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Valentine's event benefits AAAS

The third annual Valentine Sweetheart Dinner and Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Red Lion Hotel in Richland. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Afro-Americans for an Academic Society, an advocate for children's academic achievement since 1976. The event will raise funds for special projects, student activities and scholarships. The social time begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7. Da Blues Funk Party band will provide entertainment. The event also features romantic gifts, door prizes and dancing until midnight. Tickets are \$45 per person and may be purchased at the Bon Marché gift-wrapping department or at Fantastic Sam's. For more information, call Vanessa Moore at 376-8141 or Debra Wright at 373-7004.

Order doughnuts for JA dollars fund-raiser

The Fluor Hanford Community Programs Junior Achievement bowling team is accepting orders for Krispy Kreme doughnuts until noon Monday, Feb. 10. The fund-raiser will support Junior Achievement. The price is \$6.50 per dozen. You may get an order form by contacting Lynn Tegeler at 376-4625 or at lynn_e_tegeler@rl.gov, or at ^Community Programs. Send your completed order form and your check payable to "Junior Achievement/Krispy Kreme Fund-Raiser" to Lynn Tegeler, c/o Fluor Hanford, mailstop H8-65, P.O. Box 1000, Richland, WA 99352. Pick up your order between 6 and 8 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13, in the lobby of 2420 Stevens Center.

Donate blood at the Federal Building on Feb. 11

The bi-monthly American Red Cross blood drawing in the Federal Building will be held Tuesday, Feb. 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration will take place in the Federal Building lobby. Blood will be drawn in the Bloodmobile located in the parking lot on the north side of the building. To make an appointment, contact Carolyn McCain at carolyn_s_mccain@rl.gov or at 372-3580.

Software engineering discussed at Feb. 11 meeting

"Software Engineering and Quality Assurance" will

be the topic at the Feb. 11 Association for Quality and Participation and American Society for Quality dinner presentation at Tri-Tech, at 5929 West Metaline in Kennewick. Presenter Steve Hans will help you gain understanding of the practices, process and language of software. Check-in and networking start at 5:30 p.m., with dinner catered by Tri-Tech at 6 and the presentation at 7. The cost is \$16 for AQP and ASQ members, \$18 for non-members or \$5 for the presentation only. Make your reservation by Feb. 6 by calling 372-1442, sending an e-mail message to lynn_1_gates@rl.gov, or registering via the AQP chapter's Web site at <http://www.3-cities.com/~gates/AQPQuest.htm>. Click on "What's Next" for additional information about the program, speakers and dinner menu.

'How to Survive Challenges' at Feb. NMA meeting

The Hanford Chapter of the National Management Association will hold its monthly dinner meeting on Feb. 12 at the Red Lion Hotel in Richland. The meeting theme will be "How to Survive Challenges." Dan Miller, author and motivational speaker from Yakima, will present "Living, Laughing and Loving Life!" The social hour begins at 5 p.m. A mini-seminar examining personal ability to deal with adversity also begins at 5 p.m. The business meeting begins at 6, and dinner will be at 6:30. There is no charge for chapter members, and the cost for guests is \$20. Make a reservation by calling Lisa Hart at 376-3484.

Observance for congenital heart defects awareness

The public is invited to the Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Day observance on Feb. 13 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Hampton Inn at 486 Bradley Blvd. in Richland. The event is hosted by Cardiac Kids' Club. Congenital heart defects are the most common birth defects in the United States. Activities include the presentation of Washington State's CHD day proclamation signed by Governor Gary Locke; a celebration and memorial to honor and remember children affected by CHDs and the

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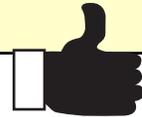
health professionals that care for them; a silent auction and fund-raiser to benefit Cardiac Kids, a local support group for families with children born with heart defects, and Congenital Heart Information Network, a national support group; juggling by Tapteal Elementary School's Circus Club members; and fun activities for children. Contact Cathy Manderbach, Washington's CHD Day coordinator, at 967-5738 or 531-0864, or at Cienna88@aol.com for more information.

National Engineers' Week Competition Feb. 19

To commemorate National Engineers Week, Feb. 16-22, the Hanford Site will hold its "Friendly Competition" on Feb. 19 at 1200 Jadwin in Richland. Start forming your team of two to four people for the competition, which will be Junkyard Wars-style with the theme "Hold Your Water." Rules and supplies will be handed out at the start of the competition. Teams will build a small device out of office supplies. Scoring is based on cost, schedule, safety and function. The competition is open to all Hanford Site personnel. For more information, contact Lori Weidner at 376-4585 or at lori_b_weidner@rl.gov before Feb. 7.

