

The sun shone through its many windows, and the Brookhaven House "in harmony with its environment" was dedicated at noon on Wednesday. The attractive house was cited by many speakers as being a forerunner of things to come in home construction. "In fact," said Congressman William Carney, "I look forward to the day when there will be tracts of houses on Long Island similar to this one."

Representing DOE at the dedication were Robert Bauer, Manager/Regional Representative, Chicago Operations/Regional Office; Theodore Kapus, Deputy Director, Office of Buildings and Community Systems, Washington, D.C. and David R. Wilson, Director, Office of External Affairs, Region II. They praised the design of the house for the creative use of solar energy, and BNL for "another significant contribution." Kapus said the house "oozes energy efficiency in an area where heating has gobbled up much of our income."

Bernard Manowitz, Chairman of BNL's Department of Energy and Environment, noted that the house demonstrated to both builders and the public that such a house was a real possibility for the Northeast, was affordable and comfortable. Bruce Anderson, chairman of the Board of Solar Lobby, stressed that it was an opportunity for the individual to address the challenge of our time, namely, to reduce our dependence on oil.

The dedication ceremonies were preceded by a sizable press conference, at which several people directly involved with the design and construction of the house were present to answer questions. They were Ralph Jones, BNL Project Manager; Paul Pietz, Total Environmental Action, Inc. Project Manager (designers of the house); Anthony Tortora, President, Thermal Comfort, Inc. (builders of the house), and DOE officials, Theodore Kapus and Jean Boulin.

The innovative one-family home combines the passive use of solar energy with natural thermal storage. Although the house has some unusual features, it does not require complex technology to construct. Widely available building materials are used, and the construction techniques are those currently familiar to builders.

The dramatic energy savings are

## Brookhaven House "Oozes Energy Efficiency"



The Brookhaven House combines traditional home design with significant energy saving features.

the result of a good basic energy-conserving design, including an energy-efficient plan with main living spaces on the south side and buffering spaces to the north; a well-insulated and tightly constructed envelope, or shell, which retains as much heat as possible, and an efficiently sized heating plant.

### Some Major Features

Energy savings of up to 80% are accomplished by significantly increasing the amount of south-facing glass. (Approximately 60% of the south wall surface is glass.) All the windows in the house are triple-glazed. The southern exposure results in a large input of solar energy during sunny days. Much of this heat energy is absorbed by carefully sized thermal mass walls which store the heat and later slowly release it into the house to replace purchased energy during the night.

The thermal mass walls are constructed of paving brick, which is denser than other brick types. Part of the brick wall is enclosed by an attractive greenhouse, or sunspace, which traps the sun's heat so that the brick can absorb it. The rest of the thermal mass is a "modified Trombe wall," with triple-glazed panels which trap the heat, mounted a few inches from the paving brick. The heat slowly penetrates through the thermal mass and by nighttime the warm wall radiates heat into the interior of the house.

### Heating Costs Reduced

The design of the Brookhaven House will result in heating costs that are a fraction of those encountered in typical homes. The annual heating cost will be about one-third of that of a modern home built to the latest New York State Energy Codes, and less than one-fifth of that of a home built before present energy standards were adopted. It is estimated that in the New York area, only 130 gallons of fuel oil per year would be needed to heat the house.

Instead of a fireplace, the house contains an airtight wood stove surrounded by thermal mass walls. Current projections indicate that by burning one cord of hardwood in the stove (with the stove doors closed), a homeowner could get through a typical Long Island winter without using the furnace.

### Monitoring

An 80-channel data acquisition system, which will record temperatures and other variables throughout the house, has been installed for monitoring performance over the coming winter and through next summer. The data will be recorded on magnetic tape and analyzed using a Tektronix 4051 microcomputer. Although the house will be unoccupied during the first year of testing, occupancy

can be simulated by computer.

### Tours

Plans are being made to show the house to architects, engineers and builders to encourage them to adopt similar design features. The only public tour of the house, currently scheduled, will be on Saturday, September 20 and Sunday, September 21. Employees toured the house yesterday, and it will be open for their inspection today between the hours of noon and 7 p.m.

Gerald Dennehy, head of DEE's Conservation Program Management Group, has overall responsibility for the project.

The Brookhaven House was designed by Total Environmental Action, Inc., of Harrisville, New Hampshire, under contract to BNL. The work was funded by DOE's Office of Buildings and Community Systems, Buildings Division.



Representative William Carney (center), together with Laboratory Director George Vineyard (left), and Riverhead Town Supervisor Joseph Janoski, "cut" the traditional ribbon with a fresnel lens.

