For your calendar

May 2, 2016

**Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month: May 1—31**

A declaration by New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez urges drivers to stay alert for motorcyclists.

**Women in Technology networking lunch: May 5**

Guest speakers, including Lab scientist Harshini Mukundan, will talk about their career paths, successes, and challenges at the Los Alamos Nature Center from 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. [Purchase tickets here](#).

**RoboRave International: May 5—7**

Now in its 15\textsuperscript{th} year, New Mexico’s largest robotics competition is expected to see more than 1,800 participants from more than 16 countries at the Albuquerque Convention Center.

The 2016 RoboRave International robot challenge includes the AlpineBot challenge, the jousting challenge, the line following challenge, and more.

**Native American Economic Summit: May 9–11**

This annual event held at Hotel Albuquerque aims to promote a healthy, self-sufficient, American Indian economy by bringing together business owners and government leaders. A simultaneous youth summit promotes entrepreneurship and includes educational sessions on leadership, media, information technology, art, and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) fields.

**Scientist in the Spotlight: May 14**

Is the flu in your future? Nick Generous, of Information Systems and Modeling, discusses how social media tools are helping researchers improve disease forecasting. [The talk](#) takes place at the Bradbury Science Museum from 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Los Alamos Employees’ Scholarship Fund drive: May 16

Help area students afford higher education by contributing to the Los Alamos Employee’s Scholarship Fund. Donations are accepted year-round, but the drive for 2017 scholarship funds starts May 16.

Science on Tap—climate change and the arctic: May 19

Sip local wine or beer, have a bite eat, and listen as Cathy Wilson, of the Lab’s Atmosphere, Climate, and Ecosystem Science team, discusses what happens when warming climate causes arctic permafrost to thaw. The talk takes place at UnQuarked in Central Park Square in Los Alamos.

Cathy Wilson measures how soil properties change with depth. Learn more about her work during Science on Tap on May 19.

Economic Security and Vitality for New Mexico: May 19–20

New Mexico First hosts this statewide town hall at the Marriott Pyramid North in Albuquerque. The event will encourage participants to think creatively about strengthening New Mexico’s economic health in ways that reach people from all walks of life.

STEM Symposium: June 3–4

Build STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and literacy connections in New Mexico classrooms at the Embassy Suites Albuquerque Hotel at the third annual STEM Symposium. This year’s theme is STEM + Literacy = Student Success.

Los Alamos Science Fest: July 14—17

Save the date for a spy-themed weekend that includes STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activities, historical tours, and a drone competition.

Lab Volunteers

Los Alamos National Laboratory’s participation in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) events is made possible with support from the Department of Energy through the Laboratory’s Science Education Community Service Time Program. To request STEM experts, complete a brief online request form.

Los Alamos experts and volunteers can also be requested through the Laboratory’s Volunteer Program, which partners with the national Volunteer Match initiative.
Speaker’s Bureau

The Laboratory has speakers with experience in a wide variety of subjects who can tailor their content for a range of audiences. Call 505-667-7000, and we'll try to find the right person for your audience.

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Community Connections features news and opportunities that grow out of the Laboratory’s Good Neighbor Pledge: “To partner with our neighbors on strengthening math and science learning, diversifying the economy and expanding community giving in northern New Mexico.”

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