

# **Summer 2015 Kentucky Academy of Science News**

## **Summer Announcements**

## Science Education partnership with Kentucky Science Center

Please consider volunteering an hour or two for an upcoming science education event – we look to our members to bring real world science to real people, and the Science Center values our contributions! Coming up:

July 25 Youth Science Summit is in Louisville. These are fun dynamic days where you can
talk to young people interested in a career in the sciences, show what you do, and
answer their questions.

Details here: <a href="http://kyacademyofscience.net/volunteer-for-the-youth-science-summit-saturday-july-25/">http://kyacademyofscience.net/volunteer-for-the-youth-science-summit-saturday-july-25/</a>

Participate from ANYWHERE—we have technology to bring you to us. Coming in October to Northern KY and Paducah! Email Andrew.spence@louisvilleky.gov





Science on Tap is a monthly series in Louisville – on July 14 KAS member Debbie Yoder Himes' lab will be featured in a discussion of antibiotic-resistant bacteria. Goodwood Brewery, 636 E. Main St. <a href="http://kysciencecenter.org/grownups/scientific-proofs/">http://kysciencecenter.org/grownups/scientific-proofs/</a>
 If you'd like to give a 45-60 minute talk about your research in a casual setting in downtown Louisville, to a general audience of science enthusiasts, please contact Andrew.spence@louisvilleky.gov

**Ask Our Scientists** – Watch for the new interactive website soon & Thank you to those who have come on board and sent me your photos & bios. We are still looking for more experts to feature. Please send me a photo and Bio if you want to be featured on our website and answer occasional science questions over email.

**Calling all videos**—Our KAS Video Gallery is now at <u>kyscience.org</u> if you have a short video about your research we'd love to share it! Please send us the link and we'll include it: executivedirector@kyscience.org

## **KAS Strategic Planning**

We have begun Strategic Planning during this our 101<sup>st</sup> year and held a KAS strategic planning retreat on June 6 at Mammoth Cave. We've gathered background information, gleaned good programs & ideas from our fellow state academies, and are reviewing feedback from the 2014 membership & 2015 student survey. We've hired Cindy Adelberg as our facilitator to help us form a stronger mission, and an action plan to realize it. Watch for an update soon with a draft of our Strategic Plan. We will be seeking additional feedback from our members!

**Science Job postings** – We post job announcements at kyscience.org under "Membership". Send us your job announcements and we will share them.

## **Innovation Imperative**

KAS and about 250 other scientific organizations have signed on to a statement calling for more support for scientific research and for researchers. Read the <u>Innovation: an American Imperative Call to Action</u> at kyscience.org

or find it here and share it: <u>innovationimperative.us</u>

**2015 Junior Academy** winners are listed at <a href="http://kyacademyofscience.net/junior-academy/">http://kyacademyofscience.net/junior-academy/</a> Many thanks to judges and other volunteers who helped out on April 11!



**KAS Membership is strong!** If your institution is an Enhanced Affiliate, remind your colleagues that they can become a member for free, at kyscience.org. Find a link at the bottom of the home page. Otherwise Individual membership is still only \$35, and Student membership is only \$15. We also have special opportunities for businesses & their employees who support science & science education in Kentucky.

## 2015 Enhanced Affiliates:

- Alice Lloyd College
- Bellarmine University
- Berea College
- Brescia University
- Campbellsville University
- Centre College
- Eastern Kentucky University
- Georgetown College
- Kentucky Community and Technical College System
- Kentucky State University
- Midway College
- Morehead State University
- Murray State University
- Northern Kentucky University
- Spalding University
- Transylvania University
- University of Kentucky
- University of Louisville
- University of Pikeville
- Western Kentucky University

## 2015 Current KAS Affiliates

- Asbury University
- Lindsey Wilson College
- Kentucky Wesleyan College
- Thomas More College
- University of the Cumberlands
- Kentucky Science Center
- Wood Hudson Cancer Research Laboratory
- Lumins Associates

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