—Photos by Humphrey



In the greenhouse, or sunspace, DEE chairman Bernard Manowitz talks with Theodore Kapus, Deputy Director of DOE's Office of Buildings and Community Systems.

## Safety Alert

Summer is over, but before you put away your garden sprayer, read the following notice put out by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

More than 40,000 air-compression home and garden sprayers used to disperse pesticides and other chemicals are being recalled by their manufacturer because the product may explode or rupture during use. The recall is being conducted voluntarily by D. B. Smith and Company, Inc., of Utica, N.Y. in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

The sprayers are made of galvanized steel with a tank capacity ranging from 1.5 to 4.0 gallons. They are equipped with a hand-operated pump top to pressurize the tank and a metal spray nozzle attached to a rubber hose.

The firm has conveyed to CPSC 49 consumer complaints involving the sprayers, including reports of 43 injuries to consumers since April 1978. Injuries reported include severe facial and dental injuries and broken arms and hands which were suffered when the sprayer bottom blew out, propelling the sprayer and its contents upward with explosive force.

The hazard was created by an improperly located weld on some sprayers which weakens the bottom, causing a rupture or explosion when the sprayer is pressurized.

The potentially defective sprayers were manufactured from June 1977 to June 1980, and have been sold nationwide in hardware stores and other retail outlets for

approximately \$15 to \$30. The manufacturer has instituted improved quality control measures to eliminate the problem in sprayers manufactured after June 1978.

The recalled sprayers have been sold under a variety of brand names and model numbers. These include:

"SMITH" sprayer models 19GP, 21GP, 25GP, 28GP, 40GP, 38GQ and 56GQ.

"SERVISTAR" brand sprayer models 15049 and 15055.

"PARCO" sprayer models F-4, F-7, F-10, F-12, MC-38 and MC-56.

"STATE CHEMICAL" sprayer model 12-A.

"METRA CHEM" 3-1/4 gallon sprayer (no model number).

The sprayers must display one of the following date codes, in addition to a brand name and model number listed above, to be subjected to the recall: B, BA, BC, S11, S12, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, or R6.

Date codes are visibly etched into the side of the sprayer below the directions, "Fill to this line," and all model numbers can be found on the paper label affixed to the product. Other models made from stainless steel and polyethylene plastic are not being recalled.

Consumers should empty the contents; remove the strap, pump, and hose-and-nozzle assembly; and mail the metal canister for immediate free replacement to Marimar Manufacturing Company, Inc., P. O. Box 359, Chadwicks, New York, 13319, or return it to the place of purchase for handling. Consumers will be reimbursed for postage costs.

## BNI Lecture:

### The Anchovy Story

The recent Global 2000 Report to the President now estimates a maximum annual yield of all marine fish at 60 million metric tons, down 40 million metric tons from the 1976 prediction. What this implies, says oceanographer Sharon Smith, is that the sea is no longer a magical source of protein with which we can balance global food budgets.

Although technology has made it possible to harvest just about all the fish available, it has, for instance, also been responsible for reducing the anchovy stocks to a fraction of their original size. In turn, this decline led to a 44% increase in the price of chicken between 1972 and 1973, because anchovy meal was a major component of the diet of U.S. chickens.

The story of the anchovy fishery is also the story of an oceanographic phenomenon known as upwelling, and of natural variability in the ocean. "Oceanography and Anchovies" will be the subject to be discussed by Sharon L. Smith in the first Brookhaven Lecture of the season on September 17, at 8 p.m. in Berkner Hall.

In 1976, the maximum annual yield of anchovy harvested off Peru was predicted at 12 million metric tons (m.m.t.). In actuality, it turned out to be 3.5 m.m.t. By 1977, the catch had dropped to about one m.m.t., at which level it still remains.

But overfishing is not the whole story. The study of the Peruvian coastal upwelling by oceanographers from the United States began in the early 1960's and reached a peak in 1976 and 1977. Areas of coastal upwelling off northwest Africa, southwest Africa, Peru, and Baja California are associated with some of the world's major commercial fisheries. In the 1970's a major experiment in oceanography studied the upwellings off Peru, Baja California and northwest Africa with the hope that the natural



Sharon Smith

variability within and among the areas of upwelling could be understood and the fisheries regulated in a rational way.

In her lecture, Smith will use the Peru case primarily to describe what constitutes an upwelling, the types of data collected in multidisciplinary oceanographic experiments, and the present understanding of what happened to the anchovy.

