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Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Pharmacy Alumni eNewsletter, a bi-monthly publication (six issues a year). This newsletter will publicize upcoming events and share good news about the College. We hope you enjoy receiving these, and look forward to hearing your comments.

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### IN COLLEGE NEWS...

After months of anticipation and planning, the College announces that the Institute for Tuberculosis Research (ITR) is ready to occupy its new facility, which includes a biosafety level 3 (BSL-3) laboratory in the College of Pharmacy building. The \$1.2 million renovated laboratory and office space will house 10-12 researchers. Even before opening, the Institute had four grants to begin its research. ITR dedicated the new space on June 1st. Those in attendance were the last guests to visit because beginning June 4, BSL-3 went live, and is now only accessible to trained personnel in full bioprotective gear.

The new facility is the featured article in the next issue of the "UIC Pharmacist," but in the meantime visit ITR's web site <http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/research/itr/>

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CALL FOR ALUMNI AWARD NOMINEES

The College of Pharmacy Alumni Association is currently soliciting nominations for several alumni awards. These will be presented at the Pharmacy Reunion Weekend, April 19-21, 2002.

- Alumnus of the Year (outstanding alumnus or alumna)
- Rising Star (for alumni who graduated in the last 10 years)
- Jesse Stewart Service Award (service award, not restricted to alumni)
- Sister Margaret Wright Award (to graduate program alumni)

To nominate, please submit a recommendation letter and the nominee's contact information. For more information about criteria and past recipients, visit <http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/offices/alumni/awards.htm> or contact Amy Schuppert at pharmacy@uic.edu or (312) 996-3376.

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### YOUNG ALUMNI CRUISE

Start the summer off with a cruise on the Chicago River and Lake Michigan. The Young Alumni Boat Cruise will set sail Friday, June 22. The boat will board at 7:00 p.m., leave promptly at 7:30 p.m. and cruise until 10:00 p.m.

Prices are \$15 per graduate, \$25 for Alumni Association members and \$30 for all guests. The price includes beverages and munchies. For more information, visit [www.uiaa.org/chicago](http://www.uiaa.org/chicago), email [2001grad@uicalumni.org](mailto:2001grad@uicalumni.org) or call the Alumni Association at 312/996-8535 to order your tickets!

Remember you are as YOUNG as you feel! For a good time, come aboard!

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ALUMNI DAY AT THE ILLINOIS STATE FAIR

Join the University of Illinois Alumni Association for a day-long bus trip to Springfield to enjoy the Illinois State Fair on Monday, August 13. The luxury coach bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the corner of Harrison and Morgan on the UIC Campus. Parking is included in the parking lot on that same corner. Once we get to the fairgrounds, the whole afternoon yours for exploring.

At 5:00 p.m., the group gets back together to enjoy a BBQ dinner on the Director's lawn with alumni. The UIC students who completed the NASA Johnson Space Center's Reduced Gravity Student Flight Opportunities program will attend the picnic. The bus will leave between 7-7:30 p.m. to return to Chicago. There will be an alternative stop on the Stevenson Expressway at Route 53, if requested. The cost for this day-long event is \$34 for members, students and children and \$42 for guests.

Alumni are also encouraged to attend the fair and picnic on their own, but should RSVP. For more information, call the Alumni Association at 312/996-8535 or e-mail scoon@uic.edu.

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### FOOTBALL TAILGATE PARTY

The College is hosting a tailgate party before the Illini v. University of Louisville game on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> in Urbana. The game's start time is not yet set, but more information will be forthcoming. In the meantime, save this date on your calendar!

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SQUIRREL WATCHING

Squirrels. We see the frisky, playful animals almost everywhere, but how much do scientists know about them? Apparently not enough. That's why Joel Brown, a UIC biology professor, created an Internet site called "Project Squirrel" modeled after a successful bird-watchers site. The project tracks squirrel population distribution, and are therefore eagerly soliciting contributions to the database at <http://squirrel.bios.uic.edu/>

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#### COLLECTING CLASS NOTES

Please send your news (employment changes, family events, volunteer activities, new degrees, or other items) to Amy Schuppert at the College of Pharmacy, 833 S. Wood Street (M/C 874), Chicago, IL 60612, or fax to (312) 996-3272 or e-mail at [pharmacy@uic.edu](mailto:pharmacy@uic.edu), or submit them online at [http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/offices/alumni/update\\_form.htm](http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/offices/alumni/update_form.htm)

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