31st ANNUAL ROTARY SCIENCE FAIR AWARDS - 2018

TOP AWARDS ("BEST OF FAIR")

1. Rotary Club of Sault Ste. Marie Award of Excellence:

First Entry to Canada-Wide Science Fair

First Place - Best of Fair (\$100):

"GGATS: GPS Guided Autonomous Transport System" - Shail Giroux (Korah C&VS)

2. TENARIS Award:

Second Entry to Canada-Wide Science Fair

Second Place - Best of Fair (\$80):

"Bromelain vs Whey Protein" - Mitch Fillmore (Korah C&VS)

3. Benjamin Cohen Family Memorial Trophy:

Third Place - Best of Fair (\$60):

"You Are What Tree You Eat" - Julie Delorme and Raili Kary (St. Mary's College)

Honourable Mentions:

- 4. "Out With the Mold: Effect of Increasing Concentrations of Wildflower Honey and Calcium Propionate on Mold Surface Area" Julia Casagrande (Korah C&VS) (\$50)
- 5. "Let it Snow?" Vera Antunes and Brooke Donnelly (Anna McCrea) (\$40)
- 6. "Crush This!" Amelia Spacek (Ecole sec Notre Dame des Grands Lacs) (\$30)

First-place, second-place, and third-place winners in Best of Fair – and perhaps some of this year's Honourable Mentions – can all travel to the Canada-wide national competition being held May 12-19 in **Ottawa, Ontario**. Alternate award-winning projects may go if the primary winners cannot attend.

Alfred R. Askin Shields (for best school team participation and excellence in each division)

- 1. Senior School (grades 11-12): Korah C&VS
- 2. Intermediate School (grades 9-10): St. Mary's College
- 3. Junior School (grades 7-8): Korah C&VS

Awards for Best Project in Each Age Category

1st Place Junior

TENARIS Award, \$80

"GGATS: GPS Guided Autonomous Transport System" - Shail Giroux (Korah C&VS)

1st Place Intermediate

TENARIS Award, \$80

"You Are What Tree You Eat" - Julie Delorme and Raili Kary (St. Mary's College)

1st Place Senior

TENARIS Award, \$80

"Out With the Mold: Effect of Increasing Concentrations of Wildflower Honey and Calcium Propionate on Mold Surface Area" – Julia Casagrande (Korah C&VS)

2nd Place Junior

Don Wallace Memorial Award, \$60

"Let it Snow?" – Vera Antunes and Brooke Donnelly (Anna McCrea)

2nd Place Intermediate

Don Wallace Memorial Award, \$60

"Crush This!" - Amelia Spacek (Ecole sec Notre Dame des Grands Lacs)

2nd Place Senior

Don Wallace Memorial Award, \$60

"Bromelain vs Whey Protein" - Mitch Fillmore (Korah C&VS)

3rd Place Junior

Algoma Award, \$40

"Home Remedy vs Store Bought Herbicides" - Erica Groot and Alicia Groot (Korah C&VS)

3rd Place Intermediate

Algoma Award, \$40

"Thermodynamic Power Saver: A Drain Water Heat Recovery System" – Daphné Dupuis and Mya St. Jean (Superior Heights)

3rd Place Senior

Algoma Award, \$40

"A UREAlity Check: How Over-Fertilization Affects Vitamin A Content in Wheatgrass" – Sanskruti Patel (Korah C&VS)

Special Sponsored Awards

Professional Engineers of Ontario Awards (2)

Most Innovative Development, Adaptation, or Use of Technology in any subject area, \$125 each "GGATS: GPS Guided Autonomous Transport System" – Shail Giroux (Korah C&VS) "Innovative Alternative Fuel" – Daria Humeniuc (Korah C&VS)

TENARIS Robotics Award

Innovative Use of Robotics, \$100

"GGATS: GPS Guided Autonomous Transport System" - Shail Giroux (Korah C&VS)

HealthGear Medical Health & Safety Award

Demonstrating principles of health & safety in preventing or reducing injuries and/or illness, \$50 << not awarded this year >>

Superior Digital Solutions Mathematics Award

Excellence in Mathematics, \$50

"Crush This!" – Amelia Spacek (Ecole sec Notre Dame des Grands Lacs)

Algoma Computer Science Award

Excellence in Use of Computer Technology, \$50

"GGATS: GPS Guided Autonomous Transport System" – Shail Giroux (Korah C&VS)

Gary Rahn Memorial Awards (2), Sault Naturalists

Gary Rahn Natural History Award, \$50

"How Do Flowers Still Bloom?" - Rainbow Assiniwai (Korah C&VS)

Gary Rahn Green Thinking Award, \$50

"Purifying Water with Cilantro" - Teely Hopkin (Korah C&VS)

Attilio Berdusco Health Science Award

Dealing With Human Biology & Health, \$70

"Antacid pH-un: The Effect of Antacids on the pH of Gastric Acid" – Megan Aikens (Korah C&VS)

Algoma University Most Deserving Senior Project

\$1,000 Entrance Scholarship Award

"Out With the Mold: The Effect of Increasing Concentrations of Wildflower Honey and Calcium Propionate on Mold Surface Area" – Julia Casagrande (Korah C&VS)

University of Ottawa Most Deserving Senior Project

\$1,000 Entrance Scholarship Award

"Effects of Citric Acid on Tooth Enamel" - Olivia Melisek (Korah C&VS)

Judges' Awards (Donated by United Steel Workers 2724)

Up to 3 discretionary prizes awarded in recognition of a deserving project in specific subject areas, \$50 each

United Steel Workers 2724 Judges' Award - Sport Science

Application of science to sports...

"Music Motivates" - Domanique Camara and Rachel Reed (Superior Heights)

United Steel Workers 2724 Judges' Award - Scientific Communication

Best communication of scientific thought and results, including a combination of written, oral, and visual presentation...

"Solar Power from Natural Anthocyanin Dye" – Saurodeep Majumdar (Korah C&VS)

United Steel Workers 2724 Judges' Award - Individual Merit

Recognizing an individual student with an exceptional solo project...

"Preventing Phone Batteries From Depleting in the Cold" - Ava Zwimer (Queen Elizabeth)

2018 Rotary Science Fair Statistics

This year's competition was our **31**st annual science fair!

86 Projects Total: 55 Junior (Grades 7-8), 12 Intermediate (Grades 9-10), 19 Senior (Grades 11-12)

129 Students Total: 92 Junior, 18 Intermediate, 19 Senior

13 schools represented from Sault area

25 Judges (local scientists, engineers, and technical professionals)

Science Fair Trivia: This isn't the first time that a team of twins has captured an award!

Science Fair Quote:

"Students are judged according to the quality of the science they do, not necessarily the topic they pick. Just because it's a trending topic doesn't mean it's going to win the fair. If it's good science, it'll win the fair. And good science is where the student can sit down, think of a topic, think of a challenge or a problem to solve, and actually go and do it." - Deputy Chief Judge Dan Pernokis to SooToday

SSM Rotary Club Science Fair

Paul Walz & Dante Carlascio, Co-Chairs