Sharon Smith has been on the staff of DEE's Oceanography Division since March 28, 1978. She received her B.A. from Colorado College, a master's degree from the University of Auckland, New Zealand, and her Ph.D. in zoology from Duke University. Before coming to Brookhaven, she held a postdoctoral appointment for three years at Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. In the course of her research, she has participated in scientific cruises in various parts of the world.

A buffet supper is served at 6:30 p.m. at the Brookhaven Center before the lecture. Many find it convenient and it is a pleasant way to meet members of other departments. Reservations for the buffet should be made in advance by calling Ext. 3541 before 5 p.m. on the day of the lecture.

## Retiree



Mort Rosen

Robert F. Gaffga, Sr. Technical Specialist in the Biology Department, will retire on September 15. He has been with the Laboratory since May 12, 1948. In October he will move to Spring Hill, Florida, and start decorating his new home.

## Arrivals & Departures

### Arrivals

Edward A. Deutsch.....Medical  
Israel Dostrovsky.....Chemistry  
Paul D. Kalb.....Nuclear Energy  
Peter C. Lehmann.....Central Shops  
Norman S. McIntyre.....Nuclear Energy  
Michael S. Seidman.....Adm. Sys. & Data Proc.  
Eric J. Siskind.....Accelerator

### Departures

Alex Galperin.....Nuclear Energy  
Peggy A. Rosado.....Energy & Env.  
Charles A. Brinkman.....Applied Math.  
Catherine P. Chia.....Biology  
Donna S. Pfeiffer.....Medical

## Selected Reading

Nature 286 (5776), August 28, 1980  
Plagiarism, piracy and principles. 831-2  
New Sci. 87 (1216), August 28, 1980  
Skharov stymies U.S. Soviet scientific ties. 635-6  
Sat. Rev. 7 (12), August 1980  
What's fueling the popular-science explosion? I.  
Asimov. 22-6  
Time 116 (10), September 8, 1980  
Education: Battle over bilingualism. 64-5

## Apply Now!

Parents are reminded to pick up application forms for the AUI Trustee Scholarships at the Office of Scientific Personnel, Bldg. 460. Deadlines for the first Scholastic Aptitude Tests and Achievement Tests are fast approaching and students should be getting their ducks in line.

To be eligible for the \$1500 per year college scholarships (up to four years), the applicant must be the son or daughter of a BNL employee who began regular full-time, or regular, eligible part-time employment no later than January 1, 1980. Children of retired employees or of employees who died when in regular service at the Laboratory are also eligible. The eligibility of stepchildren will be established if the employee regularly claims the child as a dependent for income tax purposes.

Completed application forms must be in hand at the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N.J., no later than December 1.

## Stockrooms To Close On September 19

In order to complete the annual Physical Inventory of stores materials, all stockrooms will be closed on Friday, Sept. 19. Users are requested to withdraw sufficient supplies prior to the normal stockroom closings at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 18. Emergency requirements can be obtained by calling the Supply and Materiel Division office, Ext. 2972 for approval and withdrawal instructions.

The closing of stockrooms does not affect departmental stockrooms or the delivery of Liquid Nitrogen, Liquid Helium, or Dry Ice. Your cooperation in keeping emergency requests at a minimum is appreciated.

## In Appreciation

Bless the BNL Fire Department for the love and respect shown to Raymond E. Farmer at the time of his death. Bless the IBEW Local Union 2230 for their devotion, and bless the many friends from BNL who were there for the last "goodbye." From the bottom of our hearts—Thank you!

—Thelma, Rayme and Tirre Farmer

## A 20th Birthday

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Brookhaven Lectures. The first lecture was given on November 16, 1960 by Edward M. Purcell, Harvard University, and, at that time, a Research Collaborator in BNL's Physics Department. His topic was "Radio Astronomy and Communication Through Space." Since then, 175 lectures have been given covering the many facets of research at the Laboratory.

The lecture series is presented to keep the BNL community abreast about what is happening in these diverse areas. It has been designed to appeal to those interested in a wide variety of scientific subjects, not just to experts in the field being discussed.

