

Calendar

Wednesday, February 1

11:00 a.m. Fermilab ILC R&D Meeting - 1 West

Speaker: M. Demarteau, Fermilab

Title: Status of ILC Detector R&D

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

4:00 p.m. Fermilab Colloquium - 1 West

Speaker: L. Randall, Harvard University

Title: Warped Geometry: Consequences and Signatures

Thursday, February 2

2:30 p.m. Theoretical Physics Seminar - Curia II

Speaker: P. Fox, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Title: Naturalness and Higgs Decays in the MSSM with a Singlet: Searching for a Stealthy Higgs

3:30 p.m.

Director's Coffee Break - 2nd Flr X-Over

4:00 p.m.

Accelerator Physics and Technology Seminar - 1 West

Speaker: R. Webber, Fermilab

Title: Current Proton Driver Activities in the Accelerator Division

Weather



Partly Cloudy **45°/31°**

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Challenge for Spokespeople: Bloom Where You're Planted



Young-Kee Kim, co-spokesperson for CDF and future Deputy Director for the lab, is one of several spokespeople whose terms are ending this year. (Click image for larger version.)

"A spokesperson's main job is to make sure our program blooms," says Young-Kee Kim, co-spokesperson for CDF with Rob Roser. Behind the flowery metaphor hides a long, often daunting, laundry list of responsibilities. Spokespeople are responsible for the proper collection, storage, retrieval, and analysis of data; for the proper and safe running and maintenance of equipment; for assigning individuals to various tasks; and for presenting their experiment to colleagues in the scientific community beyond their project.

"One of our main jobs is to put the right person in the right place to do the job. How do we put a person's skills to a task to maximize their strengths? That is our responsibility," says Kim. While spokespeople do delegate many of the tasks, when it comes to a properly running experiment, the buck will always

Wilson Hall Cafe

Wednesday, February 1

- Vegetable Beef
- Fish & Chips
- Salmon w/Lemon Pepper
- Country Fried Steak w/Pepper Gravy
- Beef & Cheddar Panini w/Sauteed Onions
- Assorted Personal Sized Pizzas
- Cavatappi Pasta w/Italian Sausage & Tomato Ragu

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Chez Leon

Wednesday, February 1

Lunch

- Pork Tenderloin with Apple Salsa
- Chipotle Sweet Potatoes
- Almond Cake with Citrus Syrup

Thursday, February 2

Dinner

- Clam Chowder
- Beef and Vegetable Kabobs
- Chocolate Souffle with Frangelico Creme Anglais

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stop with the spokesperson.

"It's all-consuming. There's always some new challenge that needs attention and effort," says Jerry Blazey, DZero co-spokesperson with Terry Wyatt. "Of course, it's also very rewarding because you're working with so many very talented people." Blazey cites "confronting the consequences of Zebra Mussels" as one of the most memorable challenges from his time as a spokesperson. Everyone from DZero, he promises, will understand.

Each experiment has its own bylaws regarding spokesperson terms, the nomination and voting process, and the timing of all these events. Several experimental collaborations at Fermilab are conducting spokesperson elections now, each in its own stage of progress, depending on individual bylaws. Here is a list of the [current spokesperson status](#) for Fermilab experiments.

— Dawn Stanton

NALWO Folkdance Potluck

Folk dancing has been a part of NALWO for 18 years, offering an opportunity for the lab community and the surrounding community to get acquainted while learning dances from around the world. Now there's a chance for that acquaintance to get renewed and furthered at a NALWO folkdance potluck on Saturday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Kuhn Barn. NALWO will provide beverages (non-alcoholic). Please bring food to share (ethnic specialties especially encouraged!!) and some comfortable shoes for dancing. After dinner (at around 7 p.m.) the Folk and Scottish Dancers will show samples of

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what they do every week, and get everyone dancing some easy dances. All ages are welcome. It is not necessary to bring a dance partner, and there will be some dances appropriate for children. Please bring quiet activities to occupy younger children who may not want or be able to join the dancing.

In the News

House Committee on Science, **January 31, 2006:** **SCIENCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS** **APPLAUD PRESIDENT'S RESEARCH** **AND EDUCATION INITIATIVES**

WASHINGTON, January 31, 2006 – Leaders of the House Science Committee released the following statements tonight in response to the science policy initiatives in the President's State of the Union address:

Science Committee Chairman Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) said, "The President is doing exactly the right thing in focusing on science, math and engineering research and education. The nation needs new investments and new approaches in research and education if we are to remain competitive and prosperous. I applaud the President for seizing the initiative, even in this time of budget stringency, to propose a significant and meaningful competitiveness agenda. This initiative should be embraced by the nation's business and academic leaders, who have been calling for just this sort of effort to protect our economic future. I look forward to working with the President and my colleagues in Congress to move forward with the

President's proposals as their details emerge over the next several weeks.”

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What's Happening at CMS?



Montgomery visits CMS: Fermilab

Associate Director Hugh Montgomery, along with CERN's Tracker Project Manager Peter Sharp and other members of the CMS collaboration at the Large Hadron Collider, visited the CMS assembly hall at Point 5 in Cessy, France last week. Above the visitors, a central element of the detector's iron yoke with the superconducting solenoid are being prepared for the Magnet Test Challenge in spring 2006. Active elements of several subdetectors and their readout electronics will be commissioned and operated in a magnetic field of 4 Tesla. Click [here](#) for the most up-to-date status of CMS construction at Point 5 via live webcam. (Photo courtesy of Slawomir Tkaczyk; click image for larger version.)