



DEL AWARE

Delaware Valley High School - Milford, Pa.

Rachel's Challenge brings new initiative to DV

BY ALYSSA MANCUSO
Entertainment Editor

Before her death, Rachel Joy Scott wrote, "I have this theory that is one person can go out of their way to show compassion, then it will start a chain reaction of the same. People will never know how far a little kindness can go." Sixteen years later, her words became the basic goal of Rachel's Challenge, a non-profit, anti-bullying organization led by Rachel's parents Darrell and Sandy.

Every year, a volunteer with the organization comes to DV to promote the idea of a chain reaction of kindness. On Oct. 22, speaker Ally encouraged students to take Rachel's Challenge. Freshmen and sophomores gathered in the auditorium during first, second, third, and fourth periods to hear Ally speak about the impact the organization has had on his own life. Ally took students through the day of the Columbine High School shooting, discussing the tragedy yet inspiration of Rachel and the day of her death.

With all the puffy eyes and tear-streaked cheeks after the assembly, the impact of the assembly on the students was evident. "It opened up my eyes to how often bullying occurs in school," said sophomore Dylan Kelly. "[The

assembly] made me want to become a better person."

Later in the day, a select group of roughly 60 students was invited to Rachel's Challenge Training for the FOR (Friends of Rachel) Club, a club aiming to educate students about how to handle situations of confrontation in school as well as how to implement the challenges proposed by Rachel into schools across the country. The meeting involved several personal stories from speaker Ally as well as personal stories from the students.

Former DiVersity adviser Ms. Laurie Osczepiniski, who attended the training, was struck by the turnout at the meeting.

"I was really touched because I saw so many different kinds from all different cliques come together for the same goal," she said. "They all wanted to make a change."

Each year, the Rachel's Challenge assembly inspires students to make a change.

"Delaware Valley can do exactly what

Rachel has challenged us to do," said freshman Brenna Cavallaro. "We can start a chain reaction of kindness and compassion."



Students listen as Ally describes Rachel's story.
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Carpenter completes Spartan Series

BY SARAH McDOUGALL
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Running 14.5 miles down a ski slope with 40 obstacles may sound impossible to the average person, but for senior Kyle Carpenter, this was achieved as a part of the Spartan series.

Carpenter began his journey last May when he ran 4.5 miles in the Spartan Sprint in Palmerton, Pa. He later completed the Spartan Super at Wintergreen Resort in Virginia, a distance of 9.5 miles. On Sept. 19, he completed the Spartan Beast that was held in Killington, Vt. This was the longest and toughest race in the series.

Carpenter decided to run the Spartan Sprint after hearing about it from a friend. At first, he did not aspire to run all three races.

"I set money aside in an envelope and didn't touch it until the day of the race," said Carpenter.

After completing the first race, he

decided to try the second.

"For the Super, without a doubt, [my favorite obstacle was] the eight foot wall. I was so proud of myself. It was definitely an accomplishment," said Carpenter.

Although finishing the race is a huge achievement in itself, Carpenter was disappointed with his results, and following the second race, he decided to train for the Beast and redeem himself.

While he enjoyed the experience, Carpenter said he will not be participating in any more races as he

is already enlisted in the military and is leaving directly after graduation. Still, the races have impacted him greatly and have helped prepare him for the military.

"A lot of people at the recruit station tell me that if I can pass obstacles, I can pass the training," said Carpenter.

"At the end of the day you have all the medals, T-shirts, pictures...sometimes I like to go down memory lane...I loved it. It was definitely challenging."



Senior Kyle Carpenter proudly displays his Spartan Race medals.
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DV honors new inductees

BY MOLLY SCOLLO
Staff Writer

The annual DV Hall of Fame banquet was held at Mt. Haven on Oct. 18. This year's inductees include Carissa Sain Knoche, Kathleen Marinaccio, William Schneck and Col. David Hazen.

Hall of Fame committee member Mr. William Webster opened the ceremony by welcoming everyone and congratulating this year's inductees. Assistant Principal Lou DeLauro followed with several opening remarks, including the introduction of the DVHS Drama club performers. Seniors Alex Miller, Aspen Navarte, David Torres, Brianna Kislak and Lexi Fean, as well as junior Molly Scollo, each performed a song, providing the entertainment for the evening.

The first of the inductees to be honored was the late Col. David Hazen.

?? FEATURE NEWS ??

MR. MATTIL

Mr. Mike Mattil is a substitute teacher who is beloved by both students and faculty alike. A 15-year veteran of the profession of substitute teaching, he has, over the years, had a significantly positive effect on many students and faculty members due to his droll sense of humor, his wisdom and his almost encyclopedic knowledge of insightful quotes and interesting factoids.

-Adam Parent

AP: Adam Parent (Interviewer)
MM: Mr. Mattil (Interviewee)

AP: How long have you worked at DV?
MM: This is my fifteenth year.
AP: Describe your upbringing.

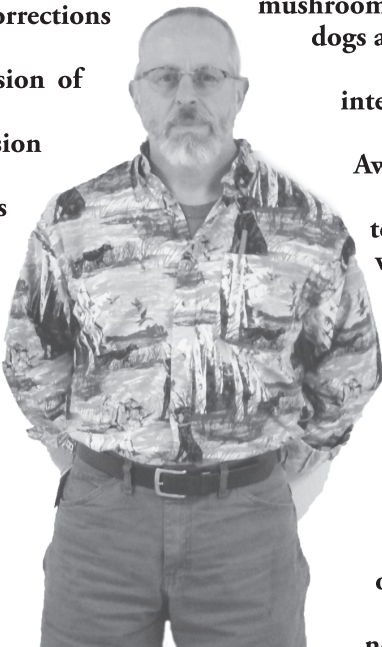
MM: I grew up in rural Sussex County when, at the time, there were more cows than people, and that's a fact Jack! I also enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing sports.

AP: What was your profession before substitute teaching?
MM: I was a corrections officer for the state of New Jersey.

AP: What were your duties as a corrections officer?
MM: My duties included the supervision of inmates in a prison setting.
AP: What brought you into the profession of substitute teaching?

MM: After 16 years as a corrections officer, I had a bad motorcycle accident. I was put on disability through the state, and after two years of recovery, I began looking into substitute teaching jobs.

AP: Take me through your average day.
MM: I wake up at 4:30 in the morning to stoke the fire and let the dogs out. I get to school at about 7:15 and assume my duties as substitute. After school, I work in my yard at home and I get to sleep by 8:30 at night.
AP: What is your favorite aspect of substitute teaching?



MM: Meeting with faculty and students.
AP: What is your least favorite aspect?
MM: The chaos control that is necessary to conduct classes and disciplinary

problems.
AP: What do you enjoy doing outside of school?
MM: I enjoy making improvements to my home and property. I also enjoy foraging for wild

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- Mr. Mattil

mushrooms and cooking. Also, walking my dogs and feeding the fish in my pond.
AP: What has been your most interesting experience as a sub?
MM: Being featured in the Del. Aware.

AP: If you were a full time teacher, which subject would you want to teach and why?
MM: I would want to teach either history or science because I find them both relevant and interesting.
AP: What do you enjoy most about DVHS, in general?
MM: Mostly, just speaking with students.
AP: Why do you like to chew on toothpicks?
MM: It's a bad habit. Just say no!

Favorites

Quote:

"Contentment is not the fulfillment of what you want, but the realization of how much you already have." –

Anonymous

Food: Any wild game and coffee ice cream

Newspaper:

The River Reporter



School News



Scholastic bowl team qualifies for Nationals

By VANESSA PAOLELLA
Circulation Co-Manager

On Oct. 17, DV hosted the Tri-State Tussle, an open scholastic bowl tournament for high school students. DV's A team, composed of seniors Saimun Shahee, Drake Eshleman, Jacob Ahlstrand and sophomore Collin Kawan-Hemler, placed third out of 16 teams and qualified for the High School National Championship Tournament (HSNCT). DV also had a B team that competed.

The tournament began with two competition brackets of mixed ability competing in seven rounds. From there, teams were ranked first by their win-loss record and then by their points per bonuses.

At the end of the preliminary round, DV's A team was seeded fourth and DV's B team was seeded 15th.

DV's A team later won against Darien High School's C and B teams, but lost to Darien's A team, placing them in the semi-final against Manheim High School. DV won 450-205 and qualified for the HSNCT.

Shahee earned the third highest amount of

points in the tournament overall.

"There's a little bit of competition between us," Eshleman commented. "Siamun shows that you can get way better."

However, the pivotal point in this tournament for DV's A team occurred during their match against Darien's B team. The match ended with DV losing a close 245-235, however,



a protest made previously by Eshleman had yet to be discussed.

In the end, the protest was upheld, the question was removed from the scoring, and the score was changed to DV 235-215. Afterward, DV's A team was able to

answer the deciding question, winning them the match. Had they lost to Darien's A and B teams, they would not have competed in the semi-finals.

One critical asset to DV's A team is undoubtedly their teamwork.

"Our team has gotten better at teamwork," said Shahee. "Last year we just threw out answers whenever we kind of knew what we were talking about. This year we work more as an effective unit."

Another strength of DV's A team is their individual ability. No single member entirely pulls the team. Rather, each has their own specialty and area of knowledge to contribute.

"That's the thing about Delaware Valley," scholastic bowl coach Mr. Kevin DeVizia commented. "You never know who's going to take over. Any of the four people on the A team could be our dominant player...I've seen Jake do it, I've seen Collin do it, I've seen Drake do it, and lately Siamun is the one doing most of that."

Mr. DeVizia also expressed his thanks to the various volunteers of the tournament, specifically FBLA, National Honor Society and other scholastic bowl members.



Inquiring Photographer

"IF WE HAD ANOTHER SPIRIT WEEK LATER IN THE SCHOOL YEAR, WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO SEE CHANGED OR ADDED?"

By MOLLY SCOLLO



"Back to the 80s"
Mr. Daniel Gonzalez
Faculty



"Bring back Wacky Wednesday."
Emily Gelormino
Class of 2017



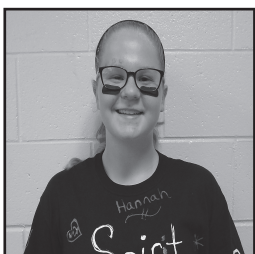
"Dress as your favorite emoji."
Kirsten Dunn
Class of 2018



"Make a suggestion box so the average student has a say."
Lawrence Cicileo
Class of 2016



"More staff involvement and more publicized."
Mrs. Ellen Orben
Faculty



"Sports day so our sports teams are more involved."
Hannah Lee
Class of 2019

DV honors new inductees

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Following his graduation from St. Bonaventure University in 1963, Hazen pursued an extensive and distinguished military career, both overseas and teaching at United States Army War College.

