The Pforzheimer Newsletter
November 16, 2020
“All The News That Fits We Print”

Tutor on call this week:
Peter Dziedzic
(For Students on Campus)
617-651-1636

LOCKOUTS: During the day & evening, go to the Building Manager’s Office; After Midnight, Call Securitas at 617-496-9370
FACILITIES After Hours: 617-495-5560

This Week in Pfoho…

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*Zoom Links for many events above listed below, scroll down!

Notes from the Allston Burr Assistant Dean, Monique Roy,
pforzheimerhousedean@fas.harvard.edu:

UPCOMING ACADEMIC DEADLINES:
* Monday, November 16th is the final day to withdraw from a course: Here’s the form - please note you will need signatures from your advisor and resident dean.
* Monday, November 16th is the new deadline to change the grading status of a course: Two steps to this - 1. Complete this form (walks you through important considerations) and send any questions you may have to Heather and me and 2. Follow the steps to change the grading status in my.harvard.
* Thursday, November 19th is the Concentration Declaration deadline (sophomores): Follow this link for much more info (and remember your sophomore advisor is here to help you navigate this process)!

Pfoho ABRD Virtual Office Hours:
To schedule a time to talk via phone or Zoom, see Monique’s calendar here or Heather’s calendar here and choose a time that works for you.

OTHER UPDATES/RESOURCES:
Announcements for Students ON Campus:

A Special Hygge – Thursday, Nov. 19, Moors Terrace
As some of you prepare to leave this weekend for the semester, and those remaining begin to think ahead to the upcoming holiday period, we would like to offer a socially distanced and safe opportunity to share the best part of the traditional Thanksgiving meal: PIE! We will have all the classic flavors, purchased from Petsi Pies, one of the best bakeries in town. There will be pumpkin, classic apple, apple crumble, and chocolate-pecan… Pies will be pre-sliced and individually boxed for your safety and convenience…, and we will invite you to come by and pick you your favorites… Watch for an email on Thursday with exact times!
With PfLove, Anne and John

Fall Move-Out
All students in residence must be moved out no later than 5:00pm on Sunday, Nov. 22nd with the exception of those granted housing extensions from the central Housing Office. You should have been notified of that extension if so. For those moving out by Sunday, please reminded to:
* Remove all of your belongings – offsite storage is available for a small fee
* Leave your room clean – if you need additional cleaning supplies, see Mario
* Put through a student mail forwarding address here
* Leave your key at the Building Mgrs office in the keypack envelope provided in your Pfoho mailbox
Please refer to the email sent earlier by the Dean of Students’ Office, or here from the DSO website for more complete details.

HUDS Meals AFTER November 22 will be at Currier House
All students residing in PhoHo with extensions for housing beyond November 22nd will be provided meals at Currier House beginning at breakfast on Monday, Nov. 23rd through dinner on Saturday, Dec. 19th. Traditional Thanksgiving Day meal will also be served at lunch and dinner times on Thursday, Nov. 26th right here in the neighborhood at Currier House.

Study and Practice Spaces Open in Pfoho
The College is now running a pilot program to allow access to some safe study spaces INSIDE in some of our Common Rooms. These spaces are reservable on Roombook and must be reserved 48 hours in advance.

The Pfoho Rooms available are:
- Holmes Living Room (go thru JCR, follow to end of hall) – 7 spots
- JCR (Holmes Hall, to the left of Mario’s office) – 7 spots
- PILibrary (along 1st fl Comstock Hall) – 6 spots
- Music Practice Room (basement of Holmes Hall, no voice or wind instruments, masks required) – 4 rms

ONLY students living in Pfoho are allowed to reserve these rooms (same applies to every House).
Spaces are open from 9am-1pm, and 2-4pm. All are closed midday from 1-2pm for a more thorough cleaning. Cleaning supplies are available in each room – please clean your space before and after use. All regulations from the Residential Community Compact apply, including completing your Crimson Clear each day and wearing a mask at all times. HEPA filters are running and should be left on.

How To Reserve a Space:
- Log into Roombook (https://roombook.harvard.edu)
- Click on FAS, then on Locations
- Log in with your Harvard Key (it will open up the EMS platform)
- Scroll down to the Pfozheimer section
- Pick your preferred date from the top bar
- Click on your desired spot and hours, then click Next Step (top right) to continue
Fill in the form and click Create Reservation at the top right 
You’ll receive an email confirmation.
Questions, please contact Sue (swatts@fas.harvard.edu) or Mario (mleon@fas.harvard.edu).
Enjoy the communal study, but please stay safe!

