

# INFO DESK SUMMER LOGS! REVEALED FOR THE FIRST TIME!



## Explanation of What Follows

Chris Condon, our intrepid Student Council President, and David Bernstein, the fearless leader of ROC-U, spent the summer working the Information Desk in the University Center. For unknown reasons, they tried to keep a log of the summer's events. What follows is a compilation of Log entries of an unusually lucid nature. Working for Bill Cahillane and Linda Brown Connors is enough to drive anyone to drink, but as a personal eyewitness, I think I can safely say that showing up drunk to work at 8 am for an entire summer is no way to treat the privilege of work-study. —RM

The Info Desk log is written in a precise and technical language, as the documents can be admitted as evidence in court. A key to abbreviations and technical terms follows:

D	Dave	GS	General Store	nifty	neato
C	Chris	CR2	Somewhere in the UC	spiffy	nifty
E	Erik GhenoIU (Info Desk refugee)	UC	University Center	neato	spiffy
LBC	Linda Brown Connors	Bistro	IC	shanks	bails on
S	Sara Cass (Info Desk refugee)	IC	International Cafe	work	ping-pong
CP	Campus Police	Pub	Grind Central	ping-pong	intense physical labor
PP	Physical Plant	Mr. Bill	Bill Cahillane	Abou	Student Council Treasurer
BA	Bon Appetit	Zone 6	The zone after Zone 5	Prof. King	the old guy with the cane who's everywhere
Daka	history	Jillian's	Pool hall/bar/arcade	Jan-Ove Waldner	Swedish ping-pong olympian

[Note: Grace, Lurie, Steinbrecher, and Persky are rooms in the UC]

