

# National Park Service Department of the Interior

Manhattan Project National Historical Park  
Oak Ridge, Tennessee



June 2018

## Manhattan Project History in June

- In June, 1942 President Roosevelt approved a plan for spending \$85,000,000 for the development of a weapon.
- Construction on K-25 began in June, 1943.
- Seth Neddermeyer is replaced as director of implosion research by George Kistiakowsky in June, 1944.
- The Franck Report is issued by Metallurgical Laboratory in June 1945, recommending a demonstration of the bomb before it is used in combat. This recommendation is later rejected by the Interim Committee who recommended that the atomic bomb be dropped as soon as possible without warning.
- The 509<sup>th</sup> Composite Group began arriving on Tinian Island on June 10, 1945 with modified B-29 bombers, the Enola Gay and Bockscar.

## Stop by the Oak Ridge Federal Building Lobby to See "HerStory".

On display is a photography exhibition on women in the Secret City that tells a complex story about hard work, family values and support of the Project.



A Young Oak Ridger has Two Customers at his Comic Book Stand in a June 1945 Ed Westcott Photo.

**Come See Us at the Secret City Festival on Friday and Saturday, June 8 & 9.** Learn more about our hiking, biking, rock-climbing and other ranger programs.

**Ride with a Ranger on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** at 10 am (ET) on our popular bike ride along the North Boundary Greenway. Join us at the Turnpike Gatehouse (2900 Oak Ridge Turnpike) and travel down Quarry Trail to explore the former

communities that were here before the Manhattan Project. We'll stop several times along the way to point out the rich history that is found within the Oak Ridge area.

**The Popular *Secrecy, Security and Spies* Program is back on Friday, June 22** at the Turnpike Gatehouse (2900 Oak Ridge Turnpike). The program will begin at 3:30 pm (ET) and will give visitors some insight to what life was like in Oak Ridge during the Manhattan Project with the need for secrecy, all of the security that surrounded the city, and the threat of spies.

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**Thanks to a Great Partnership with the City of Oak Ridge** we now have new streetlight banners around town!

**Park Visitor Center Desk  
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