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TEAM TIKI AT THE FIRST PA STATE ROBOTICS CHAMPIONSHIP

On February 19, Team Tiki (Leah Gonzalez (2011); Jenny Tobat (2011); Gene Gonzalez (2013); Varun Kripanandan (2013); and Sarafina Gonzalez (7th Grade, Longfellow MS) competed in Erie, PA in the FTC (FIRST Tech Challenge) Pennsylvania Qualifier tournament. Teams compete in a “two robots on two” format that includes both an autonomous mode, where the functions/navigation of the robot are controlled by their computer program, and a tele-op mode where two student drivers control the robot. Team Tiki won both the robotic competition and the prestigious Inspire award. This granted Team Tiki an invitation to the PA State Championship, which was held March 5 in Weatherly, PA. Team Tiki again performed well. They were awarded the top honor of the “Inspire” award. While their robot design was among the best, Team Tiki truly shined in their ability to effectively communicate the math, science, and engineering of their robot while promoting a gracious spirit of professionalism representative of FIRST in assisting their competitors. Team Tiki is now preparing to compete at the FIRST FTC World Robotics Championship in St. Louis, MO from April 24 - May 1. The top 100 teams from around the world will be attending. Team Tiki is no stranger to this event as they competed at the 2010 World Championship and won the second place alliance and the Motivate award.



SCIENCE BOWL

We had a wonderfully successful day of competition yesterday and were able to finish as one of the top six teams!

This means that the team will be recognized at the awards ceremony and that Longfellow will be receiving \$1,000 in prize money. The students had a wonderful time and are already talking strategy for next year. Today we compete in the hydrogen fuel cell vehicle event.

Thank you to Jim Bradford and Jamie Korelitz for sponsoring our Science Bowl Team.

THIRD QUARTER ALL A HONOROLL

Congratulations to the 292 students who earned all A's during 3rd quarter. They were honored with a celebration on Friday during LT in the cafeteria. Please congratulate the following students:

