

► **The Phoenix Chapter** celebrated dual STEM Programs for the Month of April. First the 4th to 5th grade group had a STEM hands on workshop called "Operation Optic" They learned the components and function of the eye during dissection. They each dissected a Cow's eye. The dissection reinforced the lecture portion of the workshop. The children were instructed step by step on how to carefully dissect the specimen. Quote from one of the children" I have been waiting on this program ALL year!!" The program planted a seed in many to excite our future scientist, researchers and or surgical doctors. The same day our 6th to 8th graders became chemist for a day. This program was called "Synthesis of Aspirin" The budding chemist followed a detailed formula under the supervision of the Lead Chemist. The professional Chemist walked them through each step of the experiment to see if they could follow the formula to achieve the final result of making an aspirin. The Location was the Arizona Science center. The location was great because it enabled the children to have one on one interaction with the Staff.

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