He is survived by his wife, sister, four children and seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Carissa Sain Knoche was next to be celebrated. Knoche's former track and field coach, Mr. Angelo Matz, announced her.

A star athlete at Delaware Valley, Knoche continued her athletic career at Carnegie Mellon University where she excelled in basketball. She is a mother and has recently become the head coach of the women's basketball team at the University of Chicago.

Knoche finished her speech by thanking Mr. Webster and the entire Hall of Fame committee. "Thank you for giving me the opportunity to thank the people who have created the foundation for the person that I've become," she said.

Mr. John Millspaugh, a former art teacher at DV, introduced Ms. Kathleen Marinaccio.

Marinaccio is a mother, teacher and artist. After graduating from Delaware Valley, she received a bachelor's degree at the Pratt Institute and continued her studies at the Parsons School of Design for

Advanced Adobe Illustration. Currently she is the Director of Design Services at Warner Bros. and a professor of graphic design and computer art at the Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles, Calif.

Marinaccio is the founder of Fishbrain, a graphic design firm, and Get REAL Creative, a non-profit corporation that teaches art to both kids and adults.

Mr. DeLauro introduced the final inductee, Mr. William Schneck.

Schneck excelled in golf, wrestling and soccer throughout his time at DV. He was the high school's first soccer player to be named to the All-American team and won several district titles as a wrestler.

Schneck attended Lehigh University where he continued his outstanding athletic academic career.

Currently, Schneck is the Director of Plant Operations at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital.

"I think there's a validity that you can put on sports that you can't put in statistics," Schneck commented in his final thoughts. "A heart, that's what's most important... the heart of a warrior, a Delaware Valley Warrior."



Opinions



In defense of the R-pod meetings

To Whom It May Concern:

While it may seem outrageous that a large group of boys enthusiastically crowd into a lavatory with a traditional 7-person capacity, the DV R-Pod Boys' Bathroom meetings have a purpose: to raise the conditions the guys have to deal with whenever they occupy it.

Among some of the issues discussed are the lack of paper towels, two-ply toilet paper and the implementation of common lavatory etiquette.

"We want to keep the bathroom clean and in good working order, and create a sense of bonding throughout the halls of Delaware Valley," claims Thomas Spillane, standing Administrator of the R-Pod Boys' Bathroom.

The boys have felt that some of their efforts to maintain the cleanliness and overall good atmosphere of the lavatory have been inhibited and are tirelessly working to better its conditions regardless.

"The administration has issues with us placing posters on the wall that clearly state the rules and regulations to help better the R-Pod Boys' Bathroom," said Spillane. Fellow member Nick Patel added, "I bought a [paper towel] holder and they took it away."

In spite of these setbacks, the boys are still hopeful. Evidently, since the meetings have started, conditions in the lavatory have greatly improved. Members of the R-Pod Boys' Bathroom were asked how the meetings have affected the lavatory so far. The responses were nothing less than positive:

"There has been two-ply!"
– Nick Patel, Member, Grade 12

"I think there are a lot more positive vibes going on."
–David Grady, Member, Grade 10

"Very friendly environment."
– John Helms, Member, Grade 10

"We're closer as friends now."
–Thomas Oakley, Member, Grade 12

"It smells a lot better because of the 'flush twice' rule."
–Jacob Roccabruna, Member, Grade 10

That being said, the questions must be posed: Why do the R-Pod Boys' Bathroom meetings have such a negative reputation if they end in positive, successful results? And, in reality, do these boys not have the political right to freely assemble? The R-Pod Boys' Bathroom is seeing significant changes. These meetings deserve some praise.

By **LAUREN ZIOLKOWSKI**
Opinions Editor

An assembly could cause a chain reaction

The first thing that came to mind when I heard about an assembly was, "Yes! I get to miss a whole two periods of class!". I honestly wasn't even concerned about what it was about, but as soon as I saw the video clips playing and the words "Rachel's Challenge" appear on the projector in the auditorium, I knew that this was something important. Normally I am quite fidgety and distracted when sitting through presentations like these, but both the speaker and the subject were so captivating that I felt as though I didn't move an inch the entire time.

Rachel's compassionate personality and the selfless actions she carried out before she was killed made me realize that you should gratefully accept everything life has to offer and do as much good as possible with the life that you were given. I was overcome with sadness, anger and disgust when hearing the story of the high school shooting. Thirteen students and staff members were killed in cold blood at a school that could have very well been ours. Just knowing that people like Rachel lost their lives that day made me shudder. Rachel's motivating impact on society, even after her death, proves her theory that "kindness is like a chain reaction," and made me realize how much of an impact my own words could make. The stories from classmates she'd touched while she was alive encouraged me to have a more positive attitude toward others and use my words to heal, not hurt. I left the presentation feeling so much more than before. The presentation on "Rachel's Challenge" impacted me in a way that will change how I act and react toward others for the rest of my life.

With my knowledge of Rachel and her impacts both before and after her death, I plan to put other's needs before my own, remember that everyone is fighting their own battles and deserve equal treatment, and do as much as I can to impact my environment in a positive way. I left the auditorium that day knowing the story of Rachel and her life of overwhelming kindness in detail and feeling motivated to share it with others.

By **SKYLAR U'GLAY**
Class of 2019

A big thank you



*Editor's note: The money presented to the Crowthers was the money raised by the students who voted on whether or not Officer Moglia should have shaved his beard.

Hunter and Sawyer [Newman] were THRILLED to present this to the Crowthers and excited to be part of such an amazing event. This family is beyond anything you could ever imagine! They took something tragic in their lives and completely turned it into the most positive, generous event in honor of their son's memory. They are an amazing family and it was an honor to represent DVHS and present them with the donation. Thank you.

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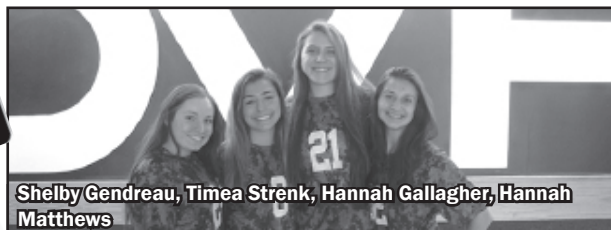
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13th Twin Day

Coryn St. Thomas and Ivana Djija



Shelby Gendreau, Timea Strenk, Hannah Gallagher, Hannah Matthews



Faith Jennings and Trevor Scofield



Ashley Gatto and Alexandra Rattiner

14th WHERE'S WALDO

Olivia Kelly and Ari Wilson



Dominique Dunn, Woweih Joseph, Sara Serrano, Kayla Gaughan



Homecoming King and Queen

Austin Cernek
and Brianna Kislak



Liz Cooney, Brianna Kislak, Ashley Vecchio, Lexi Fean

15th HEROES VS. VILLAINS



David Bell, Tyler Magee, Todd Stager, Ryan Bulkley



Rafael Alexandre, Hannah Matthews



Kevin Oszepinski



Emily Covert, Morgan Gifford, Dominique Dunn, Katy Leon

16th SPIRIT DAY



Nicole Schettino, Vanessa VanDuzer, Ally Smith, Rachael Hinkley



Jayda Mann and Cianna Carlsen



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DV Music Department starts the year strong

By LEXI FEAN
Arts & Literature Co-Editor

On Oct. 16, Delaware Valley’s High School Music Department performed its ninth annual benefit concert. The proceeds from the benefit concert go toward the music department’s scholarship fund. Last year, the booster club gave out six 1,000 dollar scholarships to music students.

Mr. Lance Rauh, Band Director, conducted the Jazz Band, the opener of the show, and the Concert Band, which closed its portion of the concert with “Disney Around the World,” a medley of well-known Disney songs that had the

audience humming along.

Mr. David Swinehart, Orchestra Director, conducted the Electric String Quintet, the Symphony Orchestra, and the Chamber Orchestra, which performed a modern piece featuring Lady Gaga’s “Bad Romance” called “Lady Gaga Fugue.”

The Festival Choir, Concert Choir, and Glee Club were conducted by chorus director and music teacher, Mr. Richard Horst

“The concert concluded with a combined finale including all eight ensembles. The band played while the chorus and orchestra sang along to “America the Beautiful.” This piece had not been rehearsed with all groups together until the day of the concert, only a few hours before it started, and still brought the audience to a standing ovation and roaring applause.

“The concert gets better every year. I really liked how this year’s concert spotlighted special talents like the Electric String Quintet and the Glee Club,” said booster club president and proud parent Diane Sommer.

This concert was the first of many this school year. Each ensemble will also perform concerts in December and again in the spring. In June they will travel to Orlando, Fla. for Walt Disney World’s Magic Music Days Festival.

“I am so glad that music is not only taught but encouraged. Kudos to DV!” said Jean Tjornhom audience member.

“Students who didn’t even know each other seven weeks ago collaborated to communicate music beautifully.”

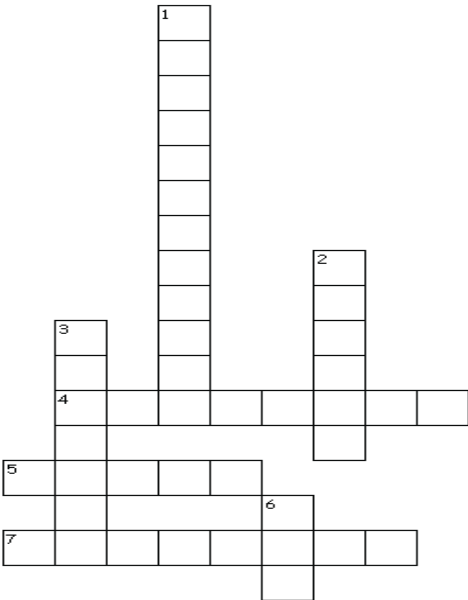
- Mr. Richard Horst

Peek-a-Boo

HOW MANY GHOSTS CAN YOU FIND IN THE DEL.AWARE?

Directions: Search through the Del.Aware for some ghostly pals and email your answer to the.del.aware@gmail.com. The winner will receive a prize. Winners will be announced the following school day.