Variété raises funds for Neurological Center

Tri-Cities Variété, a cabaret-style event featuring music, dance, art, comedy, magic, an auction and door prizes will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Feb. 28 at Bingo Boulevard, 6222 W. John Day Ave. in Kennewick. Tickets are available from the Neurological Center, 712 Swift Blvd. in Richland, or the Bookworm in Richland and Kennewick. The event will raise funds for the Neurological Center, a non-profit United Way agency that provides information, education and support to Tri-City residents and their families on more than 25 chronic neurological disorders. For more information on the Neurological Center, call 943-8455, send e-mail to TNCfingers@aol.com or visit www.tcfn.org/neurocenter/index.html. ♦



BRAVO

CH2M HILL Hanford Group announces award winners

The CH2M HILL Hanford Group Employee Recognition Council honored November and December performance award winners during a luncheon held Jan. 29 in the 200 East Area.

For the month of November, the team of **Chris Woehle, Tad Miers, William McFee** and **Don Craig** was the winner in the safety category. Winners in the individual category were **David Barger, Mike Crockett, Bobbi Bennett, Loren Martin, Peter Diaz, Ray Meredith** and **James Thorne**. Winning in the team category was the team of **Ken Anderson, Joe Bewick, Mark Brown, Stuart Hildreth, David Klug, Lawrence Rouse** and **Rick Thompson**.

For the month of December, the team of **Tom Hein, Clyde Saunders, Ben Wutzke** and **Dave Patrick** won in the safety category. Other individual winners were **Doug Zellars, Coll (CB) Porter** and **George Stanton**. The team of **Dennis Lien, Harry Schmidt** and **Bob Hickman** were winners in the team category.

Nomination forms are available on Site Forms: A-6001-358.

Stewart named FFTF Employee of the Quarter

For his efforts to prepare for the Fast Flux Test Facility's secondary sodium drain to support plant deactivation, Rory Stewart was named FFTF Employee of the Quarter for the quarter ending Dec. 31.

According to Tom Gregory, maintenance manager for FFTF, Stewart did an outstanding job pulling the immersion heater package and installation together on schedule.

Over the past four months, he worked almost full-time on the heater package and several trace heat packages to support the secondary sodium drain activities and schedule. Stewart performed all this extra work as he continued to function as the Fix-It-Now Team operations engineer, making sure that critical plant needs were met in a timely manner. He worked extra hours at FFTF and on weekends at home, all without compensation, getting the packages written and approved for fieldwork.

After the immersion heater package was approved, he was asked to be the person-in-charge for fieldwork on the electrical and mechanical portions of the immersion heater installation. ♦

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CLASSES

Brush up your grammar at the Skills Lab

This month, the Skills Lab will offer its popular half-day presentations on grammar and punctuation in room 31 of the Administration Building at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center.

- **Painless Punctuation** will be offered Thursday, Feb. 20, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Participants will learn to cure comma-itis; use colons and semi-colons properly; handle exhausted apostrophes; tackle the lowly hyphen; review fragments, comma splices and run-ons; and review must-know key rules.
- **Goof-Proofing your Grammar** will be offered Thursday, Feb. 27, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Participants will learn to recognize and deal with the most frequent grammatical goofs: pronoun problems; mangled modifiers; easily confused, misused and abused words; proper use of who/whom, lie/lay, bring/take, who/which/that; pronoun-antecedent agreement; subject-verb agreement; parallel phrasing; and must-know key rules.

The Skills Enhancement Lab is a partnership of the Department of Energy, Columbia Basin College and HAMMER, operated by Fluor Hanford. The Skills Lab helps workers improve their basic reading, writing, math and spelling skills. There is no charge for the classes, but they are popular, so reserve a seat now by calling the Skills Lab at 376-3250.

PROTRAIN offers the following software classes:

- **Network Defense and Countermeasures** — March 17-21
 - **Primavera Project Planning**
P-3 604 — March 19
 - **Crystal Reports 8**
Introduction — Feb. 5; March 10
Advanced — Feb. 6; March 11
- Office XP classes are now available. For more information or to register, call 375-0414.

Training for administrative professionals

The Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center will host two training classes conducted by

the American Management Association for administrative professionals in March. The training is targeted to enhance and support skill sets required by administrative professionals. Class size is limited to 25. The following classes will be conducted at HAMMER:

- **Management Skills for Administrative Professionals, Course No. 2294** — March 17, 18 and 19. The cost is \$645 and students earn 1.8 continuing education units.
 - **Managing Chaos: Dynamic Time Management, Recall, Reading & Stress Management for Administrative Professionals, Course No. 002194** — March 20 and 21. The cost is \$510 and students earn 1.2 continuing education units.
- Register by e-mail to Libby Sickler.

