

Congratulations to our Renewing CBI Trainees for 2008-2009!

Cassidy Dobson, MCB, Garman lab  
Kristen Huber, Chemistry, Hardy lab  
Marty Kolewe, Chemical Engineering, Roberts lab  
Vanessa Mendoza, Chemistry, Vachet lab



We anticipate appointing several more Trainees in January!

**Good news for Trainees:** In the future, CBI training appointments will begin in January. This new appointment schedule will greatly benefit the trainees, who will be eligible to receive most **GEO benefits**, or the equivalent, for the entire duration of their traineeships.



In addition, CBI trainees will now receive a **\$2000 annual bonus!** We encourage everyone to continue your good work and stay active in the CBI program to be eligible for the Traineeships (NIH and UMass) that will be awarded in January.

Get those **CBI requirements** done promptly! In order for everyone to get maximum benefit from your cross-training in Chemistry & Biology, CBI members will be expected to complete the elective courses by the end of their second year. [Make sure you are on track with the CBI requirements and electives.](#)

The **Joint Retreat** at Amherst College on June 13<sup>th</sup> was a tremendous success, with exciting ideas,

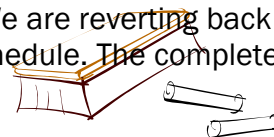


impressive posters, and a fierce volleyball tournament! Congratulations to **Ankit Vahia** (Martin Lab), **Fei Wang** (Schnell Lab), **Melannie Furgason** (Munson Lab) and **Ruth Zearfoss** (Ryder Lab) for their award winning **posters!** Thanks to Jeanne Hardy, Dan Chase, Angelica LeBoeuf, and Carrie Penland for organizing this great event, and to everyone else who attended and contributed!

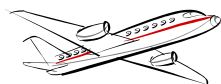
[Check out the highlights.](#)

Thanks also to the **CBI student volunteers** for doing such a tremendous job last year: Rob Smock and Shiv Redhu, Ice Cream Social; Cassidy Dobson and Rob Smock, Chalk Talks; Rochelle Arvizo, Student Seminar; Vanessa Mendoza, host of Student-Invited Seminar with Lars Konermann; and for those who have agreed to help in the upcoming year: Cassidy Dobson, Student Seminar; Marty Kolewe and Kristen Huber, Ice Cream Social; Kristina Moody and Witold Witkowski, Chalk Talks.

**Chalk Talks** will be held on **Wednesdays from 12:15 - 1:45** next year. We are reverting back to this time slot because of the many conflicts that arose with the Tuesday schedule. The complete Chalk Talk schedule will be available soon.



**CBI equipment updates:** We have a **new projector!** We purchased a new Epson Powerlite 77c for Chalk Talks and other CBI faculty and program member use. The **SGI** and **laminator** are now in the Gierasch computer lab 1223B. [Take advantage of these resources!](#)



Going somewhere? [Apply for a CBI travel grant.](#) All CBI program members can apply at any time for a **Travel Grant** to attend relevant conferences.

Join us for a midsummer break at the **CBI in July Ice Cream Social.**  
Tuesday, July 29, 1pm on the Goessman lawn...Perhaps a volleyball rematch?!



Have a productive and enjoyable summer!  
Lynmarie

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