

Calendar

[Have a safe day!](#)

Wednesday, Jan. 13
2:30 p.m.

[Particle Astrophysics Seminar](#)

(NOTE DATE) - Curia II
Speaker: Felipe Marin,
University of Chicago
Title: High-Order Correlation
Functions: Predictions and
Results

3:30 p.m.

DIRECTOR'S COFFEE

BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

THERE WILL BE NO

FERMILAB COLLOQUIUM

THIS WEEK

Thursday, Jan. 14

2:30 p.m.

[Theoretical Physics Seminar](#) -

Curia II

Speaker: Brooks Thomas,

University of Arizona

Title: Semper FI?:

Supercurrents, R-Symmetries,

and the Status of Fayet-

Iliopoulos Terms in

Supergravity

3:30 p.m.

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ACCELERATOR PHYSICS

AND TECHNOLOGY

SEMINAR TODAY

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Campaigns

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Tune IT Up

H1N1 Flu

Milestone

Bob Willford retires today

Bob Willford

heads."

Willford, the training manager for Management Information Systems and the manager for the former MIS Help Desk, which recently merged with the Fermilab Service Desk, has helped people achieve those aha! moments for more than a decade. Willford will officially retire from Fermilab in the third week of February. Today is his last day.

Willford began working as an assistant budget officer in the Research Division, now PPD, in 1992. Although he had a penchant for science and math and enjoyed crunching numbers, Willford jumped at the training manager opportunity when it arose.

"I had taught science and math for 15 years," Willford said. "This was an opportunity to return to my first love: teaching."

During the past 10 years, Willford has helped employees learn and troubleshoot the complex business applications needed to do their jobs. Each time there was a new application or an update, Willford almost single-handedly trained employees how to use it, wrote documentation for that application and reviewed the implementation process.

Prior to the recent MIS Help Desk - FNAL Service Desk merger, Willford oversaw the training portion of the rollout of the Fermi Time and Labor electronic time card reporting system to half of the laboratory.

Willford is proud of that and other efforts. But the memories he will recall the most are of his coworkers: their pleasantness and their senses of humor.

"Every time I left my office, a coworker would

For Bob Willford, success has always meant the aha! moment. "I love to see the light bulbs go on," Willford said. "When people are confused and you help them understand something, you can almost see light bulbs turn on over their

From FESS

Winter weather operations

Randy Ortgiesen, head of the Facilities Engineering Services Section, wrote this week's column.

It's been a busy winter season for our Roads and Grounds Department, which has had to deal with 23 instances of snow and ice so far. The unpredictable weather resulted in 11 "call-ins" of our snow and ice removal crews, who sacrificed family time to keep us safe. In addition, they came to work early several times to clear roads and parking lots.



Randy Ortgiesen

We have had 29 inches of snow this winter, compared to an annual average of 36 inches. Thanks to our road crews, building managers and operations folks the laboratory remained open and provided safe conditions for around-the-clock operations.

Scheduling the work of the road crews is no easy task. Roads and Grounds personnel keep an eye on the weather radar and forecasts to determine whether snow removal crews need to stay late or come in early. But despite these efforts, call-ins can be necessary. Roads and Grounds closely works with the Security Department to determine whether road conditions require calling in snow and ice removal crews.

Snow hasn't been the only hazard this winter. A few days before Christmas we experienced significant rainfall. The laboratory activated its flood preparation plan and employees deployed sandbags, de-iced storm-water drains and basins, set water control structures to bypass mode and monitored the water level of the Fermilab ponds. As a result, we had no significant flooding on the Fermilab site.

While it was raining, temperatures dropped to below freezing and wind picked up. The rain froze on our high-voltage lines, and a strong wind resulted in an unusual condition that we refer to as the galloping power lines. The lines that feed the master substation moved like jump ropes. To keep everybody safe, we

For information about H1N1, visit Fermilab's flu information [site](#).

