

## **Scientific fun for tomorrow's engineers**

The School of Science and Engineering at SUNY-New Paltz hosted more than 500 children and teenagers from the four-county region last Wednesday to celebrate National Engineer Week. The theme of the event, "New Faces of Engineering," was designed to

introduce students from the region's school districts to the world of engineering.

Throughout the morning, students from grades 7 through 12 participated in hands-on mechanical and electrical projects led by New Paltz professors and students and visited displays of products designed by engineers from more than 25 national and international businesses. In addition, students participated in instructional workshops in which professional engineers taught children about their engineering concentrations.

Later in the day, keynote speakers John Cohn, Ph.D.,

who is known as "IBM's own Einstein," and Maria Ebling, Ph.D., a research staff member at IBM, performed science and technology demonstrations in the "Jolts and Volts" electricity show at the Studley Theatre.