Quick News

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Cork Oak Fate

The cork oak on the quad (the Green) has been declared dead by the campus architect. The cause of death has not yet been determined but is being studied so that the other oaks can be protected if it is something communicable. The architectural committee recommends replacing it with another cork oak from on site. Some ideas about how the wood from this cork oak might be used have been discussed. Send in your suggestions.

Bring Our Kids to SLAC Day (August 1st) Registration Update

Workshop Option C (Electronics and Waves) has filled. Workshop Options A, B, and D are still open for 9 to 16 year olds who are not yet signed up for the Big Event. Space is limited to 156 children and with over 100 now registered. Registration closes when all workshops are filled or on July 26th. If you haven't yet registered, send completed forms to Lisa Mongetta, MS 11.

Help a Child Learn About SLAC and Science

Volunteer escorts are needed for the Bring our Kids to SLAC Day afternoon workshops (12:30 pm - 3:00 pm). Read about volunteering and give Lisa Mongetta a call (x 2733) if you wish to help.

It Was Hal All Along

Physicist Steven Wolfram argues in his new book *A New Kind of Science* that "the complexity of all physical systems, from cells to galaxies, can be explained by relatively simple rules, and that computers can be used to observe how those rules play out." Greg Huang's review in the *Atlantic Monthly* places Wolfram's thought in both historical and cross-disciplinary contexts.

A Is For Atom

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