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Say hello to Campus Update

With this first issue of Campus Update, the Boston University Medical Campus fulfills a longstanding need for a publication that is exclusively for and about our diverse and widespread community.

We are convinced that Update will be a valuable informational tool, but more importantly we want this newsletter to enhance the sense of community and common purpose that we all share at the Medical Campus.

The Medical Campus is a unique collection of people, programs and physical environment: Some of us are students or employees in the Goldman School of Graduate Dentistry, the

Workshops presented for Campus staff

Workshops on procedural and professional development for Medical Campus employees are being offered for the first time this fall. Sponsored by the Office of Personnel, these new workshops are offered without charge.

The procedural workshops are designed to help interested employees understand the various policies and procedures of a number of administrative

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801 Albany renovated and open for business

The first phase of locating faculty and staff at BUMC’s new facility at 801 Albany Street has been completed, according to Carl Franzblau, Ph.D., chairman of the Department of Biochemistry and associate dean for Graduate Biomedical Science Studies.

According to Franzblau, one of the key features at the new Medical Campus facility is the Program in Biomedical Laboratory and Clinical Sciences for high school students interested in becoming technologists in either research or clinical laboratories.

The new facility at 801 Albany Street also contains offices, classrooms and laboratories for the Department of Biochemistry, offices and research facilities for the Department of Microbiology, the Department of Anatomy and the School of Public Health, and offices and research facilities for the Departments of Hematology, Oncology and Obstetrics and Gynecology from BCH. Also in the building are additional rooms for classes, seminars and conferences.

Student lounge is renovated

PREPARING FOR CLASS—BUSM student Catherine Fischbach enjoys a snack and soda from the new vending machines in the student lounge while catching up on classwork.

The Hebert Lounge, located on the 14th floor of the Instructional Building, recently has been renovated to be more convenient for students. The improvements, made possible by the Offices of Business Affairs and Student Affairs, include new snack- and soda-vending machines and a kitchenette with microwave oven. The students will have 24-hour access to the lounge and kitchenette.

Medical Campus names new chief of Security

Richard G. Natoli has been appointed as the new Medical Campus Security director, according to William Gasper, assistant vice president for business affairs at the Medical Campus.

Natoli comes to BUMC from Wentworth Institute of Technology, where he served as director of campus police and safety. A lecturer on patrol theory and

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Do you have your new sticker yet?

The deadline for restickering automobiles for the Medical Center parking lots is past. Anyone who has not restickered his or her automobile should do so as soon as possible. Stickers for lots A, B, C and T/D can be obtained at the Parking Services Office in the School of Medicine, R-102.

For more information call the Parking Services Office at x4915.
administration and police supervision at Northeastern University, Natoli is also a member of a police management consulting group. His extensive background includes positions with the Walter E. Fernald State School, the International Brotherhood of Police Officers [resource and training division], the Boston Housing Authority and the Framingham Police Department.

Natoli belongs to several professional associations, including the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators and the American Society of Industrial Security.

"My main goal is to make the Security Department a very professional and viable part of the Medical Campus and to meet the needs of our community," Natoli said. "Initially, I plan to meet with each member of the Security staff to determine their skills and strengthen the department."

The new Security director also plans to conduct a needs-assessment survey to determine the specific security needs of the Medical Campus and to develop effective, proactive strategies. "I'm looking forward to meeting the challenges," Natoli said. "I think we can make the Medical Campus Security Department one of the best in the city."

Workshops offered

offices of the Medical Campus. "What we want to do is demystify the bureaucratic process here so that people can get things done in an efficient and timely manner," said Michael Donovan, Medical Campus director of Personnel.

Donovan, who established similar workshops on the Charles River Campus nine years ago, believes that these workshops also will help administrative offices understand the needs of the departments they serve.

In addition to the procedural workshops, professional development workshops are being offered. These workshops focus on disability awareness issues, an introduction to desktop publishing and working with IBM and Apple Macintosh computers. According to Donovan, the Office of Personnel hopes to expand the number of professional workshops offered in the spring and welcomes any suggestions.

"We hope that the participation by our employees in the workshops at the Medical Campus will confirm that this is a good idea," said Donovan, who stated that the workshops at the Charles River Campus have had consistently high attendance. The committee responsible for organizing the workshops includes Elaine Dittmer, manager of employment and employee relations; Janis Roberts, executive director of financial affairs; and Sandy Brien, an employee relations representative.

The Grant and Contract Management Workshop was held on September 19. Payroll Processing and Personnel was offered on October 3 and will be repeated Wednesday, November 1. A Desktop Publishing Workshop was held on October 4. Purchasing, Accounts Payable and Travel was held on October 11 and will be repeated on Tuesday, November 7. Office of Personnel Procedures is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17 and Thursday, November 16. Windmills: Disability Awareness is scheduled on Wednesday, October 18 and Tuesday, November 14. Making DOS Presentation Slides on Your IBM-PC/Compatible is on Tuesday, October 24, while Making Presentation Slides on Your Macintosh Computer, is set for Wednesday, November 29.

