students about their co-op experiences. If you are interested in sharing feel free to contact me.



You will notice a few changes to this issue of the newsletter and be prepared because there are more to come. We have a lot of article ideas such as movie or restaurant reviews, required reading book reviews (see the first one on page 3), amazing trivia, and much more. I appreciate any feedback that will help make your newsletter better!

Good luck to everyone in the upcoming weeks and happy studying!

Your Communications Director,
Jean Cameron

Briefs

Fire up your tractors, it's harvest time! The event we've all been waiting for is almost here. The Harvest event is on July 18th from 1-3pm.

A pharmacist without scruples isn't worth a dram.

On Tuesday, August 5th at 4:30 pm we have the opportunity to attend a guided tour of our new building. This is a great chance to get a sneak peak at our eventual home. The tour should take about an hour. See the email from Laura Manning for parking details.

On July 21-24 (10am -3pm) & July 25 (9am-2pm) Canadian Blood Services is collecting whole blood at UW in the SLC multipurpose room. Call 1 888 2 DONATE to make an appointment.

Last day of lectures is July 30th. The exam schedule runs from August 5th through 16th. SOPhS would like to wish everyone the best of luck on their finals!

From the Bench: Sports Update

What-up Sports-Fans,

We'd like to start by thanking everyone for participating in intramurals this year. So far, the Pharmacy teams are some of the only squads to have fans watching their games, so a special thanks goes out to those die-hard fanatics we have in our class. For those who haven't seen a game yet, come out and show your support!

"The Remedy" hockey team started out the season hot, and continued their reign of terror through the month of June. Josh Brady was on fire, scoring three goals in as many games. Look for more scoring from Brady in games to come if he works on his speed when it comes to changing directions. As one player put it, "It's like the turning of the Queen Mary." Despite all the hoopla, The Remedy lost their first game of the season this past Wednesday to "The Dangerous Geese." It was truly the saddest day in pharmacy athletics (it's rumored that the team blames Bill Patrianakos for bringing his negative energy to the arena). The Remedy currently sit at 3-1-1, and are tied for second place in their division.

Pharm Team basketball continued their usual ways in June. The team managed to win their first game of the season thanks to a hobbling Greg Becotte, a stellar Matt DiGio-

vanni, and a welcomed new addition of Gabe Geurts. However, injuries would keep Becotte out of the next game with a brutal leg injury (thanks a lot, John Thai), and school conflicts disallowed Matt DiGiovanni and Josh Brady from playing. We're proud of the team for playing their hearts out, but sadly suffered their worst loss of the season. Look for the Pharm Team to make some noise in the playoffs. Side note: For the first time in pharmacy basketball history, the team has a perfect 2.0 SOC score! However, Greg Becotte was assessed a technical foul in July 6th game for kicking the ball out of the gym. The male athletic rep apologized for his behaviour afterwards.

[*"July is playoff month for all teams!"*]

Slo-Pitch Softball has been a great success. Many fans come out to watch each game, and to laugh at us as we run around like clowns on the field. The team stands at 3-3 in the regular season, and look to ride their winning streak into the playoffs. Ridiculous defense of Anthony Amadio, Matt DiGiovanni, Heather Foley, and Marc Andre-Graval have been keeping the bases empty. DiGiovanni, Amadio, and Loren Sexton (a non-pharm ringer) lead the team with two home-runs each, while Becotte has a single blast.

The soccer team, "I'm Your Pusher," has been incredible and are still undefeated with a record of 5-0. Captain Mat Demarco was asked to com-



ment on the play of Chris Hartman. "He's all-world," said the skipper. No doubt the speed and athleticism of Hartman have kept the defenses rattled. Pharmacy president Claude Charbonneau showed that he's more than just a pretty face, as he netted one from close range in their last game. Nice job, Castro. Watch for the squad to "push" their way into the finals. (Get it?)

July is playoff month for all teams! At press time, the schedules were not available so keep refreshing your inboxes for game-times. Each team would love some fan support. Keep in mind that we're still looking for new team names, so submit your ideas to either Greg or Ange anytime.