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/23</b></p> <p>D – Came in @ 9 am.<br/>– New food service people are here!</p> <p>C – Daka left at 3:01<br/>– Light out near exit at CR2<br/>– Light flickering on far brick wall in Terrace.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/24</b></p> <p>C – Came in at 9, Went to CP, came back</p> <p>D – Came in @ 10, listened to Chris' story about going to CP and back</p> <p>C – @ 11:33 Pres' office calls and snubs me<br/>– A sculpture professor inquired about how to spell professor and 2 pedestals. Please see attached.<br/>– Bill's dad called at 1:45<br/>– last DAKA meal purchased by Tom Roy at 1:59</p> <p>D – DAKA employee experiences difficulty transporting broccoli and red bell peppers. No damage to produce. Cleanup aisle 1.</p> <p>C – Man seeks permission "to fiddle with his things." Chris and Dave confer. Permission granted. Man commences fiddling.</p> <p>D – (3:30) Request for stapler denied due to lack of same. Said object found and returned to proper shelf minutes later. All clear.<br/>– 3:57 Pen issue, concerning a lack there of at the ATM machine, resolved. Standard issue Clark ballpoint installed in place of missing bank writing implement<br/>– 4:45 Black dog runs amuck for 30 seconds. Owner escorts same from concourse. Michael Gibson rejoices by "doing a little dance."<br/>– 5:00 Same DAKA employee experiences difficulty transporting pots. Cleanup aisle 2.<br/>– 5:15 On building check, damaged fluorescent light found outside crafts studio. Cover was dangling and fell when touched. Cover placed aside light in hallway.<br/>– Abou sighted at 5:20 and 30 seconds. Used phone.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/28</b></p> <p>D – Susan LaRosa reports success in the job market. 2 jobs required.<br/>– Abou sighted at 2:15 and 42 seconds. Sought Linda's signature.<br/>– Note: 5' table is exactly 1' shorter than 6' table.</p> <p>C – Called Fantastic's and placed order for large steak and cheese and a Pepsi. Went and picked it up and brought it back. Ate it. Digested it. Disposed of it in proper receptacle.<br/>– The 1st light in the row of lights here in the concourse is out. Daka left its food in Grace. Food left there.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/29</b></p> <p>C – Linda and Chris confer on moving around info desk furniture. They decide and Chris begins moving. One fatality to report. The blue x-mas ornament on the board fell. Chris expressed his grief over the loss and cleaned up the pieces. While cleaning Chris realizes how "all the kings men" must have felt.</p> <p>D – Abou Fall sighted @ 3:05:15. Allegedly here to "show Linda some forms." Sounds fishy, investigation underway.<br/>– Two bar stools brought up from Grind Central much to the delight of student employees.<br/>– 7:20 Dinner!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/30</b></p> <p>D – Came in @ 8:57. Sackler-facing doors propped open while DAKA moves large items. Brnnrrrrr...<br/>– Renamed office chairs as suggested by other assistant summer manager. Chairs now bear the names of those who will be using them.<br/>– BSU mess cleaned up. "Mushroom" and other useable items placed in BSU office. Rubbish transported to dumpster; Cardboard awaits recycling<br/>– 11:55 Mr. Bill calls; on his way here. May now be referred to as Mr. New Haircut Boy.<br/>– 12:05 Debbie Brenner from Provost's office calls in regards to renegade tablecloth. Suspect has been apprehended and is in custody @ the info desk, awaiting Ms. Brenner and the "discipline squad."<br/>– Employee moving DAKA material injured. Minor cut to right hand. Band-aid and soothing words furnished @ desk. Instructed as to location of restroom and advised of the evils of infection. Same now wearing gloves.</p> <p>C – You, Inc, shows up and requests more chairs. Request granted. They request a tablecloth. Request denied for reason of no tablecloth. Numerous requests for phone and bathroom. All granted. Around a quarter of nine, You Inc. moves all 230 chairs and decides to hold a dance (with DJ). Chris realizes how the camel's back must have felt. Bill notifies them that building closes @ 9. Compromise reached. At 9:15 music will stop and all will leave at 9:30. BULLSHIT!<br/>– Left @ 9:50</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5/31</b></p> <p>D – In @ 9:57. Found Chris about to embark on McDonalds run. Request for Mc-your-kids-will-hate-it sandwich denied; restaurant on breakfast schedule. Poop.</p> | <p>– Worked our asses off. 'Nuff said.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/2</b></p> <p>C – 1st real Bon Appetit meal real good.<br/>– Chris was 1st Clarkie to eat B.A.<br/>– At 10:20 Chris buys red Powerade and wins a free 20 oz. Powerade, Jason in GS notifies Chris that the GS "is not a participating retailer," meaning Chris can't get anything. Chris gets pissed and vows never to shop at the GS again.<br/>– At 10:35, Chris buys a 3 musketeer ice cream bar from the GS. Oh well!</p> <p>D – On rounds found nothing but unlocked doors. Bill found Maywood St. doors (behind Dining hall) to be open 10 min after I checked them (they were locked at the time). Doors re-locked.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/4</b></p> <p>D – Bills dad calls 11:45<br/>– 1st Bon Appetit experience. Mmmmmmmmm Good!<br/>– Tom Roy wanders in. Looks "spiffy." Inquires as to mysterious odor; same determined to be Dave's root beer. All clear.</p> <p>C – Man irate at BA. Informs Police Officer that "he'll give 'em a system."<br/>– Bill's dad called 12:10</p> <p>D – Abou sighted @ 1:03. New hair cut suits him well.</p> <p>C – Left at 10:30 after having seen Bill get his award and having met Bill's dad.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/5</b></p> <p>D – Message board change w/help from Mr. William Evans. Now looks "neato."</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/6</b></p> <p>C – Bon Appetit employee experiences difficulty transporting pots. Clean up aisle 2.<br/>– Same BA employee again experiences difficulty transporting pots. Another clean up aisle 2. A pattern in Clark food service noted.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/8</b></p> <p>C – Generally slow day. What's that stuff on the opposite page?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/10</b></p> <p>D – Jim Collins sighted running up Downing St. towards library. Jogging in fall suit attire.<br/>– 6:00 Campus Police calls to inquire about Atwood. Cam tried to make me close it. Hah!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/11</b></p> <p>D – Moved, studied, played ping-pong.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6/12</b></p> <p>D – Got a parking ticket for "meter violation." Check made for \$5 made out to City of Worcester.<br/>– Entirely uneventful day.</p> |
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6/14

- D - Mysterious foam sheet falls from roof. Appears to be either packing material or a really large tissue. All set.
- Freight elevator being serviced (3:20) for faulty "stop" switch. I just want the elevator to go.