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| Hasan Ahmad | Seentia Islam | Kyle Nguyen | Adelaide Wilderson | Sonja Eliason |
| Alexandra Babyak | Rojeen Kamali | Shirali Nigam | Gillian Wright | Saroja Erabelli |
| Yunkyuu Bae | Tai Kao-Sowa | Jeffrey Nolan | Bernice Wu | Daniel Evans |
| Jacob Baker | Habib Karaky | Kelsi Okun | Ming Ray Xu | Sarah Falls |
| Nathan Bala | Adam Katwan | Jennifer Owens | Jin Yong Yoo | Habiba Feroze |
| Aylar Banafshe | James Katz | Minh Pham | Lyric Yu | Noah Flaxman |
| Evelyn Basham | Madeline Kelleher | Katherine Pruitt | Arsham Zamani | Christopher Flocos |
| Victoria Bergeron | Thomas Kelty | John Przepyszny | Kathryn Zechman | Audrey Freeman |
| Autumn Brenner | Shelby Kemeny | Elizabeth Radcliffe | John Zele | Maria Garcia Chincilla |
| Jesse Cai | Bomi Kim | Tianrui Ren | Albert Zeng | Margaret Garland |
| Julie Carey | Chae Yeon Kim | William Rindone | Ashley Zhang | Hannah Gaudet |
| Philip Carr | Ellen Kim | Tajin Rogers | Tiger Zhang | Taylor Goldman |
| Katherine Carris | Elliot Kim | Sooyoung Ryu | Crystal Zhao | Charles Groppe |
| Kyung Chan Chae | Hyo Won Kim | Gulenay Saydahmat | Sophie Zhao | Rebecca Hall |
| Shuqiao Chai | Jeewoo Kim | Virginia Schilder | Jenny Zhu | Meredith Harris |
| Antonio Chan | Yujeong Kim | Yoolim Seo | Tara Abrishami | Hanna Hatanpaa |
| Allen Cheng | Andrew Ko | Karen Shedlock | Sofia Adao Colaco | Sean Herman |
| Haran Chithranjan | Emma Kortelainen | Nicole Sheehan | Marie Anderson | Samuel Higbee |
| Mia Cleary | Min Jae Kwon | William Sheridan | Ju Hee Baek | Olivia Hsu |
| Blake Daniels | Ava Lakmazaheri | Andrew Shi | Mustafa Bal | Yoo Jin Jang |
| Xenia de Cazotte | Tyler Larkworthy | Min Choul Shin | Marie Baranoski | Kiley Jarymiszyn |
| Ella Deeken | Zoe Le Menestrel | Lavany Shukla | Juan Esteban Baus | Alec Jessar |
| Rebecca Deitch | Jhenna Lebrasseur | Sarah Siegel | Clare Beahn | Nora Johnson |
| Stephen Dempsey | Hyo In Lee | Leah Silverman | Jacqueline Beaulieu | Katherine Jolly |
| Caitlin Dozier | Keaton Lee | Emilio Sison | Chloe Bertholon | Brian Jordan |
| Daniel Ducic | Zachary Lee | An Smith | Korey Blodgett | Jiwon Joung |
| Avery Edson | Megan Leimkuhler | Johnson Song | Michelle Booth | Daniel Ju |
| Matthew Evanko | Candy Li | Mi Ryeng Song | Stephanie Bourland | Julianna Kang |
| Grace Fabrycky | Christine Li | Mira Sridharan | Kevin Broom | Alyssa Katahara |
| Fudong Fan | Raymond Lin | Matthew Steelberg | Elizabeth Brown-Kaiser | Annika Kim |
| Peter Fant | Jeffrey Liu | Emma Steinson | Marielle Burt | Ildoo Kim |
| Eva Femia | Michelle Ma | Julianne Stratton | Jillian Carr | Jeffrey Kim |
| Perry Feng | Julian Maalouf | Yun A Sul | Julia Casazza | Joshua Kim |
| Julia Ferris | Cory Madison | Virginia Sun | Timothy Cha | Sanghyeon Kim |
| James Foster | Sarah Maloney | Ananya Suri | Amanda Chao | Se Hoon Kim |
| Ella Fredriksen | John Martin | Mayuko Takamura | Andrew Chen | Yuri Kim |
| Sarah Frey | David McCarthy | Christopher Tan | Yike Chen | Lindsey Kircher |
| Hannah Gayer | Marc McDonald | Michael Tang | Sandra Cho | Samuel Koser |
| Joanna Gerr | Amir McGettrick | Nathalie Thomas | Maya Chung | Daniel Kostelancik |
| Olivia Giaquinto | Patrick McGuire | Isabella Todaro | Yoo Jin Chung | Nicholas Langkau |
| Zachary Glissman | Kalie McMichael | Kevin Tully | Mark Clancy | Rachel Lawhead |
| Anthara Gnanakumar | Jung Woo Min | Mia Villamayor | Harry Clark | Thai-An Le |
| Ryan Golant | Ai Mochida | Danielle Walker | Abigail Clayton | Kyubin Lee |
| Abdelrahman Hammad | Noah Mokahal | Angela Wang | Madeline Dalzell | Ken Filip Lindberg |
| Rachel Ho | Rachel Montgomery | Shuxian Wang | Megan DeGrafft | Drew Liquerman |
| Kathryn Howley | Kunal Naik | Caroline Watkins | Patrick Dent | William Liu |
| Bryce Huber | Nadim Najjar | Jamie Wertz | Natalie Diaz | Lily Lord |
| Junyoung Hwang | Justin Nguyen | Mikaela Wilbur | Helena Dukovich | Katherine Maguire |

IMPORTANT DATES

- May 6 - Symphonic Band-Pyramid Concert @ 7pm McLean HS
- May 12, 13, 14 - Spring Musical Performance @ 7pm
- May 17-31 - SOL Testing



