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## FUNday blinds spectators with science

GARRET KINJERSKI  
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Science got a bit wild last Sunday as the University of Alberta student group Science FUNdamentals hosted their first-ever Science FUNday for 350 Edmontonians young and old.

The event was meant to stress the relevance of understanding and applying science in an entertaining and interactive way. Dinwoodie Lounge was revamped into a playground of science stations where the imaginations and curiosities of children could run loose in the realm of chemistry, biology and physics.

Amidst all this were more than 80 Science FUNdamentals volunteers demonstrating the quirky side of science with hands-on experiments, such as elephant toothpaste, DNA from peas and magic milk.

Coordinating the event was a third-year Science FUNdamentals volunteer, Kristy Baron.

"I think it's important to get [children] excited right away," Baron said. "I'd like for them to stop and think, 'Hey that's how that works,' and even if they don't want to be a scientist, just for them to know—static, that's fun!"

Also joining Science FUNday were guest speakers Dr Roy Jensen, an instructor of chemistry at Grant MacEwan and Dr Margaret Anne

Armour, assistant chair of the Chemistry Department at the U of A.

Jensen began the morning by burning combustibles to show their various characteristics and fittingly ended the presentation with a bang as he rocketed a pop bottle across the room.

"We're not only explaining science to the kids but also to the adults around them—there's a lot of opportunity here," Jensen said. "The goals with Science FUNdamentals and organizations like it, are to promote science education to children, adults and people of all ages—to emphasize the impact and relevance of science all around them."

Armour, though not as explosive as Jensen, continued to display elaborate chemical reactions while engaging the children to answer questions.

"The things I try to do are what kids enjoy watching, then you got them hooked, then you can explain to them all sorts of things that they will learn more easily than if you give them a bunch of facts," she said, adding that her own love for science, and particularly chemistry, motivated her to do the event.

"I love science, particularly chemistry, and what I'm trying to do is share that love of chemistry with young students so they can enjoy it too and really begin to understand why it's so important to enjoy it."



PHIL HEAD  
BILL NYE WOULD BE PROUD FUNday showed the pros of being a science guy.

## STREETERS

In Calgary, a woman was kicked off a city bus on 23 March, because the driver said her perfume was distracting him.

What's the most annoying thing that you notice on the bus?



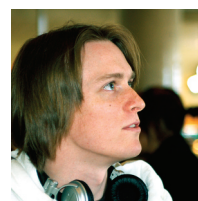
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The weird burns in the back. No one ever wants to go sit in the back because they are afraid of the bums. I used to work on Whyte Ave and I was always afraid of that.

To be honest, I don't find anything annoying. I'm pretty easy going. If people have loud music playing, I don't really mind.

The smell of urine from the bum at the back of the bus, and people with big annoying backpacks. Other than that, the bus gets me where I wanna go.

People with loud, intimate cellphone conversations. And the overcrowding/not respecting of space limits.

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