

Regular Features



Calendar

National Society of Black Engineers meets Aug. 27

The Columbia Basin Alumni Extension National Society of Black Engineers Chapter will hold the first monthly general board meeting for the 2003-2004 membership year on Aug. 27 at 6 p.m. in the Gallery of the Richland Public Library. This meeting will also be open to anyone interested in becoming a member. Light refreshments will be served. Come see what exciting activities NSBE has planned for the Tri-Cities. NSBE's mission is to increase the number of culturally responsible black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively affect the community.

Library staff helps you access information Aug. 27

On Wednesday, Aug. 27, noon to 1 p.m. in the Richland Room of the ROB on the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory campus, the Hanford Technical Library staff will help you to take advantage of databases and library services that provide you with the information you need to stay current in your field, monitor trends and stay one step ahead of your competition, all the while avoiding information overload. For more information, contact Karen Buxton at 372-7451 or at karen.buxton@pnl.gov.

Public star and Mars gaze at LIGO Aug. 29

The Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO) facility and the Tri-City Astronomy Club are sponsoring an evening of star and Mars observing on Friday night, August 29, from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The best time to observe Mars is about midnight. A public tour of LIGO also takes place from 7 to about 9 p.m. that same day. To reach LIGO, drive 8 miles north of Richland on State Route 240. When you reach State Route 225 near the Yakima River, turn right. Drive five miles to the entrance of LIGO. For more information, contact Terry Gunter of LIGO at 372-8106.

Tumbleweed Music Festival Aug. 30-31

The seventh annual Tumbleweed Music Festival will be held in Richland's Howard Amon Park Aug. 30-31. The daily events are free to the public from 11

a.m. to 7 p.m. More than 100 local, regional and national acts are featured on four outdoor stages and an indoor dance stage at the Richland Community Center. Musical performances range from international, traditional and contemporary folk to nautical, bluegrass and blues. Tickets for the Saturday-evening concert and Sunday-evening contra dance are available at the festival information booth for \$8 for general admission and \$5 for teens and seniors. Children under 12 are free. For more information, visit the Three Rivers Folklife Society Web site at <http://www.3rfs.org/tmf.htm>, or call 943-ARTS or 528-2215.

ASQ dinner meeting scheduled for Sept. 2

The Sept. 2 dinner meeting of the local American Society for Quality will be held at the Richland Shilo Inn beginning at 5:30 p.m. with check-in and networking. The buffet dinner is at 6, and the presentation is at 7. This meeting will provide an opportunity for those who are unfamiliar with ASQ to learn more about the organization. Members will get an update on the national organization's activities and their effect on the local section. The guest speaker is ASQ Fellow, recent ASQ board member and independent quality consultant Dennis Arter. The cost is \$10. There is no charge for attending the presentation only. Make your reservations by Aug. 28. Call 372-1442, send an e-mail message to lynn_1_gates@rl.gov or register via the local ASQ section Web site at <http://www.3-cities.com/~gates/ASQ614.html>. Click on "What's Next" for additional information about the program, speakers and the dinner menu.

Great American Songbook Concert set for Sept. 6

Steve Haberman and Friends present "The Great American Songbook" concert at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 6 at Chief Joseph Middle School Auditorium in Richland. Steve Haberman, Mary Lou Gnoza, John LaChapelle and other Tri-City musicians perform best-loved songs of stage and screen from the last three decades. The concert benefits the Mid-Columbia Symphony. Tickets are \$10, \$15 and \$20, with all seats reserved. Get tickets at the Battelle Performing

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Arts Business Center (at 716 Jadwin), by calling 943-ARTS, or at the door.

Sept. 9 PMI Chapter tours Storage Project

The Columbia River Basin Chapter of the Project Management Institute will tour the Dry Spent Fuel Storage Project at the Energy Northwest Hanford Generating Station on Tuesday, Sept. 9. The tour group will depart from the Stevens Center complex at 5:15 p.m., and return at approximately 7:30. Supper will be provided. This tour is limited to 30 people. You must have a reservation to attend; no walk-ins will be taken on the tour. The cost is \$10 for the tour and supper and \$5 for the tour only. Make your reservation by contacting Terri Witherspoon at Terri_T-Witherspoon@rl.gov by noon Sept. 5.

Donate blood at HAMMER on Sept. 9

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Tuesday, Sept. 9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Al Alm Building Vehicle Bay at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center. To schedule an appointment, contact Libby Sickler at 376-7117.

Duratek sponsors golf tournament on Sept. 11

The United Way scramble golf tournament, sponsored by Duratek, is scheduled for Sept. 11 at Canyon Lakes Golf Course in Kennewick. The shotgun start is at 1 p.m. All proceeds go to the United Way. For more information, visit www.duratekinc.com, under "Client News," or contact Angie Gagnon at 376-0804.

