

IEEE Peterborough Section Peterborough Regional Science Fair

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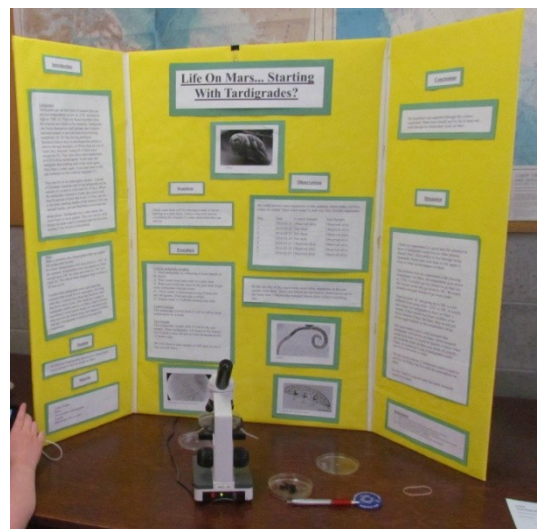
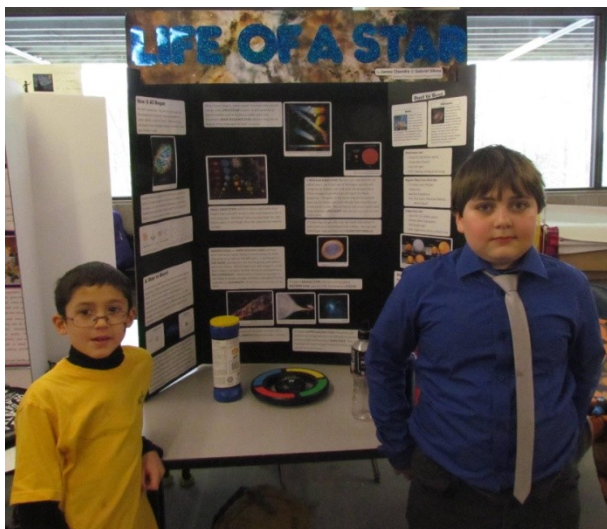
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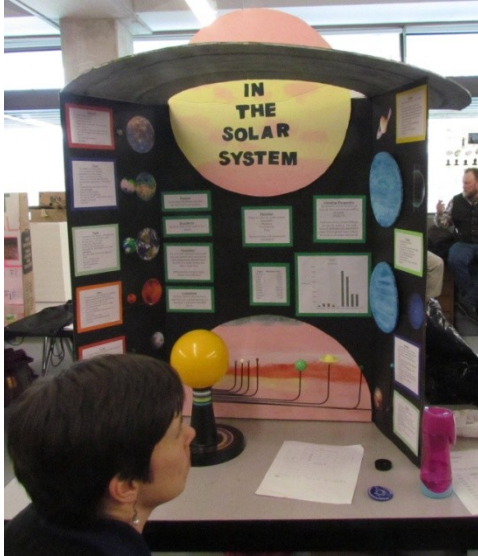


The 47th. Annual Peterborough Regional Science fair took place at Trent University on April 4th., 2016. More than 230 displays were presented from nearly 300 students, ranging from kindergarten to Grade 12, from schools the Peterborough and Northumberland Counties. Three students, Holly Hutchinson from Brighton, Aidan Stever from James Strath, Peterborough and Frances Emery from Adam Scott, Peterborough, will travel to the Canada-wide Science Fair in Montreal.

IEEE Peterborough Section is a Silver Sponsor and contributes \$300.00 which funds 5 prizes. We also provide the Simon Taylor Memorial Award which consists of \$100, a book on an engineering topic (picked by Life member Bob Rehder) and the Memorial Plaque which goes to the recipients school. The award is for the best application of engineering principles and was won this year by Ben Hunt from Brighton Public School.

Sean Dunne, Helder Pinheiro, Dave Peters and Panch Yogeswaran from the Section participated as judges and were kept very busy. This underlines how important it is that our members volunteer as judges. Judges with engineering experience are always in short supply.





The first Peterborough Science Fair in 1970 involved 25 projects and 37 participants in grades 7 to 13 from Peterborough, Northumberland and Durham counties. The fair was sponsored by The Chemical Institute of Canada. Total donations were \$325. Expenses were \$25 to the Youth Science Foundation and \$150 for CWSF which was held at McMaster University in Hamilton leaving a balance of \$150.

The first director of the PRSF was **Dr. Raymond March** from the Trent Chemistry department. Some other members of the founding committee were Jim McNabb, a superintendent with the Peterborough school board, Mary Amyotte from Trent, Bob James a teacher from St Peters and George Watts a teacher at TASSS.

Dr. Ray March is shown in the photograph below (extreme left), also shown are **Lloyd Gorling**, chair of IEEE Peterborough (4th. from left) and **Brian Patrick**, chief judge of the Science Fair (extreme right) as they wait to present the awards to an enthusiastic crowd of students at the Wenjack Theatre.