STUDENT SERVICES DATES

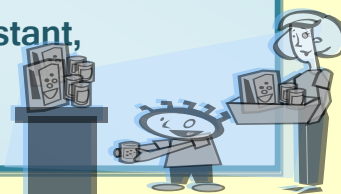
- Jump Start Program-August 8-12 & August 15-19
- Start to Success Program-students coming to LMS in the Fall: Session I – August 22, 23/Session II - August 24, 25
- Open Houses – August 31 & September 1
- Orientation for new students – September 2
- Back-to-School Nights – 7th grade-September 14
8th grade-September 21



NJHS SPONSORS FOOD DRIVE FOR HORTON'S KIDS

Horton's Kids is a non-profit, tutoring and mentoring program for children in one of Washington's most depressed areas. Horton's Kids also operates a community room in the housing project where moms can get food to feed their families. For more information about Horton's Kids go to www.hortonskids.org

The children in that neighborhood don't always get enough to eat, and, what they do eat isn't always particularly nutritious. **Specifically, they need: cereal, pasta, pasta sauces, rice, canned chili, canned veggies, mac and cheese, and instant, mashed potatoes.**



LONGFELLOW INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Hello Longfellow Families,

We are very excited to tell you about the planning for the 2011 Longfellow Middle School International Night!

WHEN: May 20, 2011 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

WHERE: Longfellow Middle School Cafeteria and Gym 1



This is the one of the biggest nights of the year for Longfellow, as we bring the community together to share our cultures, arts, traditions, foods, and talents, among other things. To make the event a success, **we need your help!** We highly encourage everyone to get involved in some manner. Lead Parents are needed to host a table for a country or state or heritage. For those who are interested in being Lead Parents, we would like for you to contact us As Soon As Possible. The more diversity the better at this special event. Then, we will also need volunteers to help set up tables in the cafeteria and gym, clean up, and provide security. Security for our children is a very important element of this event. There are four doors through which people could potentially enter during the event and we need a parent at each door at all times. Therefore, we need five parents for each door for a 30-minute shift (20 parents in all). To the extent you are interested and know when you can help throughout the evening for any of these tasks, please let us know now and we will begin making assignments. Please let us know what areas you would be interested in helping out with.

One very important and popular part of the evening is the Talent Show! We really need some parents to help organize this popular event! Again, we will need volunteers to help set up, clean up, and provide security for the Talent Show.

This will be a great, fun evening, and is assured of being a success if we have enough volunteers. The more the better. Please let us know as soon as possible of your interest and how you would like to help.

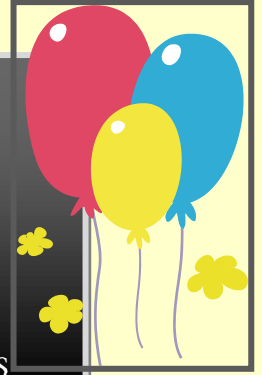
Thank you,

Co-chairs Meg Schlesinger meg.schlesinger@verizon.net

Alyssa Lee alyssa.s.lee@gmail.com

LongFEST

Save the date! Sunday June 12 will be a unique and special day in the history of Longfellow. The FEST is a fun, low-key celebration of the achievements of the Longfellow community. Featuring special guests, student presentations and talent, time capsule opening and dedications, faculty awards, an alumni lounge in the library, student music and snacks & drinks, it will be held on the school grounds from 1-4 pm. A few parents are needed to help student committees working on some fun aspects of the FEST (organizing talent, mini Quiz Bowl segments for example). Please email Beth Chung if you can spare just a few hours to help starting after Spring Break. beth@mygreenexpert.com. Thank you, see you at the FEST!



“Parenting the Adolescent”

Do you have a teen in your house?

This six part class will be offered for parents of 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th graders in the McLean/Langley Pyramids starting *Wednesday, May 4, 2011* at Longfellow Middle School *from 7:00 to 9:00 pm*. Class dates are:

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| May 4 th | May 25 th |
| May 11 th | June 1 st |
| May 18 th | June 8 th |

A fee of \$85 includes the cost of the text, **STEP TEEN PARENT MANUAL** and additional materials.

The class will be facilitated by Estelle Brauer, retired counselor at Longfellow Middle School and Marge Bleiweis, former Churchill Road counselor and retired Conflict Resolution Specialist, FCPS.