Suggestions from employees as to future programs are always welcome. Anyone who has a suggestion, or wishes further information, can contact any member of the Brookhaven

Lecture Committee listed below:

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Howard Weisberg.....Accelerator  
Charles I. Goldstein.....Applied Math  
Stephen L. Padwa.....Applied Math  
H. George Latham.....Biology  
Sanford Lacks.....Biology  
Elaine Rowland.....Chemistry  
James L. Alberi.....Instrumentation  
George T. Walczyk.....Instrumentation  
Arthur Forman.....Medical  
Betty L. Heldman.....Medical  
Ralph J. Cerbone.....Nuclear Energy  
Robert J. Walton.....Photo & GA  
H. Ronald Manning.....Physics  
Mark Sakitt.....Physics  
Gertrude S. Goldhaber.....Physics  
(ex-officio)  
Myron C. Ledbetter.....Biology  
(ex-officio)

## IAEA Notices

Periodically, the International Atomic Energy Agency posts notices of openings on its technical and administrative staff. These positions are generally for a period of two years in Vienna. Anyone interested in investigating the openings should contact the Office of Scientific Personnel, Bldg. 460, ext. 3338. OSP maintains a file of IAEA vacancy notices which describes the appointments available in some detail.

## Stony Brook Events

Recital: "Ragtime, Pop and Early Jazz," featuring pianist/composer Peter Winkler, clarinetist Jack Kreiselman, vocalist Chris Plevyak. Friday, September 12, 8 p.m., Recital Hall Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$5. Information: 246-5678, 5671.

Dance: Battery Dance Company presents "Bach to Bach." Saturday, September 13, 3 p.m., Fine Arts Center Plaza, free. Evening performance, 8 p.m., Main Auditorium, Fine Arts Center, students and senior citizens - \$2.50, others - \$5. Information: 246-5678.

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## Islanders Tickets

The "champs" will face Boston, Philadelphia, Buffalo, and the NY Rangers in pre-season games on September 20, 23, 27 and 30, respectively. BERA has eight tickets for each one of these games and is offering on-site employees the opportunity of buying them at a two-for-one price of \$13.00. There is no limit as to the number of tickets one may buy.

First-come, first-serve at the BERA Film Service Office in the Cafeteria.

## WW I Casualty

While the new Camp Upton exhibit was being assembled last week at the Exhibit Center, an artifact, a bayonet with scabbard, was taken. The loss occurred at lunchtime on Friday, September 5.

The bayonet belonged to Raymond M. Burns, Senior, Commander of Veterans of WW I, Inc., Patchogue Barracks No. 2981. It was his own bayonet, used while in the 77th Division at Camp Upton in 1918. Mr. Burns donated it to the Lab in March 1979. It had great sentimental value to him and historical value to the exhibit.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of the bayonet and scabbard should call Janet Hoeffling, Ext. 2400, Building 184.

## Softball

### League I

Playoff Games:  
Source I 3 - Blue Jays 2  
Six Pax 14 - Ravens 13  
Final Round:  
Source I 10 - Six Pax 4

### Final Standings

	Wins	Losses
Ravens	12	3
Blue Jays	11	4
Source I	7	8
Six Pax	6	9
Phoubars	6	9
Deegenerates	3	12

### League II

Makeup Game:  
Dirty Six vs. Cardinals cancelled  
Playoff Games:  
Roga 15 - AMD 14  
Moles 7 - Titans 6  
Final Round:  
Moles 18 - Roga 8

### Final Standings

	Wins	Losses
Roga	12	3
Moles	11	4
Titans	9	6
AMD	7	8
Dirty Sox	4	10
Cardinals	1	13

### League III

Final Playoff Game:  
Brewmasters 10 - Nuke Powers 4



Students in a BNL apprenticeship program assembled the framework for a solar hydroponic greenhouse, which they finished building at the end of their summer term last week. With solar assistance, it can grow enough produce to feed a family of four year-round.

## Gardening Under Water

Grow plants without soil? It isn't a far fetched idea, just all wet.

Plants can be grown in a water solution that contains all the nutrients normally found in soil. It's called hydroponics, and it works. Last month, students from the DOE sponsored Apprenticeship Program for Minority Students built a hydroponic greenhouse, which is now on display at the Exhibit Center.

The greenhouse is a prototype solar assisted unit designed by Arthur Pitschi, one of the teachers in the program. Plants are set in troughs made of plastic pipes, their roots held in place by peat moss. A nutrient solution (tap water and nutrient salts) is pumped up to the peak of the building, and by gravity flow, runs past the plant roots. Because the solution is collected and reused, the system can

run independently for about six months. No day to day weeding, watering and fertilizing for the gardener.

Better yet, gardening pleasure is extended through most of the winter season with the solar heating system: During the day, water can be pumped through heat absorbing plastic sheets attached to the walls, and the heat stored in water compartments in the floor.