- Down:**
- 1. Carved pumpkin
 - 2. Creator of webs
 - 3. Feeds off of your blood
 - 6. Ghostly talk
- Across:**
- 4. Scary creatures
 - 5. Stirs a pot of potions
 - 7. Howls at the moon



Directions: Solve the crossword. Email your answer to the del.aware@gmail.com. The winner will receive a prize. Winners will be announced the following school day.

CROSSWORD CREATED BY AMANDA BROWN

String quartet brings classical Bach to DV

On Oct. 9, the Calidore String Quartet performed an hour-long concert for the students of the Delaware Valley middle and high school music departments, followed by a workshop for string students. The quartet consisted of violinists Jeffrey Myers and Ryan Meehan, violist Jeremy Berry and cellist Estelle Choi. They played three selections from famous composers Bach, Mozart and Mendelssohn. The group came with Kindred Spirits, an arts program in Pike County. The organization places “special emphasis on bringing performances and master classes to children in the schools,” according to their website. Calidore String Quartet started playing together as a quartet in 2010 and recently played at Lincoln Center and stayed in residence there for three years.



“It was a little stressful,” said Myers, but the group agreed it was an amazing experience. Myers also added that they love playing for schools like DV. He said they love to be with the kids and help teach them more about their instruments, but mostly “it’s really fun.”

Caption and photo by Lexi Fean

Congratulations to seniors Alex Miller, Drake Eshleman, Rafael Alexandre, Deborah Soler, Joseph Gurkan, Brianna Kislak and juniors Jonathan Outwater, Gabriella Cuevas, Tyler Fuller and Molly Scollo for being selected to the PMEA District 10 chorus.



School News



Freshmen gain essential life skills

New class helps freshmen survive high school

By OLIVIA TENNEY
Arts & Literature Editor

"Oh no! How do I get to my next class?" "Where is the nearest bathroom?" "Who is my class adviser?" These are questions many freshmen have, but before this year there was no absolute the answers. Introducing Freshman Seminar is a new informational class for freshmen, with units based on the Seven Habits of Highly Effective Students.

This class is broken up into six units, each targeting a different skill freshmen will need

not only in high school but later in life.

"I like this course because it teaches students life skills that will be valuable for the future," said freshman Kayla Bicskei.

In order to keep the course fun and interesting, the teacher Miss Leslie Sikora likes to add different elements to the course.

"In the very beginning of the year, I sent the kids on a scavenger hunt to find important things and people in

the school. I also have them do team building activities, such as blind foods labs, and we have guest speakers come in," said Miss Sikora.

She also works to teach freshmen on how to protect themselves on social media and how to be social media savvy.

"So many students do not know that when they put something on the Internet, it is out there forever. When we learn about internet safety; I try to stress that," explained Miss Sikora.

In addition, she added a public speaking unit to the class to improve her students' presentation skills, and she is also teaching them to take proper notes in order to get all of the information correctly off of a presentation.

"So many students do not know how to take proper notes because no one has ever

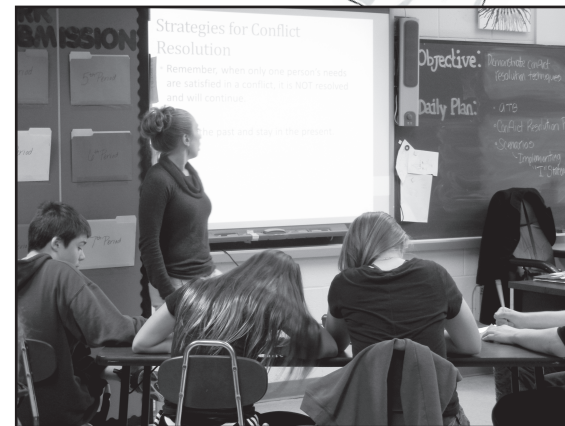
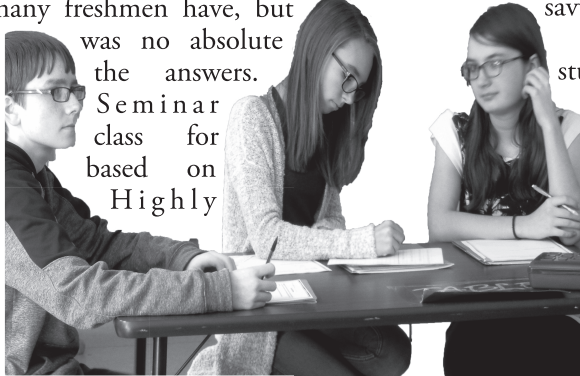
taught them. Students will write all of the words on a slide when they really only need 10. I am also teaching them how to properly study because so many students do not know how to do that either," said Miss Sikora.

"Another great thing about this that it improves your writing skills," said freshman Steven Frazer.

Miss Sikora also works hard to enhance team-building skills.

"One of the most rewarding parts of the class is watching the comradery develop between the Dingman Delaware Middle School students and the Delaware Valley Middle School students. You get to see them progress from two different schools into one cohesive unit," said Miss Sikora.

"What I enjoy about this class is that it builds our teamwork skills," said



Miss Sikora teaches students how to get the most out of high school classes, including strategies on taking proper notes
Photos by Olivia Tenney

Spanish students visit NYC

By ALLISON WULFHORST
Managing Editor

On Oct. 21, Mr. Gary Cotroneo took the AP Spanish and Spanish five students to New York City to see a play performed completely in Spanish. Every year, Mr. Cotroneo takes the AP and Spanish five classes so they can experience the language in a real setting.

"I thought the trip was very educational and I think the kids got a lot out of it. I think [they] enjoyed going and enjoyed the experience," said Mr. Cotroneo.

The play this year was about the four Mirabal sisters and three of them were

brutally murdered by the dictator of the Dominican Republic, Rafael Trujillo, for openly opposing his leadership. It is based on true events and there are many adaptations of the story, including a movie.

Watching these plays entirely in Spanish is difficult for someone who does not know it as their first language, but they give their audience an insight into Spanish culture.

Although it is not easy to hear and comprehend every word, for them it is very rewarding to be able to understand the plot and the main idea of the story by the end.

Opportunities like these encourage students to learn about a culture without only being in a classroom. It expands learning from simply listening to a teacher explain information to being able to witness it firsthand from the culture itself.



AP Spanish and Spanish 5 students gather in front of the Repertorio Espanol Theater.
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DVHS wins Red Cross award



Out of 71 schools, Delaware Valley High School received the "Outstanding Achievement Award," being named "High School of the Year" by the American Red Cross Blood Services in the Penn-Jersey region.

On Sept. 23, 11/12 Nurse Mrs. Ellen Orben and four seniors, Amanda Brown, Allison Coyle, Madison Retallick and Kailey Rosario attended the Red Cross high school blood drive kick-off event.

At the end of the event, DV was presented the award because of their successful blood drives from the help of the HOSA students and the fire department. Throughout the year, DV holds two student blood drives, one staff blood drive, and the Day of Caring blood drive.

DV and three other schools gathered at the Pike County Training Center to brainstorm ideas to get more people involved in the blood drives. Each school had to come up with a theme for a blood drive, and DV won the award for the best theme "Selfless Selfies."

"It was fun to meet different people from different schools who are also involved in blood drives and get different ideas from them," said Mrs. Coyle.

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School News



Club updates

By **SABRINA STEWART**
Staff Writer

Delaware Valley now offers 48 different clubs for students to join. Forensics Club and Board Game Club are the newest additions, while the GSA Club has changed its name to DiVersity to match its updated mission statement. Lastly, Yearbook Club is seeking members who are willing to put in time to the school's annual publication.

Forensics Club

Science teacher Ms. Lindsay Baker took on this club after a group of seniors last year suggested the idea to her. This 42-student club has freedom and is student driven. They go over case studies and are able to have fun with them.

In the future, the club is planning on doing a mystery dinner night.

"With so many clubs here on campus the murder night will be our signature thing," said Ms. Baker.

Ms. Baker hopes to one day have the club go to Long Island for a large murder mystery event with real actors and a realistic setting for the students to put their skills to work.

Yearbook Club

Yearbook adviser Mrs. Chelsea Shatt says producing the yearbook is a challenging task that takes all year to complete.

Members design and layout the pages, along with covering school events. The members also take photos to capture DV's memories.

This club is looking for students

to join who are ready to willingly commit to the photography or to help laying out.

"We create a memory for years to come," said Mrs. Shatt.



Senior Deborah Soler decorates students' lockers to promote positivity for DiVersity Club.
Contributed Photo

Board Game Club

Social studies teacher Mr. George Gelderman has started a new club this school year, which is perfect for anyone who wants to come have fun and relax.

Mr. Gelderman says it will be a great opportunity to learn strategy and "the more the merrier."

Pay attention to the announcements for their meeting dates.

DiVersity Club

Previously named Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), the DiVersity club is hoping to reduce the stigma surrounding the name.

Social studies teacher Mr. Tyler Barnett is the new adviser of the club and math teacher Mrs. Laurie Oszczepinski, who was the previous advisor, encourage students to come and join.

"I want it to be a safe place," said Mrs. Oszczepinski.

The club is a graduated version of GSA, and the goal of DiVersity is acceptance, for whatever reason it may be.

"My hope for the future of the club is for the student population to become more aware

and tolerant of lifestyles unlike their own," said Mr. Barnett.

It is a growing group with meetings held every other Tuesday.



Summer readers gain rewards

By **SHAINA KLEIN**
News Co-Editor

Over the summer, freshmen Saida Bary, Katie Gandolfo, Alexandra Garcia, Radhika Kahar, Caitlyn Stine and sophomore Liliana Hendrix took the opportunity to participate in the new summer reading incentive.

Encouraged by their English teachers, these students picked books from a list of recommended titles and then proceeded to do projects on the books they read. They also had the opportunity to suggest other selections, and with permission from English teacher Mrs. Jackie Weston, the department chair, they could complete projects on those other novels.

Projects that students completed for the program ranged from artwork to essays. There was this much creative freedom given as an effort to ensure that students could connect

with reading in their own personal way.

"It's a great way to enjoy reading and learn about new books that seem interesting without stressing about being graded," said Hendrix.

Participants are now receiving recognition and rewards for their work over the summer. All six students have their names displayed on a bulletin board in the C-wing and they received a special lunch. They also received Gold Cards, which allow them to get into certain sporting events and school dances for free.

"I believe the Summer Reading Incentive is an opportunity everyone should try. People should want to read books not just because they have to," said Bary.

If students are interested in participating in the program this upcoming summer, talk to Mrs. Weston or your English teacher for more information.

