PHIII: Intro physics seminar

Potential schedule

Date	Speaker	Suggested topic	Note
24 Aug 09	Ray White	Radical Skepticism	Confirmed
31 Aug 09	Patrick LeClair	Orders of Magnitude and Estimation	Confirmed
7 Sept 09	n/a	labor day	
14 Sept 09	Ray White	The Big Bang	Confirmed
21 Sept 09	Andreas Piepke	Building Blocks of Matter	
28 Sept 09	Jerome Busenitz	A Physicist's History of Renewable Energy	
5 Oct 09	William Keel	Galaxy Evolution	
12 Oct 09	Patrick LeClair	Quantum Physics in the Household	Confirmed
19 Oct 09	Dawn Williams	Particle Astrophysics	Confirmed
26 Oct 09	Ben Harms	Black Holes	Confirmed
2 Nov 09	Patrick LeClair	Information Storage Physics	Confirmed
9 Nov 09	Louis Clavelli	Historical Overview of HEP	Confirmed
16 Nov 09	Student Talks	TBD	
23 Nov 09	Student Talks	TBD	
30 Nov 09	Student Talks	TBD	

Real schedule: you help choose!

- passed out voting forms
- return at the end of class
- will try to make sure some of the mostselected choices make it in

OFFICIAL THINGS

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- Dr. Ray White
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OFFICIAL THINGS

Lecture/Lab:

- 227 Gallalee
- M 4-5:30

often: short (~5pg) reading before a given lecture posted on blogspot page, mentioned in class

class participation crucial

The Plan

- different topic & speaker each week
- typical: small bit of reading before each class
- end-of-semester talks

in groups of ~3

topic choice by 28 September

- discussion heavy
- course info:

http://uaphysics.blogspot.com/

So now ... let's meet each other!