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layers of information, from showing the location of contaminated soils to pinpointing sensitive wetlands and underground utilities, so it can be used, for instance, to determine where to locate a new building.”

Both LIGIS members and BNL employees presented workshops. Topics included:

- “Global Science for Teens” presented by David Stolarz, Nassau County GIS;
- “GIS to Study the New York State Salamander,” taught by Valorie Titus, a doctoral candidate at Binghamton University who is working on her research at BNL;
- “Using Aerial Photography in Response to Hurricane Katrina,” given by George Davis, Eastern U.S. Region Manager at Earth Resource Mapping, Inc.;
- “GIS and Remote Sensing: Problem Solving Tools,” taught by Alice Cialellia (BNL);
- “SolarQuest,” an interactive GIS project led by Ross Baldwin, Town of Southampton;
- “Projections,” an introductory workshop presented by Beth Cartwright (Nelson, Pope & Voorhees);
- “Estimating the Deer Population,” given by Jennifer Higbie, one of the organizers of GIS Day at Brookhaven (BNL and a LIGIS member).

Students and adults alike also enjoyed visiting the Mobile Command Center from Suffolk County Fire Rescue and Emergency Services again this year.

Our thanks to everyone who participated in this successful event. Special thanks go to Jim Touchet (Suffolk County Water Authority) and his mom, who managed the registration desk and handed out goodies to the students at the end of the day.

Plans are already underway for GIS Day 2006. Noel Blackburn, of BNL’s Office of Educational Programs, is hoping to include an Introduction to GIS module into OEP’s series of continuing education workshops for teachers. Teachers could then work with students of GIS-based projects in science, social studies and community relations projects that could be entered in a GIS Day competition. Blackburn is also exploring a possible webcast of GIS Day 2006 activities over BNL’s website.

Ron’s Blurb 1 LIARC Spring 2006 Members Meeting - Thursday, June 8th, 2006 ESRI invites you to attend the Spring meeting of Long Island Arc Users, jointly hosted by LIARC & Suffolk County Community College. When: Thursday, June 8th, 2006 from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM Where: Conference Room 121 in the Bowne Management Systems integrates Pictometry into Nassau County’s GIS repository. Presented by Richard Annotto, Exec., V.P., Bowne Management Systems.

Tips and Tricks with ESRI’s ArcGIS 9
Explore popular productivity tools, sample scripts and see what’s coming in ArcGIS 9.2. Presented by Ron Graser, Suffolk GIS and Dave LaShell, ESRI.

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