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- Freshman Saida Bary

Bio students explore at PEEC

On Oct. 18, biology students traveled to PEEC for an outdoor activity designed to teach them about stream ecology. Despite the cold, the students were able to enjoy a fun lesson.

Students arrived at PEEC and walked to two different streams, where they collected micro-invertebrates and were able to study the ways that these organisms contribute to their environment.

After a short break for lunch, students walked back outside to help with volunteer work. They collected sticks and pinecones to help create a firebreak, which could help prevent damage to PEEC buildings in the event of a wildfire.

"PEEC is such a valuable resource, and our students gained valuable knowledge," said science department chair Mrs. Amanda Pope. "We had the opportunity to give back to a great organization, and I look forward to doing more activities in the future."

Biology students may have opportunities to work with PEEC later in the year.



Photo and Caption by Sasha Hupka



School News



Dylan Baker presents film at festival

By MATT CAVALLARO
Staff Writer

Dylan Baker has played key roles in "Spider-Man 2," "Spider-Man 3," "Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues," and recently he has directed his own film.

"23 Blast," which came out in theaters on Oct. 20, 2013, showed at the Black Bear Film Festival on Oct. 17, almost exactly two years after the original showing.

At the festival, he spoke about the importance for the public to hear and learn about persistence and faith, which is what the movie displays.

Baker not only directed the film, but he also plays the father of the main character, who is Travis Freeman. "23 Blast" is a true story about a teenage football player in small Kentucky town named Travis Freeman. He is a football star but contracts an infection that causes him to go blind overnight. For Freeman, it seems as if his life is completely destroyed. With the help of his family

and friends, he somehow is able to rejoin the football team, this time taking on a different role as a center.

Baker said, "I wanted to make it so people who hated or didn't know much about football could enjoy it."



Source: imdb

The story is a heart warmer, but not your cliché football movie. This is one that you don't hear about every day.

Dylan Baker felt as if they could not just produce the movie from a studio, so they filmed it in the actual town in Kentucky.

The real Travis Freeman is also in the movie, acting as a speaker in a church who speaks about living blind.

"23 Blast" has a picture perfect ending,

with Travis Freeman scoring the game-winning touchdown to send the team to the playoffs.

The film was given 3 out of 5 stars, however the standing ovation at the Milford Theatre sounded like a 5 out of 5.

After the showing of his film, Baker spoke to the crowd, talking about his time directing the movie. He said, "It all kind of came together, and it was just joyous."



Source: imdb

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Where are they now?

Laura Brown thrives at Joffrey School of Ballet

By ASPEN NARVARTE
Entertainment Co-Editor

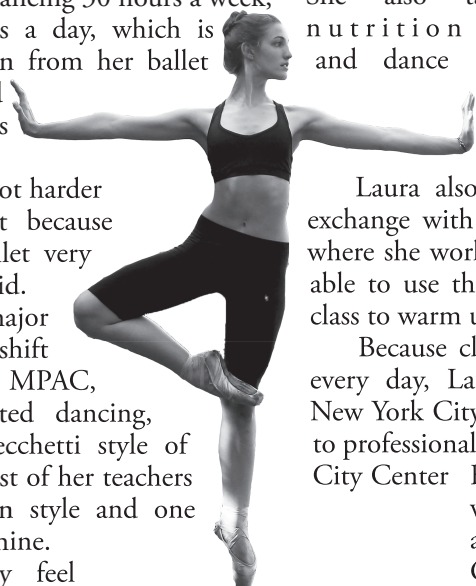
After graduating last June, Laura Brown is living the dream dancing in the Joffrey School of Ballet Trainee Program in New York City.

Laura is now dancing 30 hours a week, up to seven hours a day, which is quite the transition from her ballet training at Milford Performing Arts Center (MPAC).

"Classes are a lot harder and very different because everyone takes ballet very seriously," Laura said.

One of the major differences is a shift in ballet method. MPAC, where Laura started dancing, teaches in the Cecchetti style of ballet and now most of her teachers instruct in Russian style and one instructs in Balanchine.

"I can really feel



myself improving. It is just flowing," she said.] pull out quote

Even though Laura focuses on ballet and pointe, she takes a variety of classes including variations, character, jazz and Cunningham modern. She also takes a nutrition class and dance history class once a week.

Laura also participates in an energy exchange with a yoga studio near Joffrey where she works four hours a week and is able to use their facility after and before class to warm up and stretch.

Because class ends around 4:30 p.m. every day, Laura has enjoyed exploring New York City in her free time and going to professional performances including the City Center Fall for Dance Festival where she participated in a salsa class, a New York City Ballet performance of

multiple short ballets, and the Film Society of Lincoln Center to see "A Ballerina's Tale" with a Q&A session with American Ballet Theater principal dancer Misty Copeland.

"I can really feel myself improving. It is just flowing."

— Laura Brown

of choreography and styles.

In the next two to three years she is looking to audition for various companies around the country including Pacific North Ballet (PNB), Colorado Ballet and Miami Ballet. She would like to end up at PNB because it is a Balanchine based company.

"I love Balanchine because of the fluidity and artistic expression of the movements," Laura said.

She is keeping her future options open, but right now she just focusing on elevating her ballet technique and learning as much as she can.

Foundation supports students

By COURTNEY KELLY
Editor in Chief

Delaware Valley is home to many different clubs and sports. Behind the scenes of all these different groups is a non-profit organization known as the DV Educational Foundation.

The foundation's sole focus is the school and the students who embody it. Every year, the foundation gives out three scholarships of \$1,500 to an outstanding student, female athlete and male athlete.

Executive director John Bell, president Chris Lordi and the rest of the foundation's members work together to raise funds for DV. Their big projects include the big scoreboard displayed in the stadium and the flags that represent other high schools in the area and DV between the stadium and practice field.

"It is all about the kids," said Mr. Lordi.

In order to raise money every year the foundation holds an annual golf outing and typically raises between \$5,000-\$6,000. Besides the outing, the foundation holds a raffle ticket every other year for the staff.

The foundation relies on the donations of sponsors, such as community businesses like those portrayed on the scoreboard in the stadium. They also rely heavily on alumni for donations.

The DV foundation has several new projects planned, such as a new gate entrance, an installation of brick pavers for the main walkway in the stadium, an on-going project called "pave the path," new bleachers and a press box for the baseball field.

Over the years the DV foundation has completed several projects and has even bigger plans for the future.



School News



Director visits drama

By LEXI FEAN
Arts & Literature Co-Editor

On Sept. 28, Jeffrey Stocker, a professional director and acting teacher, came to Delaware Valley to visit the high school Drama Club. He gave gender specific monologues from the play "Our Town," and came back one month later to critique the students' monologues.

When Stocker came back to the drama club on Oct. 26, he was ready to see what the students had accomplished. Since he started acting at 15 years old, he understood the thought process going through each person's mind as he or she nervously walked to the front of the room. After their performance, Stocker talked about what could have been done better and encouraged students to keep working at it. This was helpful especially to seniors who are preparing auditions for college theater programs.

He has been directing plays and musicals since 1970, and in 1978, he moved to New York City to further his career. He is living in Milford temporarily, and he teaches acting classes at Presby Players in Port Jervis. He loves working with kids of all ages and has been working with the school district for eight years through Reader's Theater.

He said that the best advice he can give to aspiring actors is to "study, study, study, and learn to read out loud."

"Jeffrey uses a technique that I haven't really had experience with," said senior drama club member, Alyssa Mancuso. "It's really interesting to see acting through another perspective," she added.

Stocker is currently working on the "Jerry Herman Cabaret," which Presby Players is performing Nov. 6, 7, and 8.

Teacher-celebrity look-alikes

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Mr. John Anderson



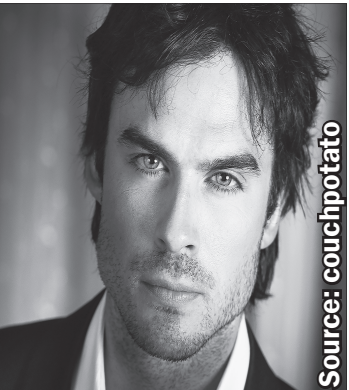
Actor Martin Mull

Source: famousdude

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Mr. Michael Sotak



Actor Ian Somerhalder

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Mr. Scott Nielson



Actor Matthew Davis

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Ms. Chelsea Ryder



Actress Nikki Reed

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DV Turkey Trot
5k Run/Walk

Saturday, November 14

Registration starts at 9 a.m.

Delaware Valley High
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Building to the rescue

By SABRINA STEWART
Staff Writer

Leaky roof? No worries, the building class has it covered.

The building students are currently constructing a new roof over the maintenance garage outside of the school, and many four year students are taking apart of the construction.

The entire project is planned to take three weeks start to finish. The students involved are doing carpentry work, among other skills that they have learned. Building teacher Mr. Will Tidridge says they are doing a great job completing this task.

These trade students have made many items for classrooms over

the years. Math teacher, Mrs. Laurie Oszczepinski is one of the many teachers who have something made by the building students in her classroom, in this case a calculator holder. She said the student who made the calculator holder for her two years ago completed it exactly how she wanted it be.

The students have other projects they plan on completing throughout the rest of the school year; including building a lacrosse wall, constructing the drama set, a bench for a classroom, in addition to the half a dozen bookshelves they are currently making around the school.

"Every day there is something new," said Mr. Tidridge.



Photo by Olivia Tenney

World News

South Carolina combats extreme flooding

By CAITLIN FLORIO
World News Editor

The disastrous floods that struck South Carolina over these past weeks will go down in the history books, not only because the floods were caused by one of the most prolific rainfall events in U.S. history, but also how dangerous the unexpected floods levels rose in a period of 24 hours. The town Mount Pleasant reached 27.15 inches in just five days, exceeding any tropical cyclone rainfall amount in South Carolina history.

Water levels rose quickly as the rain came down in unprecedented amounts. Citizens were advised to boil their water and stay at high elevation levels, as the amount



Source: cnn

of rain was unexpected.

"Move to higher ground now. This is an extremely dangerous and life-threatening situation," wrote the National Weather Service's Charleston office in a Sunday morning flash flood statement.

Emergency vehicles struggled to get through the strong flood currents, and in some instances they had to go by boat to rescue the victims. On Oct. 4 Gov. Nikki Haley declared a state of emergency and ordered federal aid to help in the recovery of South Carolina.

"This is different than a hurricane because it is water; it is slow moving and it is sitting. We can't just move the water out," said Haley at a news conference.