Safety and Health Conference takes place Oct. 3

"Emerging Issues in Safety and Health" is the title of the third Safety and Health Conference Oct. 3, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center. The topics will emphasize the safety challenges presented by emerging issues such as an aging workforce, regulatory shifts, funding restrictions and emergency planning in today's troubled world. The Lower Columbia Basin Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers, the Tri-City Education Committee of the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Associa-

tion, and the Northwest Chapter of the System Safety Society are sponsoring the conference. If paid before Sept. 1, the conference fee is \$100 (\$85 for speakers, \$35 for students). After Sept. 1, the fee is \$125 (\$100 for speakers, \$45 for students). The fee includes lunch and refreshments. Attendees will receive 0.7 continuing education credits or 1 CIH Certification Maintenance Point. Eight speakers, a nationally known keynote speaker and a HAMMER tour are planned. For more information, contact John Cavanaugh at 373-9625 or at john_e_jr_cavanaugh@rl.gov, or John Hinckley at 371-4408 or at jhinckle@bechtel.com.

Northwest Purchasing Conference Oct. 10-11

The National Association of Purchasing Management-Columbia Basin will host the Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference Oct. 10-11 at the Kennewick Red Lion Hotel. The conference will feature speakers, workshops, programs and a trade show related to purchasing, materials management and supply-chain management. For more information, consult the conference program Web page at <http://www.mltweb.com/orgs/conf/schedule.htm>. ♦



Classes

D2000 Safety Systems training offered at HAMMER

D2000 Safety Systems will be offering OSHA training for scaffolding at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center on Sept. 9-11. "Scaffolds-Competent Person" will train employees to identify the proper ways to erect scaffolding, will explain the hazards associated with scaffolding, and will train employees to recognize the responsibilities of a competent person. This training meets the OSHA criteria required for the classification of a competent person. The cost for the class is \$595. Register by calling D2000 Safety Systems at (800) 551-87630.

TFE classes on environmental regulation, etc.

Environmental Training Management Division Training, a division of Technical and Field

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Engineering, Inc., is offering the courses listed below in Richland. To register, or for more information, visit www.etmdtraining.com.

- **Environmental Laws and Regulations Course** — Sept. 9-11. Cost is \$595. Topics covered include: Atomic Energy Act; National Environmental Policy Act; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; and Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act.
- **DOE O 435.1 Radioactive Waste Management Training** — Sept. 15-17. Cost is \$800. The course consist of five modules: introduction, overview, and goals; low-level waste; low-level waste disposal; transuranic waste; and high-level waste.
- **Management of Polychlorinated Biphenyls** — Sept. 23-25. Cost is \$780. Learning modules include background of PCB information (physical, chemical and toxicological properties) and discussion of 40 CFR 761.
- **Cleanup Site Closure: Integrating Regulatory and Administrative Activities** — Oct. 6-7. Cost is \$490. Topics covered planning, activities and documentation related to CERCLA and RCRA.

Basic mediation training offered this fall

The Benton Franklin Dispute Resolution Center will present “40-Hour Basic Mediation Training,” on Sept. 15, 16, 17, 30 and Oct. 1 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily at the Consolidated Information Center, Washington State University Tri-Cities campus. This training is open to all who want to become mediators or gain a higher degree of conflict management resolution skills. The course was designed and is taught by a team of experienced and practicing BFDRC mediators and trainers. The cost is \$500 per person, which includes all training materials plus a light breakfast, lunch and snacks each day. Contact the Benton Franklin Dispute Resolution Center at 783-3325 to request a registration form and submit payment. The registration deadline is Sept. 8.

Professional development classes offered in Sept/

The Tri-Cities Technical Council, an organization that represents local professional societies, will sponsor continuing education and professional development courses to be held 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Royal Hotel and Conference Center in Richland. The following courses are scheduled for September and October:

- **Leadership and Communication** — Oct. 10. The cost is \$295 for AIHA members and \$375 for non-members.
- **Construction and Contract Law** — Oct. 10-11. The cost is \$895 for ASCE members and \$1,095 for non-members.
- **Six Sigma for Global Competiveness** — Oct. 10-11. The cost is \$795 for American Institute of Chemical Engineers and \$955 for non-members.
- **Conceptual Development and Cost Estimating** — Oct. 10-11. The cost is \$795 for AIChE members and \$955 for non-members.
- **Heat Stress** — Oct. 24. The cost is \$295 for AIHA members and \$375 for non-members.
- **Design-Build Contracting** — Oct 24-25. The cost is \$895 for ASCE members and \$1,095 for non-members.
- **Automatic Control (Advanced)** — Oct 24-25. The cost is \$795 for AIChE members and \$955 for non-members.
- **Effective Communication** — Oct. 24-25. The cost is \$795 for AIChE members and \$955 for non-members.