To register, please email Estelle Brauer at:
esbjewels@verizon.net

*Sponsored by the Safe Community Coalition



Fairfax County Public Schools and
Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood & Community Services
TEEN SUMMER PROGRAM 2011



V.I.P

July 5 – August 5, 2011

Monday-Friday

(Program time 8 am-4 pm)

Your teenager is a *Very Important Person*. Sign them up for a summer of fun and leisure at one of our VIP camps!

The V.I.P. summer program is designed to encourage teens to develop healthy and positive recreation interests and features a wide variety of leisure activities and services.

Registration begins on April 18 and ends June 3 at 5:00pm.

Space is limited to only 70 kids per site!

(Each site will have an unlimited waitlist after the first seventy teens that are registered on a first come, first serve basis)

Please contact Kevin Webb, After-School Specialists, for more information:

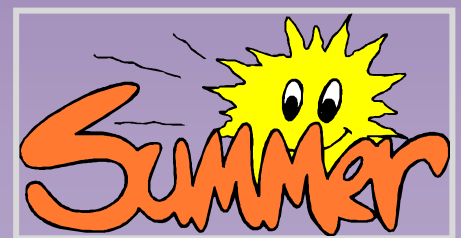
Kevin.Webb@fcps.edu

For students attending Poe, Kilmer, Glasgow, Jackson, Longfellow, Thoreau, Holmes, your camp is at:

Glasgow Middle School

4101 Fairfax Parkway

Alexandria, VA 22312



DRESS CODE

All students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. Any clothing that interferes with or disrupts the educational environment is unacceptable. Clothing with language or images that are vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene, or clothing that promotes illegal or violent conduct, such as gang symbols, the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia, or clothing that contains threats is prohibited. (See page 17, chapter II.A.2.1, for additional information regarding gang-related clothing.) Clothing should fit, be neat and clean, and conform to standards of safety, good taste, and decency. Clothing that exposes cleavage, private parts, the midriff, or undergarments, or that is otherwise sexually provocative, is prohibited.

Examples of prohibited clothing include, but are not limited to: sagging or low-cut pants, low-cut necklines that show cleavage, tube tops, halter tops, backless blouses or blouses with only ties in the back, studded belts, chain belts, clothing constructed of see through materials, and head coverings unless required for religious or medical purposes.

*Students who are dress coded will be given loaner gym shorts and/or shirts. Please make sure to wash and send them back the following day. Thanks.



AFTER SCHOOL

Parents:

Please remind your students that when their after-school activity is finished, they need to either walk home or go to the homework club. There should be no students wandering the halls.

DOLLEY MADISON LIBRARY TIME CAPSULE CONTEST

On behalf of the Dolley Madison Library, I am inviting McLean students to become contemporary historians by recording their impressions on life in McLean today, which will be reviewed by McLean residents 50 years from now. How? A time capsule will be part of the newly renovated Dolley Madison Library and I'm encouraging students in grades 1 through 12 (as of fall 2011) to participate in a contest to describe what life is like in McLean nowadays. A **total of eight contestants from among the age groups** will be selected to have their **written or art** entries enclosed in the time capsule, which will be opened in 2061. The contest theme is: ***What would you want people in 2061 to know about life in McLean today?***

All students -- either attending school in McLean or students who are residents of McLean and attend school elsewhere or are home schooled -- are eligible to participate. This is a great opportunity for McLean students to be a part of history in the making. We hope all our students in all age groups will be fired up about participating in the contest and will work on their entries over the summer months. Final submission deadline is **5PM on Monday, September 12, 2011**.

I've attached the contest rules for your teachers, department chairs, activities directors, and student bodies. You can also find the contest rules on my web site

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dranesville/> and will be posted as well on the Dolley Madison Library web site

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/dm/>.

We hope that all of you will encourage your staff and students to participate in this exciting opportunity! If you wish more information on the Dolley Madison Library Time Capsule Contest, please contact Cheryl Patten in my office at 703-356-0551.

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