6/15

- S - *Came in and sat around for a while. Youth of Year All set. Been rereading log and conclude that "C" and "D" are rather bored. And extremely weird. Interesting reading material to pass the time though you guys should write in our log all year round - most of the people write boring things.*

6/17

- C - Came in at 10. Helped Jack Foley and Kristen set up Grace for the Pow-wow at 12:15.
- At 1:30 the big Pow-wow (it had that infamous Clark Banner) ends. Senator Kerry shakes my hand and like Bart Simpson and his 1st love I'll never wash my hand again.
- At 1:37, Abou sighted. I shake his hand. I get pissed. Oh well.
- Success reported on winning free stuff. Chris wins a 20 oz. Coke.
- BA employee experiences difficulty transporting pots. Clean up aisle 2. Idea suggested to Chris Moose that he hold a "transporting pots training session" for all new and old employees.

6/18

- D - Light bulb above info desk out, light switch no help. Get rid of the slacker.

6/20

- D - In @ 8:55. No Linda or Eilene. Had to walk all the way over to CP and back in the rain and cold. Building manager hopes he does not get the sniffles.

- C - Strange occurrence in the men's bathroom on the 1st floor by Steinbrecher. The urinal constantly flushing. I kicked but nothing happened. Closed two open windows. Flushing stops. Investigation underway.

6/21

- D - Director of mailroom informs desk that he "could probably live off cereal and tuna fish." Goes on to relate that he once lived in PB&J and Kool-Aid for 6 months.
- Chris takes field trip to Dean of Students office. Takes his time.
- Chris gets pay raise. Now makes 4X what I make. Council payola strikes again.
- Chris goes to cushy meeting, takes sweet time getting back. Probably got free food.
- C - A very jealous Dave takes field trip to Dean of Students office. Takes sweet time.
- After losing in an epic 7-5 ping-pong war to Dave, we go on rounds. All set.

6/24

- D - Mr. Kleinberger and Mr. Savage discuss ice cream popsicles as Mr. O'Connell looks on.
- Clipboard from mailroom turned in @ 8:20. Ed LeMay found same on bench outside Maywood St. doors. Returned to Rich.

6/25

- D - Clipboard apparently returned to mailroom, but a certain building manager did not record it in the log.

6/27

- C - A certain building manager had better watch his wise ass comments or the building manager is going to kick his ass.
- D - It seems that a certain assistant is insecure when confronted with an accurate assessment of his job performance. Perhaps a review of UC procedures would be in order.

7/1

- C - Came in @ 9. The other building manager is enjoying breakfast with his parents and girlfriend. How cute. I think I'm going to throw up now.
- Mailroom workers experiences difficulty transporting mail. Clean up.
- @ 2:50 Clark University Camp (CUC) breaks the elevator. Suggested a head count, but directors (Spelman/Kleinberger) said it would

be useless because they are unsure how many hoodlums/kids they have.

- CUC director Spelman notifies Building Manager that a kid dreamed he grew like superman. He jumped off wall, hit head, and threw up. CP and Jack Foley notified. All set. Except for large lump.
- Another Building Manager starts madness with football and campers. Appropriately reprimanded.

D - Piano needs tuning

- LBC- Spoke to individual involved in elevator fiasco. I was assured that this behavior would not be repeated. Thanks for info on piano— no action in foreseeable future however.

- Who wants to make a run to a dept. store today (Ames & CVS in Webster Square maybe?)

- Chris, that's an affirmative on Persky and thanks for getting Paul Ropp's signature. The Swiss bank transfer should appear the day I leave Clark.

7/3

- D - Left door on rightmost cabinet under desk broken. Probably Chris's fault. Note: remember to change same for damage.

