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On the Wild Side: The Cultured Outdoors near Baltimore

By Ed Hsiao

Spring is just around the corner, and many people are itching to do something outside. Past OTWS articles have featured near-by outdoor recreation areas, including Gunpowder Falls and Loch Raven Reservoir. While these are great places to enjoy the outdoors, there are also many cultivated gardens with great walking trails in the area.

For a short afternoon trip, the Cylburn Arboretum located at 4915 Greenspring Ave. (near Sinai Hospital) features marked trails, a rose garden, and an herb garden. It's a great place for a quick city getaway. Look out for the Baltimore Flower Sale located at the Arboretum on the Saturday before Mother's Day - this is an amazing Baltimore event where you can get great plants for very little money.

If you like tulips, make sure you check out Sherwood Gardens (Stratford Rd., east St. Paul St.; call 410-366-2572 for detailed directions). The tulip

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Notes from the GSA

by Jutta Beneken

The fourth annual GSA Poster Session will be held in the Greenhouse on Wednesday, April 26th. The Poster Session is accompanied by a happy hour to which everyone is invited, so come by and check out your fellow students' work. This year the format of the Poster Session will differ slightly from previous years. For one, all prizes are funded by a generous gift from the Johns Hopkins Medical and Surgical Association. This allows us to have three categories instead of two, and to award \$250 and \$150 for the top two posters in each category. All poster abstracts will be placed in a category according to the student's year in graduate school (yrs. 1-2, 3-4, and 5+). Each category will be judged by a panel of one student and two faculty judges. Contact Tina Tenenhaus (ctenenha@jhmi.edu) or Jay Mussell (jmussell@jhmi.edu) if you have any questions.

With Graduation just

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Upcoming GSA Meeting May 9

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Meetings are held on the 2nd
Tuesday of each month at 2 pm

CONGRATULATIONS

to Dr. Pierre Coulombe
for winning the GSA
Teacher of the Year Award!

Upcoming GSA Events

GSA Poster Session and Happy Hour

Wednesday, April 26th
3 - 5 p.m.
Greenhouse Cafeteria

Alicia Showalter Reynolds Memorial Lecture

Dr. Elisabetta Ullu,
Yale University
Tuesday, May 2, 2000,
2 p.m.

Pioneers in Biology Lecture

Dr. James McKerrow,
UCSF
Tuesday, May 23, 2000

beds are planted with 80,000 bulbs, resulting in a mind-boggling display in early spring. You'll also find azaleas, boxwoods, and other flowers at other times of the year. Sherwood is a great place to have a picnic (although it can get pretty crowded during tulip season). Also, look for the Sherwood tulip bulb dig, usually around mid-May.

Also in Baltimore City is the Evergreen House. Previously owned by the Garrett sisters and now a Hopkins property, the gardens and rare books library are spectacular places to visit. Be advised, though, that hours are very limited and there is an admission fee (although they give you a student discount). The best deals are the Garden Concerts that feature classical music under the summer stars. Look for the ads in the Gazette, or call the Evergreen House (410-516-0341) for more information.

For the hard-core garden aficionados, make sure you go to the Longwood Gardens in Brandywine Valley in Pennsylvania. Located at the junction of US 1 and SR 52 (near Wilmington, DE; 1-800-737-5500), the estate features elaborate gardens and fountains that are well worth the admission fee. Previously home to Pierre duPont (of the duPont family), this huge 1,050-acre estate also a 3.5 acre indoor conservatory that contains exotic plants from all over the world. During the summer, check out the evening concerts and lighted fountain shows. Longwood Gardens is a great place to hang out and walk, and even pick up tips about plants and general gardening.

So whether you enjoy the rugged outdoors or the more cultivated garden, grab your antihistamine and enjoy the Spring! See you amongst the flowers!

BCMB Students To Take Part in AIDSRide6

In September 2000, Linda Bruett and Jason Roos will take three days away from their HIV-based thesis research in Janice Clements' laboratory to bike 275 miles from Boston to New York City in the AIDSRide6 sponsored by Tanqueray. The two 4th year BCMB students, together with 3,000 other riders, will be riding to raise money for HIV/AIDS-related services for individuals living with AIDS, and to provide funds to support important AIDS prevention programs. Linda and Jason have each committed to raise \$1,700 before the ride begins on September 15, 2000. They are looking for support from the Hopkins community. Every donation, however small, not only helps them to reach their goal, but also helps those individuals who will benefit from this fantastic event. If you wish to make a donation, please e-mail

Linda Bruett (lbruett@jhmi.edu) or Jason Roos (jroos@jhmi.edu), or call 5-9770. They would be happy to provide more information about the event as well as the organizations to which your donations will be going.

The pen is mightier than the pipet...

Please send any poems, short stories, creative writing, essays, photos, or black and white art to the *GSA Newsletter*!