Hundreds of roads closed and are still closed now because of the catastrophic flooding. Officials claim it may take weeks or months to assess all of the roads and bridges affected.

"Some sources have already estimated it in excess of one billion dollars. I can't say exactly what it's going to be, but the losses are horrendous," said Ray Farmer, South Carolina's state insurance director.

Many citizens affected by the flooding



Source: cnn

who live in elevated areas who saw no need to buy flood insurance have been severely hit by flood damage. President Barack Obama's declaration of a major disaster in South Carolina counties opened the door to federal funds for homeowners, but still does not cover all the damage funds.

Many survivors from the flood are not only recovering from the damage, but are also recovering emotionally. Free help is offered to these people who are having a hard time to cope with the aftermath of the flood.

According to figures released by the city of Columbia, search crews have searched many homes and evacuated more than 450 citizens to shelters. Statewide, about 200 roads remain closed.

Candidates eager to voice opinions

By ALLISON WULFHORST
Managing Editor

On Oct. 14, the first presidential democratic debate aired on CNN and starred the five candidates. The debates allowed Sen. Bernie Sanders and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to showdown face to face instead of behind the curtain of the campaign trail. Although they were the star of the show, former Sen. Jim Webb, former Gov. Marin O'Malley and former Gov. Lincoln Chafee did not speak as much as the leading candidates, Sanders and Clinton.

Clinton, the front-runner in the polls proved to America why she is in the lead as she took on her biggest opponent, Sanders. She was criticized by the moderator for

changing her viewpoints based on who she was talking to and trying to appeal to their beliefs.

"I have a range of views, but they are rooted in my values and experiences," responded Clinton.

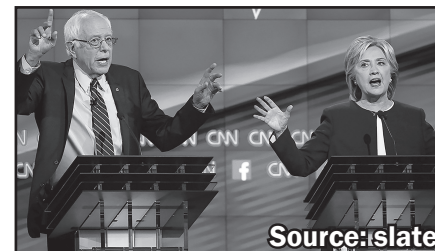
David Axelrod, a senior political commentator for the Obama campaign for CNN, applauded her performance on the debate stage.

"She was poised, she was passionate and she was in command," Axelrod said. "If I were her campaign, I would be thrilled with what she did tonight," he said.

Sanders also showed promise on the stage by exhibiting passion over issues like the middle class and gun control.

He shared his opinion on how the economy is "rigged" and how "it is immoral and wrong that the top tenth of one percent in this country own as much wealth as the bottom 90 percent."

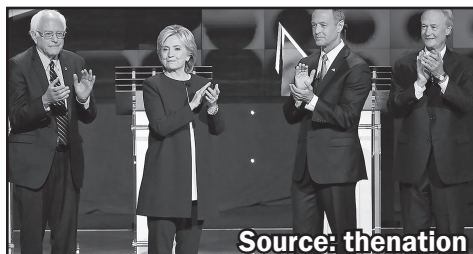
Another issue Sanders felt strongly about was gun control. He spoke about how he believes in an instant background and mental health check to keep guns out of the hands of people who should not possess them.



Source: slate

"All the shouting in the world is not going to do what all of us want and that is keep guns out of the hands of people who should not have those guns," said Sanders in response to Clinton's statement about losing over 90 people a day to gun violence.

The debates proved that both Sanders and Clinton are ready to fight for the presidency, while the other candidates were not as outspoken.



Source: thenation

ModCloth steps toward body positivity

By LAUREN ZIOLKOWSKI
Opinions Editor

In an attempt to become more inclusive, fashion brand ModCloth is removing the words "plus sizes" from its website and replacing them with the words "extended sizes." The company is making this change in hopes that it will ensure no customer will feel excluded or uncomfortable due to his or her clothing size.

"ModCloth has always been a firm believer that types of clothing rather than types of bodies should define shopping categories," said Susan Koger, co-founder and chief creative officer of ModCloth.

The change was made following the results of a survey ModCloth conducted that investigated the way people who wore a size 16 or above felt about their experiences shopping in an industry that labeled them "plus sized." More than half of the people who completed the survey revealed that they felt frustrated being labeled "plus." Even more people felt frustrated being obligated to shop in a specific section of the store to find "plus sized" clothing. For these reasons, the company is taking action.

Koger claims that she wants her company to ensure its customers "feel like the best version of themselves," and stated that the change will "promote inclusivity." The website's homepage has been completely changed. The rest is soon to follow. Koger, as well as many other brand executives, hopes that this change will encourage other body positive changes in the industry altogether. The demolishing of the "plus size" label is one small step for ModCloth, and one giant leap for the fashion industry.

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NAVIANCE

Naviance is a program that facilitates college planning and admission. While it may seem confusing at first, just hang in there. It takes a bit of practice, but it is not impossible.

Naviance can be an invaluable tool for seniors, whether it be the college search function or the ability to request transcripts and teacher recommendations. Other functions include the ability to attach teacher recommendations to the Common Application through guidance and search for scholarship opportunities. Students can also set goals and see information on college application deadlines.

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Students can fill out their brag packet to send to teachers. This information is used specifically for the teachers writing teacher recommendations

colleges I'm applying to

Common App Account Matching - Incomplete

In order to match your Family Connection and Common App accounts, you need to do the following:

- **Step 1** - Create a Common App account on [Common App Online](#)
- **Step 2** - Sign the CA FERPA Waiver & Authorization on [Common App Online](#)

Common App Email Address:

Date of Birth:

Email used for Common App account

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Match

⚠ Once you match accounts, your FERPA status can no longer be changed and you cannot unmatch your account.

Tips to successfully match accounts:

- Make sure you use the email address that you chose for your Common App account.
- Make sure the **last name** on your Family Connection profile matches the last name you used to create your Common App account.
- Make sure your **date of birth** on your Family Connection profile matches the date of birth on your Common App account.

Students can link their Common Application to Naviance. Guidance counselors can attach teacher recommendations to the Common Application

The screenshot shows the College Board's 'College Account Matching' interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'colleges', 'careers', 'about me', and 'my planner'. Below this, a search bar is labeled 'search for colleges:'. A message states: 'colleges I'm applying to' and 'Common App Account Matching - Complete'. It says 'Your Common App account was successfully matched.' and 'FERPA Status: Waived'. A red arrow points to the 'Submit' button. Below this, there is a table with columns: 'College', 'Type', 'Applying via Common App?', 'Submitted', 'Expected Offer?', 'Match', 'College App Mail Only', 'Results', 'EO', 'Missing Documents', and 'NACW'. The table lists several colleges, including Boston College, Boston University, and Brown University, with their respective matching status and dates.

Teacher	Status	Your Note
Jessica Robinson	In Progress	Hey can you write me a letter?

Students can fill out their brag packet to send to teachers. This information is used specifically for the teachers writing teacher recommendations



LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

When applying to colleges, one of the key components of the process is getting letters of recommendation. A letter of recommendation explains to colleges why a particular student would be an asset to the school, as well as highlights the activities, achievements and interests of the student.

Almost every college requires at least one letter of recommendation, and they have various requirements the letters must fulfill. Some colleges may only want letters from teachers of core classes, while others may desire a letter from a guidance

Before asking for a letter, students should log on to Naviance and fill out their information sheet/ brag packet, as well as have their transcripts available for the teacher to utilize. When students are ready for their letters, they should make sure to ask the teacher months in advance to guarantee it will be done before the application deadline.

Unsure of how many letters to ask for? Four is usually a pretty safe bet, as it is the maximum amount a college will accept. In addition, it will also allow students to select letters that seem most applicable for schools that require less than four.

THE COMMON APPLICATION

The common app is an online application process that students can use to apply to several different colleges at once. More than 600 schools accept the common app; however, they are primarily Pennsylvania state universities and community colleges. If students are looking to apply to a private school, most likely they will have to fill out the specific application for that school.

To start the process, go to the common app website and create a free account. Once registered, students have to pick the schools they want to apply to within the common app network. In order to start the actual application students will

need several documents in order to make the process smoother and faster. Students will need a copy of their high school transcript, see Naviance article, a list of extracurricular activities, test scores from either the SAT or ACT and parent or legal guardian information. After completing this the process is halfway done!

With everything gathered together you can begin to fill out the application. There will be a checklist of things that you have to fill out as students go through the application. The final thing they need to do is write a personal essay. Make sure that this essay is very strong and clear of grammatical errors since it will be sent to several schools.

“The common app shortens the process of applying to

colleges and allows you to get a lot done in a much shorter amount of time than if you applied to the college's separately. I would definitely recommend that students use this tool as they are applying to colleges," said Senior Michael Bell when asked about his experience with the common app.

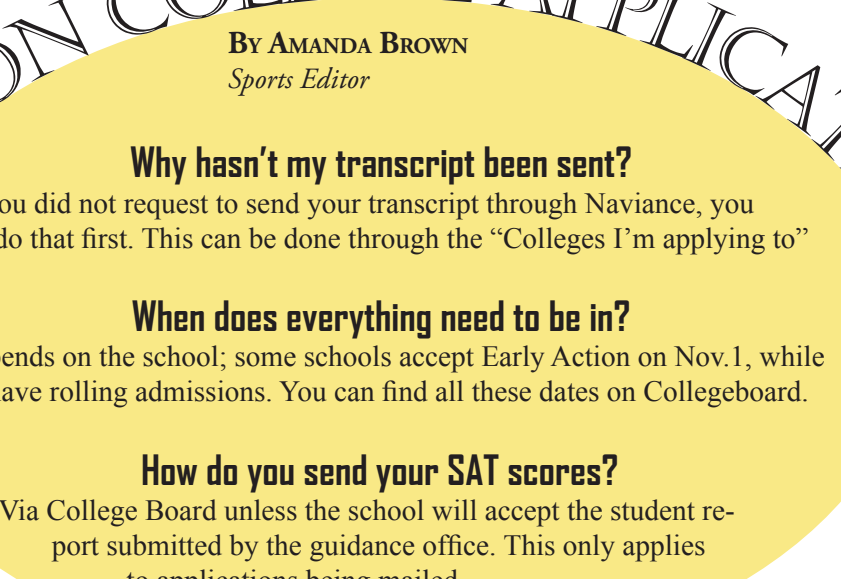
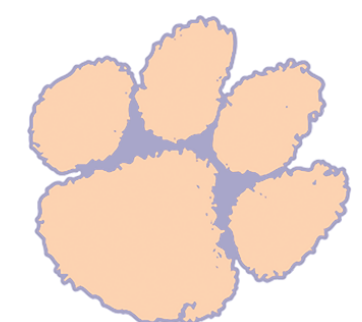
The common app is a tool that makes applying to college a lot less stressful and tedious for students. In one to two hours students have the ability to apply to several schools at a time. When using the common app, taking this amount of time to apply to several colleges serves as a much better use of their time, than students who choose not to use the common app, and would only be able to finish one college application.

