

Calendar

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Tuesday, Jan. 5
3:30 p.m.
DIRECTOR'S COFFEE
BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over
THERE WILL BE NO
ACCELERATOR PHYSICS
AND TECHNOLOGY
SEMINAR TODAY

Wednesday, Jan. 6
3:30 p.m.
DIRECTOR'S COFFEE
BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over
4 p.m.
Fermilab Colloquium - One
West
Speaker: Sarah Eno,
University of Maryland
Title: Results from the Large
Hadron Collider (In conjunction
with CMS EJTERM Week)

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In Memoriam

Jim Tweed remembered as skilled technician

Jim Tweed

If you needed something built and a little levity to make the day pass faster, you wanted Jim Tweed.

The PPD senior mechanical technician, who passed away Dec. 24, had a reputation as a versatile, hard worker who took pride in growing his skills, the laboratory's mission and its sense of community.

"He was really into learning new things in life and in his career," said Ken Schultz, PPD Mechanical Division project manager. "He was meticulous in his work and he brought a lot of fun and enjoyment to the job, even when you called him in at all hours of the night."

Tweed was the first to volunteer to take shifts so co-workers could attend family events and one of the last to brag about his nearly 30 years of work.

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In Memoriam

Morris Binkley leaves mark on CDF, laboratory

Morris Binkley (left) receives his 30-year service award in 2003 from Ken Stanfield.

Morris Binkley, who helped build CDF into a world-leading detector, passed away during the holiday period.

Binkley retired in July 2005, but that didn't diminish his passion for physics or his commitment to Fermilab. He continued to work as a visiting scientist and carry a pager to offer guidance on emergency repairs.

Director's Corner

The start of a new year

Fermilab Director Pier Oddone

We start the new year on a solid foundation. Despite many nagging hardware problems at the start of the current accelerator run, the accelerator performance over the last three months has been extraordinary, especially in recent days. A special kudos is due to all those who worked indefatigably over the holidays to run the accelerators at peak rates.

The new year promises to be a critically important year for particle physics. The Fermilab Tevatron and neutrino programs will continue to integrate data samples that could lead to discoveries or important limits. We will have the first collisions of the LHC at 7 TeV, significantly above Tevatron energies. In a new territory like this, surprises could turn up even at the low early luminosities. JPARC is on the verge of sending a neutrino beam to Super Kamiokande thus starting the T2K program and the measurement of neutrino oscillation parameters with good sensitivity at the design intensity to the parameter that describes electron appearance. Reactor neutrino experiments are progressing well with new results expected in one to two years. These results will be critical for our own neutrino program. The tau-charm factory in Beijing is integrating an unprecedented large sample of events. On the astrophysics front, we expect new results in dark matter searches, a very hot topic these days. Very importantly, the Decadal Survey will establish astrophysics priorities for the next decade.

Not only do we expect rich results, but we also expect a lot of progress in the construction of new projects. Minerva is nearly complete, DES is moving forward forcefully and NOvA is advancing well. Longer-term initiatives like

[Secon Level 3](#)[Wilson Hall Cafe](#)

Tuesday, Jan. 5

- Breakfast: Bagel sandwich
- Tomato bisque soup
- Lemon pepper club
- Beef fajitas
- Korean garlic chicken
- Grilled chicken Caesar salad
- Assorted sliced pizza
- Rio Grande taco salad

[Wilson Hall Cafe Menu](#)[Chez Leon](#)

Wednesday, Jan. 6

Lunch

- Pork satay w/ peanut sauce
- Steamed jasmine rice
- Sautéed pea pods
- Coconut cake w/ caramel sauce

Thursday, Jan. 7

Dinner

- Wild rice & mushroom soup
- Mustard, sage & maple glazed pork roast
- Garlic roasted potatoes
- Sweet & sour red cabbage
- Apple charlottes

[Chez Leon Menu](#)

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"Morris was one of the cornerstones of CDF, participating since its early days. He contributed to all facets of the experiment, from detector design and construction to participation in the analysis for the discovery of the top quark," said CDF co-spokesman Rob Roser. "He was a very likeable guy that everyone enjoyed working with and being around. He will be sorely missed by his CDF colleagues and by the High-Energy Physics community."

[Read more](#)[Special Announcement](#)**New Illinois ban on texting while driving**

A new ban on driving while texting took effect on Jan. 1 for drivers in Illinois. Under the new law, motorists who text or e-mail while driving could receive a ticket for doing so. Fermilab security will enforce this policy.

[In the News](#)**U.K. physicists cry foul at major budget cuts**

From *Science*, Jan. 1, 2010

It's not been a festive time for many U.K. physicists following the mid-December announcement of a 5-year funding plan for the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), the British body responsible for particle physics, astronomy, nuclear physics, and space science. Administrative changes and the ravages of the economy have left the council with a gaping hole in its finances, so researchers braced for cuts and even offered advice on how to make them. Although the STFC tried to spread the losses fairly, nuclear physics was pared to the bone, with just £30 million for the next 5 years. This amounts to a cut of 29 percent over that period, according to nuclear physicist William Gelletly of the University of Surrey. "If the U.K. is serious about nuclear new build and maintaining high standards in nuclear medicine, ... then it should take a very hard look at how much it should be spending on nuclear physics," he says.

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Mu2e, which has received CD-0, and LBNE, which we believe is about to receive CD-0, are major projects that will draw strong national and international participation. The Project X collaboration is growing with interesting improvements to the design. ILC continues to make progress worldwide, and we will have a muon collider R&D program for machines that might be needed if ILC energies are not sufficient. Even the experiments that are not currently on the roadmap, like the g-2 experiment or the proposed measurement of the ultra-rare kaon decay process, $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \text{ anti-}\nu$ (proposal P996) using the Tevatron as a stretcher, are world-class experiments with strong collaborations pushing to move them onto the roadmap. 2010 will be a busy and exciting year!

[Accelerator Update](#)

Dec. 21 to Jan. 4

- 18 stores provided ~256.25 hours of luminosity
- Pelletron autotune problem fixed
- Pbar cooling system PLC repaired
- Pbar lithium lens trips
- Store 7463 quenched
- Store 7468 established with AIL of 306.7E30
- Store 7470 quenched

* The integrated luminosity for the period from 12/21/09 to 1/4/10 was 122.1 inverse picobarns. NuMI reported receiving 17.37E18 protons on target during this same period.

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