



skymiles to offset airfare costs. A married IHS couple opened their house to our participants, and USDA - Wildlife Services donated three trucks and gas. An orphan rickettsia CAN was located from 1999 and NCID kicked that into the pot as well. The smoke is still clearing on the vouchers, but it looks like we were able to provide 12 people and 60 work-days of effort to a needed public health campaign that will hopefully have significant impact in the year's to come for a total programmatic cost of approximately \$5000. In addition to our efforts on the ground, a collaborative scientific assessment was undertaken, and in time we will be able to determine the actual impact in terms of both disease reduction and tick abatement. Our volunteer efforts should also have an impact upon reduction of Hantavirus and West Nile Virus as well as Rocky Mountain spotted fever- as all these diseases are present in the impacted community.

In addition to providing a philanthropic service that had public health implications, we were also able to provide invaluable mentoring services to four new CDC personnel who had never been involved in a community response. The community hired a number of members to work with us, and our crew was also augmented by a CDC Experience Fellow, and an MPH student from BYU. All of these people got to see PHAs in action, and they hopefully all have a greater understanding of how PHAs help CDC attempt to help people live healthier lives. At the same time, our members got to work with local community volunteers, tribal employees, IHS, USDA other CDC personnel and more. It was a true win-win for all involved.

This intervention was also a success in that it allowed us to involve our retirees in a public health response. This took more effort than initially thought, and wouldn't have happened without the acute support, commitment and involvement of Joe Foster in the Office of General Counsel, but in the end we were able to initiate Voluntary Service Agreements through the CDC Foundation which permitted our retired members to participate without personal exposure to risk and liability. They were compensated a well-earned \$1 for their efforts and in addition to their labor they also contributed heavily to the mentoring aspects of our involvement.

Thanks to all of you who supported this campaign through either time, money, miles or spirit. The impacted community could not have been more appreciative. Our efforts, combined with those of other participants resulted in approximately 1000 truck loads of debris getting hauled to the land-fill, the placement of over 2500 tick collars on local dogs ("tick busses"), the assessment of 130+ homes for tick prevalence, the initiation of pesticide application to infested communities and a raised local public awareness. Most importantly, Rocky Mountain spotted fever has taken the lives of children in the community. Only time will tell, but hopefully our work has saved the lives of children- our greatest desire. Again, thanks to all of you who helped us make this happen. This was a remarkable success for the Watsonian Society and we should all share the pride of our success.

Please contact Ted Pestorius if you have any further questions about this project, and look for an upcoming story on this initiative in CDC Connects.

Special thanks to our team members!

Week 1  
**David Byrum**  
**Frank Ceo**

Week 2  
**David Evans**  
**Steve Fitzgerald**

Steve Fitzgerald  
Maggie Koops  
Ted Pestorius  
Robert Swain

Jeff Kingsbury  
Glenn Koops  
Cameron Noblit  
Art van Buskirk



The WATSONIAN SOCIETY has an **ADOPT-A-PLATOON!**

The Watsonian Society is now supporting the men of the **1st PLT, B Co, 1-503rd Infantry Regiment** until their return stateside through **Adopt a Platoon**. Here is the link to learn more about this very worthy organization: [www.adoptaplatoon.org](http://www.adoptaplatoon.org)

For ideas on items to send over, please see this webpage: <http://www.adoptaplatoon.org/new/pdf/care.pdf> (Alternatively, go to [adoptaplatoon.org](http://adoptaplatoon.org) and click on "ideas for care packages." Remember NOT to send religious articles, pork, or any other item that would offend the religious beliefs of the country in which the men are stationed.

Stacy Harper (contact her with any questions!) is collecting all goods and sending them over on weekly basis to the approximately **30 men in the platoon**. (**NOTE: our platoon is MEN ONLY**)

What we need **RIGHT NOW** are cards and letters to send over. The men can get desperately lonely for their homes, so any word of encouragement is really appreciated. For those of you who are interested, like most units, they have a long and illustrious history. You may find this at : <http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/agency/army/1-503inf.htm>

**How to participate:**

They need easy open, nonperishable goods and fun stuff. Games, batteries (radios, handheld games, etc...) magazines, gum non-melting candy, jerky, etc.... The men are in the FIELD most of the time--- not easy access to electronics...

Can always appreciate the extra touches to life.... Be creative, keeping in mind their location.

To drop off materials: Stacy's office is at the Koger office park, Yale building

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**CONDOLENCES:**

Death of **CDC** Employees

The obituary notice below announcing the death of former **CDC Director, Theodore J. Bauer**, is for your information.

"Theodore J. Bauer, 95, a former head of the Centers for Disease Control, and Assistant Surgeon General, and an expert on venereal disease, died May 6 of congestive heart failure at his home in Wyckoff, N.J.

Dr. Bauer, an Iowa City native, was responsible for setting up clinics and venereal disease prevention programs in 11 states and territories of Alaska and Hawaii, at a time when the efficacy of penicillin was unknown. He worked in Chicago from 1943 to 1948, then became Chief of the Division of Venereal Disease in Washington from 1948 to 1951, Chief of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta from 1952 to 1957, and Assistant Surgeon General from 1957 until his retirement in 1962.

After retiring, he became the first medical director of Becton, Dickinson and Co., a medical technology firm. He retired again in 1977 as senior vice president for research and medical affairs."

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The National Immunization Program, Epidemiology and Surveillance Division is sad to announce the passing of **Dr. Margarette Kolczak**. Margarette died May 25th in her home after a long, difficult illness. She was a gifted scientist and was instrumental in her statistical and epidemiology work with the Immunization Safety Office, Vaccine Safety Studies Team. She will be missed greatly by the staff who knew and worked with her. Margarette received her PhD from Emory in Biostatistics in 1995. She began work at CDC in 1996 and had also worked in the Division of Parasitic Diseases as well as with the Agency of Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division for Health Studies.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made in Margarette's honor to: VistaCare Hospice Foundation, 1270 Winchester Parkway, Suite 100, Smyrna, GA 30080, or <http://www.VistaCare.com> (click on Foundation). Nurses from VistaCare helped take care of Margarette during the last weeks.

