

OPTICAL SOCIETY

ROCHESTER SECTION

ROSA News

October 2010

The ROSA Newsletter is a new feature this year. We created it to keep you informed about the activities of our local chapter of the Optical Society. We would like to include your stories and any information you feel we should share. Please e-mail your suggestions to Cisca Sugiro at secretary@osarochester.org.

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The 2010-2011 council has been busy at work, planning the activities of the year. Here are a few of our milestones and accomplishments:

- Sold the 300th Optics Suitcase. Below is the updated report on the Education Committee.
- Revived the Plant Rep Program
- Launched ROSA News
- Facebook page and LinkedIn group are up and running
- Established new dues structure offering a 5 year option and a Corporate Membership.

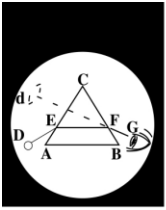
Please renew your membership by visiting www.osarochester.org and click on "Become a Member" in the upper right hand corner and fill in the required fields on the electronic form.

Individual annual membership is \$10. Effective November 1, 2010, individual annual dues will increase to \$20. In addition - **Effective immediately**, these new membership options are available:

- 5 Year Individual Membership (\$75)
- Annual Corporate Membership (\$500), which includes:
 - 4 regular members per company
 - 4 free dinners at the ROSA annual dinner
 - Logo on ROSA website, linked to your corporate website
 - Please contact treasurer@osarochester.org to establish your corporate members.

REMINDERS:

[Frontiers in Optics 2010/Laser Science XXVI](#) – Starts October 24th at the Riverside Convention Center.



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Special Presentation

Tuesday October 26, 2010 at 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Better Specification of Aspheric Shapes

Dr. Greg Forbes, QED Technologies Inc.

Grand Ballroom D, Hyatt Regency Rochester

125 East Main Street, Rochester, NY 14604

ROSA needs to identify plant representatives. If you are interested in promoting OSA activities at your place of employment, please contact Cisca Sugiro at secretary@osarochester.org.



With New York State's blessings, The Institute of Optics now offers a BS Degree in Optical Engineering - for details contact Andrew Berger at the Institute – ajberger@optics.rochester.edu.



**Optical Society of America
Rochester Section Council Meeting
Education Committee Report
10/13/10
By S. Jacobs and T. Pfuntner**



- We continued shipping more *Suitcases* to groups under our OSA F Memorandum of Understanding. We sent 9 (including 5 Mini's and 2 laser pointer supplements).

Date - #	Recipient	Location
10/04/10 #302m	Mini w/ 35 sets sent to Marta Pavliv, Senator O'Connor College Secondary School, classroom Optics Unit, grades 10 and 11	Toronto, CN
9/30/10 #303m	Mini with 32 sets sent to Thomas and son, Carrington Sturgis, for use in Paseo Del Rey Elementary School	Los Angeles, CA
10/04/10 #304	Agnes St. Romain and Laura Hodson, Toronto District Catholic School Board, Msgr. Johnson Catholic Secondary School; 10th grade and special ed students	Toronto, CN
9/30/10 #305	Susan Bastian, Sylvania Franciscan Academy, classroom, ages 10-14 + Laser Pointer Supplement	Toledo, OH
10/04/10 #306m	Mini with 45 sets, to Ohad Dahan, OSA Student Chapter Tel Aviv University, multiple schools ages 10-18	Tel-Aviv, Israel
10/05/10 #307	Gideon Alon, OSA Student Chapter, Northwestern Univ., Chicago area public schools, 4-8th grades	Evanston, IL
10/05/10 #308	Mini w/ 35 sets, Theresa Paredes, Woodward HS, in classroom for optics and solar	Swanton, OH
10/11/10 #309	Kathleen Reinhard, Tri-Rives Career Center, in classroom for 9-12th grades + Laser Pointer Supplement	Marion, OH
10/11/10 #310m	Mini w/ 50 sets to Kathy Dawes, Outreach Coordinator, Palouse Discovery Science Center, Inc.; outreach to ages 8-12 in rural communities in Eastern WA and Northern ID	Pullman, WA

- On 9/20 we received a message from Grace Klonoski at the OSA National saying that our white paper on outreach to girls and women that was submitted to the US Department of State was not selected to submit a full proposal.
- On 10/6 we shipped a complete set of replacement theme packets to Dr. Helen Pask, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia. She used up the ones that were sent to her in 2008 (*Suitcase #157*).
- On 10/7 we received some photos (copied here -12th grade, Lubwe High School) from Susan Robins (below), a sophomore from University of Dayton, who took *Suitcase #271* to seven schools in Zambia last June as part of the school's Center for Social Concern Summer Immersion Program. It was left with Mr. Mwape at Chifunabuli Basic School.
- On 10/8 we submitted a \$500 proposal to the NYS American Physical Society chapter for a physics outreach grant. The money would be used for local classroom visits in the '10-'11 academic year by the U of R OSA Student Chapter.
- Five OSA Student chapters will be picking up *Suitcases* in Rochester at the FiO meeting during the week of October 25, 2010: OSA Student Chapter, Tunis, Tunisia; Ben Gurion Univ. in Israel; Mackenzie Student Chapter in Sao Paulo, Brazil; National Univ. of Kyiv Student Chapter in Ukraine, and Kharkov National Univ., Kharov, Ukraine.



5/26-Susan Robins in her training session at the U of R prior to leaving for Zambia