

Internship Chicago, 2002: Did you know?...

- I performed 996 experiments during my internship
- This means I've moved 19920 containers of glass beads while emptying the cylinder
- Once I was staring at my cylinder for 5 minutes questioning myself where those intruders had gone
- The intruders were on the table next to the shaker setup
- If I told I was from Holland, almost everyone thought I was living in Amsterdam
- 'Dutch' is corrupted from 'German' or in their native language 'Deutsch'
- The flying Dutchman was a legendary Dutch mariner condemned to sail the seas until Judgment Day
- My nickname was 'the flying Dutchman' after swimming butterfly
- I swam 97.800m=60.78miles=5348laps of 20 yards in the Ida Noyes Hall pool
- Plus the 9.6km in the Lake it makes a total of 107.4km
- Riding my bike was very enjoyable during the 8 days until it got stolen
- This made me walk for approximately 3900 minutes in Hyde Park
- My other nickname at the I-House was "The tall guy making a million sandwiches a day"
- This is not true: I only ate 1530 sandwiches... plus 18 gallons of milk
- So I was a good sponsor of Co-op
- I'm still not a Co-op member!
- Helping Matthias with his MRI experiment was very exciting
- Especially when we found out bottles of nitrogen weren't our friends
- The I-House was a great international place to stay
- My room sometimes was a little bit hot in the summer
- I therefore enjoyed the air-conditioning in my lab even more
- Brenda was a great help for me before and during my internship
- We spend many, many hours on the phone conquering all problems
- After 78 days I still didn't have my Social Security Number
- The other Social Security Office fixed it in only 3 days
- I really enjoyed my stay in Chicago
- And I'd like to thank everyone for this unforgettable experience!

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