For more information call the Office of Personnel at 638-4610 (x4610).
As it enters its third year, the Medical Center branch of the Boston University Bookstore is continuing a steady growth rate. "Sales have been growing substantially since we first opened and I don't see any reason for that to stop," said Lee O'Neil, district manager of the Boston University subsidiary, 660 BayBank X-Press 24 Cash Dispenser is being installed adjacent to Chequers and the Medical Center Campus Shop in the basement of the L building. Although the Nynex strike is delaying the installation, this new cash dispenser will provide an alternative to the X-Press 24 ATM located in the Atrium Pavilion.

With a BayBank account, faculty, staff and students will be able to make withdrawals, check account balances, transfer funds and obtain up-to-date information on account activity. Making withdrawals and checking account balances will be possible through an account with a bank which is a member of the Express 24, Cirrus or NYCE Networks.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL A SUCCESS—Members of GSGD's Department of Periodontology and Oral Biology (above) sat down to enjoy their sundaes at the recent BUMC ice cream social. Pictured (left to right) are: Erwin Telser, Maria Serret, Mark Lemkin, Lei Zhang and Tao Xu. Pictured (left) scooping out ice cream to a waiting employee is Craig LaZenby, director of Facilities Management. The event, organized to show appreciation for BUMC employees, was co-sponsored by BUMC's personnel department and UH's human resources department.

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801 leads the way with new security system

A new security system, the Safenet System by Monitor Dynamics, Inc., recently has been installed at 801 Albany Street, BUMC's new facility located across from BCH. According to John Sullivan, director of auxiliary services, the Safenet System serves as the foundation for future security systems at the Medical Campus.

To enter the 801 Albany Street facility, employees must use magnetic-striped cards that have been individually encoded. The Safenet System graphically depicts each room, corridor and the various security devices located throughout the facility on an IBM PC. The computer, which is monitored 24 hours per day by BUMC security, provides specific information regarding the nature and location of any breach of security.

"With the Safenet System, we're trying to limit access to the building at 801 Albany Street to the people who work there or have reasons to go there," said Sullivan.

Since the new security system can monitor almost limitless numbers of access points, Sullivan hopes that in the future the Safenet System will be installed in additional Medical Campus locations.

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Coupons vs. payroll deduction: For some, deduction is best bet

Of the 2,500 registered parkers in Lot C, only about 6 percent pay for their parking through payroll deduction, even though for employees who work Monday through Friday this option can be less expensive and more convenient than purchasing coupons.

John Sullivan, BUMC's director of Parking Services, said that depending on the number of days an employee works each month, payroll deduction can prove cheaper than coupons. "The more days you're here, the less expensive it is," Sullivan explained. Based on 20 working days per month, the cost of parking in Lot C is $28 per month with payroll deduction, and $30 for full-time parkers with coupons.

Even more important than this savings to full-time parkers, said Sullivan, is the convenience of payroll deduction: No more trips to the cashier's office or scouring coupons from co-workers. In addition, the flow of traffic moves more quickly past the attendant's booth if fewer people need to hand in coupons.

Candice Chambers, a lot C parker, opted for payroll deduction, saying she liked the convenience of it. "It's just as easy for the cost to be taken out of my paycheck," the Little Rock, Ark., native said. Administratively, payroll deduction is also easier to maintain than coupons. In addition, it eliminates the expense of printing coupons and administering them.

Sullivan said. Payroll deduction was offered to Lot C parkers for the first time last year, and has been gaining in popularity recently. Sullivan said that during June and July, 25 parkers had converted from coupons to payroll deduction. "We'd like for these people to start a trend," he added.

BUMC dining facilities geared up for morning and afternoon business

BUMC dining facilities, Chequers Cafe and The Rite Bite Cafe, are trying to increase their morning and afternoon business. "Our weakest area is breakfast," said Howard Miller, manager for the two Medical Campus dining facilities located in BUSM and the GSGD. "I don't think people realize what we offer and that, for example, they can order just one egg if they want just one egg." Other breakfast items offered at the cafes include homemade muffins and croissants, donuts and omelettes.

Another growth area for the cafes is the period from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. "Many students who are studying at the School in the afternoon don't realize we do stay open after lunch time," said Miller. To build awareness about the cafes' hours and menus, Miller advertises specials on calendars posted throughout the GSGD and BUSM.

Most of the dining facilities' business occurs during lunch, when the cafes offer such items as Chinese food, pasta, quiche, salads and hot and cold deli sandwiches. Chequers' catering business is also doing well: Miller expects the number of catering jobs to grow from 200 last year to around 400 this year.

Chequers Cafe, located in the basement of BUSM's Instructional Building, is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday. The Rite Bite Cafe, located on the first floor of the GSGD, is open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

South End House Tour scheduled for Oct. 21

The 23rd annual South End House Tour, sponsored by the South End Historical Society, will be held Saturday, October 21st, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It will include private homes and gardens in the South End, as well as several public spaces. According to Arthur F. Howe, president of the South End Historical Society, the House Tour gives the public a more personal view of the city's largest historic district.

For more information, contact the Society at 536-4445.