7/6

- D - Prof. King comes up with new "Don't work too hard"-esque line.
- Slow day at the UC
- 8:10 - Alarm sounds. Zone 6 compromised. Area checked and found clear. Alarm reset.
- Finally got rid of them @ 9:00:24

7/7

### DO NOT WRITE HERE

7/8

- D - Maybe we should start selling stamps...
- D - Table tennis paddle returned broken. Casualty of one of "Nathan's Kids." Was taken into custody by CP and will serve mandatory 30-day sentence. Fine pending.
- C - 1st night we were open to 12. VERY BORING! I think that from 10 on only. 4 people other than Forrest and I came in. BORING!

7/11

- D - Alarms sounds @ 11:15. Zone 3 compromised. Area checked— all clear. Alarm reset.

7/13

- C - Another very boring day. Had a visit from Casey Bairola, going to Jillian's. left at 8:30.

7/14

- D - Ceiling tile found broken in the common area outside the student offices @ 5:30. Cause unknown. Debris left in place for inspection by building manger. Three local kids were seen leaving building about 3:45 as building manger returned from a round. Possible suspects.

7/15

- C - My word. That ceiling tile came down during "Bertha!" A similar tile fell in the Bistro. CP was notified and I was told not to worry.

7/20

- D - 1:30 Tilton hall television out of order. Cable missing. Search of area proved negative. New cable will have to be purchased Monday. Situation explained to patron. He decides to read a book.
- Numerous Olympics fans were saddened to miss the 1st day's events.

7/22

- D - Alarm sounded in Pub (Grind Central) @ 4:25. Offender found. Middle-aged man in suit w/ brown hair and moustache was "looking for food." Front door found unlocked and lights on. Reset alarm and shut out lights. All clear.

7/23

- C - Mouse spotted running from the Concourse towards the min dining hall. BA notified. They say "it's been a problem." CP and PP notified.
- Very disturbing news to report. The

"Jan-Ove Waldner" sign/poster was in the trash of the Events Planning Office. Thorough investigation has been undertaken— person responsible will pay. Dirt may be useful after all. For security reasons, I have entered the sign into the CIA's (Clark Indian Association) highly acclaimed Sign Relocation Program (SPR) until the proper authorities (LBC) can be notified.

7/25

- C - BA left the entire Kosher section of food out and uncovered. Not wanting to waste time all that food, Erik, Liz, Rob, and I enjoyed some good free food.
- BTW, Dave of this really is going into WheatBread we should begin typing it. I'll have Matt's Powerbook to do it in. Stop by Sunday.
- Never mind, Powerbook broken. Let the bastards suffer.

7/27

- D - Beeper has been properly serviced. All set

7/28

- C - Alarm sounds. Same reason... Compromised... blah... whatever... Lurie... Zone 6... blah
- E - Enraged militant fundamentalist Israelis demanded that I allow them into the 'grind central' in the name of student solidarity. I refused. They insisted that it was their inalienable right and that "Laura" said they could. I told them I would call Bill. They said they would check back after dinner. I called Bill, he was not home. Laura came to the desk later to ask if they could go downstairs to play pool. I said tentatively the answer was no. She said OK after a short discussion. Just after she left, the 3 students returned to the desk, crazed and indignant that I would not let them play "snooker." Thinking I was an administrator, they accused me of not treating them as privileged students. When this failed, they tried to win my heart by explaining that this was the 1st weekend they could not go to Boston, and that there is nothing to do in Worcester. The 2 men began to yell at me, refusing my explanation that I did not have permission to let them go downstairs. They made me admit that I was responsible and could let them in if I wanted to. I said true enough, but still won't let you go.

- An hour later, they called back to ask if I had heard from Bill. I said no, you can't play pool tonight.

8/13

- D - Frequenter of UC (possible Grad student) taken into custody by CP for suspected larceny and an outstanding warrant. Apparently he was not a "pizza delivery boy." WPD will pick up same. All set, 10:45.
- E. Simpson shanks Grind Central

### "Stuff on opposite page" below.

Probably the work of hoodlums.

(Authorities suspect gang-related "tagging.")