Submissions for the May Graduation issue will be due **May 6, 2000**.

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around the corner, it is once again time to think ahead to the next school year. The GSA will be electing new officers at the end of May, and the *GSA Newsletter* is also looking for some fresh editorial blood. This is your chance to get involved; meet students from other programs and departments, invite distinguished lecturers, serve on administrative committees, and make your voice heard. Everything that the GSA is responsible for, from Orientation to Graduation, picnics, happy hours, lectures, parking issues, career workshops, community service, and this *Newsletter*, is only possible because of student input and dedication. We need you! Write for the *Newsletter*, or edit other people's articles, organize a community service event, maintain the GSA webpages, or even run for a GSA officer's position. You will not be disappointed. Your efforts *will* make a difference. Contact me (jbeneken@jhmi.edu) or the GSA (gsa-g@jhmi.edu) with any questions. More details on the GSA Elections will follow in May.

ORIOLES TICKETS!

Tuesday, June 15, 2000
7:35 pm

Orioles vs. Texas Rangers

@ Camden Yards

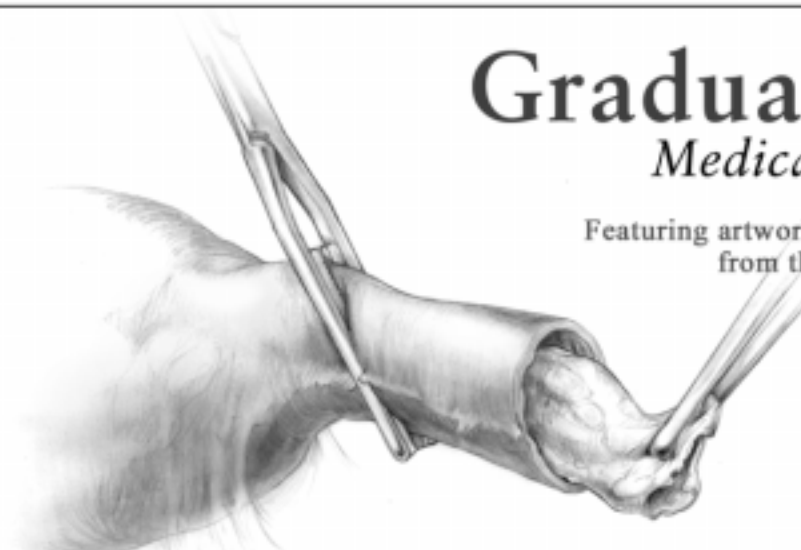
Tickets will be available
on or about June 1, 2000
Ticket prices to be
announced.

<http://www.med.jhu.edu/gsa/events/ogames.html>

Graduate Exhibition *Medical & Biological Illustration*

Featuring artwork of the Year 2000 Master of Arts candidates
from the Department of Art as Applied to Medicine

May 11-26, 2000



Opening Reception
Thursday, May 11 from 4 to 7 pm
Frank M. Houck Memorial Lobby
and Garden Courtyard
(adjacent to the Hospital front entrance)



More information call 410-955-3213

CONGRATULATIONS!

GRADUATE STUDENT WINNERS OF THE YEAR 2000 YOUNG INVESTIGATORS DAY AWARDS

MICHAEL A. SHANOFF AWARDS

Yasuhiro Morita (Ph.D. candidate)
Xian-Zhong Xu (Ph.D. candidate)

HANS J. PROCHASKA AWARD

David L. Brody (MD/Ph.D. candidate)

METTE STRAND AWARD

Laura K. Richman (Ph.D. candidate)

ALICIA SHOWALTER REYNOLDS AWARD

Daniel P. Cahill (MD/Ph.D. candidate)

DAVID I MACHT AWARDS (two)

Maurice Smith (MD/Ph.D. candidate)
Siddhartha C. Kadia (Ph.D. candidate)

MARTIN AND CAROL MACHT

Sohyun Ahn (Ph.D. candidate)

PAUL EHRLICH RESEARCH AWARDS (four)

Amy Tam (Ph.D. candidate)
Brian V. Geisbrecht (Ph.D. Candidate)
Michael Min-Shyue Lai (MD/Ph.D. candidate)

Johns Hopkins Blood Drive

The next Johns Hopkins Blood Drive will be on June 6-7, 2000 in the Turner Concourse.

Donations are accepted from 7am to 7pm on both days.

Watch out for informational posters, or call 5-5488 for more information.

The Johns Hopkins University International Travel Clinic

Traveling for work or fun this summer? Don't forget to contact the International Travel Clinic at least two weeks prior to your departure!

This service provides health information, routine immunizations, and preventive medications for your trip. The service also takes appointments for the diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up of travel related illnesses.

Appointments can be arranged by calling 5-8931.