Turtle Travels opens Saturday at Sciencenter

Mike Napierski, of Danby, the facilities manager and an exhibit fabricator at the Sciencenter in Ithaca, works Wednesday to set up the Turtle Travels exhibit that opens to the public Saturday. This exhibit explains how raccoons, who are predators of turtles, exist in larger numbers if there is garbage available from people. The interactive exhibit is designed to show how people can protect turtles and their environment. On opening weekend, there will be hands-on activities, including making a 3-D turtle shell and creating an origami turtle. The exhibit will also have two live turtles that visitors will be able to get up to, nose-to-beak.

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