FROM THE DIRECTOR

Thank you to everyone in the School of Kinesiology who was involved in the various aspects of organizing the Terry Fox Day events. In particular, a big thank you goes to Craig Asmundson, representative for Kinesiology in the SFU community. Thanks also go to Darleen Bemister, Laurie Klak, Susie Nugent and Van Truong for all their hard work in setting up and organizing the Toonies for Terry Welcome Lunch on September 23rd. The turnout was great, as was the food.

Congratulations to Marilyn Anderson, financial assistant, on her 15 years of service to SFU. Marilyn has also opted to take early retirement, with her last day of work scheduled for October 31st. All the best to you in your retirement Marilyn!

Congratulations to all our PhD, MSc, BSc Honors and BSc students who are graduating this week. Join us to celebrate their accomplishments (see below).

PETER RUBEN

KINES CONVOCATION RECEPTION

Join us to celebrate our new PhD, MSc, BSc Honors and BSc graduands!

Date: Thursday, October 9
Place: ASB Atrium
Time: Noon to 1:30 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS KINESIOLOGY 2008–3 GRADUATES!

PHD
Laing, Andrew

MSc Thesis
Beking, Kristopher
Yang, Jing

MSc Coursework
Bedoya, Diana

BSc Kinesiology - Honors
More, Heather
Stec, Anna

BSc Kinesiology
Bailey, Michelle
Dowler, Mark
Fan, Jonathan
Gandham, Jasjit
Hariharan, Gautam
Hung, Cindy
Kim, Taeseung
Lau, Jane
Lee, Ceong-Hun
Leung, Ka Kin
Micky
Low, Robert
Mah, Glenda
Nath, Ronita
Nelson, Myriam
Nguyen-Luong, Hao-Tam
Patikiriarachchi, Sandhana
Sahota, Gumukh
Shahidi, Neal
Sharma, Vikrant
Warwas, Adam
Wright, Jamie
Yee, Amanda

Senior Supervisor: Steve Robinovitch
Supervisory Committee: Max Donelan, Tom Oxland

Jin Yan – Aug 6th
MSc
Title: Regulation of Neuro-muscular Development by HTS in Drosophila
Senior Supervisor: Charles Krieger
Committee: Nick Harden

Diana Bedoya
MSc Coursework – Aug 13th
Title: Describing the complexity of obesity requires both an ecological and psychological perspective.
Supervisor: Diane Finegood

WELCOME LUNCH

Thank you to all who joined us on September 23rd. The School raised $345.88 in two hours, all of which was donated to the Terry Fox Foundation.

A special thank you to our student and staff volunteers, and expert BBQers! It was a huge success and one of our biggest turnouts ever.

Van Truong

TERRY FOX DAY

Congratulations Kinesiology for winning the title of Largest Team for the Terry Fox Run!
We also did very well on fundraising, and can be very proud of ourselves, especially since Terry Fox was a Kinesiology student!

Andrew Laing – June 18th
PHD
Title: Biomechanical testing of hip protectors and energy-absorbing floors for the prevention of fall-related hip fractures.

Successful Defences

DARLEEN BEMISTER
Team Captain
JAMES WAKELING has received funding from NIH, in conjunction with Andrew Biewener at Harvard, for a 4-year project titled Assessment and evaluation of Hill-type muscle models for predicting in vivo forces from whole muscles.

C MENON (PI), P BAWA and A BLABER have received a 2008-2009 CIHR Catalyst Grant in the amount of $49,816. Title: Forearm assistive-training device to improve autonomy of the elderly.”

VICTORIA CLAYDON was awarded research funding from: 1) The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada. Title: Cerebrovascular control following spinal cord injury, and 2) The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation. Title: Cardiovascular consequences of autonomic dysfunction after spinal cord injury.

ANDY HOFFER has submitted an international patent application entitled, Transvascular nerve stimulation apparatus and methods, published Aug 7th, 2008 (No. W02008/092246). Andy has since received an NSERC Idea to Innovation Grant entitled Minimally invasive nerve stimulation electrode that will fund further prototype development and pre-clinical testing of a system intended to restore diaphragmatic breathing in persons who currently require mechanical ventilation.

Welcome to AMANMEET GARG who is a new graduate student in ANDREW BLABER’S Aerospace Physiology Lab.

MENON C (PI), BAWA P, BLABER A (Sept, 2008) Forearm assistive-training device to improve autonomy of the elderly. CIHR Catalyst Grant (Pilot Projects in Aging).

VICTORIA CLAYDON was Invited Speaker for the 2008 Congress on Spinal Cord Medicine and Rehabilitation in Orlando, Florida. Title: Spectral analyses predict autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction after spinal cord injury.

ANDY HOFFER presented a paper titled Estimation of Nerve Dimensions from MRI of the Human Thigh, JA HOFFER, E Gibson, B. Madler, and MF BEG, at the International Functional Electrical Stimulation Society 13th Annual Conf in Freiberg, Germany on September 21-25.


PUBLICATIONS