Registration is due four weeks ahead of the course date. Students will earn Continuing Education Units or Certification Maintenance points. To register for the AIChE courses, send checks to the Columbia Valley Section of AIChE, P.O. Box 305, Richland, WA 99352. To register for the ASCE courses, send checks to Tri-Cities Technical Council, P.O. Box 1483, Richland, WA 99352. For more information or to register for the AIHA course, contact Marve Hyman at 375-0222.

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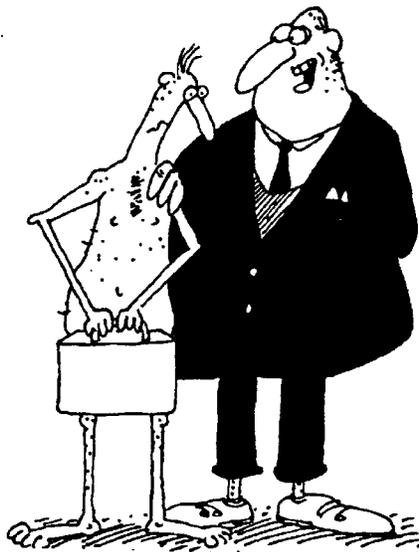
Resource Training Institute, LLC, offers courses this fall

The Resource Training Institute, LLC, will offer the following classes in Richland:

- **DOE O 435.1 Radioactive Waste Management Training** — Sept. 16-18, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
- **Cleanup Site Closure: Integrating Regulatory and Administrative Activities** — Oct. 14-15, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

To register, contact the RTI registrar at (803) 652-8830 or at registrar@rtii.org. For the full course schedule visit <http://www.rtii.org>. ♦

Farcus



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That-a-boy, Fishbeck.
Think streamlined!

Lost & Found

A motorcycle jacket was found on Aug. 19 on Route 3, very close to the 200 Area Central Fire Station. Contact **Richard Conley** at 373-2845 to claim it.



Employee Activities

HERO

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 — 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. No personal checks for more than \$250 will be accepted.

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 (S6-74), Cheri McGee (N2-53) 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 — 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. Tickets are valid through Sept. 28. Ticket sellers are Linda Meigs (H3-12), Cheri McGee (N2-53), Nancy Zeuge (X3-74), Tricia Poland (T5-04), Marta Caballero (S6-74) 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.

TRI-CITY HERO GOLF DAY — Sept. 26 (Friday off), 8 a.m. shotgun start at the Canyon Lakes Golf Course in Kennewick. The cost is \$55 per person, which includes one-half cart, range balls, prizes and greens fees. A steak and salmon lunch will follow. Get your team together. Make your check(s) payable to HERO and send it, along with your team members' names, to Tricia Poland (T5-04) or Pat Jenkins (T5-04).

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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.

COLUMBIA VOYAGER DINNER CRUISE — Fluor Project Hanford team employees are invited to join us Sept. 11 for a relaxing, three-hour dinner cruise down the Columbia River. The price is \$30 per person and includes the cruise and an all-you-can-eat dinner buffet featuring carved baron of beef, teriyaki chicken, desserts, non-alcoholic drinks, taxes and gratuities. A no-host bar is also available. Board at 6:30 p.m. at the dock behind the Red Lion Hotel in Richland. Slowly cruise to the Cable Bridge and return to the dock at 10 p.m. Seating is limited, so don't wait. The dinner cruise in July sold out early. Make your reservations by sending a check or money order, made out to HERO, to Cheri McGee at N2-53.

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

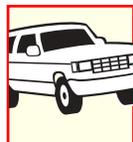
• **Reflections of Italy** — Departure date is Nov. 3. \$2,782 ppdo includes airfare, lodging and 13 meals during this 10-day journey to Italy, beginning in Rome, "the Eternal City." A deposit of \$430 per person will reserve your spot, with final payment due Sept. 4. Contact Linda Meigs for details.

• **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. 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. Contact Phyllis Roha at 376-6413 or by e-mail for more information.