Peace out! Keep swinging for the fences,

-G Unit and Ange

A doctor is to give a speech at the local AMA dinner. He jots down notes for his speech, but unfortunately when he stands in front of his colleagues later that night he finds he can't read his writing. So he asks, "is there a pharmacist in the house?"



OB-CSHP Presentation

The Ontario Branch of Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists (OB-CSHP) is having a presentation on July 17th 2008 at 11:30am in RCH 301 (location is subject to change; watch for further updates) This is right after PHARM 128, our Communications Class.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this informative presentation to learn about hospital pharmacy. This would be an excellent opportunity for anyone planning on doing a Co-op term at a Hospital either this fall or in future Co-op terms. Also, as an added bonus, lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions please feel free to approach Pawel.

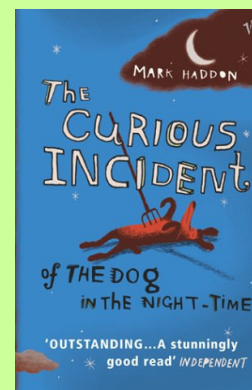
Required Reading

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

Author: Mark Haddon

For those that have read this novel, you will understand why I say that *everyone should read this book*.

This story is told from the perspective of Christopher Boone: a 15 year old boy with autism. Boone is gifted mathematically, but socially hopeless. He hates being touched, is unable to lie, and doesn't understand metaphors or jokes. Upon discovering his neighbor's poodle impaled with a pitch-fork, Boone takes on the case to discover who murdered the dog. This book is his personal journal of the events that unfold in his quest to solve the puzzle.



The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time is extremely clever and witty. It is a moving story that gives insight to the world seen from an autistic perspective. Haddon keeps up a fast pace and his characters are real and relatable. This novel seamlessly combines empathy with the right touch of humour. If you are looking for a nice break from Aulton's, check out this book; you will be glad you did!

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Events in your Community

July 10, 24, & 31: Music & Movies in Waterloo Park—Enjoy an evening of free entertainment on Canada's largest outdoor movie screen. Bring your blankets, bug spray, and lawn chairs for a night our entertainment under the stars. Visit www.parkmovies.ca for scheduled movies and more details. (Free admission with a Food Bank donation)

July 11: Cruising on King Street—Vintage cars and music on King Street in Kitchener (Free admission)

July 13: KW's Sertoma Charity Cruise—cruising around Toronto's Harbour, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing under the stars, silent auction. Bus from Clarica Union St parking lot at 4 pm; on schooner 5:30-10 pm. Call 519-571-1666 for more info. (\$95)

July 18-20: Downtown Kitchener Ribfest & Craft Beer Show—savour the flavour of some of the best bbq'd chicken & ribs in the country all while sampling great Ontario craft-brewed beer, listening to great entertainment and taking in the atmosphere of Victoria Park. (Free admission or Food Bank donations; food \$6-20; beer \$1 per 1 oz sample; souvenir glass \$5)

July 19 (8:30 am - 10:30 pm): Kiwanis Dragon Boat Festival of Waterloo Region—come out to participate or to watch over 30 races. Visit www.waterloodragonboat.org for all the details or to register a team. (Audience admission is usual Laurel Creek Conservation Area park fee)



July 26 (12 pm - 6 pm): 7th Annual Afro-Festival—an annual festival of dance, music, drama, and African cuisine celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the 54 countries making up the African continent. Vendors display food, crafts, and traditional dresses. Waterloo Park West Side.

August 2-4: Kitchener Chess Festival—Celebrate all things chess! Cheer on participants in the Canadian Amateur Tournament and other showcase events at the Kitchener City Hall, Rotunda. Visit www.chessfest.ca for more info.

Yearbook Update

As part of the yearbook, I want to compile a profile of all the students in the first pharmacy class. That being said, on July 17, 2007 before and after the OB-CSHP luncheon at 11:30am, the yearbook committee will be taking profile pictures of everyone. Even if you didn't order a yearbook, please come get your picture taken anyway, it will only take a few seconds. If you don't have your picture taken by us, we will be using your student card picture! Also, on July 17 please pick up and

fill out the profile questionnaire and return it to Emily by July 30th.

There will be a yearbook committee meeting on July 15th.

