

## STEM EDUCATION

## Building Partnerships: For our Children and the Future of our Nation

## **STEM Forum Spotlight Comments**

- Ray Weymann Central Coast Climate Science Education

  Has website on climate science education (centalcoastclimatescience.org) and gives talks about climate, earth science at high school level.
- Henry Danielson Technology Director, Coast Union School District-- ifixit.com. Learn to take apart iPhones and iPods. Made a field trip to the maker fair in San Francisco.
- Walt Reil

  PG&E; Board Member, Endeavour Institute; Central Coast Astronomical Society

  Serves as a NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, giving presentations on

  space exploration and stem education to schools, libraries, interested groups.
- Marcella Klein Williams Region 8 Lead for After School Programs, Ventura County Office of Education Organizes after school programs, adding programs focused on STEM education, and apprenticeships for pre-service teachers in project based STEM fields to test out teaching.
- Linda Wingert South County Regional Director, SLO County YMCA

  Provides four schools in the south county, twelve schools countywide. Aviation camp this summer at Oceano Airport.
- Chad Worth Instructor/Coordinator, Cuesta College
  Clean energy workforce training program from Am. Rec. Act. "College for Kids"
- Jan Price Mentor of Atascadero High School Robotics Team 973 asked about AAUW's summer camp for young women. See Dawn Hinchman's comments below.

Teresa Lees CREEC Network Coordinator, SLOCOE.

Environmental Education, standards based curriculum EEI. EE Resources for solar and wind education. CREEC website has list of resources. Interested in building a green schools recognition program.

Celeste Royer SLOCOE/Rancho El Chorro

Provides outdoor teaching setting for college graduates. Also offer for Cuesta and Cal Poly to observe outdoor education in action.

Dawn Hinchman Board Member, Lucia Mar School District
Tek Trek--7<sup>th</sup> grade girls attend 1-week science camp at UCSB.
(Fivecitiespismobeachaauw.com). Also, started the Pismo Beach High School Robotics Program.

Dynia Valdovinos Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum

Has spaceship and control center at the museum. Working on a summer camp,
and bringing more bilingual STEM activities to the county.

Derrick Lavoie Director, Discovery Institute, Cuesta College STEM Showcase, June 4<sup>th</sup> countywide event for any kids with STEM projects. Will have rockets and Titan, one of the FIRST Robotics world champion robots. Professional Development for USC Marine Lab at Catalina. Discovery Center of San Luis Obispo is in the works.

Priscilla Kiessig Executive Director, Avila Beach Sea Life Center Offering Ocean Science for girls this summer. Scholarship based. Hands on activities, all led by females. Also offering 10 weeks of the regular summer camp, and offer STEM activities year round. Has a portable microscope lab.

Edmund Burke President, Space Information Labs, LLC
Balloon Fest at Tobin James Winery on June 4th. Would like to duplicate
Endeavour Academies across county.

Dennis Young Dennis Eamon Young Photo Photographs all the non-profit events.

Tanya Kehler Board President, Exploration Station-Grover Beach Extended experience. Invite folks doing STEM education in the area to give presentations to kids and families. Can also get the word out about whatever program you have coming up. Contact to schedule an outreach opportunity.

Peter Huber Dancing Deer Farm

Center for Reuniting Families. Large property in Templeton to host overnight groups of up to 50 people. Would like to offer the space for meetings, and STEM opportunities, possibly pro bono.

- Jane Lehr Professor, College of Liberal Arts, Cal Poly
  Science café at Cal Poly. International movement to bring science talks to campuses.
- Kevin Drabinski Field Representative for Katcho Achadjian Daughter attending Tek Trek, which has inspired her to pursue Marine Biology in the future.
- Phillippe Hartley General Manager, PHAT Energy Corp.

  We are very interested in helping schools, educators to teach the science and reality and future of solar energy. Have contributed the labor for 500-watt solar arrays at schools to interdisciplinary, intercurricular areas. In an attempt to help kids understand solar, and how it affects their lives, and to even talk with their parents about it. We contribute the labor and monitoring. Covers everything from teaching how to raise the money, how to build, and years of results afterward.
- Anne Marie Bergen Teacher in Residence, Cal Poly, and on Advisory Board of CalTac. Will bring her experiences to voice to larger group of policy makers.
- Unnamed speaker Next Intent in San Luis Obispo
  Building Mars rover wheels, and Mars Science Lab parts. Involved many interns to build the parts.
- Jerry Valadez Director, Central Valley Science Project CSU Fresno
  1) Science educators from Central Valley tend to retire here; so don't forget to
  tap their resources, 2) CSW workshops. Primarily focuses on underserved
  communities. No fee, 3) One of 7 members of National Resource Committee
  and will report to that committee, which reports to Congress.
- Ed Avila Lockheed Martin, Former Endeavor Academy Teacher Comments not recorded