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Please send your announcements for lab staff to commteam@pppl.gov. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Dear PPPL community:

Thank you for your support and encouraging and helpful responses to last week's inaugural edition. Bottom line, many readers said they were relieved that this bulletin may ease the barrage of emails they receive daily.

In that spirit, please send your weekly announcements to us at commteam@pppl.gov -- they will be read! And please keep the comments coming.

We'd also like to thank Carl Scimeca, the lab's video guru, and our own Greg Czechowicz, whose brainstorming produced the video version of this newsletter in the Café and the lobby.

Lunch & Learn Presentation – "LEAN" Practices and Tools

Tuesday, March 8, 12:00 p.m. - Melvin B. Gottlieb Auditorium

"LEAN" Practices and Tools

Andy Morrison (of Best Practices) will be presenting a series of sessions on "LEAN" practices and tools - which is a way of improving any process or work activity by focusing on what needs to be eliminated in order to minimize waste and increase value. Lean is a practice that has been used by thousands of companies around the world for improvement, some to the point of becoming World Class in their field.

This session is entitled - "Basic Tools - Part 1". Lean "Basic Tools" is the term for tools that are used in Lean and Six Sigma within the DMAIC (Define, Measure, Analyze, Improve and Control) steps. This session - part 1 of 3 on all of the Basic Lean Tools - will define Team functions, Metrics, and basic Value Stream Mapping. The three levels of teams [Steering Committee, Implementation Team, and Systems Team] will be described, and a definition of Metric functions and considerations will be presented. How to incorporate all processes for Value Stream (Process) Mapping will also be covered.

COLLOQUIUM

Colloquia This Week

Wednesday, March 9, 11:00 a.m. - Melvin B. Gottlieb Auditorium

Past, Present and Future of Fusion Energy Development in KOREA

Dr. Gyung-Su Lee, National Fusion Research Institute, Daejeon - Korea

Wednesday, March 9, 4:15 p.m. - Melvin B. Gottlieb Auditorium

Whole Device 3D Simulation of Ion Cyclotron Heating in Tokamak Plasmas

Dr. David Green, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Conferences and Meetings at PPPL This Week

Friday - March 11, 10:30 a.m. - Lab wide

Young Women's Conference in Science and Math Technology

2011 Science on Saturday

Princeton University Plasma Physics Laboratory Lecture Series

Science on Saturday

Saturday, March 12, 8:00 a.m. - Melvin B. Gottlieb Auditorium

An Overview of DeepQA: How Watson Could Play Jeopardy

by Dr. David Ferrucci, IBM Research Senior Manager, Semantic Analysis and Integration Principal Investigator, DeepQA, T.J. Watson Research Center, Yorktown Heights, NY.

More information here: <http://science-education.pppl.gov/pdf/SOS-2011brochure.pdf>



Mercer Science and Engineering Club

The Mercer Science and Engineering Club is looking for judges for the annual Mercer Science and Engineering Fair at Rider University on Sunday, Mar. 13 from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. or/and Monday, Mar. 14th from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will be served on Monday. Anyone with a college degree can be a judge. Graduate students would be welcomed. For more information, contact: William Wong, president, Mercer Science and Engineering Club, mercersec.org, 215-736-2449.



What's Happening at GFDL

<http://www.gfdl.noaa.gov/events>

(Please note: government, University or two other forms of I.D. needed for entry.)



What's Happening on the Princeton University Campus

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/events/>

Congratulations

Congratulations to:



Chuck Kessel

for being awarded the Kaul Foundation Prize for Excellence in Plasma Physics and Technology Development.



Joe Winston

who has been selected to receive the President's Achievement Award from Princeton University.



PPPL Café Menu This Week

Entrées - \$5.00:

Monday, March 7 - Chicken Marsala

Tuesday, March 8 - Chicken Caesar Salad

Wednesday, March 9 - Lasagna

Thursday, March 10 - Grilled Pork Chops

Friday, March 11 - Fish Friday! Crispy Breaded Flounder

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