# **‡Fermilab** Today

#### Calendar

Tuesday, August 10

9:00 a.m. The Tevatron Connection -

Auditorium

3:30 p.m. DIRECTOR'S COFFEE

BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

THERE WILL BE NO ACCELERATOR

PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY

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#### Wednesday, August 11

10:30 a.m. Academic Lecture Series - 1

West (NOTE DATE & LOCATION)

Speaker: L. Lyons, Oxford University

Title: Practical Statistics for Physicists:

Goodness of Fit and Hypothesis Testing

3:30 a.m. DIRECTOR'S COFFEE BREAK

- 2nd Flr X-Over

THERE WILL BE NO FERMILAB

**COLLOQUIUM THIS WEEK** 

#### Wilson Hall Cafe

#### Tuesday, August 10

Chicken & Rice Soup

Mushroom Swiss Burger \$4.75

Baked Meatloaf with a Roasted Tomato

Demi-Glace \$3.50

Parmesan Baked Fish \$3.75

Southwestern Turkey Wrap \$4.75

Ham & Pastrami Calzones \$3.25

South of the Border Burritos with Chips &

Queso \$4.75

Wilson Hall Cafe Menu

Chez Leon

### Weather

## FESS Replaces Fire Hydrant Next to the Reflecting Pond this Week



FESS replaced a fire hydrant on the west side of the Reflecting Pond yesterday. (Click on image for larger version.)

As you drove into the lab on Monday morning, you probably noticed an excavation project taking place in the Reflecting Pond in front of Wilson Hall. Steve Shirley of FESS reported that due to a leak, FESS replaced a fire hydrant on the west side of the Reflecting Pond. Because the base of the fire hydrant is lower than the regular water level in the pond, FESS workers had to first drain the pond on Saturday before excavating the area.

Eric Mieland of ES&H explained that the excavation project will not have a negative environmental impact on the pond.

"Because of the cold weather this past winter, there were only a few, small fish in the Reflecting Pond," Mieland said. "The pond is fairly shallow, and the ice cover was thicker this past winter due to an extended cold snap. Thick ice reduces the volume of water in the pond and it can cause the amounts of dissolved oxygen to drop below levels at which fish can

#### **Director's Corner**

### **Good Morning!**

The annual shutdown is only two weeks away, and I would like to talk to you about safety.

The maintenance and installation work being done during the



Mike Witherell

shutdown will be the foundation of the accelerator performance over the next year. Nothing that we are doing, however, is more important than getting the work done safely.

Many people will be working in new areas, with new people, doing new tasks. If you are one of those people, make sure you understand the job and the hazard analysis. If you are not comfortable, ask questions. Be responsible for your own safety and the safety of those who work with you.

Your safety is important to you, your family, and all of us here at Fermilab.

### Accelerator Update

#### August 6 - August 9

- During this 72 hour period Operations established two store that provided approximately 50 hours and 45 minutes of luminosity to the experiments.
- Booster experienced vacuum problems.
- TeV had to change out a Kautzky valve.

<u>View the current accelerator update</u>

View the Tevatron Luminosity Charts



**Extended Forecast** 

Weather at Fermilab

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survive. This phenomenon occurs occasionally. It made the local papers this spring when some fish were also killed in the Fox River." The pond will naturally repopulate. Birds will help by dropping fish eggs in the pond.

Work is expected to continue in the Reflecting Pond through the end of the week. Parking will remain roped off in the areas where work is being conducted until the project is completed.

# Online Medical Scheduler Now Available



Fermilab's Medical Office now has an online scheduling program. (Click on image for larger version.)

The Medical Department is in the process of implementing an online scheduling program for routine Health Risk Assessments. Currently, when someone is coming due for an exam, they are sent an email reminder. The enclosed message asks the worker to have their supervisor update their Work Activities Analysis Form, and then schedule an appointment by calling the Medical Department. The new process replaces the phone call with a pick list calendar of available dates and times. The email reminder contains a link to the pick list calendar, which only becomes active once the WAAF has been updated.

The Medical Department asks for your

#### **Announcements**

### Bowlers Wanted for the 2004-2005 Bowling Season

The FermiLab Wednesday Night Bowling League is looking for a few new bowlers this year. This is a sanctioned mixed league with a combination of Fermilab and NICOR employees. The league bowls at the Bowling Green Sports Center in West Chicago on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$13.00 per week, and the season starts on September 8 and ends on March 30.

more information (PDF)

#### **Recreation Office Schedule This Week**

Due to unforseen circumstances, the Recreation Office will be closed Tuesday, August 10 and Wednesday, August 11.
All other Recreation sites will be open as usual, such as the Village Pool, Day Camp and the Recreation Facility.

# Fermilab Barnstormers Meeting Wednesday

The Fermilab Barnstormers, Model
Aeronautic Club, will have its next
meeting on Wednesday, August 11 at
5:30 p.m., at the Frelo Flying Field.
Meetings are held on the second
Wednesday of each month. The club will
meet in the Users Center if it rains. New
members welcome! Current members fly
control line, R/C gas and electric planes.
The club also has members who fly
helicopters! Try out the trainer club plane,
bring something to fly, or come and
watch.

more information

# Wilson Hall Interior Window Washing This Week

The cleaning crew started washing the

cooperation and patience during the start up phase of this new system. Similar applications, such as blood donation, have worked well in the past. The programming for the HRA scheduler, however, is more complex, and it is therefore more prone to difficulties. If you are unable to make the online scheduler work for you, please set up your appointment as before by calling the Medical Department at x3232. At that time, the Medical Department would appreciate your feedback regarding the nature of the difficulty you encountered so that they can try to fix it.

interior windows in Wilson Hall this week. Please remove any papers that are taped to the windows in your office. Please move any papers or other items on your desk that are near the windows. For questions, contact Enixe Castro at x2798. The windows will be cleaned according to this schedule:

August 10: 12th, 11th, 10th floors

August 11: 9th, 8th, 7th floors

August 12: 6th, 5th, 4th floors

August 13: 3rd, 2nd, 1st floors

August 16: Ground floor and mezzanine

August 17-18: Atrium

#### In the News

Fermilab was part of the route for the Chase the Moon ride.

# From *Chicago Tribune*, August 8, 2004

Moonlight ride raises \$15,000 for Girl Scouts

FOX VALLEY -- As it grew closer to midnight, Ed Bonifas of Geneva proudly watched about 350 bicyclists stream into the parking lot of Marmion Academy in Aurora, making his dream of a nocturnal bicycle event a reality.

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# From *Chicago Tribune*, August 9, 2004

**`Walden'?** 

#### The stunt that became a myth

150 years later, scholars such as
Elizabeth Hall Witherell help us recognize
Thoreau as a profound storyteller
....While universally hailed as a classic,
"Walden" has suffered the fate of many a
famous book: It's more read about than
read, with more copies purchased than
perused. "I've always said that `Walden'
and Stephen Hawking's work are
probably the most cited -- and least read --

works in the 20th Century," says Elizabeth Witherell. She may know Hawking almost as well as she knows Thoreau, because her husband, Michael Witherell, is director of Fermilab, the highenergy physics facility in Batavia, III. read more

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