Stanford Linear Accelerator Center

Quick News...

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BaBar Update

Since the holiday shutdown, the superconducting solenoid was successfully inserted into the Instrumented Flux Return and the cryogenics system has been connected in preparation for full-power tests in February.

New York comes to the Bay

The *New Yorker* magazine sent a photo scout out last week to reconnoiter locations for a photo shoot of California Nobel Laureates. The foul-weather location chosen was the Collider Hall here at SLAC; the fair-weather location selected was Rodeo Beach near Marin. So for the glory of SLAC, let's hope it rains on Sunday, January 25. (Besides, the 'Niners aren't in the SuperBowl so we don't mind if it rains.)

Classical Event

The Stanford String Quartet has agreed to return for a third annual concert at SLAC. Mark your calendars for Friday, March 6 and bring your lunch and a friend to the Auditorium that day.

Good News Budget?

So far, the rumours from Washington are that science will be mentioned in the President's State of the Union message on January 27 and that there will be an increase in science spending for fiscal year 1999. The DOE budget "roll out" is scheduled for February 2 with press conferences and satelite downlinks.

DOE Insulation Fact Sheet

Keeping warm and dry is a major concern and the DOE can help. The Office of Energy Efficiency has published a fact sheet on insulation on the Web. They answer questions about how insulation works, how to determine if you need more insulation, what R-value you need, and whether to install it yourself or have someone else do it. Here's the URL: [http://www.ornl.gov/roofs%2bwalls/insulation/ins_01.html](http://www.ornl.gov/roofs%2bwalls/insulation/ins_01.html)

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