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A Note From Our Manager

Recently, the Oak Ridge Office completed work on a document requested by the Office of Science (SC) that identified and quantified performance metrics for the various support missions performed by ORO. This document, which is entitled Oak Ridge

Office, Functional Analysis and Inventory, SC Integrated Support Center, describes ORO as a component of the SC Integrated Support Center (ISC), which is jointly operated by the ORO and the Chicago Office.

The document is going to serve a number of offices needs, but I wanted to tell you about the report because it captures, by the numbers, the staggering amount of work that you accomplish everyday. The report will soon be posted to the ORO Web site for everyone to access, and we'll let you know when that happens in a few days.

Let me take a moment to mention just a few of the accomplishments that our operational and support organizations at ORO achieved in 2006. The list is far too long to cover here, but you'll find a comprehensive listing of accomplishments in the report.

- 591 contract actions representing \$3.4 billion in obligations
- 23,240 hours performing Environment, Safety and Health Assessments
- 24,000 shipments and 1.6 million miles with Zero accidents
- \$75.5 million awarded to Small and Small and Disadvantaged Business contracts
- 4,258 Media and Stakeholder Interactions
- 103,217 payments made by the DOE Payment Services Center of Excellence
- 97% Prompt Payment Rate
- 900 Legal Opinions Issued

This is just an example; a blink of the eye so-to-speak. Take a look at the report once it's out. I think it will increase everyone's understanding of what we do here in Oak Ridge and how much. We have a great team and I thank you for your contributions.

Gerald Boyd, Manager



REMEMBER:

Earth Day on April 22

Administrative Professional Day is April 25

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We need your story ideas & feedback!!

Please talk to us!

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John Barry Returns to the Stage

Pursuing an avocation that has held his interest since high school, John Barry, a Contract Specialist in the Procurement and Contracts Division, recently appeared in the Oak Ridge Playhouse production of “Twentieth Century,” a 1933 comedy set aboard a luxury passenger train running from Chicago to New York.

John played the character of Dr. Grover C. Lockwood, who he describes as “a slightly paranoid, nervous wreck, who is afraid that he might be spotted boarding the train with his secretary.”

“Twentieth Century” is a hilarious new adaptation of the classic 1930’s comedy about Oscar Jaffe, an egomaniacal Broadway producer, and Lily Garland, the chorus girl he transformed into a leading lady and who was the love of his life. Bankrupt and with his career on a steep downslide, Oscar Jaffe boards the Twentieth Century Limited in Chicago and encounters Lily, now a temperamental Hollywood star, on the train. Oscar pulls out all the stops to persuade her to return to Broadway to appear in his upcoming show in order to save his theater and his career.

Other characters include Oscar’s agent, his secretary, Lily’s jealous boyfriend, a bearded German actor, an escaped lunatic, and a doctor who is romancing his secretary and is desperate to have Jaffe produce a play he has written.

John explained that the cast rehearsed for five weeks. “These actors are very talented and have a lot of experience in comedy,” he said. “It was a hoot working with them.”

Asked if memorizing lines and getting into character was a challenge for him, John said, “Memorizing lines is tedious. It’s like having to clean your room as a kid: you know that you’re not going to get out of doing it, and you also know that you won’t be able to have any fun until you do.

“I have to really work at learning lines, but a few individuals I know can learn them with ease,” he added. “Getting into character for a role can often take awhile. It varies. For this play, I didn’t feel at home with the character of Dr. Lockwood until the last week of rehearsals. Once I realized, ‘Ah, so this is who this guy is!’ – then I could become that character.”



John Barry works in the Procurement and Contracts Division.



John Barry as “Dr. Grover C. Lockwood” in a scene from “Twentieth Century.”

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This play was not John's first time on stage. Soon after moving to Oak Ridge in 1983, he was cast in the role of Harry Beaton in the musical "Brigadoon." "It was a great opportunity," he said. "During my college years, I had been unable to work in any undergraduate productions since I was working part-time, going to school full-time, and commuting daily across Boston to classes."

That play was followed by more than a dozen others from 1983 to 1991. He appeared in shows such as "Crimes of the Heart," "A Christmas Carol," "Babes in Arms," "Anything Goes," "Oliver!" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor." He worked backstage on several productions, including "Hello, Dolly!" and served a term on the Oak Ridge Playhouse Board of Directors.

