Web Home Page Feedback Needed

Ruth McDunn reports 23 responses to her request for feedback on the SLAC home pages, and you know, if you don’t give the input now, it would be louche to complain later. Register your opinion online.

Recreation Funds

Recreation Funds may be available to defray some of the costs of recreational activities that are available to all SLAC employees. Examples include league fees, uniform costs, and equipment costs for sports and other recreational activities that are open to all SLAC employees. If you are part of a SLAC team – or are thinking of starting one – talk to Susan Hoerger, ext. 2358, about using Recreation Funds.

Writing for TIP

The SLAC newsletter, The Interaction Point, always needs writers. Topics can range from the latest scientific, computing or engineering news from your department, to human interest stories about hobbies, interesting incidents or travel. The deadline for the December issue is November 15. Photos or other graphics are always welcome as illustrations. Contact Vickee Flynn for more information at ext. 4208.

Book Bunch

Save the date of Friday, Oct. 27, 2000 at noon for the book Letters From Yellowstone, by Diane Smith, 1999, 226 pgs. The Book Bunch meets in the Computer Bldg, 3rd Floor Conf. Rm. A. Contact Susan Walz for more information, ext. 2557. Everyone is welcome, even if you haven’t finished (or started) the book.

Fire Safety Week

Today, Friday the 13th, SLAC is hosting a seminar on fire safety as part of National Fire Prevention Week. Join others in “The Great Escape” which will include tips on reacting to emergencies, including evacuation methods for home and work. The seminar is in the TCC sides A/B from noon to 1:00 PM. Everyone welcome, bring a lunch and a friend.

M-A High School Needs Mentors

If you’re ready to help a high school student at risk, here’s your chance to contribute to the community and make a difference in a kid’s life. Mentors are needed for juniors at Menlo-Atherton High School enrolled in a special computer program. Both mentors and students must agree to a year of service. Contact Carol Herzberg at 322-5311 x8647 or email katy@sirius.com to
get into this year’s program. The deadline to apply is the end of October so students can be matched for the year.

**T-Shirt Survey Results**

Two weeks ago, *QN* asked for a vote on generic SLAC t-shirt sales. There were 12 votes to continue the sales, even though many departments have their own. There were no votes to discontinue sales. A sample of some comments: “some of us belong to departments that don’t have our own t-shirt,” “the t-shirts are good advertising for SLAC,” “could we have new art?” “could we have the old art – the DOE seal?” “Bring back the hooded shirts and sweat pants.” It’s safe to say that the comments are uniformly varied.

**Donate Old Cell Phones to Good Cause**

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Every day, 5000 Americans are beaten or abused at home. The Wireless Foundation is collecting old cell phones to provide victims instant access to help. Phones will be reprogrammed to dial 911 and a non-emergency number and then distributed to victims of abuse by domestic-violence organizations and police departments. Any phone in any condition, even broken, is accepted. For more information see the Wireless Foundation, [Donate a Phone Web page](http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/comp/telecom/phone/announcements/pbxupgrade2.htm).

**Reminder of Phone Outage Next Week**

Brenda Eberle (x2321) reminds us that the upgrade of SLAC’s telephone switch will occur on Sunday, October 22 starting just after midnight and it should be complete by 7:00 AM unless we run into some glitches. Check the Bulletin of October 4 for full details or see [http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/comp/telecom/phone/announcements/pbxupgrade2.htm](http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/comp/telecom/phone/announcements/pbxupgrade2.htm).

**From the NY Times September 26th**

“For now, more than 80 percent of small businesses are getting along quite well without the web. Only 7 percent are selling goods online, according to a recent survey of 1,055 businesses by the National Federation of Independent Businesses in Washington. They were concerned about cost, lack of technical skill and losing the personal touch that they see as vital to their businesses.”

**Notice to readers: QuickNews will not publish next week. The editor is looking for new ways to use “louche” in a sentence and will report on her return.**

**FleaMarket**

You can post your classified ad using the SLAC FleaMarket [Submission form](http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/comp/telecom/phone/announcements/pbxupgrade2.htm). You can get to the current ads from the Announcements section on the SLAC [Home Page](http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/comp/telecom/phone/announcements/pbxupgrade2.htm). These pages can be viewed from computers within the SLAC domain.

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