

Calendar

[Have a safe day!](#)

Friday, Jan. 22

3:30 p.m.

DIRECTOR'S COFFEE
BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

4 p.m.

[Joint Experimental-Theoretical
Physics Seminar](#) - One West

Speaker: David Weinberg,
Ohio State University
Title: The Sloan Digital Sky
Survey, and Its Children

8 p.m.

[Fermilab Lecture Series](#) -
Ramsey Auditorium

Title: Evolution in the 21st
Century

Tickets: \$7

Speaker: Dr. James Shapiro,
University of Chicago

Monday, Jan. 25

THERE WILL BE NO
ASTROPHYSICS SEMINAR
TODAY

3:30 p.m.

DIRECTOR'S COFFEE
BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

4 p.m.

All Experimenters' Meeting -
Curia II

Special Topics: TD Designs for
mu2e Solenoid Magnets; CDF
GigaFitter Operational;
MINERvA: Antineutrino Run
and Neutrino Analysis

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to additional information.

[Upcoming conferences](#)

Campaigns

Take Five

Tune IT Up

Feature

Steve Holmes to focus on Project X, laboratory seeks new associate director



Steve Holmes

The increasing momentum behind the proposed Project X accelerator facility has swept Steve Holmes into a new position at Fermilab and put in motion the search for a new associate director.

Holmes is beginning the transition out of the post of associate laboratory director for accelerators, which he has held for the past decade, so that he can focus solely on Project X. He has been acting project manager for [Project X](#) since August 2008, but could rarely dedicate more than 15 percent of his time to the development effort of the high-intensity proton facility.

"I've been here a long time and frankly, the lab could probably benefit from new blood in this office," Holmes said. "I would like to dedicate myself full time to Project X. I think that is the most important thing I can do for the lab right now."

To the Project X team he brings project management experience shepherding the Main Injector to completion. He has had a strong role in the evolution of Project X since its 2004 inception and has put together a strong team, including outside collaborators. During the past year, the team has generated two initial configuration options and cost estimates, as well as initial concepts of how Project X would further a future muon collider. He is hopeful the project will receive the first stage of DOE approval, Critical Decision-0, by the end of FY2010.

"I don't think the US can have a world-leading, sustainable, competitive particle physics program based solely on overseas accelerators," Holmes said. "When we build Project X, it will form the basis of a world-leading program for 30 years."

Holmes will handle the day-to-day work of

Recreation Feature of the Month

Classes, events and discounts for February

Fitness classes starting soon:

- Kyuki Do: 5-6 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, Feb. 15–March 24, Recreation Facility. Fee: \$55/person

This month, the Benefits/Recreation Department will also sponsor the following wellness events:

- Weekly Qi Gong, Mindfulness, and Tai Chi - Easy for Stress Reduction: 12-12:45 p.m. on Fridays beginning Feb. 5, Wilson Hall Auditorium.
- Weight Watchers at Work Program: New sessions begin at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 17, in Wilson Hall, 15W, Aquarium. Join anytime. Feel free to visit any Wednesday session before Feb. 17 for more information.
- Lunch & Learn about back pain: noon-1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 18, Wilson Hall, Curia II, 2nd floor. Presenter: Dr. Daniel Laich, Illinois Neuro Spine Center.
- Staff appreciation days: Free 10-minute massage offered between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Feb. 16 and 18. Call Kathy at x5427 to reserve your spot.

Club meetings:

- Toastmasters: noon-1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 4 & 18, Wilson Hall, 7th Floor Racetrack. [More information](#)
- Sustainable Energy Club: 5:10 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16, Users' Center Music Room
- Amateur Radio Club: noon-1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, Wilson Hall, 2nd Floor Lounge

Athletic leagues:

Open Badminton: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesdays in the Recreation Facility Gym. Contact achou@fnal.gov.

