

# Regular Features



## VANPOOLS

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

Vanpool No. 97 is looking for riders, 8x9s. Rate as low as \$54.20 per month. Starts in downtown Kennewick and picks up at ShopKo at 6 a.m. and the Federal Building at 6:10 a.m. Drops off at 2750-E and 2740-HV. Contact **Mike Bryden** at 373-4624. 5/19

## PASCO

Vanpool to 200W needs riders, 8x9s (7 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). Leaves former Pasco Kmart at 5:45 a.m., stops at Road 100 at 5:55 and at the Hanford Training Center (by the Columbia Basin Racquet Club) at 6:05, then travels on Highway 240 to all stops in 200W. Call **Don** 373-2933 or **John** 373-2224. 5/19

## RICHLAND

Van No. 190 seeks several riders. Ideal for workers on 4x10s or exemptions who routinely arrive early or stay late. Currently leaves the vanpool lot at the Richland Wye at 6 a.m., and picks up at the north end of the Training Center parking lot by the Richland Airport. Willing to negotiate additional stops at the Waste Treatment Plant construction site, 200E and 600N. Contact **Derek** at 376-9018; or **Jim, Joe or Kenny** at 373-2687 or 373-2845. 5/27

Vanpool No. 195, low-cost route from Richland to 200E, has three openings. 8x9s, 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Starts at Mowry Square Condominiums (close to 7-Eleven at Jadwin). Picks up along George Washington Way, Jadwin north of Van Giesen, 7-Eleven by George Washington Way, and 2440 Stevens south parking lot. Stops at 274-AW, 2750-E, CSB and 2704-HV locations. For more information call **Jon Renholds** at 373-4248, **Betty Zscheile** at 373-7282 or **Leona Aamot** at 372-3769. 5/27

Vanpool to 200E needs several riders, 8x9. Rate as low as \$33.50 per month. Leaves former Hanford bus lot (across from 2440 Stevens Center) 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 p.m. on Fridays worked. Contact **Dave Hedengren** at 373-5094. 5/27 ♦



## NEWS BRIEFS

### DOE extends public comment period on solid waste cleanup document

The Department of Energy has extended the public review and comment period on the *Revised Draft Hanford Site Solid (Radioactive and Hazardous) Waste Program Environmental Impact Statement*. The document analyzes alternatives for treatment, storage and disposal of immobilized low-activity waste from the Hanford tanks, low-level waste, mixed low-level waste and transuranic waste. The comment period began April 11, and will run until June 11. The full document and a 40-page summary are available on the Hanford Web site at [www.hanford.gov/eis/eis-0286D2](http://www.hanford.gov/eis/eis-0286D2).

### Golf tournament fund-raiser successful

The annual golf tournament to benefit the Children's Developmental Center, held May 14 at Canyon Lakes in Kennewick, raised \$42,000. The funds will be used at the Children's Developmental Center, an early intervention program for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities. At the Developmental Center, services of physical, occupational, and speech therapies as well as special education are offered to children without cost to the family. The Fluor Corporation was one of the sponsors of the tournament.

### PTB transfer approved for Thompson

Tim Thompson, a nuclear chemical operator at the Canister Storage Building, has been approved to receive personal time bank-transferred hours. Thompson needs to care for his wife, who is battling cancer. Fluor Project Hanford team employees who wish to transfer PTB hours to Thompson can do so by completing a PTB/Vacation Transfer Request form (Site Form A-6002-807) and sending it to Michael Dickinson, Fluor Hanford Workforce Services and Project Support, S2-43. Time must be transferred in one-hour increments. ♦

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## CLASSES



### Skills Lab offers “Painless Punctuation,” other classes

The Skills Enhancement Lab will offer three four-hour classes to help improve your writing skills. The following classes are all offered 7:30-11:30 a.m. in Room 31 of the Administration Building at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center:

- **Painless Punctuation** — Thursday, June 5. 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** — Thursday, June 19. Learn to recognize and correct the most frequent grammatical goofs.
- **Successful Business and Technical Writing** — Thursday, June 26, or Thursday, July 17. This light-hearted workshop teaches the essentials of successful business and technical writing through relevant exercises. Suggested prerequisites are “Painless Punctuation” and “Goof-Proofing Your Grammar.”

There is no charge for any of these popular sessions, but classes fill quickly, so reserve a seat now by calling Kathy Dechter at 376-3250.

### NMA offers FaciliSkills™ workshops June 5, 13, 19

The Hanford Chapter of the National Management Association will host FaciliSkills™ training on June 5, 13 and 19, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The three-day training consists of the following four workshops: “Making the Smart Connection” focuses on relationships, “The Art and Science of Self-Mastery” discusses communication, “Transformational Leadership” teaches team-building and “Logistics and Process Dynamics” covers problem-solving and decision-making skills. The workshops will be held at the Washington State University Consolidated Information Center, room 201/212. The cost is \$350. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.nma1.org/faciliskills/index.htm>, or call 1-866-294-4587. The registration deadline is May 31. The workshop is open to the public.

