

Calendar

Wednesday, July 13

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Astrophysics

Workshop ([agenda](#))

11:00 a.m. Fermilab ILC R&D Meeting - Curia II

Speaker: H. Frisch & H. Sanders, University of Chicago

Title: Pico-Second Time-of-Flight Detector and Electronics Development

1:00 p.m. Special Seminar - Hornets' Nest (WH8X)

Speaker: M. Yokoyama, Kyoto University

Title: Search for Coherent Charged Pion Production in Neutrino-Carbon

Interactions with the K2K SciBar Detector

3:00 p.m. Accelerator Physics and Technology Seminar - One North

Speaker: I. Sideris, Northern Illinois University

Title: Characterization of the Chaotic or Regular Nature of Dynamical Orbits: A New, Fast Method

3:30 p.m. Director's Coffee Break - 2nd Flr X-Over

4:00 p.m. Fermilab Colloquium - 1 West
In conjunction with TeV Particle

Astrophysics Workshop

Speaker: F. Aharonian, Max Planck Institut fuer Kernphysik

Title: Astrophysics and Cosmology with TeV Gamma Rays

Thursday, July 14

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Astrophysics

Workshop ([agenda](#))

11:45 a.m. Cake and Ice Cream with Mike Witherell - Wilson Hall Atrium

1:00-5:00 p.m. Witherell Symposium - Auditorium

Fermilab Will Celebrate the Witherell Years Tomorrow

Cake and Ice Cream with Mike!

All Fermilab employees, users, and contractors are invited to enjoy cake and ice cream with Mike

Witherell tomorrow

between 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Wilson Hall Atrium.

Come thank Mike for his years of service to the Laboratory and wish him the best in the future.

Witherell Symposium

A public science symposium to honor Mike Witherell is also planned. It is called "Fermilab Science: The Witherell Years," and will be held in Ramsey Auditorium at 1:00 p.m. This symposium will celebrate Mike Witherell's contributions to Fermilab and the science advancements that have taken place here over the past six years. A reception in the Atrium will follow the symposium from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

[more information](#)



Former Director
Mike Witherell

Mendez Rises to Challenge of 100 Mile Bike Ride



Barbara Brooks on the Job As New Deputy Head of LSS

Barbara Brooks started at Fermilab only three years ago, but she has already made a substantial impact in the Laboratory Services Department. Earlier



Barbara Brooks

this summer she became Deputy Section Head of the LSS, which manages a variety of lab services. She describes her goals for the position as "enhancing service and customer satisfaction," adding that performance "can always be raised to a higher level."

Brooks began her work at Fermilab with similar, although not as far-ranging, responsibilities: "I was brought in to shape the training and development program," she says, "which was very new at the time." Now her area of influence is much larger, extending to the Education Office, Information Resources and Visual Media Services. LSS Section Head Kay VanVreede says that Brooks "has the right set of skills that Lab Services is going to have to provide in the next several years. She has really been successful and I look forward to her work on programs and initiatives for the whole department."

Losing one major colleague to voluntary retirement and another to continuing education, Brooks' immediate job was to re-staff the department for the work ahead. What she most looks forward to, however, is "the opportunity to reach

Title: Fermilab Science: The Witherell Years [More information](#)
THERE WILL BE NO ACCELERATOR PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR TODAY
THERE WILL BE NO THEORETICAL PHYSICS SEMINAR THIS WEEK
THERE WILL BE NO DIRECTOR'S COFFEE BREAK TODAY

Weather



Chance Rain 86°/67°

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Wilson Hall Cafe

Wednesday, July 13

Portobello Harvest Grain Soup
Santa Fe Chicken Quesadilla \$4.85
Garlic Herb Roasted Pork \$3.75
Beef Stroganoff \$3.75
Maryland Crab Salad \$4.85
Meatlover's Pizza \$3.00
Pesto Shrimp Linguini with Leeks & Tomatoes \$4.85

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Info

[Mari Mendez completed a 100-mile bike ride after training with a group from the Fox Valley YMCA in Plano. \(Click on image for larger version.\)](#)

On June 19, 2005, Mari Mendez went from casual bike rider to accomplished athlete by completing the 100-mile Swedish Days Ride, sponsored by the Fox Valley Bicycle and Ski Club. Mendez, an Administrative Support Assistant in Fermilab's Business Services Section, trained and rode with a group of other riders from her local Fox Valley YMCA in Plano.

"I saw the poster at the 'Y' advertising the Century Challenge," the 100-mile option for the Swedish Days Ride, Mendez explained. "I'd done a 26-mile ride before and it almost killed me, so I thought 100 miles would really be a challenge."

Learning from her difficult experience with the 26-mile ride, Mendez devoted herself to training for the Century Challenge. The YMCA group trained 6 days per week for 13 weeks before the ride. "I had done casual biking here and there, usually 6 or 7 miles at most," Mendez said. "Our first training ride was 16 miles, and afterwards I thought, 'There's no way I can do 100 miles.'" But by riding regularly and steadily increasing her mileage, Mendez fully prepared herself for the challenge of 100 miles, which she completed in 6 hours and 25 minutes.

The training itself also brought Mendez non-athletic benefits. "We did all of our outdoor training on country roads west of here, so I got to enjoy beautiful scenery. I also met a lot of wonderful people and made some great friendships," she explained.

every employee in some way. I look forward to meeting each and every one and asking how we can assist them in their work. 'How can we help you?' is the question I'd most like to ask."

-- *Amelia Greene*

Announcements

Recreation Office Sales Suspended
Due to a reduction in staff, the Recreation Office will temporarily suspend the sale of tickets, T-shirts and canoe rentals as of Friday, July 15 at Noon. The suspended tickets are AMC Movie Tickets, Great America Tickets, and Renaissance Faire Tickets. All other programs will stay the same. The Recreation Office will be closed Friday, July 15 at Noon for training. If you have any questions you may contact the Recreation Office, x 2548.

Fermilab Arts Series

The Fermilab Arts Series will present Tom Paxton and Cheryl Wheeler on Saturday, July 16, 2005 at 8 p.m.

[more information](#)

International Folk Dancing

International Folk Dancing will hold a special dance party with live music by accordionist Don Weeda from Austin, Texas, on Thursday, July 14, in Ramsey Auditorium in Wilson Hall. Dancing begins at 7:30 p.m., with teaching earlier in the evening and request dancing later on. Newcomers are welcome and you do not need to come with a partner. Dancing will continue in the Auditorium through the summer. Info at 630-840-8194 or [email here](#).

Wisconsin Dells Coupon Book Sale
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Although finding time to ride almost every day was one of the biggest challenges for Mendez, who is the mother of two children, she is now "hooked" on biking. "The best part about the ride was the awesome feeling of accomplishment," she said.

-- *Elizabeth Wade*

In the News

From ***Daily Herald***,
July 12, 2005

Batavia, Fermilab would benefit from power upgrades, study says

By Gala M. Pierce

Preliminary findings of a power study indicate it would be advantageous for both the city of Batavia and Fermilab to partner in \$20 to \$21.5 million in electric transmission upgrades.

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Wisconsin Dells Coupon Book for \$15.00.

The coupons are good until April 30 of the following year. Interested, check out the sample books in the Recreation Office.

New SciTech Exhibit

The SciTech Museum in downtown Aurora presents a new traveling exhibit, "Masters of the Night: The True Story of the Bats." Learn more about these flying mammals and the hundreds of species that exist. The exhibit runs through September 11. Admission is \$7 and includes the [Outdoor Science Park](#). To obtain a \$1-off coupon, visit www.scitech.museum.

[Upcoming Activities](#)