National Space Grant Booth Subcommittee Report

Crystal City, VA March 2, 2012

Presented by A. Galvin on behalf of the Subcommittee

Booth/Display Subcommittee

- Proposition: Creation of a booth display to advertise the capabilities and opportunities provided by the National Space Grant Program.
- **Subcommittee:** Formed at the National Space Grant Directors Meeting in Green Bay WI, September 21-23, 2011. Members: D. Whitaker (IN), J. Gregory (AL), A.B. Galvin (NH), Technical Advisor: K. Donahue (NH). Special thanks to Nevada and Idaho Space Grants, and to Chris Koehler.
- Charge to the Subcommittee: Determine the *feasibility* of putting together a National Space Grant booth/display. This task was broken down to providing recommendations on the following items (subtasks):
 - Type of display/booth
 - Cost Estimates
 - Time to produce and deliver
 - Ideas on how to and/ who could produce it
 - Concept of what could be on the display (not necessarily the message)
 - Determine if the display could be easily re-configured for different venues and opportunities
 - Determine if the display should be specific vs. a "timeless" message

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- The subcommittee "met" via telecoms and emails. The subcommittee's consensus report
 with various options and recommendations was submitted to the Chair and Executive
 Committee of the National Council of Space Grant Directors on November 23 and December
 5, 2011.
- Upon the ExComm acceptance of the feasibility report, and choice of options, the subcommittee was further charged to create and carry out a booth *implementation* plan. Ancillary items such as table skirts and possible educational handout items were also explored. This plan was submitted to the Chair and Executive Committee on February 2, 2012.
- Booth commission was executed and booth has been delivered to the March 2012 meeting in Crystal City VA.
- Cost of booth itself was under \$2500; with table skirts \$3000. This modest cost makes having in the future different displays available (with different functions of Space Grant highlighted) a viable option.
- Next stops for the booth: NSTA Conference in Indianapolis March 29 April 1; Space Foundation National Space Symposium in Colorado April 16-19.

General Exhibit Considerations

- Potential audiences include, but may not be limited to:
 - Potential future employers of SG students
 - University and College faculty and students
 - K-12 Teachers
 - Informal Educators
 - NASA, Congress, State Government

- The message of the main display is meant to be "timeless" and generic, but at the same time specifically highlighting a Space Grant activity. Secondary displays (e.g., student hardware) and handouts should address the specific target audience. The organizer for a given conference takes lead (or designates) on providing any secondary display/handouts.
- Coordination of the booth usage is through the Council Chair.

National Space Grant Tradeshow Display...





Nimlok brand compact pop-up display with large graphic panel includes:

- 10' frame with channel bars
- 4 panel graphic with fabric end caps
- light kit for top of display
- travel case (40" x 26" x 18") with wheels for transport

Sold by: Imagecraft Exhibits 4155 Patriot Drive, Suite 100 Grapevine, Texas 76051 ph 972.350.0404

Contact: Kathy Glidewell kglidewell@imagecraftexhibits.com

Cost: \$2324 + shipping (est.\$85)= \$2409

About the Image...

From a Space Grant-sponsored scientific balloon mission: 18 August 2007, 8:01am Location: N40°33′31.61″ W119°20′24.44″ Elevation 93,343 feet above sea level

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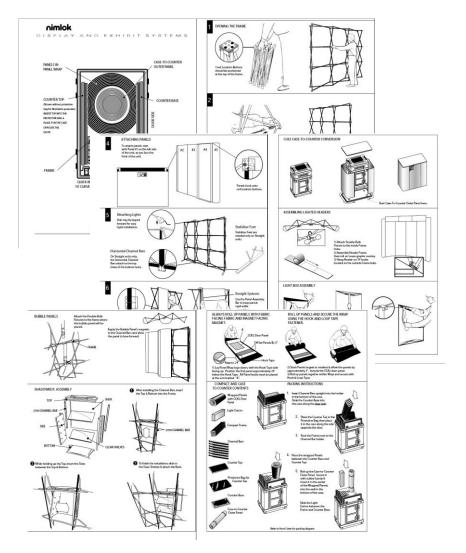
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Assembly ... only six pages of instructions





National Space Grant Booth Tablecloths...

#2212-kit

NATIONAL SPACE GRANT COLLEGE & FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Taking students to the edge of space...and beyond







Tablecloth runner imprint:

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Tablecloth set includes:

1 – 8ft. black tablecloth

2 – 6ft. black tablecloths

1 – imprinted white tablecloth runner

2 – grey carrying cases

Imprinted runner can be used atop any of the tablecloths

Vendor: 4 Imprint
101 Commerce St.
Oshkosh, WI 54901
www.4imprint.com
Ph 1.8077.446.7746
Item# 2212 tablecloth kit

Cost for tablecloth set: \$535 + \$41.01 shipping = \$576.01

Sample postcards provided at this meeting ... similar items may be used as educational handouts at conferences --

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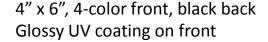
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http://national.spacegrant.org

Postcard samples provided by NH Space Grant. Cost for 250 with a discount was \$63.63. Normal price for 500 would be \$196.10 plus S&H.

Vendor: PsPrint 2861 Mandela Parkway Oakland, CA 94608 Ph 800.511.2009 www.psprint.com



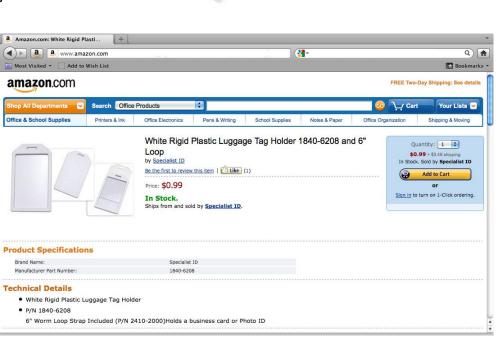
Files for future reprints (which includes the SG url) are available from Toni Galvin, NHSGC. (Zip archive is 13 MB. Format is *.indd)



Identifying Display Items...

Display booth and tablecloth carrying cases have been equipped with identification tags using the image that appears on the display and postcard.

The plastic ID holders can be assembled to include your business card/contact information.



Tags for cases are provided courtesy NH Space Grant, available for \$.99/each at www.amazon.com

Similar items may be of interest for distributing at booth.