### Building Leadership Skills Seminar set for June 6

The Building Leadership Skills Seminar Series is sponsoring Joe Estey, founder of Prolepsis Training, who will present “Living in the Present, as if the Future has Already Occurred!” The seminar will be held Friday, June 6, at the Tri-Cities Coliseum Founders’ Club. Registration and breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m., the seminar is from 8 a.m. to noon, and lunch and networking are from noon until 1 p.m. The cost is \$40 for members of National Management Association, American Society for Quality, Association for Quality and Participation, Leadership Tri-Cities, WSU Business Advisory Council and the Tri-City Herald. The cost is \$50 for other attendees. Make your reservation by calling 736-1929 by June 3.

### Effective Presentations offered on June 23

“Effective Presentations” is an eight-hour course that is ideal for anyone wanting to improve their communication skills including trainers, managers, team leaders and committee members. This course will be presented on June 23 by Joe Estey at the Hanford Training Center. The cost is \$180 per person. To register, contact Joan Howard at 946-2102 or at [jhoward@energxfanford.com](mailto:jhoward@energxfanford.com) or Lynn Collins at 946-9654 or at [lcollins@energxfanford.com](mailto:lcollins@energxfanford.com).

### Personal Protection Safety Measures, July 29-30, 2003

The Northwest Public Power Association is presenting “Personal Protection Safety Measures,” a two-day class at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center July 29-30. This course will cover the physiology of electrical shock and treatment; the Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s mandated electrical requirements; the role and use of NFPA 70E; and over 600-volt applications. Register before June 27 and pay \$1,095. The cost is \$1,145 for registrations received after June 27. To register, contact Wendy Carlson at (360) 254-0109 or visit [www.nwppa.org](http://www.nwppa.org). ♦

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## CALENDAR

### **American Ceramic Society meets May 29**

The Eastern Washington Chapter of the American Ceramic Society will hold its Spring 2003 meeting on May 29 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Columbia Room of ETB on the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory campus. PNNL's Vince Sprengle will present "Overview of Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Technology." The meeting is open to the public, and light refreshments will be served.

### **May 30 golf tournament to benefit MDA**

Hanford Fire Department and the Muscular Dystrophy Association are holding their sixth annual golf tournament on May 30 at Canyon Lakes Golf Course in Kennewick. Proceeds from this event will help send local children with muscle disease to summer camp, provide research to find treatments and a cure, and assist in purchasing wheelchairs and leg braces. The shotgun start is at 1 p.m. The entry fee is \$240 per foursome and includes greens fees and cart, free range balls, prizes and steak and salmon dinner after play. For more information, call Mark Cope at 373-1475.

### **Audubon Society shows 'Winged Migration' June 6, 7**

The Lower Columbia Audubon Society and Sony Picture Classics present the Academy Award nominee for best documentary, "Winged Migration," at 7 p.m. on June 6 and 7 at the Battelle Auditorium. A matinee showing will take place at 3 p.m. on June 7. Tickets for evening showings are \$5 each, with children 6 and under free. The matinee showing will have tickets available at \$10 for a family or \$5 for individuals. Tickets may be purchased at the Bookworm in Kennewick and Richland or at the door.

### **Scholarships awarded at ASQ & AQP June meeting**

The June 10 dinner meeting of the local American Society for Quality and the Association for Quality and Participation organizations will focus on this year's scholarship recipients. Awards will be presented to two Richland High School seniors — \$1,000 to Catherine Sampson, and \$750 to Sahar Zuberi, daughter of Shakir Zuberi, who works for CH2M HILL Hanford Group. The special guest speaker will be

Sandra Hill, superintendent of the Pasco School District, who will talk briefly about "Quality in the Pasco School District." The meeting will be held at the Shilo Inn, Richland, with check-in and networking starting at 5:30 p.m., the buffet dinner starting at 6, and the presentation starting at 7. The cost is \$16 for AQP and ASQ members, \$18 for non-members, or \$5 for the awards/presentations only. Make your reservations by June 5 by calling 372-1442, sending an e-mail message to [lynn\\_l\\_gates@rl.gov](mailto:lynn_l_gates@rl.gov) or registering via the AQP chapter's Web site at <http://www.3-cities.com/~gates/AQPQuest.htm>.

### **Donate blood at one of two locations in June**

Hanford workers have two opportunities to donate blood in June. On June 11, the American Red Cross bloodmobile will be in the PFP parking lot from 9:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. To schedule an appointment to give blood, contact Patrick Jenkins by e-mail or call 373-6221. On June 12, the blood drawing will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Federal Building. Registration will take place in the lobby, with the drawing in the bloodmobile in the parking lot north of the building. To schedule an appointment, call the American Red Cross at (800) 787-9691. Walk-ins are always welcome.

