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### Media Advisory

## **Glencoe's Team Shockwave Hosts RoboExpo February 18**

*U.S. Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici, State Senator Bruce Starr and others will be on hand for the event*

**February 14, 2014, Hillsboro, OR** – Glencoe High School's Team Shockwave is pleased to announce its RoboExpo, taking place on Tuesday, February 18, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Glencoe High School commons (2700 NW Glencoe Road, Hillsboro).

The RoboExpo will feature FIRST® Robotics teams in grades K-12 from across the Hillsboro School District. FIRST® Robotics Competition (FRC®), FIRST® Technology Competition (FTC®), FIRST® LEGO® League (FLL®) and Junior FIRST® LEGO® League (Jr.FLL®) categories will all be represented by teams demonstrating their robots, trophies, and visual displays.

RoboExpo's main event will be the 'bagging and tagging' of Team Shockwave's competition robot. It is an FRC® requirement that robots be wrapped, tagged, and shipped to the competition location in advance to ensure that no team is able to work on their robot for more than six weeks, therefore gaining an unfair advantage over others. For the current competition, teams had to create robots that could throw a large exercise ball through a target. During the contests (March 7-8 at Oregon City High School and March 20-21 at Wilsonville High School), teams must work closely with randomly-assigned alliance teams to complete their robots' performance task.

Team Shockwave boasts 32 student members and an astounding 15 mentors—most of whom are professional engineers. Since January, team members have been working six days per week—2.5 hours on weekdays and up to 12 hours on Saturdays—to design, build, program and test their robot.

U.S. Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici, Oregon State Senator Bruce Starr, and Intel's Corporate Affairs Manager Jill Eiland are just a few of the special guests expected to be in attendance for this exciting evening.

This event is open to the community and provided free of charge, however an optional spaghetti dinner will be available for \$8 in the cafeteria; funds raised will go to support Team Shockwave's activities.

To RSVP or for more information, please contact Team Shockwave advisor Chris Steiner at [roboexpo@glencoerobotics.com](mailto:roboexpo@glencoerobotics.com) or [steinerc@hsd.k12.or.us](mailto:steinerc@hsd.k12.or.us).

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