**SOCH 1st Floor Study Space is also still available with the adjusted hours:** Mondays & Wednesday, Noon – 9:00pm
First come, first serve, no reservations required. This space is open to all Quad students and will be monitored.
In case you don’t know, the SOCH (Student Organization Center at Hilles) is the big square building at the end of the Shuttle driveway on the corner of Shepard and Garden Sts, with the big open plaza out front. You can enter from the door across from Cabot House main entrance.

**From your Community Health Lead, Kate Leach, katherineleach@g.harvard.edu:**

1) Continuing this week, anyone who submits their Crimson Clear for all seven days in the week will be automatically entered into a raffle to win a $25 UberEats coupon! No action necessary, other than submitting your Crimson Clear daily and I will see who has done it all 7 days! **Each week’s winner will be announced on Wednesday of the following week.**

2) **Keep Your HEPA Filter On!**: These filters can keep you and others safe. Keep it on, especially in shared spaces, where it should be on the highest setting. For more information, contact our Pfoho Building Manager, Super Mario at mleon@fas.harvard.edu.

**Notices for the Pfoho Community near and far:**

**Race and the 2020 Presidential Election**
Tuesday, November 17 – 8-9pm
Google Meet link is [https://meet.google.com/wzt-bueo-hfb](https://meet.google.com/wzt-bueo-hfb)
Hosted by non-res Race Relations Tutor, Amanda Mozea. All Welcome!

**Anne’s Riddle of the Week**
Faculty Dean Anne has resurrected the much-loved Riddle of the Week from last spring. It will run through the end of exam period, hopefully as a fun mental break from studies.
**The results for this weekend’s riddle challenge are in!**
I am delighted to announce that there is a TIE for the **Riddle Monarch of the Week**; the first two people to correctly answer all three riddles:

- Jerome Edwards
- Robert Kennedy

In second place, and still strewn with glory, are **Royalty Runners up:**

- Noah Gold
- Iris Xu
Please now congratulate all the brilliant people on our Roll Call of Riddler Honor – all the people who correctly answered at least two of the three riddles correctly!

* Olena Jain
* Natalie Kahn
* Lorae Stojanovic
* Fatima Mbaye
* Max Nadeau

What were this week's challenging riddles, and what are the solutions?

Riddle #1:
When the Eiffel tower opened in 1889 in Paris, many Parisians were horrified by its stark, modern ugliness. One of the people who despised it the most was the writer Guy de Maupassant. For this reason, every day, he chose to have lunch in the one place where it couldn't be seen.

What was that place?
Answer: He ate in a restaurant every day that was set inside the tower, at the base.

Riddle #2:
Two American presidents share two unlikely characteristics: they have the same number of letters in their last name and they both died in office.

Who are they?
Answer: This was a surprise. The answer I had was: JFK and Kennedy but it turns out that combinations of Harrison, McKinley and Garfield also work!

Riddle #3:
This one is a little bit different: it is not a riddle about a true historical situation, but it warrants its place in this lineup by virtue of potentially being the very first recorded riddle of all time: it was found in a Sumerian parchment that dates back at least 4,000 years. Here is the short version:

There exists a special kind of house: when you enter it, you are blind, but when you leave it, you can see.

What is it?
Answer: According to the Sumerian manuscript, the correct answer is "a school house," but there were some very creative guesses from many of you, including "womb" and "cave."

"Pfoho Among Us" on Wednesdays at 10 PM EST at this Discord server
We're organizing a regular Pfoho Among Us Tournament! Join your Pfoho crewmates in a multiplayer game of teamwork and betrayal! Play online as you attempt to hold your spaceship together and return back to civilization. But beware...as there may be an impostor from Adams aboard!
Questions? Contact Martin @ martinraflfreindl@gmail.com

Community Dinner continues every Thursday, 5:00pm. Hosted by PfoHoCo.
Everyone is welcome (that includes you pfirst years - you won the housing lottery too)!
Join via the Zoom link here or come by in person to Moors Terrace pf or a meal with pfriends or just to chat!
IMPORTANT: If you want to join the socially-distanced meal in person, please notify me by email or text before the dinner to ensure that there are not more than four people eating a socially-distanced meal together, as per Harvard's current guidelines. Additionally, ensure you are wearing a mask, have completed your Crimson Clear, and are up-to-date with testing.
Email: anallitores@college.harvard.edu

Pfresh Air Pfitness!
Please join us for our last Monday live class of the semester TONIGHT (11/16) at 6pm. We will also have one on Friday at 8am.
Monday's Zoom link: https://harvard.zoom.us/j/95791047516?pwd=ZEc3REVVrV2c1BTbE5vSFRQQ3J0dz09
We have 6 weeks of workouts available to you, anytime you need access to these please download them here. If you need some adjustments for these workouts or advancements please let us know and we are happy to create an individualized version!
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1GSx3QeYE_ODtJjAVB0k4Qz7FUhy3li?usp=sharing
Check out other Harvard GPA Programming HERE

Yoga After Hours! - Thursdays, 9:00pm ET
https://harvard.zoom.us/j/99875654669?pwd=RnU1WmUvR1ZrQ2w1OFp1MjhaYXo1Zz09
Password: yoga
Every Thursday evening, at 9 PM ET, we will be offering an hour of live, free yoga in a small, supportive group setting, led by Pfoho's new dedicated yoga teacher, Rachel. No special equipment or experience is needed, but do wear comfortable clothes.
This class is offered on a drop-in basis for now. If numbers get too large, we may need to move to a sign-up
process. One way or the other, we are keen to make this available to everybody who wants it. Hope to see you there!

