

HoFAS member participates in a NASA Science Literacy Exercise

HoFAS member, Sergio S., participated in a NASA essay contest for students in grades 5 - 12. The contest is known as "Cassini Scientist for a Day" and allows students to be a scientist for a day. To participate in this contest, students must research about the planets Jupiter and Saturn. Once they have enough information, they must select one of the three proposed targets for the Cassini spacecraft to explore and explain their reasoning through an essay. The students' reasoning must be based on scientific facts about the target they consider will provide the best possible scientific results.

Cassini completed successful missions to explore Saturn and its moons. Their next extended mission "Cassini Solstice Mission" will arrive on Saturn after the planet's northern solstice from where the mission gets its name. We are glad to see our HoFAS member, Sergio S., participating in this meaningful contest. We wish Sergio the best in this initiative and hope the mission can consider his chosen target as part of their exploration. We wish the best to the Solstice Mission too as they keep discovering and observing Saturn, its rings, and its moons.

We have seen Saturn and its ring during our HoFAS Stargazing nights and we cannot stop being amazed at the wonders of God. We certainly declare that "The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament shows His handiwork" Psalm 19:1

To learn more about this NASA initiative, visit <http://saturn.jpl.nasa.gov>



Mission Statement

To inspire and teach students to reach knowledge while looking beyond our Earth by reaching into space. This voyage, guided by science and technology, must always be accompanied by the responsibility to care for the universe God has created as a requirement of our faith.