

## Calendar

**Tue., May 8**

**3:30 p.m.**

DIRECTOR'S COFFEE  
BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over  
THERE WILL BE NO  
ACCELERATOR PHYSICS  
AND TECHNOLOGY  
SEMINAR TODAY

**Wed., May 9**

THERE WILL BE NO  
FERMILAB ILC R&D  
MEETING THIS WEEK

**3:30 p.m.**

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

**4:00 p.m.**

Fermilab Colloquium - 1 West  
Speaker: R. Schwitters,  
University of Texas, Austin  
Title: The UT Maya Muon  
Project

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**a weekly calendar with links  
to additional information.**

## Weather



Partly cloudy 81°/59°

## Extended Forecast

### [Weather at Fermilab](#)

## Current Security Status

### [Secon Level 3](#)

## Wilson Hall Cafe

**Tuesday, May 8**

- Creamy turkey vegetable
- Chicken gyros
- Salisbury steaks w/  
mushroom Au Jus
- Chicken cacciatore
- Italian panini w/ provolone
- Assorted pizza slices
- Super burrito

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

## Chez Leon

## Feature

### Fermilab taking notes on Argonne safety milestone



[Aerial view of Argonne National Laboratory](#)

Argonne National Laboratory, DOE's multidisciplinary lab with some 2,900 employees on 1,500 acres in nearby DuPage County, scaled a safety peak on April 24 by achieving 3.1 million hours by its employees (equivalent to about six months) without an injury involving days away from work. Bill Griffing, Fermilab's Environment, Safety and Health director, visited Argonne last Friday to compare notes on lab performance, and observed Argonne's safety focus first-hand.

"They're trying very hard to raise safety awareness in all individual areas of the lab, and they're doing a good job," said Griffing, who visited Argonne along with Mary Logue, head of Safety and Environmental Protection in ES&H. Griffing continued that Argonne is "taking safety performance measures very seriously. There is visible leadership from the laboratory director and from division directors. Safety performance is linked to lab performance, and to individual performance. They're doing everything they can to raise awareness and instill accountability."

Bob McCook, Argonne's Director of ES&H and Quality and Performance Assurance, pointed to direct involvement by senior management as a critical factor in reaching the safety milestone. McCook described Argonne's weekly Director's Safety Council and Management Council as forums for discussing safety issues. He also emphasized the significant contribution of Jeff Alicz (Argonne Injury/Illness Program Manager) in

## Director's Corner

### Salute to safety

In this week's column, I want to recognize our ANL colleagues' outstanding record in preventing injuries. Last week, *Argonne Today* included a small article that carried big news, worth noting and celebrating: ANL had achieved more than three million work hours without an injury resulting in days away from work.



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We have a lot to learn here. After sustained improvements in our safety record over the last decade, we have reached a plateau in our rate of injuries and have ceased making improvements. On the contrary, a spate of recent accidents has put us well above the injury rate for last year as of this date. If we are going anywhere, we are going backwards.

Not infrequently, when I talk about injury rates I receive feedback from employees that doing so only tends to reinforce the notion that management cares more about the "rates" of injury than the people who are hurt. To me that is a remarkable statement. In a scientific institution that treasures the value of data it suggests that we should ignore the very data that reveal how safety-conscious we really are. Another interpretation of such a statement could be that we managers and supervisors are not perceived to inculcate and live the safety culture we aspire to -- something that we must pay attention to.

Safety is, of course, not only a management responsibility. Safety is the responsibility of everyone at the laboratory. Each of us is responsible, to ourselves, our fellow workers and our families, to create a safe environment and a mindset that promotes safety. An analysis of all our lost-time injuries this year reflects in each case a lapse of attention. Of the eight lost-time injuries we've had this fiscal year, six were sustained while engaged in activities that pose no greater risk than those we carry out routinely in the office, at home, or traveling in between. These include tripping on steps while distracted, changing blades in a

**Wednesday, May 9****Lunch**

- Roast pork loin
- Orange roasted carrots w/ honey
- Pea pod salad w/ radishes
- Apple walnut raisin strudel

**Thursday, May 10****Dinner**

- Salad of field greens w/ jicama, radishes, oranges, pine nuts & queso rico w/ balsamic vinaigrette
- Beef short ribs in chipotle green chili sauce
- Cumin roasted sweet potatoes
- Strawberry sorbet w/ lemon sugar cookies

[Chez Leon Menu](#)

Call x4598 to make your reservation.