Employees and users can also contact the Recreation Department to take advantage of special discounts, including:

- AMC and Goodrich Theater tickets: AMC

H1N1 Flu

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

Weather

 **Cloudy**
38°/31°

[Extended Forecast](#)
[Weather at Fermilab](#)

Current Security Status

[Secon Level 3](#)

Wilson Hall Cafe

Friday, Jan. 22

- Breakfast: chorizo burrito
- Italian vegetable soup
- Teriyaki chicken
- Southern fried chicken
- Mediterranean baked tilapia
- Eggplant parmesan panini
- Assorted sliced pizza
- Assorted sub sandwich

[Wilson Hall Cafe menu](#)

Chez Leon

Wednesday, Jan. 27

Lunch

- Chicken & vegetable stir fry w/ cashew rice
- Orange almond cake

Thursday, Jan. 28

Dinner

- Closed

[Chez Leon menu](#)

Call x3524 to make your reservation.

Archives

Project X, including guiding it through the DOE requirements for approval and construction.

“Project X would be an extraordinary machine at the intensity frontier for neutrino, kaon, muon and nuclear physics,” said Fermilab Director Pier Oddone. “It would develop the technologies to support a future global facility at the energy frontier. We are fortunate that Steve will lead Project X on the path forward. He has experience in leading large accelerator projects successfully, and he has repeatedly proven his ability to build collaborations and large-scale projects.”

Holmes will work closely with his replacement, who will hold management and oversight responsibilities for all Fermilab accelerator operations, accelerator science and technology R&D, and construction support for new accelerator facilities. In addition his replacement will serve as line manager for the Accelerator Division, Technical Division and Accelerator Physics Center.

The associate director for accelerators plays a central role in developing and implementing the strategy for future development of the accelerator complex at Fermilab and aligning this strategy within an international context.

[Read more](#)

-- Tona Kunz

In Brief

SC09 exhibit on display in Wilson Hall atrium



Fermilab's Computing Division created a series of panels, such as the one shown here, for the SC09 conference.

For the next few weeks, the Wilson Hall atrium will showcase the Fermilab Computing Division's displays from the SC09 conference, held last November in Portland, Oregon. SC is the premier annual, international conference on high-performance computing, networking,

anytime tickets \$8. AMC two-week restriction tickets \$7. Goodrich anytime tickets \$7.

- Bulls tickets [available online](#).

In the News

Scientific cooperation: African physicists set their sights on mammoth scope

From *Science*, Jan. 22, 2010 (subscription)

A meeting last week in the Senegalese capital not only was the first physics conference spanning the continent but also became a rally for African science, including the establishment of a new African Physical Society. On the minds of many here was the Square Kilometre Array, a next-generation radio telescope that will probe gas clouds in the early universe with a collecting area 100 times that of the Very Large Array in Socorro, New Mexico. A lengthy site-selection process has already eliminated China and South America, leaving just Africa and Australia.

[Read more](#)

Announcements

Latest Announcements

[TIAA-CREF Financial Education Seminar today](#)

[On-site housing for summer 2010 - now taking requests](#)

[Jim Wendt and Ray Hren are retiring](#)

[Elder Care: Where do I begin? Interactive seminar](#)

["Evolution in the 21st Century" - Jan. 22](#)

[Butts & Guts class begins Jan. 25](#)

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

[Romanian/Fusion Dance workshop Jan. 28 at Kuhn Village Barn](#)

[Muntu African Dance Theatre - Feb. 6](#)

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

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storage and analysis. For more than 10 years, the Fermilab Computing Division has had a booth at the conference to demonstrate its accomplishments and expertise and to meet with colleagues and other experts to build collaborative relationships that help advance its work.

At SC09, the CD exhibit featured large graphic panels, a mini-version of the CMS Remote Operations Center at Fermilab, a QuarkNet educational display and a big screen that alternately featured live Ask-A-Scientist sessions and videos of Fermilab scientists describing how their research depends on computing.

Come to the Wilson Hall atrium before Feb. 18 to learn about the cutting-edge research conducted by your CD colleagues for the benefit of the particle physics community at Fermilab and beyond. You also can view the [panels online](#).

--Anne Heavey

[Fermilab Management Practices seminar beginning Feb. 11](#)

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

[BLAST! The Movie: intro, film and Q&A - Feb. 19](#)

[Fermilab Family Open House Feb. 21](#)

[Python Programming class offered Feb. 24-26](#)

[FRA Scholarship 2010](#)

[2010 standard mileage reimbursement rate](#)

[Fermilab Natural Areas newsletter](#)

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

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