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# TEAM 1515 WINS 3 AWARDS AT L.A. REGIONAL! TEAMWORK MADE IT POSSIBLE

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# **Greetings!**

We had an awesome time at the Los Angeles Regional. Our team really came together and showed what we are capable of. We are so proud of the three awards that we won for Imagery, Animation and Best Website. We could not have achieved so much without the support of our teachers, mentors and our community. Thank you to everyone that believed in us and our wonderful robotics program!

## Important Dates:

March 29-31---FIRST Robotics Denver Regional

April 12-14---FIRST Championship in Atlanta
April 15th---BHEF Classics for Charity Car Show.
May 21-June 1---Muscular Dystrophy spare change drive.
June 9-10--American Cancer Society Relay for Life



# **AWARDS DESCRIPTIONS**



## THE IMAGERY AWARD

"The Imagery award celebrates attractiveness in engineering and outstanding visual aesthetic integration from the machine to the team appearance. Being creative and original makes this team not only look good, they make FIRST look good! This team also extends the imagery of their robotics team beyond the show floor through a marketing approach that focuses on a community outreach program that is designed to attract support for FIRST. These efforts include their You-Tube cable tv show and a multitude of printed materials.

The Imagery Award is presented to team number #1515, MorTorq from Beverly Hills High School in Beverly Hills, CA."

The Autodesk Visualization Award-- ANIMATION

"The Autodesk Visualization Award is another award that is voted on by your student peers. Your fellow animators have reviewed the entries to determine the team that best recognizes excellence in student animation and clearly and creatively illustrates the spirit of the FIRST Robotics Competition. And they have learned just how hard it is to judge when the competition is so tough. The team they have selected to receive the Autodesk Visualization Award is Team #1515, MorTorq from Beverly Hills High School in Beverly Hills, CA. Congratulations to Team #1515."

### THE WEBSITE AWARD

"The Website Award recognized excellence in student- designed, built and managed FIRST team websites. Eligible websites were judged and scored prior to this competition by an independent panel of judges. The ballots have been counted and an awesome team has been selected to win this award. Each year teams work diligently on a website that tells the story of not only their team and its activities but also the meaning of FIRST. The website that judges felt displayed the best design, east of navigation and depth of content entered for the Los Angeles Regional is Team 1515, MorTorq from Beverly Hills High School in Beverly Hills CA. Congratulations to Team #1515."

See our awards page on our website

# Team Spirit. Orange was everywhere!

Team 1515 celebrates our team spirit by proudly wearing our school colors. Anyone at a FIRST Robotics competition can easily locate us by looking for our signature orange fuzzy hats, orange leis, beads and face paint. We always wear our team shirt and sweatshirts which are adorned with our team logo. You can also spot us cheering in the stands by looking for the giant #1 orange blow up hands and other orange and black novelties. In addition, this year we were celebrating the successes of other teams by cheering loudly for everyone. All team members were singing, dancing and having a great time. We also have a new addition to our team: The Mortorq Monkey! The Mortorq Monkey is our robotics team mascot and everyone at the Los Angeles regional really loved him.



Read more about the monkey

## Watch Us Work



The game this year was very technical and building our robot was a huge challenge. At our first competition, we had some mechanical failures during our preliminary rounds. We fixed the problems and ended up being chosen to advance to the quarter finals. We are proud that we were able to do so well and we look forward to being a strong competitor in Denver and Atlanta now that we worked out all the bugs.

Be sure to watch out for our new episode of Mortorq TV airing this week. Episode 3 was filmed at the Los Angeles competition and promises to be very entertaining! Mortorq Tv is also available for viewing on youtube.com and on itunes as a free download.

Please keep up to date with us by visiting our award winning website and checking out our blog and our new pictures.

Visit our website now!

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Team 1515 is grateful to be supported by so many wonderful people. Our program would not exist without the generosity of our community and our corporate sponsors. Walt Disney Imagineering, The Beverly Hilton Hotel, Mercedes-Benz of Beverly Hills, The Beverly Hills ROP program, MOOG Aircraft Group, The Rosenblatt Family, and the BHHS PTSA are all vital to our program.

Thank you to all the people who helped transport our students and our materials to the competition and thanks to everyone who came to cheer for us in the stands

A very big thanks to Roy, Joel, Mike, Guillermo and Ed for helping us with the bot!

We are grateful to our PTSA for financing this fabulous newsletter.

BHHS robotics is funded solely by donations, corporate sponsorships and fundraising. All business aspects of the program are run by the Beverly Hills High School ROP Entrepreneurship classes taught by Eileen Kahn. If you are interested in supporting our team either as a mentor or as a financial contributor, please contact Eileen Kahn at eileenkahn@gmail.com.

Sincerely, TEAM 1515, BHHS ROBOTICS

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