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Engineering Sunday features FIRST Robotics Team at The Children's Museum on November 20

West Hartford, CT., November 10, 2011— If you can imagine it, you can design and build it at The Children's Museum's Engineering Sunday on Sunday, November 20 from 11:00am-4:00pm. The many activities and guest presenters include:

- Meet our teen robotics FIRST engineers:
 - The Second Law Enforcers from Farmington High School
 - The Kingswood Oxford FIRST Technology Challenge team
- Special storytelling for younger visitors from The Connecticut Storytelling Center
- Test your construction skills
- Build your own drawing robot
- See how engineering makes the classic Mentos & Soda experiment even messier (!)

Engineering Sunday activities are fun for the whole family, free with general admission and will run from 11:00 AM to closing time at 4:00 PM. The Children's Museum is located at 950 Trout Brook Drive, West Hartford.

Family Science Sundays are family oriented science and nature programs that are built around different themes and creative features that will be fun, inspirational and educational for families and children of all ages. The program is funded through a \$50,000 grant from the Northeast Utilities Foundation/CL&P.

Family Science Sundays include science demonstrations, hands-on experiments, and family-focused creative takeaways, special guest presenters and an online component for those who want to explore the day's theme further. Under the grant, The Children's Museum offers a different school, youth group, or community organization in a high-need community free admission each month. As November is National Adoption Month, families affiliated with the Connecticut Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents will be Engineering Sunday's guest group.

The Children's Museum offers over 100 live animals, hands-on science exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for younger children and families. It is one of Connecticut's most visited attractions. The Children's Museum is located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and at Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.