DO'S AND DON'TS OF COLLEGE ESSAYS

DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -present information and ideas in a focused, deliberate and meaningful manner -use "I" statements -be specific -say everything you want the admission counselor to know -relate everything you say back to you -be honest and forthright -concentrate on your opening paragraph and hook -CHECK GRAMMAR, SPELLING AND WORD USAGE -always assert yourself with a concise and succinct writing style and delivery -always promote yourself as a unique without any arrogance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -use clichés, quotes or jokes -write about events from the distance past unless the illustrate your passion or future goals -be ashamed to brag!!! -duplicate information already in your application -assume admissions counselor know anything about your experiences -make generalizations beyond your education -talk about the "old you", talk about who you are now -sell yourself short of your accomplishments -hesitate to ask for help and guidance from your English teachers, family, guidance counselors or friends

BY ASPEN NARVARTE
Entertainment Co-Editor

ODDS & ENDS

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BY AMANDA BROWN
Sports Editor

Why hasn't my transcript been sent?

If you did not request to send your transcript through Naviance, you must do that first. This can be done through the "Colleges I'm applying to" tab.

When does everything need to be in?

It all depends on the school; some schools accept Early Action on Nov. 1, while others have rolling admissions. You can find all these dates on Collegeboard.com.

How do you send your SAT scores?

Via College Board unless the school will accept the student report submitted by the guidance office. This only applies to applications being mailed.

World News

Vatican fires gay priest

By COURTNEY KELLY
Editor in Chief

Reverend Krzysztof Charamsa, a high-ranking Polish priest in the Vatican was fired after coming out as gay. Charamsa was not dismissed from priesthood; however, he was forbidden from working inside the Vatican.

The Vatican is a city-state in Italy; it is also the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church. The Vatican has been around since 1929. For as long as the Catholicism has been around, men become priests and they vow to remain celibate.

The reverend came out at a press conference with his partner standing beside him. He said, "I want the church and my community to know who I am: a gay priest who is happy and proud of his identity. I'm prepared to pay the consequences. It's time for the church to open its eyes about gay Catholics and to understand that the solution it proposes to them – total abstinence from a life of love – is inhuman."

Senior Elizabeth Heaney said, "I don't particularly agree, but the diversity in the Vatican is important for those who to find acceptance in the church."

The Vatican publicized that there would be "no gay lobby," which means members of the priesthood who are homosexuals are forming a "revolution" within the Church.

"I have met homosexual priests, often isolated like me... but no gay lobby," said Charamsa.

After Charamsa was dismissed of his position at the Vatican, Pope Francis spoke out and said, in summation, he has no right to judge gay people, and he wishes to be an advocate for all the sexual minorities and their families.

Russian airstrikes anger U.S. officials

By SASHA HUPKA
News Editor

In late September, the ongoing conflict in Syria took a new turn when Russia began airstrikes in the country. Now, tensions between Moscow and Washington are growing as arguments brew over whom Russia is targeting.

According to the Russian government, the airstrikes were targeted towards the Islamic State, however, U.S. officials claim that the airstrikes appear to be aimed at opponents of Syrian President Bashar Al-Assad, a well-known Russian ally. Several of the strikes hit units that were backed by the United States.

"It does appear that they were in areas where there probably were not ISIL forces," said defense secretary Ashton Carter.

In addition, U.S. officials were angered when they were informed of the planned strikes only one hour before they began. Still, Russian President Vladimir Putin maintains that the United States and Russia are making progress in communication and cooperation.

"Our specialists have received requests and suggestions from the American side, have formed their vision of joint work and have sent it to the Pentagon," said President Putin.

As Russia enters an already tumultuous situation, many are concerned that Russian operations threaten progress in Syria and disrupt U.S. strategy, especially since Washington and Moscow seem to have contradictory visions of the country's future.

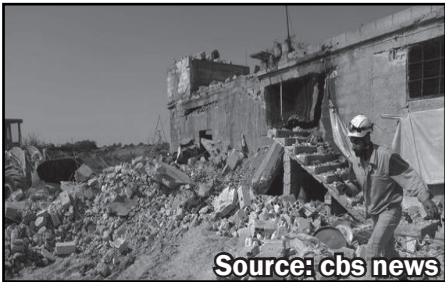
"[Russia's involvement] is for sure a game-changer," said EU foreign policy chief Frederica Mogherini.

While Russia seems to support President Bashar Al-Assad, the United States has taken a different approach, stating that the "status quo" that currently exists in Syria cannot continue. Despite Russian reassurances that the strikes are targeted towards ISIS, many believe that they are being used as a guise to further the Assad regime in Syria.

"Those bombings were not against ISIS," said Nidel Ezddin, a representative of the civil defense force of the Syrian city of Homs. "They were for ISIS."

United States officials are currently holding military talks with Russia over the issue. Russia is continuing to bomb Syria heavily, at one time performing 94 airstrikes within 24 hours, but the United States has abstained from striking any targets since Oct. 22. Nevertheless, U.S. officials state that Russia's airstrikes will not interfere with any coalition actions in Syria.

Last week, Russia and the United States signed a document stating an understanding between the two nations that established measures regarding airspace. The hope is that this agreement will prevent conflict and will help maintain safety in the Syrian airspace.



A member of a Syrian civil defense squad walking through rubble left by a Russian air strike.

Source: cbs news

Wacky news from around the world

By ADAM PARENT
World News Co-Editor

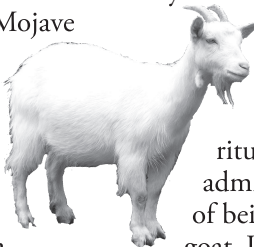
Senate candidate admits to sacrificing goat

Two years ago, current Florida Senate candidate Augustus Sol Invictus participated in a ceremony in which he spent one week fasting in the Mojave Desert, after which he slaughtered a goat and drank its blood-an action that has created much backlash against him after he admitted to performing the ritual. Invictus, however, does not feel that his admission of the sacrifice will hurt his chances of being elected.

"I did sacrifice a goat. I know that's probably a quibble in the mind of most Americans," he said.

Study finds that some worker ants do not work

A recent study conducted by researchers at the University of Arizona suggests that worker ants may not be as busy as once thought. Over the course of three weeks, biologists Daniel Charbonneau and Anna Dornhaus observed a colony of ants and discovered that about 25 percent of worker ants remained inactive over the three-week period. Charbonneau and Dornhaus have speculated that these inactive ants may be a reserve work force, used to replace dying worker ants, but have also hypothesized that the ants may just be selfish energy conservers.



Harvard debate team loses to prison inmates

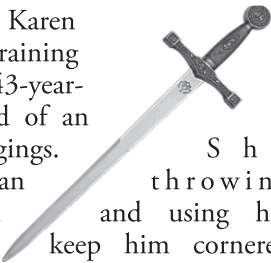
Last month, Harvard University's debate team experienced quite an unexpected loss. In a debate regarding whether or not schools should be allowed to deny undocumented students, the Harvard debate team was defeated by inmates from the Eastern New York Correctional Facility. The inmates were able to participate due to the Bard Prison Initiative, a program organized by Bard College that provides education to prison inmates. Under this program, the group of inmates has also been able to defeat prestigious debate teams from the University of Vermont and West Point Military Academy.



Source: wsj

Woman fights robber using medieval combat

When an intruder broke into Karen Dolley's home, her medieval combat training became very useful. On Oct. 8, 43-year-old Karen Dolley awoke to the sound of an intruder rustling through her belongings. She then promptly confronted him and began throwing punches, eventually cornering him and using her Japanese-style sword called a ninjato to keep him cornered until the police arrived. Dolley claims that she was able to easily subdue the intruder due to her training in medieval combat.





ARTS AND LITERATURE



SPOTLIGHT MUSICIAN *Adam Sandonato*

By AMANDA BROWN
Sports Editor

Adam Sandonato, Delaware Valley's own avid gigging musician, started playing the violin when he was in 2nd grade. Since that time, Sandonato has learned to play an additional four instruments, including the trombone, guitar, bass and mandolin.

"Guitar is easily my favorite. It is just more fun, and I am more skilled with it,"

In addition to guitar, Adam stated that playing the trombone is a close second.

His father and brother have played big roles in inspiring him, along with his mother's side of the family.

Adam attributes his influences in music not only to his family, but also to Mr. Lance Rauh and Mr. Dave Swinehart. A few alumni, William Mullen and Greg Giliberti also helped inspire Adam throughout high school..

"I give a lot of my credit to Mr. Rauh. When I came in as a freshman I was terrible, especially on trombone. I didn't know how to play, but

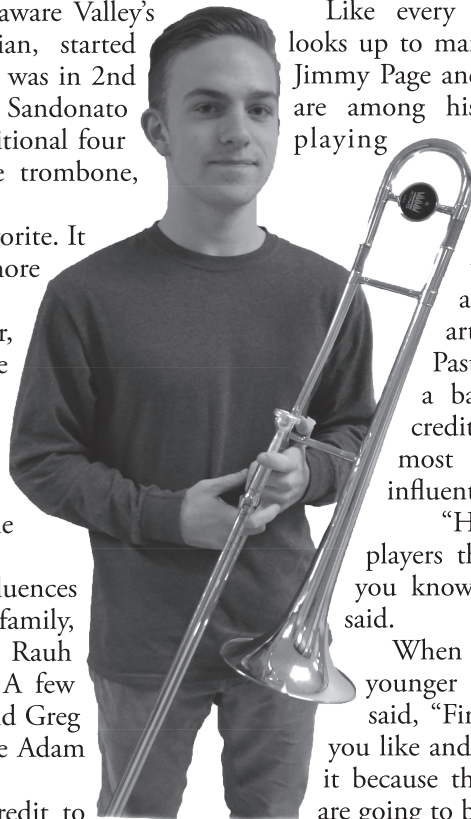
he kind of brought me in to a lesson and basically gave me a hard talk and said 'You have to get better,'" he said.

Like every musician, Adam looks up to many famous artists. Jimmy Page and Jimmy Hendrix are among his inspiration for playing the guitar while

Wycliffe Gordon influenced his playing on the trombone. But his absolute favorite artist has to be Jaco Pastorius, who is a bass player and is credited as one of the most innovative and influential musicians.

