



# Senior Mentor Report October 12, 2009

Greetings,

*Eeks! Look at all of the missing teams in the Los Angeles Area. I need to hear from these teams this week to find you're your status for the 2010 season.*

580, 606, 691, 696, 995, 1641, 1692, 1702, 1836, 2150, 2174, 2272, 2404, 2584, 2637, 2659, 2919, 3001, 3020, 3027, 3120.  
I am only too aware of money issues but there is no chance of us helping if we do not know.

All my best,  
-Nancy Mc  
FIRST Senior Mentor Los Angeles

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Please contact LeRoy Nelson at 310-937-7226 or [LeRoy@LARobotics.org](mailto:LeRoy@LARobotics.org). See [FLL.LARobotics.org](http://FLL.LARobotics.org) for additional information about the Los Angeles Region FLL program.

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**SCRRF Group presented with award from WRRF for their assistance with the field**

**for the competition up in San Jose last weekend. Congratulations!**

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## San Diego Organizing Committee to Host the Fall Workshops for 2009

The Fall Workshop is scheduled for Saturday Nov 7, 2009. Registration is up at [www.robotevents.com](http://www.robotevents.com)

- So far I have eight workshops being run by eight presenters. One workshop is being run by two presenters. I'm expected one or two more to be added before all is said and done. Ric Roberts has confirmed that he will do a workshop on Systems Engineering, however I have not heard from him if his son or daughter will be coming to present.
- I have a tentative commitment from the San Diego County Sheriff's Department's Bomb & Arson Unit to do a demo with up to three robots, two of which are brand new and will be making their public debut. They may also do a live (controlled) detonation.

**Contact person for the Fall Workshops is [Jonjack@gmail.com](mailto:Jonjack@gmail.com)**

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### Notes From Manchester:



Lead mentors you can register all of your team mentors on the FIRST site at TIMS. We will not need to collect information at regional events. FIRST will be able to recognize you hard working volunteers.

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Ideas for Securing Funds

**NASA FRC Grant Application  
Now Available!**

The grant application process for NASA sponsorship for the 2010 *FIRST* Robotics Competition season is now OPEN.

NASA's grant application process will CLOSE 11:59 pm (EST) on 11/02/09. NASA plans to announce their grant winners at 10 pm (EST) on 11/18/09.

Please refer to NASA's website for the most updated information as dates may still be subject to change.

The MadTown Throwdown off-season competition, originally planned for Aug. 7-8, will be held at Madera HS on Fri-Sat, Nov 6-7. SCRRF and WRRF have loaned the playing field and orbit balls for the event. The attached flyer provides the contact information for the event.

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For information on local events please contact:

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I Know Many FRC Teams also Play Vex

With so many teams involved in multiple platforms I am glad to provide competition information to support your school programs  
Ralph Mills will be your best source for information. [ralphmills@aol.com](mailto:ralphmills@aol.com)



**Kickoff 2010**



We are pleased to announce that USC will again host kickoff and Kit pick up on January 9, 2010. More will follow as the date approaches.



***FIRST* Scholarships**



There is now more than \$11,000,000 available to students of *FIRST* teams. Please encourage both students and their parents to apply. I have found getting the information out to the parents is a big help.