Margarette is survived by her husband Ted and son Michael. Sympathy cards may be sent to them at 900 Hunterhill Drive, Roswell, GA 30075-4226

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We are saddened to announce the sudden death of **Mr. Omar Mubarak**, a Management and Program Analyst in the Management Analysis and Services Office (MASO) on May 10, 2005.

Omar worked 28 years in the federal service, which included 4 years in the U. S. Air Force. He worked for the Army as a civilian employee prior to joining the CDC Public Health Practice Program Office as an Audiovisual Specialist in 1992. In a realignment of functions in June, 1999, Omar became a part of MASO overseeing meeting support and audio visual activities for CDC. Omar will be missed by co-workers and all those whose meetings and conferences he has supported throughout the years.

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Our sympathy to: **Keith Davis'** family (our webmaster) his father-in-law passed away in late May. Condolences to the family can be sent care of Keith-

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**SICK BAY**

John Forney. father of PHA **Dave Forney**, developed conditions that require the amputation of his leg. I believe it was below the knee. He is now at home and learning to walk like a "one legged man." He would be happy to hear from his friends.

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**Member needs assistance:**

LEAVE DONATIONS FOR **ROBERT SMALL**

WHO: ROBERT SMALL , PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISER, NCHSTP

REASON: MEDICAL EMERGENCY

ELIGIBILITY PERIOD: APRIL 13, 2005 through MAY 10, 2005

DONATION PERIOD: (Leave will be accepted through JUNE 23, 2005)

HOW Submit an approved OPM-71 to your timekeeper and latest earning and leave statement. Indicate name of recipient and the number of annual leave hours you wish to donate.

Have your timekeeper send them to the payroll office, MS K-19, so that a record of donated hours can be maintained. Then enter the number of hours you wish to donate on the Donor button of your time card.

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT:DEBORA COLLIER

NOTE: The decision to donate annual leave is solely voluntary. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Dee Brugonone  
Payroll Liaison Office, Leave Donor Coordinator

**HAVE YOU HEARD?**

OD Announcements

I am pleased to announce that **Ms. Camille Harden** has agreed to serve as the Acting Director of the Office of the Executive Secretariat (OES), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), effective May 23, 2005. Over the next two weeks, Ms. Harden will be working closely with the current OES Director, Mr. Gaylon Morris, to ensure a smooth transition once she assumes this role.

Ms. Harden has a strong background and extensive experience in both public health and public policy. She began her career at CDC in 1993 as a Public Health Advisor in the Division of STD Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP) in West Palm Beach, Florida. In 1998, Ms. Harden joined NCHSTP's Office of the Director where she served in various roles as a CDC liaison to major universities for the Graduate Certificate Program, Human Subjects Assurance Liaison, and Policy Analyst. In 2001, she moved to the Office of Program Planning and Evaluation, where she coordinated, analyzed, and implemented performance and budget-related activities, including the Government Performance and Results Act and the Program Assessment Rating Tool. Ms. Harden also worked with staff at the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Office of Management and Budget to establish policies and procedures for linking budget to performance.

In 2004, Ms. Harden joined OES as a policy liaison to the Office of the Secretary in Washington, D.C. In this capacity, she provided enhanced program and policy

information to HHS staff; facilitated effective communications between CDC and the various departmental channels on policy-related matters; and improved timeliness and responsiveness for correspondence to both HHS and CDC. In recent months, Ms. Harden also has served as the Acting Associate Director for Planning and Policy Coordination at NCHSTP.

I know that I can count on your enthusiastic support of Ms. Harden as she assumes this key position at CDC. Please join me in welcoming her to this role.

Donna M. Garland  
Director, Office of Enterprise Communications

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Portfolio Management Program UPDATE

The Portfolio Management Project in the OD has placed six senior Public Health Advisors (GS-15) in states and one in the District of Columbia as Portfolio Managers that will serve as CDC's **Senior Management Official** in their states. These positions are co-located in the office of the State Health Officers. This program will be highlighted in a CDC Connects article early next month. Any Watsonians who may have questions or are interested in a future SMO position should contact Mike Sage or Tim Baker at (404) 498-3150. The current assignments are:

- Arkansas - Steve Boedigheimer
- Florida - **Kristin Brusuelas** (Acting)
- New York - Joe Henderson
- Ohio - Roberta (Bobbie) Erlwein
- Texas - **Mark Fussell**
- Washington - Karen White
- Washington D.C. - Susan DeLisle (Acting)

**MEMBER in the NEWS**

Look who was on the winning team- our Communications Committee chair--

To celebrate International Women's Day, the Applied Sciences Branch in the Division of Reproductive Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, held a Scavenger Hunt. Teams were organized and competed to answer a series of questions on reproductive health facts, Division history and women's history. They also had to collect a number of reproductive health "items", solve a set of riddles, and do a three minute performance to commemorate the day. The Sexy Educators beat out the Raging Hormones, the Macho Madres and the Baby Boomers to win."

The "Sexy Educators" team who won the Applied Sciences Branch, Division of Reproductive Health First Annual International Women's Day Scavenger Hunt. They include In Kyu Kim, Lorrie Gavin, Teresa Powell-Robinson, Ellen Germany Thomas and **Bill Boyd**.

The prize was a teen pregnancy-prevention key ring (promo for the branch's unintended and teen pregnancy prevention projects).

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**MEMBER NEWS**

Recently retired from CDC, **Jack Stubbs** will begin a contract job full-time with the B/T program.

Former NIP PHA **Kathy Jacobsen** is delighted to announce that she has (at last!) graduated in May from the University of Maryland, where she earned a Master of Science in Management

**Heather Duncan** and **Joel “Franklin” Fletcher**, have made the move to Atlanta. Heather writes: “..I'm staying with TB and Franklin with STD at least for now. We'll both be at Corporate Square. We have bought a house in the Sagamore Hills area, that is real close to work and the public schools are good. **Kathryn Koski** will be less than a mile away from us!”



NURSERY TIME:

**Angie Bauer Snyder** had another baby girl named Abby. She joins big sister Lindsey who is 2 years old. Everyone is doing well! Angie is finishing up her dissertation and hoping to graduate at the end of the 2005 fall semester.

Congratulations to Vicky and **Kevin Griffy** on the birth of Logan Kevin Griffy who arrived on April 15 at Gwinnett Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces and was 20.75 inches long.

