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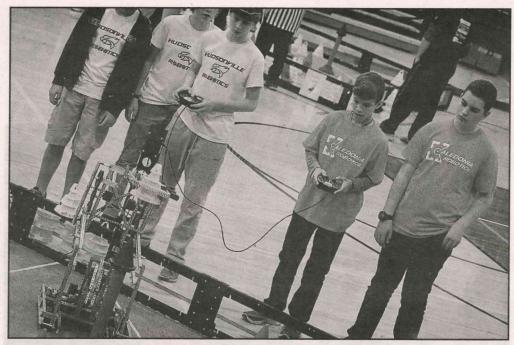
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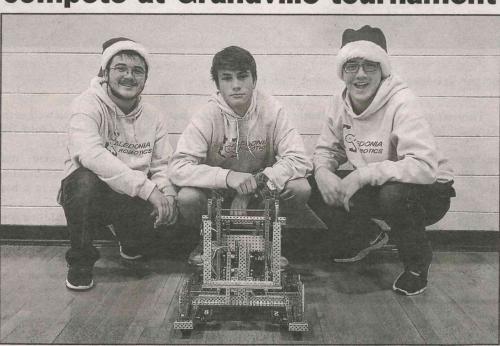
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Caledonia Robotics VEX Teams compete at Grandville tournament



Team Four Strikes Back stands with their robots. Left to right: Harrison Norkus, Jared McLean, Harrison and Matt Kaczanowski.

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Four of Caledonia Robotics' VEX EDR teams joined over 110 teams at last weekend's West Michigan VEX Holiday Tournament in Grandville.

Caledonia High School was represented by 'Team Four Strikes Back,' comprised of 11th graders Jared McLean, Harrison Norkus and Matt Kaczanowski, who ranked 15 out of 29 teams in their division. Team "Eye-Protection Required" - made up of juniors Madison Kargol, Andrew Shepard and Benjamin Sloma - scored 27th out of 30 teams in their division.

Two Caledonia Middle School teams also competed at the event. "Johnny Five is Alive" was 23rd out of 49 Team members teams. include Duncan Lake 8th graders, Daniel Battey and Nicholas Dykstra, and Kraft Meadows 7th graders David Polak, Sean Rice and Anders VanderEide. Team 'Raise the Bar' included Kraft Meadows Zachary graders Eggleton, Thomas Munson and Colin Pearson, scoring 37th out of 49 teams.

Teams competing in VEX

EDR competitions are sent to work designing and building a robot to compete in a game-based engineering challenge. Teams form alliances with would-be challengers, forcing them to collaborate with different models and become team players with unfamiliar teammates.

Teams were also able to compete in single-driver robot challenges racing the clock, as well as robot programming challenges.

Students' objectives included stacking cones, scoring mobile goals, having the highest stacks, and parking their robots. A bonus was awarded to the alliance that has the most total points at the end of the autonomous period.

In addition to scheduled practice sessions, most teams will continue their seasons competing in league play, preparing them for more regional tournaments in January in hopes of advancing to the State Competition next February.

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