John took a leave of absence from acting after his sons, Paul, age 13, and Daniel, age 11, were born. "Between basketball, baseball, soccer, and other activities on our family agenda, I found it impossible to set aside time for working on a play," he said. "It's a two-month commitment – five weeks of rehearsals followed by three weeks of performance, not to mention time on weekends for learning lines and building sets. For me, there simply weren't enough hours in a day to do it all. So, I had to make some choices. I used to fly, too, but I gave that up when the boys came along."

Last October, while at home recuperating from shoulder surgery, John learned that Paul Ebert had recently passed away. Ebert had been the Oak Ridge Playhouse director for 37 years until his retirement in 1989. "Paul taught me more about acting, especially comedy, than I have learned anywhere else," John said. "He was a gifted director and actor, and a true gentleman."

"After returning to work in November, I couldn't put those memories out of my head," John added. "My wife suggested I find out what was going on at the Playhouse. I saw the audition announcement for 'Twentieth Century,' and when I mentioned there was going to be auditions for a screwball comedy, she encouraged me to try out. It was a good time to come back to the theater."

John says that Reggie Law, the current Playhouse director, gives the actors some information about their characters, "but he leaves it up to us to bring those characters to life. I think that's a good approach, because it gives the actor a larger role in the creative process. Paul Ebert worked the same way. Reggie also gave us some blocking that was hilarious in performance."

Asked about the audiences who attended the show, John said, "Every audience was different, like Forrest Gump's box of chocolates. Each night was unique, I appreciated them all."

About his work experience at ORO, John said, "I came to Oak Ridge 24 years ago. The people I work with at here at ORO are the best group of individuals I have ever worked with. They are positive, hard-working, and very generous with their time and talents. I've made a lot of friends over the years."

John Barry in another scene in "Twentieth Century," which was performed at the Oak Ridge Playhouse.



Employee Spotlight: Karen Herrell



Karen (Harmon) Herrell returned to ORO in September 2006 to the Office of Assistant Manager for Administration, Human Resources Division, Federal Human Resources Branch, serving as an Administrative Assistant.

She was assigned to the Assistant Manager's Office of Security and Emergency Management for the first five months, and recently accepted the position of Administrative Assistant to the Director in the Procurement and Contracts Division, beginning in February 2007.

Karen was born in Oak Ridge and has resided in the Claxton/Clinton area her entire life. She previously worked with ORO from 1983-1996 as a Secretary in the Safeguards and Security Division, Finance Division, and a brief period in the Waste Management Division. Prior to returning to ORO, she worked as the Assistant Bookkeeper at the Clinton City Schools Central Office for 8 years.

She has been married to her husband Craig for 3½ years. They have a 2-year-old daughter together. She also has a daughter and a son from a previous marriage, her husband has a daughter and two sons from a previous marriage giving them "yours, mine, and ours," and truly making them a "Brady Bunch" family that is happy and full!

Karen is excited to be back and looks forward to continuing her service as a Federal employee for ORO.

This Month in HISTORY

- In 1943, foundation excavations for the Oak Ridge National Laboratory's Graphite Reactor begin.
- In 1948, a contract is signed to bring the privately owned newspaper, The Oak Ridger, to the city.
- In 1979, the new Solway Bridge is opened and the old arched bridge is dismantled.
- In 2004, ORNL and Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education receive awards for Pollution Prevention and Environmental Stewardship from DOE's Office of Science.



In 1945, several guys play a round of mimiture golf at the Jefferson Center golf course.

Gas Centrifuge Enrichment Plant Lease

The following employees received awards recently from ORO Manager Gerald Boyd for "their work and diligent contributions" to the successful negotiation of the Gas Centrifuge Enrichment Plant Lease for the American Centrifuge Plant.

Congratulations to all!



Larry Clark of the Nuclear Fuel Supply for ORO



Emily Schneider of ORO Chief Counsel



Terry Slack of NNSA



Kim Walling of ORO Chief Counsel

Johnny Moore Named to DOE Top Science Post in Oak Ridge



The Department of Energy has named Johnny O. Moore as Assistant Manager for Science, DOE's top science position at its Oak Ridge facilities.