**This Week’s Tables & Office Hours:**

**Research and Writing Table w/Daniel – Tuesday, 6:30-7:30pm**
Here are some of the topics/challenges I’ll be there to help you with:
~ Getting started on a paper or essay ~ proofreading ~ feedback on structure, content, etc. ~ outlining papers ~ general motivation and accountability ~ inspiration ~ finding a research opportunity ~ contacting a non-responsive advisor.
No need to submit anything beforehand: just drop by with questions, an outline, or a draft. Even if you don't have anything written yet, feel free to stop in; I'd be happy to help you break through that writer's block!
Zoom link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/j/95395085410?pwd=Z2oxeiZDVU56NTjeHJsNS9OU0VQUT09](https://harvard.zoom.us/j/95395085410?pwd=Z2oxeiZDVU56NTjeHJsNS9OU0VQUT09)
Password: 876578

**Pre-Med Office Hour w/Mengting - Tuesday, Nov. 17 @ 7:00-8:00pm**
Zoom link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/j/98251260368?pwd=bi80YUt6MJFrmJZ0M2lyYnZESzNRZz09](https://harvard.zoom.us/j/98251260368?pwd=bi80YUt6MJFrmJZ0M2lyYnZESzNRZz09)
Password: 672790

**Tech Table with Keith and Elaine – Wednesdays @ 8:00pm**
Zoom link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91908064154?pwd=ak1XbmrdfBUQnRZOWszWU91VhdUt09](https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91908064154?pwd=ak1XbmrdfBUQnRZOWszWU91VhdUt09)

**Stats Office Hour w/Brittany - Thursday 7-8pm:**
Zoom link: [https://broadinstitute.zoom.us/j/2320569093?pwd=RXg1cDdveERwbXFES0owTU56ckVMQT09](https://broadinstitute.zoom.us/j/2320569093?pwd=RXg1cDdveERwbXFES0owTU56ckVMQT09)
Meeting ID: 232 056 9093
Passcode: 000000

**Chris’ Chemistry Table – This week on Thursday @ 7:00-8:30pm**
Zoom link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/j/96891489279?pwd=eXNGQXkyZzc3UmdEMWxOTFZyWkJBQT09](https://harvard.zoom.us/j/96891489279?pwd=eXNGQXkyZzc3UmdEMWxOTFZyWkJBQT09)
Want some help with that looming organic chemistry PSet? Are you curious about research, graduate school, or chemistry-related career options? If so, stop by Pfoho's Chem Table on Thursday evening! You can sign up for a 1:1 with Chris between 7-8:30pm using the Doodle poll below; slots are available on a first-come-first-served basis.

**CS Table with Jamie & Keith – Sundays @ 1:00pm**
Zoom link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91849169768?pwd=dGJDb2IzUnEyQkxXcEdqbktvYVBwUT09](https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91849169768?pwd=dGJDb2IzUnEyQkxXcEdqbktvYVBwUT09)

**Have Econ Questions??**
Schedule time at your convenience with your friendly Economics tutors! Please reach out to Martin or Angela M about your economics concentration requirements, problem set questions, or anything else on your mind.

From your Pfellowships Team:
**LOTS of info available from the URAF website here:** [https://uraf.harvard.edu/](https://uraf.harvard.edu/) They are offering many info sessions on fellowships, including Grad study in the UK, postgrad travel, and the Goldwater (for sophs & jrs in STEM). All sessions will be recorded and posted on URAF website.
**Questions – please contact anyone on our Pfoho Pfellowships Team:** Makinde Oggunnaike (olumakinde17@gmail.com), Daniel Frim (danielfrim@g.harvard.edu), Peter Dziedzic (pzdiedzic@g.harvard.edu), Mureji Fatunde (ofatunde@post.harvard.edu), Chris Gerry, (cgerry14@gmail.com), or Kate Leach (katherineleach@g.harvard.edu).

**Our Pfoho Newsletter will continue to come out every Monday (or occasionally Tuesday) afternoon. If you’d like to include an announcement, just send it to Sue Watts (swatts@fas.harvard.edu) by Monday at noon.**

*Stay safe, stay healthy, Pfoho!*