### **Conference on plutonium in Albuquerque July 6-10**

The Science 2003 Conference — The Plutonium Futures — will be held July 6-10 in Albuquerque, N.M. The third in a series, this conference will provide an international forum for presenting and discussing current research on physical and chemical properties and environmental interactions of plutonium and other actinide elements. Register before June 5 and save \$100. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.lanl.gov/pu2003>. ♦

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## GENERAL INFO & ACTIVITIES

**POSITIONS ON THE HERO BOARD** — The HERO Board positions of 300 Area representative, secretary and vice president-social are vacant. If you would like to apply, and have your manager's consent, send an e-mail message to Phyllis Roha.

**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** — Log on to <http://apweb02.rl.gov/hrd/> to see the discounts list.

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

**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 restrictions. 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), Marta Caballero (S5-14) or Patti Boothe (T6-04). Sunnyside Movie Theater is now offering tickets for two admissions for one show, for \$10.50 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).

**SILVERWOOD TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE** — The amusement park is now open through Sept. 28. The new Boulder Beach Water Park will open July 1. Discount ticket prices through HERO are \$22.50 for general admission (ages 8-64) and \$11 for children age 3 to 7 years and seniors 65 years and older. Ticket sellers are Linda Meigs (H3-12), Cheri McGee (N2-53), Nancy Zeuge (X3-74), Tricia Poland (T5-04), Marta Caballero (S5-14) and Ginny Wallace (S7-03). Please send your checks (made out to HERO) to any of these ticket sellers and your tickets will be sent back to you in the plant mail.

**MT. ADAMS GOLF OUTING** — Get your foursomes together for the second annual HERO golf outing at Mt. Adams. Join us for a fun-filled day of golfing in Toppenish at the country club on Sept. 26 (Friday off), with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. There is no need for handicap. The cost is \$55, which includes a barbecued burger lunch, greens fees, one-half cart, goodie bag and prize fund. To sign up, make your check out to HERO and send it along with your group's names to Jim Hopfinger at S7-39.

**SIX FLAGS WILD WAVES/ENCHANTED VILLAGE TICKETS AVAILABLE** — The parks offer 70 acres of non-stop fun for everyone. After a short drive to Federal Way (near Tacoma), enjoy more than 40 exhilarating rides and attractions in Enchanted Village, and then cool down in one of Wild Wave's 14 thrilling waterslides. Ride the surf in the gigantic 24,000-square-foot wave pool! With two parks for the price of one, it's simply the most fun you'll have all year! Discounted tickets are available through HERO for \$21 per person (ages 2 and under are free). To purchase your tickets, send checks (made payable to "HERO") to Linda Meigs at H3-12.

## UPCOMING TRIPS

• **Hood River Murder Mystery Dinner Train** — August 16. Reserve your table for a sumptuous dinner and a murderously funny evening filled with entertainers. Dinner includes appetizer, salad, main course and dessert. The price of \$135 per person includes round-trip bus from Tri-Cities plus the dinner train. A \$25 per-person deposit by June 1 will secure your space. Final payment is due July 1. For more information, send an e-mail message to Linda Meigs or call Marla of Carlson Wagonlit Travel at 783-4645.

• **Vacation of a lifetime, the French Riviera** — Oct. 6-15. The price is \$2,284 pp for twin, \$2,254 pp for triple and \$2,584 for single, which includes round-trip air fare from Pasco, \$120 cancellation insurance and \$85 in taxes and fees. Payment in full is due at signup. For those who have made a deposit, final payment is due July 23. Tour the French Riviera, Italian Riviera, Monaco, St. Tropez, Cannes, Grasse and Nice. 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. E-mail Nancie Simon at [bearclanwa@aol.com](mailto:bearclanwa@aol.com) or call 627-0657 for more information.

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## Employee Activities

## H.E.R.O.

• **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 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 to send in a \$250 per person deposit to hold your spot. Contact Tricia Poland 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 as soon as possible with the balance 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.

• **San Antonio Christmas** – Dec. 8-12. The price is \$1,289 pp for twin, \$1,269 pp for triple and \$1,659 for singles. Includes round-trip airfare from Seattle, transfers, cancellation waiver, travel insurance and six meals. Highlights of the trip will be Paseo Del Rio, the Alamo, a Mexican marketplace, the LBJ Ranch, Cavern Carolers and Fiesta De Las Luminarias. A deposit of \$160 is due by Aug. 22. Contact Cheri McGee for details. ♦



## SHOEMOBILE

### 300 Area

*along fence east of Wisconsin Street*

June 9	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales
June 23	noon-4 p.m.	Sound Safety

### 100K Area

*parking lot south of MO-401*

June 10	7-10 a.m.	BC Sales
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### 200 East Area

*northeast gravel parking lot of 2101-M*

June 10	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	BC Sales
June 24	7 a.m.-noon	Sound Safety

### 200 West Area

*parking lot east of MO-281*

June 10	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales
June 24	1-4 p.m.	Sound Safety