



SCIENCE FACTORY
 Children's Museum & Exploration Dome
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May flowers and summer lasers...

Tot Discovery Day: Flower Power

Friday, May 7, 9 am - noon

Science Factory Members: FREE! Non-members: \$10 per parent/child combo. Additional children \$2 each. Tot Discovery Days are sponsored by SELCO Community Credit Union.

Toddlers can explore flowers and their insect friends. We'll plant seeds, make flower-powered art, go on an insect safari, and see what insects look like under the video microscope. Also, at 10 am and 11 am Nearby Nature will present a KinderCritter show.



Sign Up for Summer Science

Summer camps are filling up fast! This year we're offering 50 summer camps on a variety of topics to get children ages 3-14 engaged, excited and inspired about science and technology. This year we are:

- providing narrower age groupings so that campers can proceed through activities at the same pace,
- offering camps just for girls that allow them to meet local women scientists, and,
- introducing more camps that allow kids to explore real science issues that are currently affecting their world,
- creating more opportunities for campers to interact with real scientists in our own community.



Summer Science Adventures
 June 28 - Aug. 27
 Full and half-day week long camps
 Before/After/Lunch care available
 Ages 3-14
 Animals & Habitats • Computers • Geology • Chemistry • Space
 Engineering • Ecology • Conservation • Girls' Science • More!
 sponsored by OREGON COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

[Go to summer camp info=>](#)

**Annual Membership Meeting
 Tuesday, May 11 at 6:00 PM**

On Tuesday, May 11 at 6 PM, The Science Factory, Inc. will hold its annual meeting of members for the election of the Board of Directors. The meeting will take place in the Exploration Dome. All members are invited.

**June Laser Shows
 June 16 - 20**

We thought it would be nice to celebrate those first few days after school lets out, so... LASER LIGHT SHOWS ARE COMING BACK! Shows featuring the music of Pink Floyd, The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, Metallica and



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others will be offered June 16-20. Don't miss them!

[Shows, schedule and ticket information here=>](#)

In the Exhibit Hall

Visitors can continue to enjoy Every Body Eats through May 9 and Your Healer Within through May 30. The Exhibit Hall will be closed for exhibit change May 31 through June 4. Coming June 5, 2010, hands-on exhibits from our own collection; you'll be able to explore light and optics with our "Everyone is You and Me" display, or learn about Bernoulli air blowers and test out your own designs at our Air Table... [More on current exhibits=>](#)



In the Exploration Dome



The Exploration Dome is showing two new shows for spring: Seasonal Star Gazing: Spring and a double feature of Planets of the Solar System & Moon Dreams.

[See the Exploration Dome schedule =>](#)

Special Closed Dates

The Exhibit Hall will be closed for exhibit change May 31 through June 4. The Exploration Dome will be open for previously scheduled field trips.

Programming and Announcements

For ADULTS:

WE ARE THE UNIVERSE,
with Steve Kilston

WEDNESDAYS APRIL 21 - MAY 19, 7 - 9 PM

For adults. \$3.00 Science Factory members/\$5 non-members.

May 12: The Ultimate Project. What would we do if we found a habitable planet in a nearby solar system? How might we design a physically plausible and practical stellar spaceship, and what level of technical and societal development might be required for a successful mission? Join us as we imagine the possibilities of traveling to another world.

May 19: Being and Loving the Universe. Atoms forged in the stellar furnaces form the synapses that prove the universe and its power are inside us. Can knowing about this affect our consciousness, values, and goals? What is our role in the cosmic evolution of the universe? Join us for a philosophical discussion of our complex relationship with the universe.

[More info=>](#)



Science Pub

Thursday, May 13, 7 - 9 pm

Cozmic Pizza, 199 W 8th Ave -- FREE!

Dangerous Liaisons: Sexual Selection with Sexual Conflict,
with **Patrick Phillips, Ph.D.**, professor of biology and director of the Center for Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Oregon.

We will undertake an entertaining and sometimes tongue-in-cheek survey of causes and consequences of sexual competition in plants and animals, including tales of intrigue and conflict between the sexes... [More info=>](#)

Notice: Used CDs needed! The Science Factory is planning a summer camp construction activity that requires about 50 CDs. If you have old used CDs you want to get rid of, please drop them off at the Science Factory front desk.

JOIN THE EXPLORATION DOME CAMPAIGN



Here's Your Opportunity to Be A Star!

