Hello! We are the Ponytail Posse, a competitive robotics team. This is the second issue of our quarterly newsletter. You are receiving this because you have supported us in the past or you subscribed at www.theponytailposse.com.

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THE PONYTAIL EXPRESS

WHAT'S NEW & HAPPENING WITH THE PONYTAIL POSSE

FALL 2015 NEWSLETTER

- This season's robotics challenge released
- In the workshop...
- FTC Workshop branding presentation
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- Welcome, new sponsors!

WHO IS THE PONYTAIL POSSE?

Rose, Sabriyah, Nancy, Meghan, Amy, and Amelie: a 7th year robotics team. We are going into our sophomore year of high school.

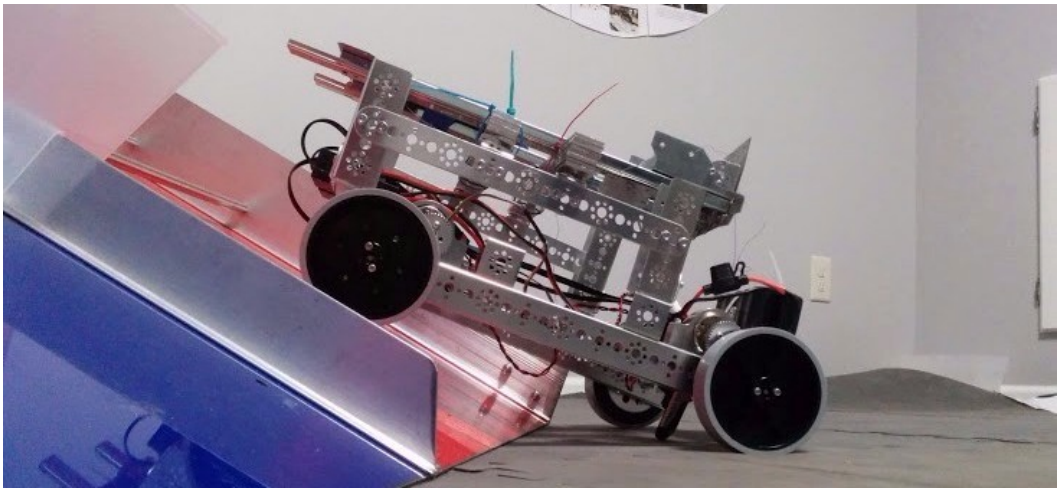
THIS SEASON'S ROBOTICS CHALLENGE RELEASED!

Our robot is built to complete tasks related to the annually-changing challenge. This year, the challenge is called "RES-Q". Watch the video above for more information.

If you would like to know more about the basics of an FTC tournament and RES-Q, click here.

IN THE WORKSHOP...

Sabriyah, Nancy, Meghan, and Rose have been busy working on our robot in the brand-new and beautiful Ponytail Posse room. So far, we have tested several different wheel combinations and gear ratios. We decided on using four Stealth wheels, which provide enough traction to bring the robot halfway up the mountain, also known as the mid zone (mentioned in the video above). Now, they are brainstorming ways to go up even further, as well as designing prototypes for other subsystems.



FTC WORKSHOP BRANDING PRESENTATION

On October 3rd, we had the opportunity to present a class on team branding to other teams at the first-ever GOFIRST FTC Workshop at the U of M. In this hour long class, we enthusiastically taught about the importance of branding and how to create a brand for your team. At the end of our presentation slides, we got the audience involved with an interactive Kahoot game.

Click here for a blog post we wrote about the day!

UPDATE

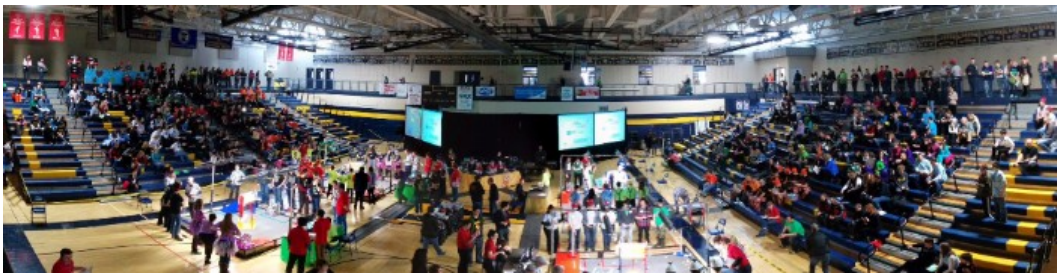
Over the summer, we presented to principals from different schools in our school district. Recently, we were excited to learn that robotics has been added to this year's curriculum at our old middle school. On top of this, we have been asked to collaborate with starting up their after-school robotics club. We are very happy that our presentation has sparked an interest in FIRST and we look forward to seeing how our middle school goes forward.

CLICK HERE **TO READ ABOUT WHAT ELSE WE'VE BEEN UP TO THIS FALL!**

- Teen Tech Camp demo – link
- presentation for TCMaker – link
- Magenic Root Beer Float Fundraiser – link
- Shoreview/Arden Hills Rotary Club demo – link
- Conquest Engineering demo & tour – link
- FLL & FTC info nights – link
- FLL coaches' orientation – link
- FTC Kickoff presentation – link
- Girl Time demo at The Works museum – link

SAVE THE DATE

Our FTC tournaments are on November 14 & January 16.
All FTC tournaments are open to the public (and free!). Hope to see you there!



LOOKING AHEAD...

- 11/6/15 – demo for Magenic

- 11/14/15 – our first qualifier tournament – Eagan High School ★
- 1/16/16 – our second qualifier tournament – Central Middle School ★
- TBD – demo for Promet Optics
- TBD – demo for Hypertherm
- TBD – demo for Braun Intertec

★ Open to public – contact us for details!

THROWBACK PICTURE

WELCOME, NEW SPONSORS:

Lake Johanna Fire Dpt	Donatelle	Shoreview/Arden Hills Rotary Club
Promet Optics	AAA	PTC
Hypertherm	Carol Froehle	Braun Intertec
Hayden Eckert	Rafi Musher	Jesse Reed
Nick Elmquist	Mary Gormley	Ron Elmquist

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