Highly Respected Cleanroom Manager Rick Bradley Retires

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Nanoscience Laboratory Manager Rick Bradley is retiring from CHTM on July 31. He dedicated 12.5 years to keeping the CHTM cleanroom running smoothly through power outages, novice students and equipment mishaps. One of the first things the 40-year semiconductor industry veteran did when he started at CHTM was to implement a data collection system, which provided information on the costs of running the cleanroom and characterization facilities for the first time.

In addition to interacting with external users and supporting the MBE labs, Rick also thrilled touring K-12 students and their teachers by suiting them up in "Bunny Suits," the protective gear worn in the cleanroom, while regaling them with cleanroom lore.

Student from a Nanoscience camp tries on a cleanroom gown during a tour of CHTM