

Dedication Ceremony

Dr. Ralph Bennett's Stand-up Desk Display

*****Friday, 17 October 2014 at 1300*****

FDA Conference Center

Program



- Welcome & Proud Memories Video
- Remarks by Bennett Family
- Dedication Ceremony
- Lobby/Garden Tour/Visit
- Refreshments

***Security: Bring Picture ID; Check-in at Main Entrance Bldg 1**

***Parking: Follow Signs to Parking; Shuttle Bus Will Take You To Bldg1.
People Needing Assistance, Please Drop Them Off At Bldg 1 Main Entrance.**

***Tours: A Tour of NOL Restored Lobby Will Be Conducted.**

***RSVP: Please Respond by Tuesday, 14 October 2014 by: Mail**

(Encl. Envel.); Call (301) 439-3140; Email: mrspat218@aol.com

Name(s)_____Ph:_____

Number Attending:_____

Desire Tour of NOL Lobby:_____Yes _____No

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Dr. Ralph D Bennett

Technical Director of Naval Ordnance Laboratory

1944-1954

Picture Shows Dr. Bennett Working At His Stand-up Desk

Dr. Bennett joined the Technical Reserve before the outbreak of World War II and was assigned to duty at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory in the Washington Navy Yard. He rapidly became its military commanding officer, combining high rank and advanced technical expertise. After the war he moved to the civilian side of management alongside active-duty Navy command, establishing the commanding officer-technical director system of dual military and civilian leadership that became common to Navy laboratories. He oversaw the move of NOL from the Navy Yard to White Oak and established its organization as a major R&D laboratory.

Dr. Bennett worked at this stand-up desk during his time at White Oak, a practice that is enjoying renewed favor among physical-fitness devotees. Upon his retirement, the Navy presented him with the desk, which he used in retirement in California. His family presented it to FDA for use in this display. Edwin Stanton, Abraham Lincoln's Secretary of War, was also noted for his use of such a desk.





Dedication Program

***Welcome**

***Proud Memories Video**

***Remarks by Dr. Ralph Bennett Family**

***Dedication Ceremony by Display**

***Presentation to Dr. Bennett's Family**

***Refreshments**

***Tour of NOL Lobby and Proud Memory Garden**

A WOLAA thank-you to FDA's Alyssa Polovoy for hosting the dedication and to FDA's Jennifer Newell for developing the display.

WOLAA also sends a Navy BZ to Dr. Bennett's family for donating his stand-up desk to FDA making possible this historical preservation of NOL history!!



US Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, MD

1946-1997

In Honor & Remembrance of all Who Ably Served

In Support of Our Country's Defense, the Laboratory Developed for the Navy: Torpedoes, Missiles, Depth Bombs, Seal Weapons, Mines, Warheads, Fire Control Systems, Passive Sonar, Fuzes, Decoys, Safing and Arming Devices, and Conducted Research in Aerodynamics, Hydrodynamics, Materials, Sensors, Batteries, and Nuclear Effects.

WOLAA, Proudly Keeping Memories Alive!