ON this past December, NSBE CKY Professional members took part in a local Kwanzaa celebration. The community invited our chapter to come in and showcase some concepts of STEM to the local youths. This even allowed us not only to showcase STEM but also allowed us a platform for recruitment into our NSBE Jr. Chapter.

The activity showcased featured the effects of static electricity on aluminum. The experiment was inspired by sciencebob.com. Applying friction force on an inflated balloon, static electricity was created. Using that static charge a repulsive force could be used to push the aluminum can across the table.

When the youths came up to us and saw this experiment they were amazed. Afterwards they were able to conduct the experiment easily.

During the event we were able to meet with State Senator and asked about ways that he can help to grow our chapters. The overall activity was fun for all involved. We would look forward to doing this activity again next year.