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**CDC Leadership Profile:** Meet Crayton Lankford , CDC CONNECTS: 5/17/2005

As part of our series of leadership profiles, we continue with a profile of Crayton Lankford, Chief Management Officer, Coordinating Office of Global Health.

**Name:** Crayton Lankford, MBA

**Title:** Chief Management Officer, Coordinating Office of Global Health

**Responsibilities:** The purpose of the Chief Management Officer is to help CDC maximize health impact per dollar invested, through the use of modern business systems and practices. Lankford provides business management and strategic planning support to the Coordinating Office for Global Health to achieve CDC's global goals and objectives, with measurable results.

The Chief Management Officials work together with CDC's other senior business management leaders under the leadership of CDC's Chief Operating Officer, Bill Gimson, as the Management Council. The purpose of the Management Council is to improve business operations across CDC as a whole. Each of the CMO's has a specific leadership initiative assigned to them. Lankford is tasked with championing business efficiency and innovations in order to discover new ideas to accomplish business services.

**First Job at CDC:** Current position

**Path to Public Health:** “While Lankford is new to CDC; he is no stranger to public health. He comes to CDC from the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) where he was the Deputy Regional Administrator in Atlanta. He also served as the acting Regional Administrator for six months in Atlanta and New Jersey prior to joining CDC. FNS’s mission is to reduce hunger and improve nutrition and health, so he worked to not only feed people, but also to reduce obesity and improve nutrition education. One recent project he worked on was a joint CDC-USDA fruit and vegetable pilot project in schools in the Mississippi Delta, where fresh foods were introduced to schools’ menus in order to improve nutrition and reduce obesity.

In his 29-year career with USDA, Lankford also served as the director of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, commonly known as the WIC Program, which works with local health departments and clinics to provide pregnant women, infants and children up to age five with nutritious foods to supplement their diets.

Lankford provided one example of how business innovations can increase health impact. He worked with Tennessee to start a demonstration Infant Formula Rebate Program, whereby manufacturers bid to be the sole provider of infant formula in the WIC program. The rebate program grew and grew and eventually became mandatory by law, ultimately saving \$1.5 billion annually. An additional 2.1 million women, infants, and children receive food and nutrition education monthly because of the rebate program. In fact, one of four participants is served by savings from the rebate program, at no cost to the government.

Lankford also directed the Financial Management staff at USDA, and later he headed up the southeastern regional Food Stamp Program.

During his tenure as Deputy Regional Administrator, Lankford was selected for the Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program and participated in an 18-month course of study, which included a four-month developmental assignment assisting the commissioner of the Georgia Department of Human Resources with strategic planning. He and his staff at the Southeast Regional Office were the winners of the Office of Personnel Management’s PILAR (Performance Incentives Linked to Achieving Results) Award for their work linking employee work plans to the agency’s strategic plan.

**Last book(s) read:** Winning by Jack Welch, former chairman and CEO of General Electric (GE). Lankford says he chose this book because of an impressive presentation by GE at the March Leadership Forum. GE rigorously measures performance results to reward top achievers and identify high potential candidates for succession planning. The main point of the book is for companies to be very clear about their strategy, make sure everyone in the company knows it, and implement it well. Strategy means making clear-cut choices about how to compete. You cannot be everything to everybody, no matter the size of your business or how deep your pockets. Welch states there are three steps to strategy. First, come up with a big idea for your business, a smart, realistic, relatively fast way to gain competitive advantage. Second, put the right people in the right jobs to drive the idea forward. Third, relentlessly seek out the best practices to achieve the big idea, whether inside or out, adapt them, and continually improve them. Welch says when it comes to strategy, ponder less and do more.

**Family:** Lankford lives in Tucker with his wife Becky, a Certified Public Accountant with a firm in Dunwoody. Together they enjoy gardening and landscaping, and hiking in the mountains. He has three adult children and two grandchildren. Chris lives in Vancouver, Wash., with his wife Kim, and their two children, Kyron, 5 and Cassidy 4. Michael lives in Cartersville, Ga., with his wife Tamara. David is attending Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, GA; however, this semester he is studying in Valencia, Spain. Michael and David's mother is Lee Lankford, who serves as the Administrative Officer for the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities. When his sons were younger, Lankford spent much of his free time attending their baseball and soccer games and tournaments. Now, that his youngest child is in college; Lankford has started to play golf and is learning to fly airplanes at Peachtree-Dekalb Airport.

**What are the top priorities you are working on?** As a new employee to CDC, Lankford has been focusing on learning about CDC and its global health programs. To do so, he will be visiting CDC's programs in South Africa and Kenya in May, and Thailand and India in July.

His top priority at the Coordinating Office of Global Health is improving global business services. Specifically, his goal is to improve the effectiveness of global business services, including hiring and recruitment, travel, procurement, financial management and computer connectivity.

"We are looking for ways to provide better business services to CDC's scientists and health professionals, and to save money by improving CDC's global business services," said Lankford. "If we are able to provide more efficient and effective business services to support our overseas health and science programs, the savings can be directed into health impact."

Lankford will be working with each of CDC's global health programs to coordinate each of their spending plans to gain synergy among CDC's global programs to achieve the agency's global health goals. "We will help global health programs work together with each other and with other partners to achieve more health impact," Lankford said. Lankford says he is very happy to be joining CDC and its team of highly effective, smart people who are passionate about improving public health in America and around the world. The work at CDC is challenging, exciting, and rewarding.

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**JOBS POSTED**

CDC DTBE POSITION:

**Public Health Advisor GS-0685 -12**

**TRAVIS COUNTY TX - Located in Austin TX**

**CLOSING DATE - 06/14/2005**

DUTIES:

The incumbent will provide leadership, direction, and supervision for a public health and human services program to control and eliminate tuberculosis (TB). Develops policies and procedures, researches, designs, and promotes best practices for the delivery of health care and services. Improves the coordination and continuity of health care and services by enhancing prevention practices. The incumbent will coordinate activities within internal and external customers, including other programs in the department, other local departments, and community based organizations. Implements and measures the

outcomes of health and human service initiatives in collaboration with health care partners. Builds strategic alliances among community based organizations (public, private, and non profit) in order to improve the health and well being of residents. The incumbent will be responsible for the oversight and monitoring of public health contracts to ensure fiscal accountability. This activity involves reviewing quarterly expenditure reports, providing technical advice and assistance to the local area, and following up with them to resolve any funding issues that may arise. Assesses the program needs for assigned state/county/city health departments, TB programs including personnel, training, and technical assistance. The Public Health Advisor will work closely with the Senior Public Health Advisor in the state office in the development of standards, procedures, and policies to efficiently monitor and evaluate the use of local funding.

