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Pierre Schwob Donates \$1 Million to KIPAC

By Davide Castelvechi



In December 2003, Pierre Schwob of Palo Alto endowed the Kavli Institute for Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology (KIPAC) and the Fred Kavli Building project with a \$1 million donation for the foundation of the P. R. Schwob Computing and Information Center. The center will be housed on the second floor of the Fred Kavli Building and will include an interaction and collaboration area, a reading room, a video-conference room and two visualization studios.

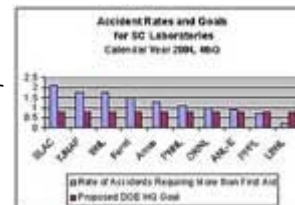
"I have always been fascinated by the mysteries of our cosmos," says Schwob.

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Safety Goals—No One Gets Hurt

By Irene Boczek

No one gets hurt. That's what we would all like to have happen at SLAC. But people are getting hurt, at a higher rate than any other DOE Science Laboratory. Because injuries don't happen every day, we tend to ignore



Director's Corner

By Jonathan Dorfan

The Laboratory is abuzz with activity. Like the blossoming of spring these past few weeks, SLAC's science program is in a period of tremendous evolution and productivity. The range of activities is broad, including: construction projects like the Gamma Ray Large Area Telescope (GLAST) and the Linac Coherent Light Source (LCLS), the development of exciting new theoretical ideas in particle physics, major R&D programs like the Next Linear Collider (NLC) and the Enriched Xenon Observatory (EXO), the development of new directions and instruments for particle astrophysics, and new approaches to meet the enormous challenges we face in computing, to name but a few.

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Networking: The Next Generation

By Kate Metropolis

Rapid, reliable data transport is essential for global scientific collaborations to gain new knowledge. SLAC was recently honored for its contributions to highspeed networked computing.

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their presence until they affect us personally. And even though many injuries we see in the workplace can be fixed or cured, some have the potential for long-lasting detriment to your health and lifestyle.

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[40, 30 and 20 Year Awardees Honored at the Annual Service Award Dinner](#)

By Erin Smith



On Tuesday evening, March 23, SLAC honored employees who have worked for Stanford and SLAC for 40, 30 and 20 years at the Annual Service Award dinner held at the Stanford Faculty Club.

This year, a total of 49 employees earned service awards, with six 40 year awardees, ten 30 year awardees and thirty-three 20 year awardees.

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Data are nature's gift to scientists, but the gift can at times feel like a curse.

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[Winter Shutdown Permanently Extended](#)

The University has decided to permanently extend the annual Winter Shutdown from one week to two. A full two week shutdown will now become the norm for the entire University for the foreseeable future.

The original objective in closing the University was budget savings. There has been a surprising amount of positive feedback from people throughout campus.

In addition to institutionalizing the shutdown, there will be two additional paid days off in 2004 to assist employees in maintaining full pay during the shutdown; in all future years, there will be one paid day off granted.

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