



SWE Activity Report 2006 - 2007

Event: Sciencenter

Time - From: 1:45 pm **To:** 3:00 pm

Date: 11/11/06

Number of Participants: ~50 kids

Chairs of Event		
Name	Email	Year / Major
Jennette Saltsman	jws64@cornell.edu	2007/ORIE
Leslie Pendrey	lsp25@cornell.edu	2009/Bio. Eng.
Celia Song	cs394@cornell.edu	2010/Mech. Eng.

Please submit a brief schedule of the planning of your event and any relevant contact people

Activity to be done	By (Date)	Contact Person	Phone Number (or Email)
Idea for Activity (gak)	10/5	Rae and Robyne	rostman@sciencenter.org ; rhamme@sciencenter.org
Presentation Preparation	10/22		
Make Poster for Presentation	11/3		
Get Supplies	11/3		
Gather/Contact Volunteers	11/1		
Organize Transportation to Event	11/9		

1. **About the event** – Please describe the event briefly. Was the turn out what you expected and/or wanted?

At the Sciencenter, we helped children who were visiting the Sciencenter make gak, a gooey substance that is made of borax, glue and water. This activity was conducted to help kids understand how materials work and what is involved in engineering. Different stations were set up to provide a more efficient and effective way to make gak.

The turn-out was better than expected. The kids were very enthusiastic about making gak; some children even made more than one portion. Adults were also actively involved as well and it seemed everyone enjoyed the activity.

2. **Specific Problems** – Please list any problems that were encountered in the organization and execution of the event.

There were no significant problems in the organization of this activity.

3. **Suggestions** – Please elaborate on ways in which SWE can improve this event for next year. Include general suggestions and advice for the future.

Transportation was a little difficult as there was only one person who had a car, but it was manageable. It is advisable to arrive early to allow time to prepare and experiment with the ingredients (in order to get the right consistency for the gak).

4. **Budget-** Please make a budget of things purchased for this activity and their prices.

Item	Purchased From	Cost
Poster board	Cornell Store	
Borax	Target	
Measuring cups/spoons	Target	
Paper cups	Target	
Food coloring	Target	
Total =		~\$30.00