"He's one of those players that you hear and you know its Jaco," Adam said.

When addressing younger musicians Adam said, "Find the music that you like and just keep playing it because that's the stuff you are going to be most passionate about and you are going to succeed with that."



By LEXI FEAN
Arts & Literature Co-Editor

Frank Romano has loved art since he was a kid, even if he did not realize he had a talent for it until later in life. One of his earliest memories of art is drawing with his brother and some of his friends. He remembers being teased because the person he drew only had three fingers.

Now a senior, Frank has grown into one of Delaware Valley's most talented artists. He is comfortable with most artistic mediums but his personal favorite is a plain old black pen.

"Using unconventional mediums is fun, but I like pen," he said. "It's what I learned to doodle with, so it's my favorite."

He typically creates photo-realistic and surrealistic pictures the majority of his work is a representation of the human face and body.

"Surrealism is cool because it's just

like realism but subtly distorted, like Dali's melting clocks. Clocks don't melt, but the image still looks real," he said.

Frank has taken General Art, Foundations in Art, Drawing I, Drawing II and Painting I and is currently taking AP Art History, AP Studio Art, Ceramics and will take Painting II in the second semester of this year.

Some of his inspiration has come from his art teachers, especially Dr. Irene Lantz and Mrs. Chirstine Sweeney.

Frank's inspiration also came from his older brother Roy, another artist.

"He was great in high school, and he's taught me a lot," said Frank.

Frank does not think he will continue art as a career, but it is something he will never give up.

"It doesn't feel like work," he said. "I do take it seriously, but when it's something that you love, it just comes easily."

Frank plans to attend ESU in the fall and major in political science with a possible minor in art.



SPOTLIGHT WRITER

Bryonna Klimkiewicz



By SASHA HUPKA
News Editor

Quiet but friendly, junior Bryonna Klimkiewicz is just one of the many students who roams the halls of DV, but her exceptional writing skills set her apart from the rest of the crowd. She is a talented writer, and she uses her amazing gift every day.

Bryonna wrote throughout her elementary years, but her love of writing truly began when she entered high school. She quickly fell in love with fiction and started to write short stories. To her, they are less complex and time consuming than full novels and can be just as powerful and important.

"I write mostly fiction, and I mainly write short stories," said Bryonna. "It's usually easier to get a plot going, and it's far faster to write."

Bryonna is a member of the Creative Writing Club,

and is currently taking AP English Composition. Theses classes help her improve her writing. She gets many of her ideas from the prompts given at the Creative Writing Club and from her everyday life. When she sits down to write her stories often stem from one singular idea.

She attributes her love of writing to her parents, who encouraged her and helped her as she grew as a writer. Her parents told her to follow her dreams of becoming a published author. Although Bryonna is not sure what path she will take after high school, she knows writing will be a huge part of it.

"With writing, it's so interesting how one thing can start from something small and become something huge," said Bryonna. "Writing is a way to escape reality without ever having to move, and I want to be part of that."

Writer's Sample

The faint sound of multiple cellos echoed throughout the enclosed space. Soothing sounds in the form of eighth notes surrounded the theater. Layers of notes continued to float to the top of the cathedral ceiling. The paintings of pale baby angels stared down onto the center of the dreary, harsh stage. A single silhouette lay on the floor. A young girl, dressed in a black one-piece leotard, extended her body across the floor of the stage. She slowly raised her right arm into the air and lifted her front half off of the ground. As the music continued to play, the dance routine fell into place. The dancer's movements swayed along to the gentle music, hitting every cue right on time.



ARTS AND LITERATURE



Fashion Aware

BY NATE HAYES

Science & Technology Editor

Giving back is the new black. That's right; the hottest new trend is showing how much you care.

One of the biggest trends captivating people this year is clothing for a cause. Consumers have shown a lot of interest in new companies founded on making the world a better place. Companies focused on animal conservation, fighting homelessness and poverty and everything in between.

Companies like Ivory Ella, Shelly Cove, Hipster Hippo, Tiger Tees and Savannah are all companies dedicated to raising awareness and funds for animals who are endangered or at risk of endangerment by selling apparel and accessories. A portion of every sale from goes to wildlife conservation projects that help protect animals like elephants, sea turtles, hippos, tigers and lions from poachers and other threats.

Other companies alternate which charities they give to. One of my personal favorites, Lokai, gives to different foundations like the World Wildlife Fund, Charity: Water and Susan G. Komen by creating different, limited edition bracelets. Another great site focused on bettering the world is sevenly.org. Sevenly is just an average online clothing store, but each week they choose a new charity to sponsor that they donate seven dollars of your purchase, regardless of size.

Even big corporate companies have begun to jump on the band wagon. Clothing store H&M offers a 20% off discount if you bring in old clothes that cannot be donated (due to stains, rips, etc.) They will then take the clothes and bring them to a fabric recycling center as part of their Comeback Clothes campaign.

So the next time you're looking for a cool new piece, consider something that shows you care and want to make a change in the world.

AP Studio Art students flourish in first year

BY LINDSEY TOOMER

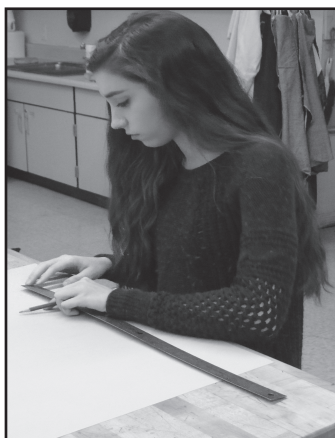
Staff Writer

AP Studio Art is a college level class that is new to Delaware Valley this school year. In this challenging course, budding artists create original artwork.

In the class, students will create a 24-piece portfolio which will consist of original artwork in a variety of mediums such as graphite, charcoal, acrylic paint, pastels, water colors and photography.

"Near the end of the second quarter, students have to declare a concentration, and identify a design problem or a path of exploration and create artwork that illustrates their sustained inquiry into this issue," said Mrs. Christine Sweeney.

As the teacher for this course, Mrs. said junior Reiley Weems.



Reiley Weems focuses on her project for AP Studio Art.

Photos by Molly Scollo

Sweeney is in charge of the organization and submission of the portfolios to College Board.

"My role is to encourage each student to push themselves beyond their comfort zones so they can develop their conceptual thinking abilities and to show purposeful growth and intent with their technique," said Mrs. Sweeney.

The course is split into three categories: Drawing, 2D Design and 3D Design. This year there are no 3D design artists at DV.

Senior Becca Smith says the best thing about the course is the freedom. She believes students should only take the class if they really love art.

"It allows us to do what we want; you get to use your own imagination and it lets you use your own creativity. It gives us very broad assignments so you can take it and transform it into whatever you like,"

Currently, the students are exploring pastel drawings. They are working with photos they have taken themselves from a severe, unusual viewpoint. The students take their own interpretation of the picture and draw it using arbitrary colors, colors that are not the color of the actual object.

Senior Frank Romano is drawing a picture of a building that he took on the Spanish class's trip to New York City.

"Don't be overwhelmed about the finished product, stay loose and confident,"



Mrs. Sweeney works with Vanessa VonSee to perfect her art work.

advised senior Nick Catalano, to any future AP Studio Art students.

Senior Aaron Torres also suggested bringing a sketchbook everywhere because artists never know when they'll be inspired by something.

Book Review: 'Eleanor and Park'

BY SABRINA STEWART

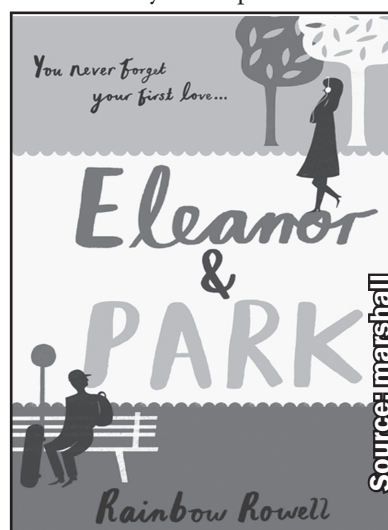
Staff Writer

With her wild, unruly red hair, and the somewhat invisible appearance he gives himself, it's a wonder how these two people could ever be together. Yet to each other they couldn't be more perfectly imperfect.

"Eleanor and Park" by Rainbow Rowell takes place in the 1980s, back when romance included mix tapes, late night phone calls on a house phone, and taking your date to your third favorite comic shop.

Eleanor is not a typical 16 year old, and neither is Park. These flawed characters, however, are relatable. The story shows how much a first love can hurt, and truly stay with you. The novel also deals with body image issues that Eleanor struggles with, and how Park grows to love all of them. While at the

same time Eleanor grows to love everything Park is, even the things his family might not yet accept.



Eleanor is the new kid at school and is a massive target for those who want someone new to pick on. Park does not have a lot of friends, and allows Eleanor to sit with him on the bus on her frightening first day. The bus ride is where their romance blossoms. From Eleanor almost creepily glancing at Parks' comics every day, to the first ever

so magical time they hold hands.

Eleanor and Park have a connection with one another they cannot see ever breaking, as they learn almost everything there is to know

about each other. He even learns about her horrible step father, and the way she and her family have to live in constant fear when he is home. Parks' home becomes somewhat of a safe haven for her. His family grows to love her, oversized men's clothing attire and all.

The author uses words that made my heart melt. The way Rowell writes the story line in alternating points of view allows you, as the reader, to see what is going on in both of their minds. This book has an abundance of character development as well, along with a plot twist of an ending that left me in tears.

One of Park's thoughts in particular made me feel happy as a reader.

"She never looked nice. She looked like art, and art wasn't supposed to look nice. It was supposed to make you feel something."

Eleanor deserves someone to see her as art, and I am so happy Park was able to be that person. Just as happy as I was to be on that journey with them.

Tracy Morgan

By ASPEN NARVARTE
Entertainment Co-Editor

Tracy Morgan hosted Saturday Night Live on Saturday, Oct. 18 for the first time since his traumatic car accident a year ago. After his surprise appearance at the Emmy's, Morgan's appearance on SNL has been much anticipated.

He opened the night by thanking his "comedy family" for supporting him in his recovery and welcoming him back. His co-

stars from the television show "30 Rock," Tina Fey, Alec Baldwin, Jane Krakowski and Jack McBrayer, joined him for the opening monologue as part of a sketch acting as their characters on "30 Rock."