"Johnny brings forth a wealth of knowledge and experience to this highly visible and important position," said Gerald Boyd, Manager of the Department of Energy's (DOE) Oak Ridge Office (ORO). "He will continue to lead one of the Office of Science's premiere national laboratories forward, making this a world class laboratory for scientific research."

In Moore's new Senior Executive Service position, he will be responsible for the development and implementation of policies for the conduct of nuclear and non-nuclear energy R & D programs, providing programmatic direction, and performing contract administration for DOE contracts covering the development and/or operation of Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Oak Ridge Associated Universities, including all phases of program management and the appraisal of overall contractor performance. Moore also serves as the Site Manager and Contracting Officer's Representative for ORNL.

Moore has over 20 years of DOE-ORO service, including serving as Deputy Assistant Manager for Science since 2003, and as Operations Division Director for ORNL. Prior to being named Director, he served as the waste operations and technical team leader in the ORO Environmental Management organization where he led waste operations and legacy waste disposition activities. He has also served as the acting site manager for the Portsmouth (Ohio) Site Office and the environmental technology group leader, as well as having served as the technology development and transportation team leader. Moore earned a Bachelor's Degree in chemical engineering at The University of Tennessee. He is a registered professional engineer in the state of Tennessee, and member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and completed the Council for Excellence in Government Fellows Program. Moore and his wife, Susan, have two children, Emily, 17, and Olivia, 12. They reside in Knoxville.

ORO Federal Employee Meeting with the Manager



All Oak Ridge Office Federal Employees are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, April 12th
10:00 a.m.

American Museum of Science and Energy Auditorium

Note: Badges are required for entrance.

Stair Safety



- Be sure that stairs are well-lit. Install lights and switches if necessary.
- Make sure there are no uneven surfaces, cracks, bunched up staircovering or protruding nails.
- Have a carpenter correct uneven steps, which are a major hazard.
- If needed to see, paint a contrasting color on the edge of wooden or concrete steps or apply special strips to enhance visibility.
- Consider removing stair carpeting as it can cause slips. You can also replace the carpeting with well-secured rubber stair treading.
- Make sure the handrail is well-secured.
- The handrail should be at a height of 36 to 39 inches and should be on at least one side of the stairway.
- Make sure stairs are free of clutter and avoid storing things on your stairs. Be sure to check them as you walk up or down.
- Loose floor coverings are a hazard. If you have rugs, make sure they are non-slip or have a rubber backing.
- Don't rush on stairs as rushing is a major cause of falls.
- If you are carrying something, make sure that it doesn't hide the stairs and that one hand is free to use the handrail.

-- adapted from PHAC

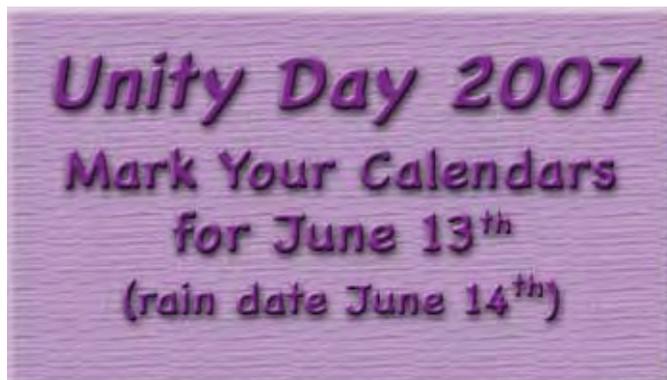
Think Spring!

The Office of the Chief Information Officer has developed a very informative and useful pamphlet on Laptop Accountability. It is designed to assist us in protecting our laptops and the data we store on them. It offers a list of common high theft areas that laptop owners need to be aware of, as well as measures that can be taken to secure our laptops while in transport. In addition to the laptop protection, it outlines DOE policies and procedures on laptop data security, the requirements for handling Sensitive Unclassified Information (SUI), and your responsibilities as a laptop user.

Please visit

<http://cio-ops.doe.gov/doecoe>
for more information and use.

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Laptop Accountability

What You Need To Know To Keep Your Laptop Secure



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provide you with practical
information for keeping your
laptop and its data secure.

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