The SEMS 59th annual meeting will be held May 8-10, 2024 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The deadline to register is on Monday, April 8. For more information and registration, please visit https://southeasternmicroscopy.org/2024-meeting/.

Students are encouraged to apply for the Ruska Award: https://southeasternmicroscopy.org/ruska-award-student-competition/ The deadline to apply is April 8 and questions can be addressed to Treva Brown, Ruska Award Chair, at tbrow45@gmail.com

The Robert Simmons Micrograph Competition is also an exciting opportunity to showcase your work and win great prizes. The submission deadline is April 8 and here is the link to upload your images: https://southeasternmicroscopy.org/robert-simmons-micrograph-competition/

**Upcoming RSC Events:**

- Grad Student Appreciation Week - April 1-5: Enjoy some complimentary coffee in the RSC lobby each day this week
- Brown Bag: **DATE CHANGE** - Thursday April 18th at Noon - NRF 115: Keyence microscope demo
• **Game Night** - NRF 115 - Thursday April 18th at 5pm RSVP
• Users Advisory Committee Meeting - ZOOM + NRF115 - Thursday 4/25 at Noon

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- **Ongoing:** New publication? Data collected at the RSC? [Click to tell us!]
  - Still writing? Check out our new easy acknowledgement templates.
- **Ongoing:** Submit Photos Early for the Annual Nano Day Image Contest: Contest is held annually in October. You can submit for the 2024 Contest [HERE](#)

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**Safety Side Note:**

Solar Eclipse on Monday April 8th. While we are far from the path of totality, we will still see a partial eclipse. The eclipse will begin around 1:45pm, reach maximum (~60% eclipsed) around 3pm, and will end at 4:15. **Please do not attempt to directly look at or photograph the eclipse without proper eye wear or filters.** Want to borrow a pair of solar glasses? We will have a few pairs on hand at the front desk on Monday for those wishing to take a quick peek at the sun.

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**If anyone gets a message from me about canned meat, don't open it.**

**It's Spam.**

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