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### **U of M Solar Car Visits Kensington Woods**

HOWELL, MICHIGAN — Kensington Woods High School hosted the University of Michigan solar car team on March 31<sup>st</sup>, thanks to an invitation from Kensington physics and math teacher Daniel Kittell.

“I am teaching an engineering course at Kensington Woods, and I wanted a presentation that would combine students’ interests in automotive design and manufacturing and green and alternative energy,” says Kittell. “U of M has an amazing outreach program that educates the community about the benefits and applications of solar energy.”

Four undergraduate members of the U of M team trailered the solar car (named Continuum) to the Kensington campus and gave a presentation to the entire student body. Discussion covered the materials, technology, and cost of developing solar transportation, as well as the team’s racing experiences. The Continuum placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the 2007 World Solar Challenge in Australia, even after a crash on the first day of the race. The University of Michigan solar car race team is widely considered to be among the best in the world and that was a key reason for Kittell’s invitation. “In keeping with the high expectations we set for our students, I wanted them to experience something that is truly considered to be the best,” adds Kittell. “We are truly grateful to the solar car racing team and feel extremely lucky to have this world-class program just down the road in Ann Arbor.”

Further details about the solar car can be found at [solarcar.engin.umich.edu](http://solarcar.engin.umich.edu). For more information about Kensington’s educational programs, visit [kwoods.org](http://kwoods.org), or contact Principal Jim Perry at 517-545-0828 or via email at [info@kwoods.org](mailto:info@kwoods.org). Kensington Woods is located on the campus of Cleary University at 3700 Cleary Drive, Howell, Michigan 48843.

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