• **Holiday in Lights cruise** — Dec. 5-7. Climb aboard the Fun Fleet of Coeur d'Alene Cruises for a holiday tour of the lighted displays featuring over a million lights. Package includes round-trip bus trip, two nights at the Coeur d'Alene Resort, breakfast both mornings and a one-hour lake cruise. Depart Friday morning, Dec. 5, and stop at the Spokane Valley Mall for Christmas shopping, then it's off to Coeur d'Alene for your evening cruise. On Saturday, you can relax at the resort, pamper yourself at the spa, shop at additional shops close to the resort, take the bus back to Spokane for more shopping or hop on a shuttle that runs to the casino in Worley, Idaho. The cost per person based on double occupancy is \$193 for an economy room, \$215 for a deluxe room, and \$238 for a premier room. A \$50 non-refundable deposit per person is due as soon as possible to reserve your spot. E-mail Phyllis Roha for more information.

• **Western Caribbean Cruise** — Dec. 7-14. Join us for a relaxing cruise to four ports in the Western Caribbean, home to crystal clear waters and white sand beaches — perfect for sunning or snorkeling. Relax on Half Moon Cay, swim with stingrays and visit the Green Sea Turtle Farm at Grand Cayman. Snorkel or visit Mayan ruins in Cozumel. Take the famous Conch Tour Train in Key West. The price starts at \$355 per person plus current port charges and government fees (approximately \$200) and airfare. Final deposit is due Sept. 8. Contact Tricia Poland for more information. ♦



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 while on site and be prepared to show them when passing through a barricade. Vehicle drivers are responsible for ensuring their passengers are badged prior to leaving their point of embarkation. A vehicle driver who transports an unbadged person through a barricade and the unbadged person will be issued Security Incident Notices and the unbadged person will be escorted off site. Re-entry is not allowed until a proper badge is obtained.

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KENNEWICK

Express vanpool to 200E leaves from Albertson's on Clearwater and Edison. Drops off in the vicinity of 2750, MO-384, WESF and LEF. Call **Scott** at 372-0473 or **Max** at 373-9161. 8/25

Riders needed for Vanpool No. 97, 8x9s. Rate as low as \$54.20 per month. Picks up at Shopko at 6 a.m. and the Federal Building at 6:10. Drops off at 2750-E and 2740-HV. Contact **Mike Bryden** at 373-4624. 8/25

Tired of high gas bills and congested traffic? Join our vanpool. Picks up at Chuck E Cheese and drops off at 2750, 2719-EA, WESF, CSB or 2704-HV. Call **Beth** at 376-0971 or **Barb** at 373-2006. 8/25

RICHLAND

Vanpool Express (with a new van) to 200E needs several riders, 8x9s. Monthly rate as low as \$35. Leaves former Hanford bus lot (across from 2440 Stevens) at 6:25 a.m. and drops off at 2750-E local area. Will also pick up and drop off along route to and from bus lot: from Albany Ct. north on Alder, east on Bismark, north on McMurray and north on Stevens Drive. Contact **Dave Hedengren** at 373-5094. 8/25

WEST RICHLAND

Vanpool rider seeking vanpool, 8x9s, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., that picks up near West Richland, at the Park 'n Ride at Van Giesen and Highway 240 or at a similar, close area. Need to be dropped off within walking distance of 222-S Lab. Could qualify as a driver if needed. Contact **Dale Weber** at Dale_H_Weber@rl.gov. 8/18

YAKIMA

Riders needed for a vanpool from Yakima to 400, 300 and 1100 Areas and the Federal Building. The van operates Monday-Friday, with morning pickups at Park 'n Ride (east of Target) at approximately 5:30 a.m. and final pickup at East Valley Market around 5:40 a.m. The driving route is along State Highway 24 to the Hanford Site. The opposite route will be followed for the late afternoon return to Yakima. 300 Area riders will be picked up around 4 p.m. The van's monthly fees are \$1,000. Contact Jesse Allen at 528-0614 (Hanford work) or (509) 972-4773 (Yakima home) or **Doug Chapin** at 373-9396 (Hanford work) or (509) 966-8973 (Yakima home). 8/25 ♦



Shoemobile

300 Area

along fence east of Wisconsin Street

Sept. 9	1-4 p.m.	Sound Safety
Sept. 15	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales

100K Area

parking lot south of MO-401

Sept. 15	7-10 a.m.	Red Wing
Sept. 16	7-10 a.m.	BC Sales
Sept. 24	8-9 a.m.	Iron Age

200 East Area

northeast gravel parking lot of 2101-M

Sept. 10	7 a.m.-noon	Sound Safety
Sept. 15	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Red Wing
Sept. 16	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	BC Sales
Sept. 24	11 a.m. – noon	Iron Age

200 West Area

parking lot east of MO-281

Sept. 10	1-4 p.m.	Sound Safety
Sept. 15	2-5 p.m.	Red Wing
Sept. 16	2-5 p.m.	BC Sales
Sept. 24	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Iron Age