HAMMER sponsors RCRA seminar

Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center will sponsor a three-day Resource Conservation and Recovery Act seminar from McCoy and Associates on March 18, 19 and 20 at the Red Lion Hotel in Richland. Attendees will receive McCoy's *RCRA Reference*, 2003 edition, McCoy's *RCRA Unraveled*, 2003 edition and RCRA remediation options and case studies. Site personnel may register for the seminar with their training schedulers or through PeopleSoft. The cost is \$550. Course agenda or additional information may be obtained by contacting your training scheduler or Don Brock via e-mail.

ASME B31.3 Process Piping presented March 24-27

The Columbia Basin Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers will present the professional development course, ASME B31.3 Process Piping, March 24-27 at Washington State University Tri-Cities. The instructor is Glynn Woods, and the cost is \$1,195 (\$1,395 after Feb. 3) for ASME members and \$1,345 (\$1,545 after Feb. 3) for non-members. This course demonstrates how the B31.3 Code has been correctly and incorrectly applied through examples shown by the instructor. To register, contact Matt Robinson at 371-5858 or at matt@asme.org. For more information, visit http://www.asme.org/sections/cb/B31_3course.html. ♦

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NEWS BRIEFS



Applications available for Fluor Scholarship Program

Applications for the Fluor Scholarship Program are now available. The Fluor Scholarship Program is intended to encourage Fluor employees' children to further their education after completing secondary school, to honor them for achievements and to assist them in financing that education. The Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc. administers the program. Awards are made on the basis of academic merit and potential to succeed. Applications for the annual Fluor Scholarship Program are available online. The program is described on the Hanford Intranet at <http://www.rl.gov/hr/scolqna.htm>. The application is available at <https://www1.csfa.org/fluor/>. For more information, contact Jackie Bender at 373-6470.

Science Bowl volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for the Department of Energy Regional Science Bowl on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Washington State University Tri-Cities. Question readers, scorers, timers and judges are required in each of eight competition rooms beginning at 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Up to 32 teams of high-school students will compete in contests (modeled after the game show Jeopardy!) with math and science topics. For more information or to offer your help, visit <http://www.hanford.gov/doe/sciencebowl/>, or contact Beth Perry, Science Bowl coordinator, at 588-3901 or at bperry@owt.com.

New document numbering system

On Jan. 16, the Hanford Document Numbering System, Version 2.1.2, was released. No action is required for current users. Version 2.1.2 provides two new document types for CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. — engineering change notices and field change notices, or ECN and FCN — and one document type for Fluor Hanford — Central Plateau-Groundwater Protection Program, or CP-GPP.

If you have questions or need additional information, contact Ben Gelhaus at 376-7837 or Helen Burke at 376-8474, or send an e-mail message to ^HDNS/Hanford Document Numbering System

Badging process changed for contracts

Two important changes have been made to the Fluor Hanford and CH2M HILL Hanford Group badging process

for subcontractor access to Hanford Site facilities. Existing contracts will be modified by Sept. 30. Beginning on Jan. 30, any new or modified subcontract will include the following changes:

- Only the Fluor Hanford and CH2M HILL procurement organizations will authorize badges for subcontractor personnel.
- To assure that badges will be returned when the work is complete, subcontractors will be liable for a \$1,000 fee for each badge or dosimeter not returned when work is done.

Subcontractors must return their badges to Central Badging. However, if you receive a badge from a terminating subcontractor, please return it immediately to Central Badging. Promptly returning these badges will assist procurement personnel in determining the final invoice amounts payable to the subcontractors. ♦



SHOEMOBILE

300 Area

along fence east of Wisconsin Street

Feb. 10	1-4 p.m.	Sound Safety
March 3	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales

100K Area

parking lot south of MO-401

March 4	7-10 a.m.	BC Sales
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200 East Area

northeast gravel parking lot of 2101-M

Feb. 11	7 a.m.-12 p.m.	Sound Safety
March 4	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	BC Sales

200 West Area

parking lot east of MO-281

Feb. 11	1 p.m.-4 p.m.	Sound Safety
March 4	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales

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GENERAL INFO & ACTIVITIES

MAIL YOUR TICKET REQUESTS TO THE APPROPRIATE LISTED TICKET SELLER

— It saves the ticket sellers' time and your tickets will be sent to you the same day. Do not combine the charge for tickets to two different events on the same check. If you do, it will be returned.

