



SENIOR SCIENCE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

February 25, 2013; The speaker will be Danny DeMarinis on "Creation of a Regional University Park".

ROLLING OUT THE SSS FOUNDATION

The Senior Science Society (SSS) is an unincorporated organization operating under the auspices of the Harford Community College (HCC) and as such is limited in its financial support of STEM activities to those which directly support HCC programs. Therefore, the Senior Science Society Foundation, Inc. (SSSF) was founded as a qualified 501(c)(3) charitable foundation incorporated in the State of Maryland, with the goal of providing scientific educational scholarships and training to deserving individuals and groups external to the HCC environment. The two organizations (SSS and SSSF) maintain a cooperative relationship and strive to complement one another in their efforts to support the growth of STEM capabilities within Harford County and within the State of Maryland.

During this past month, packages were assembled that provide introductory materials describing the SSSF for distribution to potential corporate sponsors. Included in this package, in addition to an introductory letter, are a description of SSSF structure and operating procedures and a delineation of Corporate Sponsor Program Benefits (CSPB). The CSPB sheet lists three sponsorship categories (Affiliate Sponsor, Associate Sponsor, and Sponsor), along with corresponding benefits (e.g., SSSF advertisement of sponsors and sponsor inclusion as SSS members or SSSF directors) and donation amounts for each level. The establishment of named scholarships is also an available option.

Distribution of these packages has just begun. Please let us know if your company might have any interest in this program and we will personally deliver an SSSF introductory package to the appropriate personnel. Suggestions for possible sponsors other than your own company will also be gladly received. Send any such information to Al Horst. We look for your support to make the SSSF a vital member of community efforts to further STEM awareness and education within our community.

ARTICLES SOLICITED

If you have a newsworthy STEM-related article or announcement and would like it included in a future issue of this newsletter, please contact Bruce Burns at (bonniesbru@comcast.net).



YOUTH'S BENEFIT STEM CLUB

On Thursday, November 15, Ed Schmidt and Bruce Burns offered a 1-1/2 hour program on impulse and momentum management at the Youth's Benefit Elementary School in Fallston. Approximately 60 children in grades K thru 5 participated, along with many parents. The event was the kickoff of the school's newly-formed STEM Club, and it was a huge success!

SCHOOL OUTREACH

The new fiscal year continues to bring new outreach programs to the schools of Harford County. As of this newsletter, the following events are scheduled or are under development: The SSS POC is listed after each entry.

- Mountain Christian - March 25 (new date) (Clarence Fry).
- Hickory Elementary School - TBD. (Ed Schmidt).
- Southampton Middle School's Environmental (STEM) Day - May 13. (Dick Schwanke).
- TNT Day @ the Harford Community College - May 22. (Susan Luckan)
- HCC Family Fun Day - Jan 12. (Dick Schwanke)
- Forest Hill Elementary School - TBD. (Ed Schmidt)
- Riverside Elementary School - April & North Harford Elementary School - June 4. (Bruce Burns)
- Harford County PS STEM Nights - Magnolia MS on Jan 16; Havre de Grace MS on Jan. 30; & Bel Air MS on Feb. 20. (Skip Albert)

If you are interested in participating in one of these events or developing a new module, please feel free to contact one of the individuals listed.