

## ScienceSouth welcomes Stephen Welch

Microscopes, beakers and test tubes are nothing new to Stephen Welch. With more than 20 years as a classroom science teacher, the use of science equipment is par for the course. What is new, however, is his current position as ScienceSouth's executive director of operations. Now, with three months under his belt, Welch says the new role has been a transition.

"I must say it is very different than being a full time instructor. I have new responsibilities and some older responsibilities," Welch said. "I want to thank the Operating Board, the staff of ScienceSouth, Florence School District One and Francis Marion University for their support during this transition period. It would be much more difficult without their help."

Welch hasn't left teaching entirely. He will finish out his term at Florence's Wilson High School this spring, and assists with lessons at ScienceSouth. "As a science educator I felt ScienceSouth was a golden opportunity to be a part of what I enjoy so much and have a positive impact in science education throughout the state of South Carolina."



Stephen Welch

## Summer camp registration begins

It's that time again! Registration for ScienceSouth's Science Summer Camp is open.

"For five weeks during the summer we try to bring science concepts and topics to life using scientific tools and hands-on, minds-on experiences," said Erin Powers, outreach and delivery coordinator for ScienceSouth. "With different science themes each week, one week of camp is uniquely different from the next. We have a little science for everyone."

Junior Scientist camp will make its debut this summer. While the other four camps are for rising fourth through eighth grade children, Junior Scientist camp will cater to rising first through third graders. "We've gotten requests for a young camp from the beginning," Powers said. "This summer we are able to grant the requests and are happy about meeting our newest budding scientists."

Summer camp is set to kick off the week of June 7 and will run through the end of July. Each camp is \$175/child, which includes a mid-morning snack. All campers must bring their own lunch. Camp runs from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, with drop-off beginning at 8:00 am and pick-up ending at 2:00 pm.

Visit [www.sciencesouth.org](http://www.sciencesouth.org) to register and view full descriptions of each camp.

### Camp Schedule:

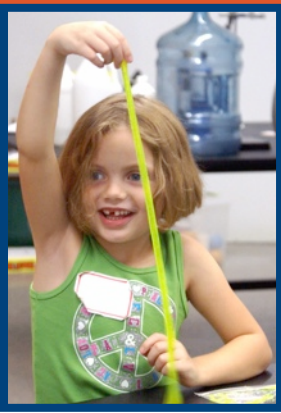
**June 7-11, 2010:**  
Crazy Chemistry

**June 21-25, 2010:**  
Forensic Frenzy: Crime  
Science Investigation

**July 12-16, 2010:**  
Biology 101: It's Alive!

**July 19-23, 2010:**  
Extreme Engineering

**July 26-30, 2010:**  
Junior Scientist



## Science Saturdays

Your Saturdays will never be the same once you've been to a Science Saturday. Come to ScienceSouth every first Saturday of the month for three hours of hands-on, minds-on activities themed to a specific area of science. While each Saturday will be different, the fun you'll have will always be the same!

Sciencesaturdays are for children ages 5-12 and run from 9:00 am to noon at ScienceSouth. The cost is \$15/child, which includes a snack. Register your child TODAY at [www.sciencesouth.org](http://www.sciencesouth.org) or call 843-679-5353 for assistance.

### Upcoming Science Saturdays:

**April 3, 2010:** Eggstra-ordinary Science

**May 1, 2010:** Feathers and Beaks



## Girl Scout Programs @ ScienceSouth

Each month Girl Scouts can explore a specific science theme at ScienceSouth. Topics range from space to nature. The workshops run from 10:00 am to noon on the second Saturday of each month. The cost is \$10/child. There must be five children registered for the workshop to occur. Maximum attendance is 30. Call 843-679-5353 ext. 313 for additional information.

### Spring 2010 Themes:

**April 10, 2010:** Bloom Into Science  
Registration: March 13-April 5

**May 8, 2010:** Call of the Wild  
Registration: April 12-May 3

Book now at  
[www.sciencesouth.org](http://www.sciencesouth.org)

## Homeschool Science Academy

Looking for new and innovative ways to teach your K-12 student science? Well look no further than ScienceSouth's Homeschool Science Academy! We have a range of programs that are sure to meet you and your student's needs.

### Grade K-8 Programs

Our K-8 programs are offered every first and third Friday of the month. The cost is \$10/child for two hours of workshops. There must be a minimum of ten children registered each Friday for the workshop to take place. We can accommodate up to 30 children per workshop session. Workshops begin promptly at 9:00 am and conclude at 11:00 am.

### Upcoming Programs:

**April 2nd and 16th:** Archaeology

**May 7th and 21st:** Physical Fitness Month: Let's Get Physical