HRA DISCOUNTS — We are in the process of renewing discounts from 2002 and adding new ones for 2003. Log on to <http://apweb02.rl.gov/hrd/> to find the new discount updates.

HERO POLICY FOR NSF CHECKS — Associated non-sufficient fund bank fees will be passed on to check issuers. HERO will not absorb the cost.

POSITIONS ON THE HERO BOARD — The following positions on the HERO Board are vacant: 100 Area representative, 200E Area representative, Richland area representative and publicity chairman. If you would like to apply and have your manager's consent, please send an e-mail message to Phyllis Roha.

TRI-CITY AMERICANS HOCKEY TICKETS — \$10 for adults, \$7 for students with ASB cards, children ages 3 to 12 and adults 62 and over. Send checks made payable to HERO to Linda Meigs (H3-12).

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS — Watch this world-famous basketball team perform in their "Reclaiming The Game" show on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. in the Tri-Cities Coliseum. All seats are reserved and tickets are on sale now for the discounted prices of \$8, \$13 and \$16 (under age 2 are free). Send checks (made out to "Tri-Cities Coliseum") to Linda Meigs at H3-12. Sales end Friday, Feb. 7 so buy your tickets now!

SKI BLUEWOOD — Lift ticket vouchers are now on sale! The prices are \$27 for adults, \$23 for students (with valid ASB card), \$20 for children (in first through eighth grade) and seniors (65 years and older). These prices reflect a \$3 discount. Send your check payable HERO to Tricia Poland (T5-04).

DISCOUNTED MOVIE TICKETS — Limit now 10 per purchase. Carmike tickets are \$5 each with restrictions applying only to Sony DDS movies. Regal tickets are \$5.50 each and applicable restrictions are identified in the *Tri-City Herald* with a star. Yakima Mercy tickets are \$5 each with no restric-

tions. Regal and Carmike tickets are valid in Seattle and Spokane as well as the Tri-Cities. For Regal or Carmike tickets, send checks (no cash) made payable to HERO to Linda Meigs (H3-12), Linda Sheehan (T4-40), Nancy Zeuge (X3-74), Michelle Brown-Palmore (A7-51), Ginny Wallace (S7-03) or Patti Boothe (T6-04). Sunnyside Movie Theater is now offering tickets for two admissions for one show, for \$9.50 with no show restrictions. These tickets are also good for Ellensburg and Walla Walla. For Yakima Mercy or Sunnyside tickets, send checks (no cash) to Nancy Zeuge (X3-74), Jim Hopfinger (S7-39) or Tricia Poland (T5-04).

UPCOMING TRIPS

• **Canadian Rockies Train Tour** — May 9-17. The price is \$2,199 pp including round-trip airfare from Pasco. Price includes 14 meals, tours, transfers and taxes. A \$100 deposit is due as soon as possible, with the balance due March 10. Fly to Vancouver, British Columbia, and explore the beautiful Canadian Rockies by train. Visit Kamloops, Jasper, Ice Fields Parkway, Lake Louise, Banff and Calgary. Visit <http://apweb02.rl.gov/hero/activities.cfm> for more information or contact Phyllis Roha at 376-6413 or by e-mail.

• **New Orleans Getaway** — May 19-23. \$1,099 ppdo includes airfare, lodging and six meals during this five-day getaway to the "Jazz Capital of the World." A deposit of \$160 per person will reserve your spot, with final payment due March 20. Contact Linda Meigs for details.

• **French Riviera** — Oct. 6-15. The price is \$2,284 pp for twin, \$2,254 pp for triple and \$2,584 for single. A deposit of \$430 is due March 21 to hold your space, and the balance is due July 23. Credit cards are accepted. Tour the French Riviera, Italian Riviera, Monaco, St. Tropez, Cannes, Grasse and Nice. We will fly round-trip from Pasco. We only have to unpack once as we will be staying in Nice and taking day trips to all the other exciting places. There will be free time also to do your own exploring. Included are seven breakfasts and five dinners. Start saving now for an exciting adventure. E-mail Nancie Simon or call 373-2587 for more information.

• **Disney World/Disney Cruise** — Oct. 19-26. The price ranges from \$1,302 to \$1,852 ppdo, depending on the type of room you want. The price includes round-trip airfare from Pasco, four days in Walt Disney World with entrance into all the parks, a three-day cruise to the Bahamas and Castaway Cay (Disney's private island), taxes and transfers. Don't wait

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to send in a \$250 per person deposit to hold your spot. Contact Jim Hopfinger for more information.

• **Reflections of Italy** — Departure date is Nov. 3. \$2,782 ppdo includes airfare, lodging and 13 meals during this 10-day journey to Italy, beginning in Rome, “the Eternal City.” A deposit of \$430 per person will reserve your spot, with final payment due Sept. 4. Contact Linda Meigs for details.

