The Interaction Point
Reorganized

TIP will soon be moving back into monthly publication. Vickee Flynn, from EFD, is the new TIP production editor. She will work closely with a news advisory board, chaired by P.A. Moore, and composed of people throughout the lab who will advise on news in their various departments. An outside contractor will provide the layout. Questions and comments can be addressed to tip@slac.stanford.edu and the news board welcomes your ideas and comments for articles.

SLAC Faculty News

Professor Martin Perl, winner of the 1995 Nobel Prize in Physics, will be featured on “Next Step” on the Discovery Channel on June 26th at 9:30 pm and on June 29th at 6:30 pm.

Professor Sidney Drell, SLAC’s Deputy Director, was interviewed recently for Hiroshima Home Network television to be aired in Japan. The topic was the National Ignition Facility (NIF) and its potential impact on arms control. After the interview, Drell complimented the interpreter, Nazu Kikkawa.

“...But you don’t know what I said!” she replied. If anyone is traveling in Japan or has relatives there, perhaps you might let Sid know.

Juneteenth Celebration

Glena Stewart, from the Black Association of SLAC Employees (BASE), reports that the annual Juneteenth Celebration was a great success, serving over 200 people for a meal of ribs and other delicacies. Products from outside vendors and displays were available for viewing, while the acid jazz band “Hueman Factor” played. “Juneteenth is a time for sharing culture and fellowship,” said Stewart. “Our future goal is to raise scholarship money for deserving students.”

SLUO Meeting

The annual SLAC Users Organization met on June 8 to hear talks about the current research at SLAC, latest budget information and comments about future research. There was a lively discussion during the closing session, in which Uriel Nauenberg listed the entire alphabet of SLAC programs for Burton Richter’s comments and the audience’s amusement, ending the sessions on a positive note.

Ellen Waxman — New Ombudsperson

As announced in a recent All Hands memo, Ellen Waxman is the new ombudsperson for campus and SLAC. An ombudsperson is an impartial resource for faculty, students, or staff concerns. Her office is in the Central Lab, Room R101B and phone is x3826. She can be reached through her campus email account for the time being (ellen.waxman@forsythe.stanford.edu). To start with, Ellen will be on site Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings. She may change her schedule later depending on SLAC needs.

Softball Results

In the Annual Theory vs. Experimental Softball Game, the winner is... The Experimentalists (29 to 16). Both first and second place champions enjoyed the day and the party afterwards at El Sid’s, a trendy watering hole on Campus.

Sweet Sorrow

Katherine Cantwell and John Cerino are leaving SSRL after many years of service and contributions to the lab. We wish them well in their new careers, are excited by their travel plans and regretful that
they are leaving. Best wishes to both of them.

Berah McSwain has been appointed to take Katherine's position as assistant to the Associate Director of SSRL. Berah comes to us from private industry where he was a principle in a consulting firm. Prior to that he was at UC Berkeley for 17 years in teaching and research. Hmm... Cal at Stanford — a premonition about the next Big Game?

Campus Construction
Look out if you have a meeting on campus this summer. There are 18 buildings, 9 roads, and tennis and football stadia being repaired or under construction. Campus has indicated low impact — meaning they will try to arrange construction for off-peak hours, put up detour signs, and work on dust control.

Kudos
Congratulations to Dick Fuenteling and Alan Conrad, and all the team in Property Control. They recently donated five pallets of software to Resource Connections, a non-profit organization which provides materials to schools. An initial group of 1,000 teachers will receive some of SLAC's donated software at an Internet training program at the Santa Clara Office of Education in July.

After that, Resource Connections will target the 33 school districts in the County.

Ergonomics Fair
Phil Brunner of Plant Engineering and Nels Runsvick of SSRL were the big winners of ergonomic chairs worth $465 and $230 respectively. The SLAC Health and Ergonomic Fair attracted over 300 people and the prunes were a big hit. There were 23, and according to Sylvia Ong, the coordinator, more than 13 SLAC volunteers contributed their time and energy.

Commencement Tours
Stanford graduation ceremonies brought parents, families and friends to campus and to SLAC on Saturday June 15. Tours were held for just under 1,000 Stanford grads and families. Nina Stolar, the event coordinator, said "Everything went very smoothly. Thanks to all those wonderful people who volunteered to be tour guides and helpers."

Quotable Quotes
Recently a caller to Bette-Jane Ferandin, administrative assistant to the Director, asked what we did here at SLAC. Bette-Jane patiently explained about linear accelerators and particle interactions. On hearing that we collided particles, the caller responded, "Oh, that must be interesting to watch."

Lyme Disease
According to the Palo Alto Weekly of Wednesday June 5, 1996, ticks found with Lyme disease have tested positive in Arastradero Preserve and Foothills Park. Santa Clara County Vector Control District reported that two ticks have tested positive for the disease out of 131 tested at Foothills Park. One tick tested positive out of 30 tested at Arastradero.

Both preserves have posted "Tick Warning" signs and hikers are urged to take precautions. Given the proximity of these parks to the SLAC site, SLAC workers should check for ticks after being in grassy areas.

Upcoming Events
July 10–11 is SLAC's annual Garage Sale for surplus equipment and materials from the Warehouse. Please remember to bring your check book. All sales are final.

SLAC's day the Stick for Giants baseball is Sunday, July 28th. Order tickets from A&E Building soon.

Check out the Midsummer Mozart schedule! Campus is having a summer Pops Concert on July 3, fireworks and music at Frost Amphitheater. Get your tickets at Tressider.

CEBAF becomes TJNAF
Change all your phone directories and your mental space. The continuous electron beam facilities in Newport News, VA has had a name change and will now be known as the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility. SLAC's Martin Perl took part in the naming ceremony, along with Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary and other dignitaries.

Classified Ads
Do you want to see classified ads in The Interaction Point? Please send comments to tip@slac.stanford.edu.