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The Latest from the Science Factory

Fight "Nature Deficit Disorder" with "Take a Child Outdoors" Day this Saturday!

This event is in partnership with our friends at Nearby Nature and REI and will be on Saturday, October 17 from 11 am - 3 pm. Your family will go on a natural treasures scavenger hunt outside the Science Factory, use nets and magnifiers to discover who lives in our ponds and earn a chance to win one of two \$20 gift certificates from REI or a bike helmet. And at 1 pm, check out the Science Factory's "Up in the Sky" planetarium show for half price!

This event is included with the cost of admission and free for Science Factory members.

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The "Your Healer Within" Exhibit is a Big Hit!

From the stringless harp to the "Cancer Defender" game with its villain, "Col Esterol," to the interactive video game that allows you to fight off viruses (pictured above), visitors are really loving this exhibit. Come in and check it out! [See exhibit footage in our ad >>](#)

Thank you to our major sponsors who helped us bring "Your Healer Within" to the community:



Go on a "Dangerous Voyage" in the



Planetarium! While going through the "Healer" exhibit, you'll learn a lot about how the body functions. On Earth. But what about in space? That's exactly where our Planetarium show, "Dangerous Voyage," picks up. Don't miss it! Saturdays and Sundays at 2pm. Free for Science Factory members; \$4 for non-members. \$1 discount to see both the planetarium show and explore the exhibit hall (\$7 total) [More >>](#)



The Exhibit Opening Party Was a Blast! Thank you to the hundreds of members who turned out for the exhibit opening party on October 2. We hope you had a good time--we certainly did. And, a big, big, thank you to Cafe Yumm! who donated catering services for the event. The food was AWESOME, guys!



Please note: We are closed on days with home Duck football games, so please plan accordingly. [See a list of football dates.](#)

Programming and Announcements

Calling All Aspiring Movie Makers: Don't Miss the Workshop on October 24

This workshop will introduce kids to the creative computer fun of iMovie. Participants bring their favorite digital photos and will leave with a DVD movie with sound effects, music, narration, and - using our green screen - themselves in a variety of crazy settings!

Next month, we'll hold a web design workshop on November 7. These workshops, from 9am - noon, are for 10-12 year olds and are \$18 for members and \$25 for non-members. Pre-registration is required. [Download a type-in registration form now >>](#)



Coming Friday October 30, 5pm-8pm: A Halloween Party Like No Other!

At the Science Factory, our Halloween party is one of a kind. You'll explore spooky science demonstrations and eerie experiments in our Mad Scientist's lab. Try to win some prizes in our horrifying Halloween Carnival. And see how far you can fling a pumpkin using our trebuchet!

The party is \$10 per family for Science Factory members and \$15 per family for non-members.

Note: The Science Factory will be closed from 1 pm - 5 pm on October 30 to prepare for this event



Science Fun Fact: You ARE a Fat Head

To Keep Your Brain Working Properly You Need to Eat Fat

About two-thirds of your brain is composed of fats without which your brain could not function. Brain fats constantly need to be replaced from what we eat, so a diet without fat is a very unhealthy one. Don't break out the lard yet, however,



because these are very specialized fats that our brains require. A healthy diet to keep your brain good and fat would include flax seeds, chia seeds, walnuts, sea vegetables and green leafy vegetables for "omega-3" fatty acids; and sunflower, safflower, corn and sesame oils for "omega-6" fatty acids. (Pictured: A Science Factory visitor learning about the brain.)



Thank You, Volunteers!

Moving "Your Healer Within" into the exhibit hall and getting it set up was no small task. Thank goodness we had some fantastic help from some volunteers! **Matt Harris, Jason Haxton, David Braun, and Rob McGladrey** (pictured) did much of the heavy lifting (literally!)

We'd also like to thank our friends at **Umpqua Bank** for once again pitching in to get the exhibits up and running. Thank you to **Jolie Burgner, Amanda Fipps, Mandy Gilmore, Emily Kesselring, Krystal Morris and Marie Silingo**. We appreciate your commitment to volunteering at the Science Factory!



Thank You, Donors!

Some of you got a preview of new planetarium equipment we are hoping to purchase in 2010 at our Exhibit Opening party on October 2. We wanted to show off the system to let you know what's coming, but also to ask for your financial support to make it a reality. If you are interested in giving to support this upgrade, please contact Kim Miller at 682-7896. Several community members have already made a donation to this effort. They are: **Billy Balsom & Elizabeth Pownall, Jennifer Bell, Peter & Megan Davis, Ray & Sharon Hull, Patrick Logan, Phil & Sharon Means, Kim Miller, Dave Moursund, Robert & Ruth Sylwester, Harry Wolcott, and Simoni Engineering.**

We would also like to thank the **Eugene Marathon** and the **Albertson's Community Partners Program** for their support and community member **Anne Bonine** for her donation.

Many thanks also to our in-kind business supporters, **Above All Sanitation, Pepsi-Cola Bottling of Eugene, and Thompson Landscape Company.**

Welcome, New Science Factory Members!

Join us in welcoming our newest members:

Jenny Baez, Natasha Boykin & Sean Kern-Craft, Stowe & Sarah Campbell, Greg Caputo, Clancy & Dave Wagerhain, Laura & Jason Crocker, Susie & Chris Doig, Brandy Forsman, Mindy & Travis Fryback, Shelly & Jason Genck, Dave & Nancy Gilson, Gina & Jason Holm, Mark Jennings & Heidi Miranda, Amy & Dan Johnston, Jenny Kinsley & Alison Brown, Anna Lesiuk-Cummings & Andrew Cummings, Cheri & Todd Lucas, Andria & John Martin, Trieber & Michelle Meador, Elizabeth Morgan & Daniel Handelman, Erin & Tim Shreve, Mary Jo Smith, Peter Stott, Kim & Darrell Wallace, Stephan & Leah Willow, and Nikki & James Yun.

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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