Puzzle #14: Cad, Bury Egg!

With your Puzzle Props you will find a small, purple, plastic egg. You must do the following with this egg:

1. Inside the egg put a slip of paper with your team's color written clearly on it as well a secret “password”.
2. Bury this egg somewhere in Auburn. Yes, you may actually bury it (not more than an inch or two); or you may just set in a secret place somewhere around town.
3. Create a map that directs searchers to your buried egg. **However, on this map you are not allowed to put any letters or numbers (not even encoded letters or numbers).** You may hand-draw it, design it on a computer, use photos, etc... but no letters or numbers of any sort. Furthermore, you are not to put any information on the map which would indicate which team created the map.
4. Bring Eric *twelve* identical hard copies of this map (printed off or photocopied -- they should all be the same). **You must deliver these copies to Eric by 4:00PM.** When you drop off the maps, you must tell Eric the password that is hidden in your buried egg (so be sure the person delivering the maps knows the password buried in the egg!)
5. **Do not tell other teams where you have buried your egg.**

At 4:00PM make sure at least one representative is at my house. Shortly after that time Eric will re-distribute the map copies to every team (each team will get one copy of each map). At that point teams are challenged to find as many of the buried eggs (besides their own team's) as they can... before the other teams find them.

If your team finds another team's egg, you should call into Eric immediately and tell him the discovered egg's team color and password for verification; Eric will record the time of discovery. Once found, leave the discoverd egg in place, but leave it open and empty (remove the password) so that later teams will know they are too late. All call-ins of discovery must be made by 2:00AM -- you get no credit if your call-in is after that time.

Points will be awarded to teams in the following manner: the team whose egg is discovered *latest* will be awarded 150 Points. The next to last discovered will get 140 Points (10 Points fewer). This decrement continues such that the egg discovered *first* will reward the team that buried it the fewest points (exactly how many points that is depends on the number of teams participating in the Hunt, of course). **However, if a team's buried egg is not discovered by any team by the 2:00AM deadline, no points are awarded to that burying team.** In other words, you want your team's egg to be found by 2:00AM by some other team, but you want it found as late as possible compared to the other discoveries...

Finally, your team will get +10 Points for each buried egg of another team it discovers.

Eric will update team dashboards with the final score once tallied... there is no Clutch-Of-Eggs sticker to submit for this puzzle.