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New Ergonomics Pilot Program Needs You

Ergonomics and computer use should be playful—and now it can. Be one of the select SLAC employees to participate in a new ergonomic pilot program. The Medical Department is seeking 30-60 employees for a new program that helps ergonomic behavior by incorporating body movement during computer use. The first step is to fill out an ergonomic survey on the Medical Dept. Web site.

Gearing Up for PeopleSoft Migration

As of July 14th, Purchasing has provided a new on-line PeopleSoft application for the Invitation for Bid used by the Construction Group. This is a prelude to e-procurement that Purchasing anticipates migrating towards within the next 18 months when PeopleSoft is upgraded to the next version. The next anticipated project is the creation of RFP's on-line by the Buyers. These are examples of some of the Lab's efforts to increase efficiency through maximum utilization of PeopleSoft.

California ISO Urges Energy Conservation in Hot Weather

With California summer temperatures rising into the triple digits this week the California Independent System Operator (California ISO) has issue a plea for conservation. Some things you can do at work to help conserve energy are: reducing use of lighting (especially in unoccupied areas), turning off office equipment or setting it to 'power saver' mode when not in use, setting computers, monitors and copiers to the sleep mode when not in use (this helps cut energy costs by approximately 40 percent), using shades or blinds on hot days and closing doors to the outside to keep in the cooler air. For more energy conservation tips visit the SLAC Energy Management Web site.

Come Enjoy the Connoisseurs' Marketplace

Check out the 17th annual Connoisseurs' Marketplace, a street fair celebration of the arts, this Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20. SLAC will be staffing a soda booth (passing soda cans out to thirsty patrons) July 19th from 9 AM to 6 PM. This is a great opportunity to participate in the Menlo Park community and check out local art, music, food, and more. This weekend should be a hot one, so remember these tips to stay healthy in hot weather.

Tackling ‘Unsolvable’ Problems In Your Relationship

The next WIS seminar, presented by Stanford Help Center Counselors Rosan Gomperts and Susan Owicki, will focus on how to work through seemingly ‘unsolvable’ problems by creating the 'right' kind of conversation. The presentation will take place Tuesday, July 22, at noon in the Panofsky Auditorium.

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