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coordinating the management of injuries between the lab's medical office and line managers. Lab management from the University of Chicago also makes regular checks on safety performance and "helps keep us on track," he added.

McCook said there had been no specific new safety programs or practices put in place at Argonne, though he cited the importance of having someone in management who is willing to "stand on the desk and tell the bosses that they have to pay attention to this and do better" with safety issues. In turn, the safety commitment of senior management must have credibility with the general lab population.

"In any research that I have found," McCook said, "a sound safety culture always comes from employees genuinely believing that the management truly cares about safety. That's what we're trying to do here. Many places might develop programs and processes to show that management is engaged in safety, but here, management really is engaged. It's not a separate process."

Read the original article on page two of the May 3 issue of [Argonne Today](#).

--Mike Perricone

**Photo of the Day****Glitz, glamour and Fermilab**

Students from West Aurora High School pose for a photo in front of Fermilab's Tractricious Sculpture before heading off to their Quinceanera last Saturday night.

**In the News**

cutting device without the right tool, backing heavy equipment into a vehicle without looking at what was behind, running into a deer while driving on the road after dark and lifting or pushing objects without proper body mechanics. Persistent awareness is the key to personal safety. We must find ways to remind ourselves constantly of what is required to be safe even during activities that are quite ordinary.

ANL is a larger and more complex laboratory than Fermilab, with a similar mix of work and even the same inclement weather (and hazards like deer and nesting geese). The value of the record established at ANL is that it reminds us we can do much better. It teaches us not to become complacent or think that we have reached an "irreducible" level of injuries that will occur "naturally" because people make "mistakes." We are a learning institution and we will learn from our ANL colleagues what we can do better to further reduce our injury rates. I challenge each of you to "think safety" in your daily activities -- however ordinary -- at work or at home.

**Accelerator Update****May 4 - 7**

- Four stores provided 64 hours and 18 minutes of luminosity
- E0 cold compressor problems
- Recycler power supply springs leak
- LRF3 fails

[Read the Current Accelerator Update](#)

[Read the Early Bird Report](#)

[View the Tevatron Luminosity Charts](#)

**Announcements****May 16 is Employee Health & Fitness Day**

On May 16, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., the Recreation Office will sponsor the National Employee Health & Fitness Day Event. Walk, run, or bike your way around the ring. This year's theme will be "Safety at Home." A table will be set up at A1 for participants to sign in and pick up their game ticket and a bottle of water. The largest percentage of participation from Divisions and Sections will win the traveling trophy. Rain date will be May 17.

**Spring/summer muscle toning class**

Get a head start in getting fit and have fun doing it by joining the muscle toning classes. Gain strength, lean body mass and increased muscle definition with the Recreation Facility strength training classes held on Tuesday and

## From *Chicago Tribune*, May 7, 2007

### Firm turns recycling practices up a notch

*Old ways of destroying electronic waste are being thrown out*

You could say that Brian Brundage treats recycling like a sausage-maker handling a pig: He throws nothing away.

Every day tons of old computers, calculators, copy machines, TV sets, cell phones and other electronic waste enter Brundage's Chicago Heights-based operation, and not one scrap winds up in a landfill.

"This stuff was made in factories, starting as raw materials and coming off an assembly line as a product," said Brundage, chief executive of Intercon Solutions. "We put old products on a disassembly line. We break each item down to raw materials and send them off to be smelted and reused."

[Read more](#)

Thursday in the Recreation Facility from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Class is open to both male and female beginners or advanced students. The class schedule is: June 5 - June 28, 4 weeks at \$32.00 July 10 - August 2, 4 weeks at \$32.00 Registration deadline is the Friday prior to the start of the session. You must be a Recreation Member to participate. Registration Forms can be found in the Recreation office or on the [website](#).

### Fermilab Barnstormers meeting Wednesday

The Fermilab Barnstormers will have their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 9 at 5:30 p.m. Assuming the weather cooperates, we will meet at the Frelø Flying Field across from the Pioneer Cemetery for our first outdoor flying meeting of the season. If the weather does not allow us to fly, we will meet at the Users' Center in the Fermilab Village.

### [Upcoming Activities](#)