Lastly, as a reminder, if you have pictures that you want incorporated into the yearbook or formal slideshow please send them to me!

Emily
Yearbook Editor

Social Update

Banquet tickets are now **\$45!** This includes a four course meal, DJ, dance, punch, slide show, awards at an AMAZING hall! This is an EXCEPTIONALLY good deal as we were able to further negotiate the hall costs this past weekend! Please buy your tickets ASAP as the deadline to buy tickets is July 12! RSVP food choice and whether or not you will be bringing a guest to Avalon: avalonmag@hotmail.com Please see Sara Azad and Jeff Wong to buy tickets!



A BIG thanks to everyone who helped out in the carwash! It was a lot of fun! All the money raised will go towards the banquet!



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Happy 141st Birthday Canada

On July 1, 1867, Canada took its first steps towards official nationhood. It has grown and developed as a nation, and distinguished itself in times of both peace and war. Canada is widely recognized as a place of harmony, liberty and diversity



and is routinely ranked as one of the best countries in which to live.

This year Canada celebrated its 141st birthday with a bang. Fireworks over Columbia Lake were enjoyed by thousands of KW residents. UW students enjoyed a 4 day weekend in lieu of the holiday; what a great way to celebrate the birthday of our great nation! All of this was topped off with irony: a 141 exam the following morning.

Marketing

Hey Class of 2011,

As you have all heard, I'm sure more than once, this year's formal is fast approaching and is now only a few weeks away. As part of this formal, the social committee and SoPhs would like to hold raffles for door prizes at the banquet. The problem is we don't have the funding as a society for much anything let alone buy door prizes. So, we are reaching out to our fellow classmates to help make this the best formal yet.

What we would like to ask of you is

to try and dig up some prizes for this event. If you have any relatives or friends who own a business or work somewhere that may be willing to donate prizes we would greatly appreciate if you guys could ask them on behalf of our class. We are not looking for anything lavish, just any prize someone may be willing to donate to our class that we can raffle off at our formal.

Our society has a formal letter drawn up if you would like to use it to ask for donations. Again thanks for anything you can guys can mus-

ter up, as everything we get is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions you can contact me directly or anyone else on the council and they will pass it on to me.

Hope to see you all at the formal!

Anthony Amadio,
SoPhs Marketing
Director



And now, a word from the president

2011— Straight to it!

- **Big Thanks** to Catherine Hart and Ashley Kelly for taking the point on the pharmacy clothing initiative. The hoodie sweatshirts were a big success!
- **FIRST EVER BANQUET! JULY 31st 2008! Buy your tickets now from Jeff Wong or Sara Azad for \$45!!!**
- **Student Issues Committee (SIC)** met last week. These meetings will take place every 3-4 weeks prior to our meetings with Jake and Ken in order to bring up the most up to date information to them. For this to be a success we need your participation!
- **CO-OP Feedback** lecture by Rick Roach and Heather Chase in the near future; we'll keep you posted!
- **Building News!!** Though no “official” commitment can be pried from “the powers that be”, to the best of their knowledge the plan is to have Faculty/Staff move in late this year and have students welcomed to its gleaming halls in January! The new building will also have a Wifi internet connection.
- **Student Lounge?** That's right, you'll have a student lounge in the new building and we want to hear your ideas about what you'd like to see in it! In the coming days there will be an envelop on our bulletin board. Please submit whatever comes to mind!
- **Website!** Website is almost up and running; you'll be able to download the newsletter and SOPhS meeting minutes from the webpage shortly. We are currently “polishing” it to the best of our abilities. Stay tuned!
- **EMAILS!** Realizing the massive amounts of mail you get outside of pharmsoc@uwaterloo, SOPhS has implemented a new policy in an effort to consolidate outgoing traffic. We hope this will minimize your incoming mail and, by identifying mail days, give you incentive to check your mail regularly for news! Outgoing mail will now be sent Mondays and Wednesdays after 4pm. In the event of an emergency or with just cause, this policy will be ignored.
- **Thank you cards!** We will also be involving students in sending employers thank you cards for their participation in our co-op program. We'd appreciate all the help we can get from students. Ashley Renaud and Ben Austin will be coordinating these efforts.

Stay classy, Claude R. Charbonneau

