'Engineering Fair' at Farmers' Market to Let Public Try Hand at Design

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Anyone will be able to try his or her hand at interactive engineering design at an Engineering Club Fair at this Thursday's Farmers' Market in downtown San Luis Obispo.

Cal Poly engineering students are holding the fair as part of their celebration this week of National Engineers Week. Hosted by more than a dozen campus engineering groups, the fair will include displays of student-built engineering projects such as a concrete canoe.

The fair is among a variety of Engineers Week activities that include presentations today to South County fourth-graders to spur the youngsters' interest in engineering.

“The week gives us a chance not only to recognize the enormous contribution made by engineers to our quality of life,” said student Andrea McGrath-Massie, one of Cal Poly's two National Engineers Week commissioners, “but also to inspire a new generation of boys and girls to consider careers in engineering, technology, math and science.”

Founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers, National Engineers Week is celebrated annually.