All Dressed Up and Looking Great

SLAC's 20- and 30-year veterans had a gala event at the Faculty Club on campus this week. "Everybody really looked great," said 30-year veteran Ted Fieguth. "For me the best part was being able to reminisce about the good old days with my friends." Guests also played a game of dots: some had red dots, some green, and some blue. The waiters soon solved the mystery. Red Ted was fish.

Tree Trimming

According to Burl Skaggs, head of the SEM department, gardeners will be trimming or removing five trees around the campus area in the next few weeks. These trees, oak and eucalyptus, are considered dangerous to people or property because of their location or condition. For example, an unbalanced oak is being trimmed to save it from falling. SLAC staff members are working with the campus arborist and every attempt will be made to preserve as many trees as possible.

SLAC's Role in the Web

The Living Internet site last week added a whole page about SLAC's role in bringing the Web to the U.S. According to archivist Jean Deken, "The site uses frames, so once you go to the URL you have to click on 'World Wide Web,' and then on the link to SLAC under the 'How the Web Was Invented'."

HEP Review

Good science was clearly evident at the annual high-energy physics review this week. But aging buildings and a budget that has not kept pace with inflation were topics on everyone's mind. Scientists from DOE and other labs listened to presentations about the B Factory, GLAST, fixed target experiments, the next generation collider, theory and other programs. "It went well," said DOE's John O'Fallon, "but I can't say much more than that for publication."

Diversity Training

The mandatory training to sensitize everyone to issues regarding cultural diversity takes place April 11 and 12 next week. The program consists of a videotaped presentation from DOE Headquarters, with Secretary Bill Richardson and others. Then there is a live program with a consulting group that will demonstrate various aspects of cultural bias using theatrical vignettes. "There are some hard hitting segments, but a lot of humor, so I think staff will enjoy it," said one person who has seen the presentation. Contact Affirmative Action at ext. 2967 if you have questions.
"Doctored up" Cotton for Improved Healing

Researchers at a sister lab, Pacific Northwest (PNNL), are closing in on a new type of cotton gauze which will enhance the healing of chronic wounds. Approximately two million Americans suffer from non-healing wounds. Studies show a link between chronic wounds and elevated levels of the enzyme elastase, which is known to degrade proteins required for tissue repair. To reduce elastase levels in cotton dressings, researchers have synthesized a peptide "recognition site" on the cotton surface that absorbs the degradative enzyme away from the wound. The modified dressings are scheduled to enter clinical trials in spring 2000.

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