Internal announcement

<http://www2.cdc.gov/hrmo/viewdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=2-05-3331&QuickHireAnnouncement=N>

External announcement:

<http://www2.cdc.gov/hrmo/viewdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=2-05-3332&QuickHireAnnouncement=N>

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**Program Coordinator**

The Mission of RFFA (Rotarian Fellowship for Fighting AIDS) is to mobilize Rotarians and provide global leadership in the fight against HIV/AIDS. Please see the RFFA website for more information about the organization: [www.rffa.org](http://www.rffa.org).

**Duties**

- Manages daily correspondence and communications for RFFA. This involves producing letters and mailing for RFFA in coordination with the RFFA Chair. Regular communications duties also involve opening and sorting mail and email, as well as managing fax communications and telephone communications.
  
- Maintains membership database and renewal communications. This involves regular update of database and initiation of quarterly dues reminders, and sending of membership cards and RFFA pins. Will be the initial point of contact for member communications.
  
- Donor communications. Developing and mailing acknowledgements to lifetime members and donors. Prepare semi-annual newsletter draft with Chair and select members of the Board of Directors.
  
- Create and maintain a project database. Assist with project processing to gain grants/matching grants. Help find project sponsors.
  
- Assist with meeting planning and preparation. This duty involves assembling printed material; meeting agenda; overhead power point presentations; shipping of materials to site, etc.
  
- Identify and develop grants. Identify funding sources and write grants for RFFA with the Chair and select members of the Board of Directors.

- Assist with website maintenance. Provide content changes to keep it up to date. Assist with announcements via blast email.
- Manage the Rotarian Orphan Rescue program. Create a database of donors and interested Rotary clubs, confirm monthly resource transfer to HOPE ww/Africa, handle correspondence with donors and HOPE ww/Africa. Generate monthly reports.
- Promote speaking opportunities at District Conferences and Zone meetings. Create a speakers' bureau to help with this effort.

**Compensation, Reporting, Schedule**

The position of RFFA Program Coordinator is a *non-compensated position*. The Program Coordinator reports directly to the RFFA Executive and will be located in Atlanta at the Headquarters of RFFA. The coordinator schedule is flexible and can be negotiated with the Chair. The position is expected to involve approximately 20 hours per week.

**Professional Requirements**

RFFA seeks a seasoned and experienced public health professional to serve as the Program Coordinator. This position is ideal for an executive volunteer. While RFFA is a Rotarian based organization, Rotary membership is not required; however, membership is favored.

**Contact**

Send inquiries via email with the subject line "RFFA Program Coordinator" to Chair Marion Bunch and Executive Secretary Barry Smith

NOTE: replies to inquiries will not be sent until after the Centennial conference at the end of June

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**Services to Help All Regular Employees (SHARE)**

SHARE's Fathers Day Book Fair

Location: ROYBAL CAMPUS - Lifestyle - Common Area

Wednesday, June 08, 2005

From: 09:00 AM To: 02:30 PM

Web site: <http://intranet.cdc.gov/ecp/groups/share/shnews.html#bookfair>

(For details about this event)

SHARE offers Peter Pan Family Broadway Show

Location: Fox Theatre - Tickets \$51 - Go to link for more info

Sunday, July 17, 2005

From: 02:00 PM To: 04:30 PM

Contact: Email Tony to reserve - Tony McDonald - 404-498-6217

Web site: <http://intranet.cdc.gov/ecp/groups/share/shnews.html#peterpan>

(For details about this event)

Reminder: CDC/SHARE Summer Concerts at Chastain Park

Location: Chastain Park - Email Tony to reserve - Click on link for more info

Wednesday, July 27, 2005

From: 07:30 PM To: 10:30 PM

Web site: <http://intranet.cdc.gov/ecp/groups/share/shnews.html#chastain>

(For details about this event)

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**RETIREMENTS:**

**Debbie Folds**, National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) will be retiring June 3, 2005, after 34+ years of federal service.

Debbie began her career in 1970 with the Bureau of State Services which later became the National Center for Prevention Services where she provided administrative support to headquarters and field staff personnel. Debbie remained with NCPS until 1983 when she transferred to the National Center for Infectious Diseases, Division of Viral Diseases, to provide administrative support in a laboratory environment. She rejoined NCPS in 1984 to coordinate the HIV budget execution activities and other administrative activities. From 1984 through 1996, Debbie held several positions within NCPS and NCHSTP serving as the Center's lead budget analyst and Administrative Officer. In 1996, Debbie became the Administrative Officer for the National Center for Environmental Health. In 2001, she joined NCBDDD when the Center was created. Debbie played a major force in the birthing and formation stages of the Center. She began serving as the Center's Principal Management Official and for the past 18 months, has served as the Acting Associate Director for Management and Operations.

Debbie is well-known throughout CDC and highly respected by all levels of management. She maintains a wealth of knowledge and is willing to share that gift by allowing others to learn from her. Debbie's natural ability to mentor, teach and encourage individuals along the way has proven to be beneficial to so many. She will be sorely missed as a wonderful supervisor, co-worker and friend.

Debbie plans to become the "production manager" of her husband, Gary's new landscaping business, ShrubCo. They look forward to spending lots of time digging in the dirt together. She is looking forward to a big trip to Disneyworld and Daytona Beach with her children, Shannon and husband Jim, Matthew and wife, Stacy and especially her grandchildren, Taylor, Peyton and Devin. Debbie loves her role as "Nana."

At Debbie's request, a formal retirement celebration is not planned. We would like, however, to send her a gift to show our appreciation for the many years she has been a part of our lives. Donations can be sent to Lee Lankford (404) 498-3998 at MS E87 before June 3, 2005. Please join us in extending happy days ahead as Debbie moves into a new phase of her life.

