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In the news

Dances with robots



Photo by Emily Kaiser

Camdenton 4-H First Laser 3284 Robotics team member Matthew Bigge demonstrated a programmable dancing robot at the Missouri State Fair during Show-Me Robotics Day on Aug. 11. Camdenton R-III High School offers robotics through an after-school program funded by 21st Century grants, NASA, 4-H and local sponsors.

Forty students in grades K-12 participate in the club, with older students mentoring the younger ones. The team won the St. Louis regional championship competition earlier in the year, competed on a division level and placed in the top four alliances in the first Ultimate Ascent World Championship. The group also competed in a Frisbee throwing contest with its large robot at the State Fair's Show-Me Robotics Competition. The team's mission is to inspire the community to embrace the world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

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MELD VI applications due Aug. 30

Time is running out to apply for the 2013-2014 Missouri Extension Leadership Development (MELD) program.