



## **Your INL Update — Week of Jan. 10, 2011**

This is Nicole Stricker with your INL Update.

Idaho National Laboratory is solving national energy challenges but also looking out for its own backyard. Whether it's developing applications to help avalanche forecasters or volunteering with conservation groups, INL leaders and employees contribute to numerous outdoor organizations. You can read more in a feature story on INL's home page.

Another new feature describes research for trapping a radioactive chemical contaminating soil and groundwater at several federal sites. The team coaxes microbes to produce calcite, a mineral that can cage the contaminant until well after it decays to harmlessness. Read more on INL's home page.

Olympic figure skating medalist Debi Thomas will be the keynote speaker at Saturday's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. banquet. INL co-sponsors the annual event, which is hosted by the Idaho Falls African American Alliance. The banquet will be from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday at the Shilo Inn. For tickets, call Marilyn Standfield at 525-8219.

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