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After 24 years of dedicated service to CDC, **Shelia Harkleroad** is retiring on June 3, 2005. Many of you know Shelia from her many years of service in training. She began her career at CDC in 1980 as a Personnel Clerk. She has also served as a Clerk Typist, Information Technician Specialist, Human Resources Specialist and most recently as an Ethics Program Specialist.

As a polio survivor, Shelia was honored to serve in the Center for Infectious Diseases for six years under the guidance of Walt Dowdle, one of her personal heroes of public health.

Currently, Shelia is a member of the Federal Managers Association and the Chair of the CDC/ATSDR Mentoring Steering Committee. Her work with Mentoring has brought her much happiness, with the hope that the mentoring process is making an impact in the lives of employees of CDC. She extends her gratitude to those who have taken part and given so much of their time to be committee members, mentors, and consultants for this valuable process.

Shelia's husband, Charlie, joined CDC two years ago to become the SHARE store manager. They have enjoyed being a CDC couple.

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**Farewell Celebration for: Kelly Correll**

Kelly Correll is retiring from CDC after many years of dedicated service in the National Immunization Program; previously, she was with the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

We will all miss Kelly's pleasant smile, great sense of humor, and her dedication to carry out her job duties.

Please join us in a farewell celebration

- 🕒 **WHEN: Friday, June 10, 2005**
- 📍 **WHERE: 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**
- 🕒 **TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm**

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Physical security at the CDC has never been more important, nor has it ever been better. One of the architects responsible for the security and safety we now enjoy, **Julius J. "Bud" Zebehazy**, is retiring after nearly 40 years of Federal government service as a well-respected CDC employee and former military Major.

Mr. Zebehazy is currently the Chief Security Officer for the CDC Chamblee and Lawrenceville facilities. During his career at the CDC, he has served as the Director of Physical Security for all Atlanta CDC facilities and as the Chief of Physical Security in the former Office of Biosafety (now known as the Office of Health and Safety).

It is an understatement to say that "Bud" Zebehazy has an interesting resume. During his 20-year army career, he served in command roles in Combat Aviation, Field and Aerial Artillery, Nuclear/Chemical Target Analysis, and Tactical/Strategic Intelligence, and he was the Special Security Officer for the Defense Mapping Agency. Prior to joining the Army, Bud worked as a Journeyman Machinist and Metal Patternmaker for General Motors.

Mr. Zebehazy received an Associate of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology from the Erie County Technical Institute and his Business B.S. degree from Cameron University. He has had the nickname "Bud" since he joined the Army.

At the CDC Mr. Zebehazy has taken security from its near-infancy to a state-of-the-art system involving new technology, a sizeable guard force, and impressive physical structures. Bud recalls that when he joined the Office of Biosafety in 1987, there were no computers in the office, 8 guards on the dayshift, under 70 card readers across the Clifton campus, and 3 unwatched vehicle entrance gates. Bud had a tough road ahead of him, but he managed to enact a couple of key improvements that had a profound effect: as soon as he had new fences erected around the Clifton facility, closed 2 gates, and positioned guards at the remaining entrances, all car theft came to a halt. "I got a lot of resistance to putting fences up, but once they were in place people said to me, 'You know, Bud, I feel safer now.'" Once he instituted ID cards and had card readers and guards placed at leased facilities, burglaries and computer theft nearly stopped. Also he was able to design and issue the small window sticker that is used today. "[CDC] people really were happy once we gave them the smaller sticker. The old one was quite large and was hard to remove from the vehicle."

Bud credits the Atlanta Olympics and the activities of animal rights groups for raising the awareness of and need for enhanced physical security at all CDC facilities. "Before the Olympics, a special security survey was performed. Taking the results, we immediately began working on a program to make a lot of improvements. Those results were presented to Congress, and CDC security funding was greatly increased." Bud says that getting more security staff, 2 locksmiths, surveillance equipment, and the new Security Operations Center (SOC) especially has significantly advanced the CDC's ability to secure itself and keeps its people and property safe.

"I've really enjoyed working with all the knowledgeable people at the CDC. They have a lot of selfless energy. I've also enjoyed seeing the campus master plans taking shape." Bud says that some of his fondest memories are of meeting First Lady Rosalynn Carter, President George W. Bush, Secretary Tom Ridge, and Secretary Tommy Thompson and working closely with CDC's Office of the Director. Also he has been very pleased to have been a part of improving the security guard force, physical security devices, access control systems, and the Emergency Alert System.

After retirement, Bud (June, 2005), is looking forward to spending time traveling with his family, walking outdoors, fishing, enjoying a condominium in Panama City Beach, and pursuing his hobby as an amateur birdwatcher. He plans to remain active in the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association and will devote time to volunteer work at the VA Hospital.

An OSEP retirement luncheon is planned 11:30 a.m., June 14, 2005, at Le Giverny at Emory Inn.

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After over 36 years of service with the Federal Government, **Sondra Magin** will retire from the Administrative Services and Programs Office (ASPO), Office of the Chief Operating Officer (OCOO) on May 31, 2005.

Ms. Magin started her federal career, with the IRS as a Card Punch Operator or Verifier in December 1968. Over the next several years, her roles expanded vastly. She found herself on many occasions conversing with Congressmen.

In July of the same year, she moved to Columbus Ga. where she worked for the Department of the Defense at Fort Benning as a Support Clerk and eventually became the Team Lead over the military clerk personnel.

In 1984 she accepted a transfer to Germany to work with a Lieutenant Colonel. Needless to say she earned the respect of all that worked with her, to include her boss who would only approve paperwork that had been initialed by Sondra (SMM), which to him looked like SAM. Thus began a nickname that stayed with her even after coming to CDC.

In September 1987 Sondra started as a Section Secretary, which eventually led her to Environmental Health and Hazard Effects Division Secretary for Dr. Falk.

In December 1990 she accepted an Administrative Support position in IRMO which led to Budget Analyst, and then Administrative Officer, before coming to ASPO as a Management and Program Analyst.

After retirement Sondra plans on spending quality time with her family, and frequenting her favorite orphanage. She also plans to do a lot of traveling, cruising being her favorite. Lastly, you will be able to find her in Home Depot as she loves remodeling her home.