• **Switzerland** — Nov. 3-11. The price is \$1,879 pp including round-trip airfare from Pasco. Price includes 11 meals, tours, transfers and taxes. A \$250 deposit is due May 3 and the balance is due Sept. 4. The medieval city of Bern is our host city. Highlights of the tour include the Swiss Parliament, the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens, Lake Geneva and the medieval Castle of Chillon. Enjoy breathtaking Alpine views with a ride on the Panoramic Express Train to Gstaad. Then on to Interlaken, Grindewald, Zurich, Burgdorf Castle, Lucerne and an optional tour to Germany and the mystical Black Forest. Visit <http://apweb02.rl.gov/hero/activities.cfm> or contact Phyllis Roha at 376-6413 or by e-mail for more information. ♦



Vanpool ads are run for two weeks. Ads must be resubmitted to run in subsequent issues of the *Hanford Reach*. The deadline for submission is Thursday, 10 days prior to publication.

Day and Zimmermann Protection Technology Hanford reminds employees to wear their badges. Vanpool and carpool drivers are responsible for ensuring their passengers are badged. If a passenger forgets his or her security badge, access is denied at the barricade. The individual is required to go to a badging station for a temporary badge or go home to retrieve the badge. For more information visit the Safeguards and Security Web page at <http://apweb02.rl.gov/phmc/sas>.

KENNEWICK

Van No. 205 has an opening for a rider on 8x9s. Leaves Albertson's on Edison at Clearwater with a stop at the Richland airport. Drops off at 222-S Lab, 242-WA and WRAP. Contact **Abe Garza** or **Dave Winstead** at 373-2898. 2/3

Van No. 123 to 200E, needs riders, 8x9s shift. Safe, dependable and friendly. Current stops are 10th and Washington, Huntington Transit Station, Federal Building, 2101-M, B-Plant, 2704-HV and 2701-HV. Call **Eric** at 373-4497 or 735-6755 (home). 1/20

RICHLAND

8x9 vanpool to 200E needs a rider. Rate as low as \$33.50

per month. Leaves former Hanford bus lot (across from 2440 Stevens) at 6:25 a.m. and drops off at 2750-E and MO-276 (behind 2750-E). Arrives at bus lot at 5 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays and at 4 on Fridays worked. Contact **Dave Hedengren** at 373-5094. 1/20

Vanpool No. 114 has immediate openings for two riders. Vanpool stops at PFP exclusively. Vanpool begins at 1211 Birch in Richland at approximately 6:10 a.m. and picks up along Wright Avenue with the final pickup point at Desert Rock Fellowship on Jadwin. If interested, contact **Gary Anderson** at 373-1304 or **John Faulkner** at 373-2286. 1/20

Vanpool No. 182 is seeking riders, 8x9s, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Leaves the Stevens Drive bus lot (Next to Hertz Equipment Rental) at 6:15 a.m. Drops off at 2750 at 6:40 a.m., and then 2704-HV. Arrives back at 2440 Stevens at 5:05 p.m. Contact **David Braun** at 376-6510 or **Bill Cowles** at 376-4725. 1/20

Van No. 117 has openings for 8x9 riders within 200W Area. Departs 6 a.m. and returns about 5:10 p.m. on Mondays-Thursdays and 4:10 on Fridays just north of Densow's Drugstore (1019 Wright in Richland). Drops off and picks up riders at ERDF trailers, Fab Shop, MO-278, MO-556, 272-WA, and MO-437. E-mail or call **Gary Bush** at 372-2531, (MO-437). 2/3

YAKIMA

Yakima Transit-sponsored Vanpool No. 3156 from Yakima to the 400 and 300 Areas and Richland seeks additional riders. Departs 5 days a week from the Park 'n Ride lot (near the Target Store) in West Yakima at 5:35 a.m. Picks up at East Valley Market (in Moxee), along the beginning of State Highway 24 by 5:45. The driving route continues east along SH-24 to the Hanford Site. Drops off at locations in the 400 and 300 Areas, ending at the Federal Building. Picks up 300 Area riders at 4 p.m. and arrives back in Yakima around 5:30. Contact **Jesse Allen** at (509) 528-0614 or **Doug Chapin** at 373-9396. 1/20.

WEST RICHLAND

Vanpool to 200E, 8x9, is looking for two riders. Leaves Flat Top Park at 6:10 a.m. with drops at 2750, WESF and 2727-E. Contact **Glenn** at 372-0054 or **Curt** at 373-7935. 1/20 ♦