The greenhouse project was supported by a grant-in-aid from the Alexander Hollaender Fund, through the Biology Department. A former director of the Biology Division at Oak Ridge National Lab and now a consultant to AUI, Hollaender established the fund in 1978 to strengthen the Biology Department and its relation to the community.

## Swimming Lessons

A course of swimming lessons, open to all on-site employees and their adult dependents, will be given at the pool starting Wednesday, September 24 at 5:15 p.m. The course will consist of one lesson per week on nine consecutive Wednesdays.

Those interested may register at the pool during open hours no later than Friday, September 19. A fee of \$15 will be due at the time of registration. (Checks payable to BERA.)

## Mountain Club

The Mountain Club will camp out at Cedar Point on the weekend of September 20. Anyone interested in this trip should contact Steve Spencer, Ext. 3401 for details.

## Nursery School

The Upton Nursery School will begin classes on Monday, September 15. Children enrolled should receive an information packet by Friday, September 12. If not, please contact the secretary, Ruth Fernow, 928-8465. If you have any questions, call Ruth Fernow, Karen Brunschwig, 924-0030, or Colin Stewart, 286-9616.

## Bowling

Bowlers for the various leagues are still needed as well as anyone interested in being an occasional substitute. As the leagues are run on a handicap basis, you need not be a pro. If you are interested or require further information, contact Dick Larsen Ext. 3464, Betty Jellet Ext. 3639 or Helen Keeley Ext. 4649.

## Weekend Tour

Highlighted this weekend is the Lab's research on environmental effects of acid rain. Lee Conway, Land and Freshwater Environmental Sciences Group, will talk about the acid rain study in the Adirondacks, where BNL scientists are comparing three lakes and their surrounding watersheds. Conway will illustrate his talk with slides showing equipment and sampling techniques.

Visitors to the Lab will also see Brookhaven's "Quest," take a guided bus tour of the site, and visit the Exhibit Center.

## Bicycling

The big event of L.I.'s fall bicycling season is the Hi-Point Hundred, a one-day tour on Sunday, Sept. 21. It is actually 8 rides with 2 different starting points and 4 distances. The starting (and finishing) points are Nassau Community College north parking lot and Suffolk Community College parking lot, off College Road in Selden. To qualify for an AYH patch, the ride selected must be finished within the time given in the table:

Distance: 25 50 100 125

A.M. Start

Times: 10:00 9:00 7:00 6:30

Duration: 3 5 10 12

You can get an LAW patch for the 100 miler by finishing in 12 hours. The ride name comes from the many hills encountered along the route. Registration is at the starting point, so plan to get there a little early. The fee is \$4, which pays for patch, lemonade and bananas.

The second ride is on Saturday, September 27 and is a fund-raiser for the March of Dimes. It's fifty miles long and starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Middle Island Shopping Plaza on Rt. 25 (Jericho Tpke) at Rocky Point Road, site of Carl Hart's bicycle shop. The advance registration fee is \$5, which gets you a March of Dime Bike Tour T shirt. Send the money and shirt size (sm, med, lrg, X lrg) to March of Dimes Bike Tour, 2 Robbins Lane, Jericho, NY 11753 by September 15. Registration at the time of the ride is \$2 more.

## Cafeteria Menu

### Week Ending September 19, 1980

#### Monday, September 15

Cream of tomato soup	(cup) .45
	(bowl) .55
Salisbury steak & 1 veg.	1.45
Apple pancakes & sausage	1.40
Hot Deli - Roasted turkey breast	(on bread) 1.50
	(on roll) 1.60

#### Tuesday, September 16

Philadelphia pepper pot soup	(cup) .45
	(bowl) .55
Tamale pie & 1 veg.	1.45
Roasted pork loin & 1 veg.	1.50
Hot Deli - Roast beef	(on bread) 1.55
	(on roll) 1.65

#### Wednesday, September 17

Beef noodle soup	(cup) .45
	(bowl) .55
Broiled fillet of fish & 1 veg.	1.45
Roasted chicken w/stuffing & 1 veg.	1.50
Hot Deli - Grilled Reuben	1.45

#### Thursday, September 18

Pork & cabbage soup	(cup) .45
	(bowl) .55
Pizza & 1 veg.	1.40
Sauerbraten & potato pancake	1.55
Hot Deli - Smoked, baked ham	(on bread) 1.45
	(on roll) 1.55

#### Friday, September 19

Manhattan clam chowder	(cup) .50
	(bowl) .60
Shells w/white clam sauce & garlic bread	1.35
Breaded pork chop w/apple sauce & 1 veg.	1.55
Hot Deli - Fried fillet hero	1.45

