

Victoria Robinson's Summer Adventures

Dear President Thelma Rudd,



Hi, my name is Victoria Robinson a Bessie Coleman member and I am 11 years old. This summer was a thrill of adventure. In New York I met three distinguished gentlemen Dr. Osamu Mori, Dr. Bill Nye "THE SCIENCE GUY", Dr. Louis Friedman at the Solar Sail Symposium and I also met Ms. Venus Williams in Barnes and Noble (in New York).

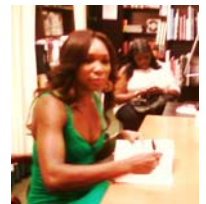
Dr. Osamu Mori- He came all the way from Japan. Dr. Mori and his team created the Solar Sail missions Ikaros and Akatsuki. The main event was based on the Solar Sails made by Japan and America.



Dr. Bill Nye- At the Symposium he asked me a question which was: "Victoria... Would I like to go into space?" I replied into the microphone: "Yes... I would like to go into Space because I want to take a journey or adventure to discover what wasn't found." I think he liked my answer.

Dr. Louis Friedman- He assigned me an essay to write for the Planetary Society website. My dad told me that I was born at the right time because Dr. Friedman is leaving as the Executive Director of the society and Dr. Nye is taking over his position.

Venus Williams- I went to her book signing and presented her with certificates from missions Phoenix and Akatsuki. The best thing about it, is that the Akatsuki mission is going to Venus. By the way, Bessie Coleman's name is on the Solar Sail missions Akatsuki, Ikaros, and the Light Sail. The Light Sail is created by America. Akatsuki will arrive at planet Venus in December 2010. I think she was excited to receive them.



The Aviation Programs- My dad and I did three programs at the camp sites. The programs were for the Washington School, Harrison School, and Polk School. We bought toy airplanes for the kids to share, race them, and watched movies about the first African American heroes and Sheroes. They all turned out great.

In conclusion I would like to pay tribute to the late Bessie Coleman the first African American women to get an international pilot's license and the late Dr. Carl Sagan founder of the Planetary Society.

Sincerely,

BCF Member Victoria Robinson