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Activity: April 6, 2001 • Company Seven Supporting Sun-Earth Days •



NASA's Office of Space Science (OSS) explores four broad themes: "Sun-Earth Connection," "Solar System Exploration," "Structure and Evolution of the Universe," and "Astronomical Search for Origins and Planetary Systems." For each of these themes OSS has created an "Education Forum" so that educators, students and the public can share the excitement of those discoveries and knowledge generated by Space Science missions and research programs. The Sun-Earth Connection Education Forum is a partnership between NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center and UC Berkeley's Space Sciences Laboratory whose mission is to increase science literacy and steward Sun-Earth Connection science resources. To visit the NASA Web Site of the organizations involved, simply visit "http://sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/SECEF_SunEarthDay/".

Sun-Earth Day is a national celebration of the Sun, the space around the Earth (geospace), and how all of it affects life on our planet. In classrooms, museums, planetaria, and at NASA centers -- not to mention hundreds of National Astronomy Day celebrations -- the plan is to have a blast sharing stories, images, and activities related to the Sun-Earth connections in our solar system. Sun-Earth Day 2001 is sponsored by NASA's Sun-earth Connection Education Forum, the joint ESA-NASA Solar and Heliospheric Observatory mission, and The Astronomical League (sponsors of National Astronomy Day).

In response to a request from NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Company Seven will help to celebrate Sun-Earth Day 2001 on April 27 with Solar Observing (weather permitting) from 11 am into the afternoon, and on Saturday 28 April with an Open House at our Laurel, Maryland showroom. Activities will include light fare and refreshments, and we will feature Solar Observing, with several premium telescopes equipped to observe the Sun in "white light", in "Hydrogen Alpha", and "Calcium K-Line". Visitors who wish to take home an image of the Sun will be helped to attach their compatible film or video cameras (we suggest calling us in advance) to our telescopes. News media who wish to obtain a video feed should contact us in advance too.

To discuss any questions you may call Company Seven at 301-953-2000. Our showroom at 14300 Cherry Lane Court, in Laurel Maryland is open: Monday to Friday from 11 am to 6 pm Eastern (Washington, D.C.) Time, Saturdays 11 am to 5 pm. The showroom is closed on Sundays, on U.S. Federal Holidays, and from December 25 to January 1 inclusive. Or contact us on line "info@company7.com"; please understand that Company Seven can receive several hundred Email inquiries per day, and so it is best to call to obtain the most prompt reply if the matter is urgent.