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After almost 18 years of service to the Federal Government, Dorothy **(Dottie) B. Randolph** is retiring on May 31, 2005. Dottie began her career with the Federal Government in 1987 in a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) docket office. After working in NIOSH, Dottie joined the staff in the CDC Procurement and Grants Office (PGO). In 1995, she left PGO and returned to NIOSH, but left in 1996 to accept a position in the Public Health Practice Program Office (PHPPO) Extramural Services Activity (ESA). During her years in the ESA, Dottie served in several roles. Although she worked as a program manager for the Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine (ATPM) umbrella cooperative agreement, she assisted many staff in PHPPO and other CIOs concerning their assistance acquisitions. Dottie was a key member of ESA with regard to her knowledge of policies and procedures for acquisition actions, along with formatting and improving the forms used each year for the objective reviews of applications received by ESA associated with the academic partners umbrella cooperative agreements, i.e., ATPM, Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH), and the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). Her most recent position has been as the assistant to the Chief, ESA.

In her retirement, Dottie plans to enjoy some rest, not getting up early in the mornings, devoting more time with her hobby of growing orchids, and along with her husband, Gary, will spend time visiting with her grandchildren in North Carolina.

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After 31 years of dedicated service to the Federal Government, Connie Granoff will retire on June 3.

Connie began her Federal career at the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service in Atlanta. She and her husband, Bruce, relocated to Nashville, Tennessee in the early 1980s and Connie took a break from work to raise their children.

Upon returning to Atlanta in 1986, Connie came to CDC and worked for 10 years in HIV/AIDS. She then joined the National Center for Environmental Health, Division of

Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, in 1996. She is currently serving as Acting Division Director, Division on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (DBDDD), National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD). She is also a Senior Public Health Analyst for the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Team.

Connie's husband, Bruce, is also retiring from CDC on June 3. Connie and Bruce look forward to traveling , enjoying their family, and visiting friends when they are not busy with one of Connie's many home decor projects. She has also saved a stack of books that she looks forward to reading now that she will have the opportunity .

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After more than 30 years of dedicated service to the Federal Government, **Bruce R. Granoff** will be retiring on June 3, 2005. Bruce began his Federal Government career in September, 1967, as an attorney with the Federal Trade Commission at the Atlanta Regional Office. In that position, he was involved in investigating and enforcing "deceptive advertising practices" that were used through television, radio, and newspaper media.

In August, 1971, Bruce transferred to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Atlanta Regional Office, where he was involved in all the administrative litigation proceedings under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act program in the Atlanta Regional area. While with the EPA, he also was involved in both water enforcement activities and the oil spill notification program.

In February, 1980, Bruce left the Federal Government to enter the private sector where he was named the Environmental Counsel for Gulf + Western Natural Resources Group, a division of Gulf + Western Industries, Inc., located in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1983, he became the Environmental and General Counsel for Jersey Miniere Zinc Company, a Gulf + Western subsidiary.

In February, 1988, Bruce returned to the Federal Government service by accepting a position with the Procurement and Grants Office (PGO). In 1993 he accepted a position in the Public Health Practice Program Office (PHPPO) Extramural Services Activity (ESA). Bruce has functioned as Chief of the ESA until his retirement.

In retirement, Bruce plans to rest for a short time, spend some time traveling or taking cruises with his wife Connie who is also retiring from CDC, and doing some landscaping around his yard in Loganville.

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A reception honoring Ms. **Voughn Trader** for her 24.5 years of federal service will be held Thursday, June 2nd, from 10:30 am until 1:00 pm in Room 5124 of building 1, Roybal Campus. Please stop by to wish Voughn well. Light refreshments will be served.

Voughn joined USDA on November 30, 1980, as a Clerk Typist in the Food Stamp Division. On November 1, 1982, she joined the CDC Division of Viral and Rickettsial Diseases as a Secretary. Voughn currently works as a Program Analyst in DVRD.

During her 22.5 years at CDC/ATSDR, Voughn served as Secretary for Dr. Eugene Hurwitz, assisting with his work on Reye's syndrome and Kawasaki syndrome; thereafter and up to the present, she has worked with Dr. Lawrence Schonberger on those syndromes and on prion diseases, including Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) and

variant CJD, the human form of "mad cow" disease. For approximately the last 15 years, Voughn has been DVRD's liaison for the Commissioned Corps Officers, and she also helped plan the division's portion of the EIS Conference.

Voughn says that her career in public health has been interesting to say the least. During retirement, she plans to travel and spend more time with her grandchildren; however, Voughn will not be leaving CDC permanently, as she plans to be available for "special projects."

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**Mary Shepherd** will be retiring after over thirty years' government service. She began her career in the Veterans Administration in North Carolina as a GS-3 Medical Secretary in 1972. In 1974, she came to CDC as a secretary until she was accepted in the Upward Mobility Program to begin studying to be a microbiologist. After 12 years working during the day and attending night school at Georgia State University, she was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in microbiology. Her laboratory experience includes several years with Drs. Sandy Larson and the late Doug Kellogg in the STD Lab. After a short break in service during which she ran her own business, she returned to CDC in 2001 as a Medical Information Specialist in the Division of Parasitic Diseases (NCID).

Mary is an avid gardener and poised to launch herself into her many landscape projects. She is a creative writer and hopes to polish that skill through a series of courses that will eventually culminate in a publication. She is anxious to begin traveling - to Maine this summer and Arizona in the fall - with many in-between beach trips to her beloved St. Simons Island. Mary will fill whatever remaining time there might be with volunteer work (respite time for caregivers), reading to children at the public library, and tutoring English. She has a great deal of energy and is not the least bit concerned with becoming bored.

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It is with regret, but deep appreciation that the Division of Creative Services, National Center for Health Marketing / CoCHIS, announces the retirement on May 31 of **Richard C. "Dick" Welch** after 40 years of government service.

In talking about the value of public service, Calvin Coolidge noted that one should "Do your works with the spirit of a soldier in the public service. Be loyal to the commonwealth and to yourselves, and to be brief; above all be brief."