Weather



Sunny
33°/24°

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Current Security Status

[Secon Level 3](#)

Wilson Hall Cafe

Wednesday, Jan. 13
- Breakfast: English muffin sandwich
- Cajun style lentil soup
- Cajun chicken ranch
- Braised pork chops
- Chicken parmesan
- Smoked turkey panini pesto mayo
- Assorted sliced pizza

[Wilson Hall Cafe Menu](#)

Chez Leon

Wednesday, Jan. 13
Lunch
- Spicy black bean & sausage calzone
- Confetti corn salad
- Pineapple flan

Thursday, Jan. 14
Dinner
- Closed

[Chez Leon Menu](#)

Call x3524 to make your reservation.

Archives

set my clock back an hour, so I retaliated by locking him out of his office," Willford said. No one ever got hurt during these pranks, but they did keep the atmosphere light.

"Bob brings a lot of fun to the job," said CD's Richard Karuhn, who was Willford's supervisor from 1999 to 2009. "He is someone that people genuinely enjoy being around. His laughter and friendship will certainly be missed."

-- *Rhianna Wisniewski with additional reporting by Tonisha Taylor*

Special Announcement

Reminder: Limited dialing tonight

AT&T maintenance activity overnight between 1 and 2 a.m. on Jan. 14, will likely restrict dialing to and from Fermilab phone numbers for up to 30 minutes. During this brief window of time, you may continue placing calls from a four-digit laboratory extension to another, including the laboratory's emergency number, x3131. However, calls to or from any non-laboratory numbers, including cell phones, will not be connected. Full dialing capabilities will be restored as soon as the maintenance is complete, around 2 a.m.

From *symmetry breaking*

People in physics: Joe Incandela, new deputy spokesperson for CMS

Joe Incandela of the University of California, Santa Barbara has begun his term as one of two deputy spokespeople for CMS. Incandela and his fellow deputy spokesperson Albert De Roeck of CERN were appointed in July 2009 by new CMS spokesperson, Guido Tonelli.

Tonelli appointed De Roeck and Incandela, exotica group convener and deputy physics coordinator respectively, to their two year posts in a break with recent tradition. In the past, one deputy has been involved with activities closer to the hardware of the detector and the other with activities that are closer to physics. Tonelli appointed two deputies from physics in recognition of the major transition underway from commissioning hardware to data-taking and first physics with LHC collisions.

"To be deputy spokespersons at this time is a

closed Road A until that condition subsided. The new hardware installed during the replacement of the pi-poles in 2007 helped prevent a safety incident.

So far, the laboratory has coped very well with this year's winter conditions. Most importantly, we have seen fewer slips, trips and falls. Please remain focused and exercise caution when moving across the site. Despite all of our efforts, building entrances, parking lots and roads can be slippery and present a hazard, whether you are walking or driving a vehicle.

Safety Update

ES&H weekly report, Jan. 12

This week's safety report, compiled by the Fermilab ES&H section, includes one first-aid-only injury and no recordable injuries. We have now worked 19 days since the last recordable injury. Find the full report [here](#).

[Safety report archive](#)

Announcements

Payroll announcement

[Benefits rates for weekly employees](#)

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[International folk dancing, Thursdays at Kuhn Village Barn](#)

[Scottish country dancing Tuesdays at Kuhn Village Barn](#)

[English country dancing Feb. 7, with live music](#)

[Romanian/fusion dance workshop Jan. 28 at Kuhn Village Barn](#)

[Applications accepted for awards in URA Visiting Scholars Program](#)

[Argentine Tango at Fermilab through Jan. 25](#)

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[2010 standard mileage](#)

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great privilege because we are in front row seats at a historical event. I'm very honored to be in this position," explains Incandela.

[Result of the Week](#)

In addition to diplomatic and administrative duties like guiding visitors and coordinating with funding agencies, De Roeck and Incandela need to follow the progress of many areas of the CMS experiment with emphasis on the chain of events from data-taking to final results. The two have divided up various aspects of the CMS program in order to follow things in greater detail but they plan to stay in close contact so that both are always on top of the main issues.

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-- *Daisy Yuhas*

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