Thank you to all our donors and sponsors. We're almost halfway to our campaign goal, and the Exploration Dome is well on its way to becoming a memorable destination for the community. Please watch your mailboxes for your special invitation to shine as part of our new Exploration Dome experience, and receive exclusive benefits, including permanent recognition at the Dome. If you would prefer to give immediately and help rocket us to the top, it's easy! Just hit our online "Click & Pledge" button and choose the Exploration Dome Campaign option. [More info=>](#)

Thank You, Donors and Sponsors

Exhibit Hall & Educational Programs

Thank you to the following organizations and individuals who showed support for our Exhibit Hall and Educational Programs: Ben & Paula Arthur, Eric & Carissa Dames, Richard & Victoria Dilworth, Gary & Kathryn Eisenzimmer, Guy & Deborah Field, Peter & Teresa Koepp, Andrea Larson & James Eagle Eye, Teresa Maitlen, Nearby Nature, Jill & Ken Reimann, Michael Shea, Jeff & Jennifer Stone, Calvin & Peggy Tigner.

Summer Camp Sponsors

Once again, we would like to thank Oregon College Savings Plan, our Summer Camp Title Sponsor. If you missed seeing them during the Science Factory Open House, you might not have heard about the 2010 You Can Get There Challenge. Your child could win an Oregon College Savings Plan Account if he or she enters the contest, running through May 28, 2010, that invites kids in grades K-5 to articulate what they will be when they graduate from college. For more information on saving for college through the Oregon College Savings Plan or entering the contest, visit www.oregoncollegesavings.com.



GloryBee Foods We would also like to thank GloryBee Foods, Inc. for sponsoring Food Detectives, a camp about where food comes from, and we wish to thank International Paper, Inc. for sponsoring Oregon Explorers, a camp about the ecology of Oregon, and Our Planet Earth, a camp about the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. It's going to be a great science summer!



Exploration Dome Campaign

Thank you to Hugh Duvall, and Lane County Parks via the Lane County Tourism Special Projects Grant for strong support of our Exploration Dome.

In-Kind Donations

We appreciate and thank everyone at Thompson Landscape Company for their donation of seasonal landscaping work.

Thank You, Volunteers

You're the Best!

Thanks as always to Lee Ann Hansen, who never tires of helping us in the office. Thank you to Billy Apolo for helping us present Exploration Dome shows. We'd also like to thank Linda Ferdowsian, Linda Gai and Richard Wagner for providing docent services, and Ashley Ogle for volunteering for April's Tot Day.

Three cheers for Ken Check and David Bartling for assisting with *Take Your Daughters and Sons to Work Day* at **Datalogic Scanning**.

YEAH! Applause, applause to all the volunteers who got up at dawn to help out at the **Eugene Marathon Kids Fun Run**: Cesca Blythe, Sara Blythe, Sophie Bybee, Paul Cziko, Frank Day, Hannah Froemming, Chloe Fulp, Ray Hull, Bob Murray,



Kymm Myers, Eileen & Bob Sanders. And thank you to our staff who came to the rescue too!



Welcome New Members

It's a brand new year of science fun with:

James and Aimee Axall, Lori Brewer, Norman Dowty, Sabrina and Kevin Gordon, Christa Heinze, LeRoy Hershiser, Betty and Kevin Kite, Dawn and Noah Lerner, Justin and April Lidstrom, Shelli and Kamanu Loo, Damian and Rebecca Lynch, Aimee and Tyler Madsen, Catherine E. Mangé, Ulrich Mayr and Catrin Rode, Jennifer Miller and Angela Caldwell, Julie and Brian Mohr, Richard Mullen, Kira and Nick Pilson, Cathy and Randy Rasmussen, Amy Rich, Gary and Vita Robbins, Ricky Rodosta, Joan and Cindy Sawchuck, Allen and Kate Sijer, Kathleen and Scott Smith, Angela and Thomas Snyder, Heidi Stevens, Brie Stone and Jan Del Bone, Angel Stupasky, Lauren and Ryan Von Klein, Wendy and Travis Williams, Fang Yin and Yi Zhou, Sierra Yzaguirre and Joseph Wayne, and James and Barb Zentner.

We hope you've enjoyed this issue of the Science Factory eNews. If you have thoughts, feedback, questions or just want to say hello, please email us at sfmarketing@sciencefactory.org.

We hope to see you soon!

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