Dick got it two-thirds right. After spending 24 years in the United States Air Force, mainly in the field of publications management, Dick began his career with CDC in 1989 as the Publications Branch Chief at the National Center for Health Statistics in Hyattsville, Maryland. He was instrumental in streamlining the production process for NCHS and was the driving force behind putting over 30 years of legacy publications on the Internet.

In December 2000 Dick transferred to PHPPO in Atlanta. During his four years at PHPPO, he served in several leadership positions in the Division of Professional Development and Evaluation. As the Acting Chief, Creative Arts Branch, Dick led efforts to integrate advanced media capabilities including web design, 3-D animation and digital photography. In essence, Dick was instrumental in moving CDC toward a fully state of the art production facility. As an influential member of the PHPPO leadership team, Dick ushered in webcasting of Public Health Training Network telecasts and was a major

contributor to the success of the Public Health Image Library (PHIL). For the last 18 months Dick has provided invaluable leadership and vision in coordinating the consolidation of graphics services within CDC.

Through it all, Dick has conducted himself with the highest degree of integrity, loyalty and genuine appreciation for and collaboration with his many colleagues across the agency

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**Johnnie M. Thomas** will be retiring after 35 years of government service. She began her government career with the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) as a Clerk Typist in the Public Affairs Office. She became a Community Action Program Field Representative for this Federal Granting Agency before it was dismantled in 1981. She worked for the Community Development Department of Dekalb County (GA) a short time prior to returning to federal service. In June 1983, she joined the CDC family in the Procurement and Grants Office (PGO) as a Procurement Analyst. She is retiring as a Senior Contracts Specialist, after 22 years, on June 3, 2005. Ms. Thomas holds a Bachelors of Science degree and did graduate studies at Georgia State University in Urban Administration.

Ms. Thomas enjoys singing, playing the piano, painting art work, fishing, decorating, designing furniture as well as refinishing old furniture. Immediately following her retirement she will complete a renovation of her home (her own design plans), as well as redecorating it. Her art work will probably show up in every room. Sometimes after all of the dust clears she will probably take a couple of real estate courses to become a Certified Appraiser. She says she will also re-join the church choir and do volunteer work through her church.

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**Marlon Wolcott** hangs up his T-square and turns off his Mac and PC June 3rd.

He will be retiring from the Management Analysis and Services Office on June 3, 2005.

Marlon has spent almost all his life with the federal government. Because he grew up in an Air Force family, he had the opportunity to live in many interesting places—including Jamaica, Japan, France, and Germany. When he was 17, he joined the U.S. Air Force and became a Nuclear Weapons Systems Specialist after technical training in Colorado. From there he was stationed at a base on the California coast.

After receiving an Honorable Discharge, he traveled to Houston, where he accepted a position as a Machine Design Draftsman for a research and development subsidiary of American Machine & Foundry (AMF). Two years later, he was transferred to Washington, DC, to work on a special project for Applied Sciences Industries (ASI) as a Technical Design Illustrator. After completing ASI's contract, he re-entered government service as a Technical Illustrator for the newly created Night Vision Research Labs, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. He later accepted a position as Design Branch Chief for the newly created U.S. Army Computer Systems Command, where he started and ran their first Graphics Design department.

In his spare time, he reared two children, painted portraits of Washington area officials, illustrated patents for the U.S. Patent Office, and took college commercial design courses. After 12 years in DC, however, he really wanted to move south. He finally

arrived at CDC's Publications Graphics Section as a Visual Information Specialist specializing in publications and forms design. Now—after more than 40 years of government service—he is ready to move again. He plans to renovate the house, develop his own patent designs, entertain his two Cavalier King Charles spaniels, and get back into his long-neglected creative artwork. In between all that, his wife Lanette, has a long, long, list to keep him busy. Good luck, Marlon!

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After 18 years of government service, **Mr. Willie A. Greene** will retire from the Office of Security and Emergency Preparedness on Friday June 3, 2005.

Willie began his government service in June 1987 as a Security Control Room Technician under the leadership of Mr. Julius "Bud" Zebehazy. In a time when people tend to move around, Willie dedicated himself to the same area—the Physical Security Branch in the Control Room—for his entire civil service career. He credits his longevity in one office to his supervisor, Mrs. Diane Hairston-Nash, who provided solid and strong leadership for all her subordinates, and his co-workers, who made a difficult and stressful occupation meaningful and exciting by working as a team.

Willie received his call into the ministry in 1995. He has been Pastoring since 1997. After retirement, Reverend Greene plans to devote his life fully to the Gospel. He has received two full time churches and appointment in the United Methodist Church. He also plans to spend more time with his wife and family. Willie is married to Jeannette S. Greene, who retired from CDC in February 2005 after 24 years of government service. They have three children and three grandchildren. He looks forward to the next exciting chapter of his life.

Willie received his undergraduate degree from Morehouse College in 1981 and received his Masters in Divinity from Gammon Theological Seminary in 1998 while working at CDC.

He would like to sincerely thank everyone he has worked with, assisted, or come in contact with over the years.

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On June 3, 2005, **Ms. Georgi Jones** will be retiring after close to 25 years with CDC/ATSDR. Ms. Jones was recruited from the Assistant Secretary of Health's office in Washington, D.C. to start the Superfund Implementation Group (SIG) in NCEH in October, 1981. SIG eventually became the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in 1983 as part of a settlement of a lawsuit against the Department of HHS. As Chief of SIG, Georgi was responsible for implementing the public health provisions of the Superfund legislation. Georgi hired the original regional representatives and initiated the first health assessments and consultations for EPA evaluating the public health implications of Superfund sites nationwide. She also coordinated Superfund activities with colleagues in NIOSH, NIH and FDA. With the passage of the Superfund Amendments in 1986, many additional legislative responsibilities were assigned to ATSDR.

In her new role as Director of the Office of External Affairs, Georgi was responsible for starting the toxicological profile program, initiating the registry program, and beginning health education activities, as well as continuing oversight of the regional operations program. Her role changed again in 1989 when ATSDR was reorganized and she became Director of the Office of Policy and External Affairs, which included policy,

legislative, planning and all communications functions. Georgi accepted her most recent position as Director of both NCEH and ATSDR's Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation when the two agencies consolidated their Offices of the Director last year. Georgi's dedication to CDC and ATSDR, her commitment to its employees, and her concern for the public's health is undoubtedly recognizable through the strong programs she has led over the years.

Georgi plans to take the entire summer off to travel, relax, and spend more time with family and friends – and plans to do part-time consulting in the fall. We will certainly miss Georgi and wish her the best of luck with her future endeavors.

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**Quo Vadis J. (Harris) Nelson**, National Center for Infectious Diseases, will be retiring on Friday, June 3, after 36 years of service.

QuoVadis began her career with the Federal Government in 1966 as a Clerk-Typist with the Defense Contracting Agency and has had continuous service since entering on duty. She has worked at the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Forest Service, and the Community Services Administration, formerly named the Office of Economic Opportunity. She came to CDC in March 1982 after the Community Services Administration was dismantled in October 1981. At CDC, she was assigned to work with the Task Force on Kaposi's sarcoma under the direction of Dr. James Curran, as his Secretary and Personal Assistant. QuoVadis was reassigned to the Office of the Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID) in 1989. She served as the Committee Management Specialist for the NCID Board of Scientific Counselors before transferring in 1993 to the Division of Bacterial and Mycotic Diseases (DBMD) as a Program Specialist to work with the MDR-TB Task Force. QuoVadis is presently employed as a Health Communication Specialist in the Health Communications Activity of DBMD.

QuoVadis became a member of the EEO Council soon after her arrival at CDC and has been an advocate for equal rights at CDC since that time. She served as the Chair of the CDC/ATSDR EEO Advisory Committee in 2003. QuoVadis is a Life Member of Blacks in Government (BIG), and she is also the Immediate Past President of the CDC/ATSDR Chapter of BIG. As President, QuoVadis was afforded the opportunity to work with management officials and peer groups on programs to dissuade adverse actions against minorities as CDC continued to support equal opportunity for its employees. She is the current Chair, Inventory Control Sub-Committee for the 2005 National BIG Training Conference. She is a past member of the NAACP, and a past member of the Association of Professional Women (APW) at CDC. She is a Life member of the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW); and, has served as a Federal Women's Program Coordinator.

QuoVadis plans to retire from work entirely, and plans to spend the next 3 years enjoying traveling to the basketball games of her granddaughter, Alexandria Anderson, who plays for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Lady Mocs. She also plans to spoil her new 6-month-old grandson, Blake as she has already done with grandsons, DeAnthony and Andre.

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On May 31, 2005, **Beverly Wright Harris**, a writer-editor in the Office of Communication of the National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, is retiring. She began working at ATSDR in May of 1997.

Beverly plans to simplify her life, spend more time outdoors—especially at the beach and at Yosemite—visit friends and relatives around the country, and work on two projects that are especially dear to her heart. She also plans to organize her paperwork, including catching up on long-neglected correspondence. Her plans include scanning family photographs and historical letters for entry into a computer-based genealogy program.

Beverly plans to remain in the Atlanta area for the foreseeable future and would like to keep in touch with the many great people she has worked with over the years.

Beverly adds that she has never met a finer group of people than the public health professionals that she has worked with for the past eight years. She would also like to express her appreciation to those who have provided answers to her questions over the years.

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**Grace Doemeny**, Quality Assurance Specialist, will be retiring on June 3 from the Office of the Associate Director for Science, Division of Applied Research and Technology at NIOSH in Cincinnati.

In her current position, Grace provides technical assistance to the Division's Associate Director for Science and the Laboratory Quality Assurance Coordinator in the areas of peer review policy, laboratory accreditation, and the National Academies Research Associateship Program. Prior appointments at NIOSH include serving as a Division, Branch, and Section secretary. In 1999, Grace was recognized by former Surgeon General David Satcher for the production and distribution of the PHS Bicentennial Calendar.

Over the years, Grace has served as a valuable member on the DART Safety Committee, Animal Care and Use Committee, and the NIOSH Employee Appreciation and Recreation Association (NEARA). Her preparation of the DART Safety Manual & Chemical Hygiene Plan, her participation on animal project reviews and facility inspections, and promotions for NEARA fundraisers are all greatly appreciated.

After retirement, Grace and Larry (a NIOSH 2003 retiree) look forward to relocating to San Diego. They plan to do some home remodeling projects, travel, and pursue other interests.

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**Cynthia Craig Williams**, NCEH/DLS, Organic Analytical Toxicology Branch, will be retiring on June 3, 2005 after 34 years of Government service.

Cynthia began her federal career at CDC in 1971 as a chemist in the Analytical Bacteriology Branch, Bacteriology Division, Bureau of Laboratories. From 1971-1981 she was involved in research utilizing metabolic profiling for identification of bacteria. In 1981 she transferred to a research chemist position in the Toxicology Branch, Clinical Chemistry Division, National Center for Environmental Health and Injury Control operating a mass spectrometer and learning about pesticides, dioxins and PCBs.

Her future plans include a little travel, gardening, exercising, playing with the cats and dogs, and hopefully completion of many sewing and quilting projects (UFOs and new); but, most of all, more time with her husband Bruce.

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**Pat Bering** will be retiring on June 3, 2005 after 21 years of government service.

Pat started her Federal career with Department of Defense in 1984 as a temporary in the personnel office at Puget Sound Naval Supply Center in Bremerton, WA. She then moved into small purchase in 1985 and became the dedicated buyer for the Polaris Materials Office for the Pacific Fleet. The family relocated to Alaska and she worked for FDIC for a year before moving to CDC's Arctic Investigations Program. She started as staff assistant, working for the late Ned Rasmussen. He became her friend and mentor and with his guidance she became the Administrative Officer for AIP. With the restructuring in 2001 she volunteered to take on the Budget Analyst position.

In the course of her CDC career she has been lucky to have worked with some of the most patient, helpful and downright nice people. She would like to thank and remember Jerry Robinson, Betty X. Scott, John Johnson, Donna Armstrong, Ken Fortune, the late Betty Howell, Angel Rodriguez, Johnny White, Cookie Cloninger, the wonderful voucher auditors and FMO help desk that have put up with her and helped her.

She would also like to thank the staff at AIP, those present and those no longer with us for their help, generosity and irreplaceable friendship. She hopes to maintain those friendships as she wanders around in her retirement, traveling, visiting grandchildren and touring the world

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