Morgan also returned as Brian Fellow and Astronaut Jones in two of the sketches of the night.

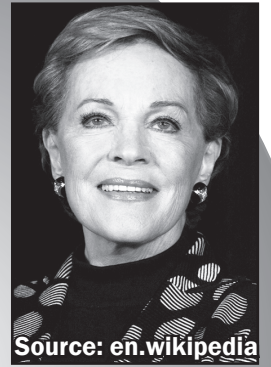


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Julie Andrews

By ALYSSA MANCUSO
Entertainment Editor

A staple of many childhoods, film and Broadway royalty Julie Andrews has turned 80. Andrews found her first great success performing the role of Eliza Doolittle in the stage production of "My Fair Lady" in 1956, and shortly after she became a household name as the title character in "Mary Poppins." She continued to make her mark with her songbird voice as Fraulein Maria in "The Sound of Music," and most recently Andrews is known for her portrayal of Clarisse Renaldi, the queen of fictional-country Genovia in "The Princess Diaries." The success Andrews has had over nearly 70 years in the spotlight has redefined the meaning of showbiz. Admirers of all ages have watched Andrews grow to be more than just a performer, but a legend.



Source: en.wikipedia

Celebrity News

Ariel Winter

By SABRINA SCHLENKER
News Co-Editor

17 year old "Modern Family" star Ariel Winter made the life-changing decision to get a breast reduction in June.

Winter commented that she had to wear clothing she thought was too mature for her age. However, the primary reason she decided to go through with the surgery was to reduce health issues that have dominated her career, mainly discomfort and spinal ailments.

Despite the negativity from the media and people, she has no regrets.

"Once the surgery was completed, I can't even explain the feeling," Winter said.



Source: biography



Selena Gomez

By VANESSA PAOLELLA
Circulation Co-Manager

Selena Gomez has recently revealed that she has lupus in an interview with Billboard magazine. According to Gomez, she was receiving treatment when she ended her Stars Dance Tour in 2013 early and spent two weeks at a treatment center in Arizona that specializes in

treating addiction and trauma.

Lupus is an autoimmune disease that attacks healthy tissues in the body, including major organs, blood vessels and joints of the body. As of now there is no cure for lupus, only unpredictable flares of illness and remission. Gomez has undergone chemotherapy in order to manage this disease.

Tom Hanks



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By GWEN NATHAN
Staff Writer

Just like in his 2002 film "Catch Me If You Can" actor Tom Hanks played a detective when he found and attempted to return a student's lost ID card. On Oct. 5, Fordham student Lauren Whitmore was jogging through Central Park when she dropped her

ID card. The next day she became instantly famous when Hanks tweeted a picture of her card in hopes of finding her.

"Lauren! I found your student ID in the park. If you still need it my office will get it to you. Hanks," he tweeted.

Since the incident, Lauren has acquired a new student ID but says that if Hanks wishes to return the



Source: usmagazine

lost one she will "surely meet him to do that."



Newest trend to boost fame

MATT CAVALLARO
Staff Writer

North West. Pilot Inspektor. Buddy Bear. What do all of these things have in common? Surprisingly, they are all celebrity baby names. What is behind this fad of crazy baby names, and what is the thought process that takes place in order for one to pick names such as these?

Actress Gwyneth Paltrow, who named her daughter Apple, said she did not pick that name to be unique. She picked it+ because she liked the visual it gave her.

“When we were first pregnant, her daddy basically just said, ‘If it’s a girl I think her name should be Apple.’ It sounded so sweet, and it conjures such a lovely picture for me – you know, apples are so sweet and they’re wholesome, and it’s biblical,” said Paltrow.

Although celebrity baby names are always the topic of much discussion, a lot of non-celebrities draw inspiration from said names. Unique names are becoming more common in families all over the country.

Choosing a baby name can be very difficult. Most of the time, partners will not be able to find a name they both agree on. If you are faced with this dilemma, or know someone who is, why not suggest looking through the nearest magazine? You might be surprised as to what you may like.

TOP 5 CRAZIEST CELEBRITY BABY NAMES

1. SAGE MOONBLOOD
(SON OF SYLVESTER STALLONE)

2. BUDDY BEAR
(SON OF JAMIE & JOOLS OLIVER)

3. BLUE ANGEL
(DAUGHTER OF THE EDGE)

4. AUDIO SCIENCE
(SON OF SHANNON SOSSAMON)

5. PILOT INSPEKTOR (SON OF JASON LEE)

Amber Rose sponsors LA SlutWalk

Super model raises awareness on rape culture

By NATE HAYES
Science & Technology Editor

The SlutWalk began as a small protest in 2011 in Toronto, Canada, but has recently exploded due to the influence of model Amber Rose. The SlutWalk is a movement focused on standing up and protesting against people explaining or excusing rape due to a woman’s appearance. The rallies began after a Toronto Police officer suggested that women “should avoid dressing like sluts” as a defense against sexual assault.



“Rape culture is pervasive. It ranges from sexist dress codes to actual shaming and silencing of victims and it’s not just a female issue.”

- Senior Liz Cooney

The rallies usually include speeches from feminist speakers, workshops, live

music, sign making, leafleting, open microphones, chanting and dancing. The idea behind the entire movement is that women should be able to report cases of sexual abuse and not be judged or dismissed because of their appearance or what they were wearing during the time of the incident because it was too revealing. As well as knocking down rape culture as a whole. Rape culture is a term used to describe how society blames victims of sexual assault and normalizes violence. Asking victims ‘Well, what were



you wearing?’ is an example of rape culture,” said freshman Anya Yoncak. On Oct. 3, Amber Rose led the march at the Los Angeles SlutWalk, carrying a sign that read “Strippers Have Feelings Too,” since that was her previous profession, and other protesters carried signs with phrases such as “My Clothes Are Not My Consent” and “The Way I Dress Does Not Mean Yes.” The star power of Amber Rose not only attracted supporters of the movement, but also fans who were previously not exposed to the issue and brought more attention to such an important topic and cause. “Rape culture is pervasive. It ranges from sexist dress codes to actual shaming and silencing of victims and it’s not just a female issue,” said senior Liz Cooney.

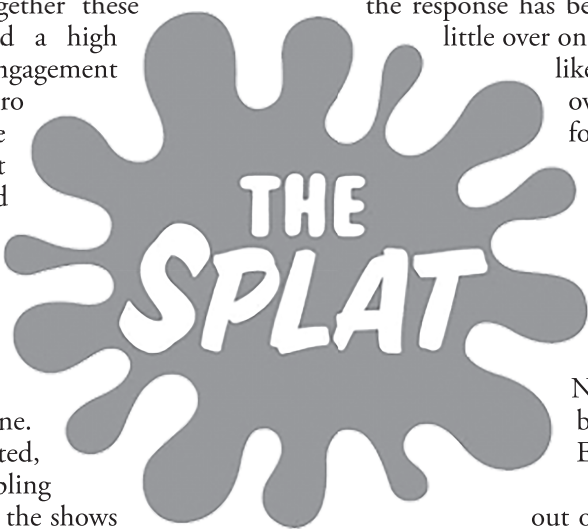
‘The Splat’ creates nostalgia for 90s kids

By MEGHAN KIEDERER
Circulation Co-Manager

When 90s kids watch TV shows today, people will often hear them say, “TV was better when we were kids.” Finally, listening to teens’ pleas, Nickelodeon has fulfilled many teenagers’ childhood dreams. “The Splat” is rerunning old Nickelodeon TV shows for eight hours every night. “The Splat” is a programming block that runs from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. on TeenNick. It absorbed the programming block, the “90s Are All That,” which has run old shows for two hours nightly since 2011. Currently, there are 21 shows that are rerunning, including “All That,” “Doug,” “Hey Arnold,” “Kenan & Kel” and “Rugrats.” “We have been listening closely to our first generation of Nick kids that are craving the great characters and shows they grew up with watching Nickelodeon in the 90s,” said Cyma Zarghami, president of Viacom Kids and Family Group. Now kids can turn on their TVs and relive famous TV moments, like Kel from “All That” saying, “Welcome to Good

Burger, home of the Good Burger, can I take your order?” “We designed ‘The Splat’ with fans and their requests in mind, which means we’re bringing together these beloved series and a high level of digital engagement to give fans a retro media experience they can’t get anywhere else,” said Zarghami. “The Splat” is present on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Vine. A website was created, thesplat.com, enabling viewers to look up the shows and the schedule. Viewers can also enter their zip code to find Nickelodeon channels in their area. The website holds links to games and an emoji keyboard inspired by the TV shows. Over the past few years, Nickelodeon has seen a drop in ratings. In the first

quarter of 2015, ratings dropped more than 34 percent. “The Splat” could be an attempt by Nickelodeon to increase ratings by targeting its original audience. So far the response has been positive, with a little over one million and a half likes on Facebook and over 71,000 Twitter followers. “It’s amazing because we get to relive our childhood and it’s not like the stupid TV shows that are on now. Nick now is so bad,” stated senior Elizabeth Heaney. Teens are crying out over social media to make the programming block into a TV channel full of reruns, but for now, kids can relive the old days through the eight hour segment on TeenNick.





ENTERTAINMENT



Movie Review

The Martian



BY MADELEINE YOST

Sports Co-Editor

"I don't want to degrade anyone, but I am the greatest botanist on the planet. I am colonizing Mars, growing potatoes. In your face, Neil Armstrong!"

These are the words of an astronaut, Mark Watney (Matt Damon), after he is left alone on the planet Mars. Watney was part of an expedition to Mars called Ares III. He and four other astronauts were sent to Mars, but during a storm, Watney was hit with flying debris and left behind. The audience witnesses firsthand the challenges Watney faces, both physical and mental, as he fights for survival. "The Martian" takes place on the surface of Mars and inside NASA headquarters where everyone is working to bring him home. The movie is a thriller that implies a trip to Mars is in the near future for humanity. I would recommend this for anyone looking for an action packed, but also heartfelt movie.



Source: wikipedia

TV Review

Scream Queens



BY SABRINA SCHLENKER

News Co-Editor

There's no doubt about it: FOX's new show "Scream Queens" will have you dying for more each week.

"Scream Queens" is a mix of comedy and horror that takes place on sorority

a college campus, focusing in on an exclusive called Kappa Kappa Tau. Unlike years prior, the Kappas must initiate any student who wishes to become a pledge.

However, the anonymous Red Devil killer is on the loose, disposing of a character almost every week, with the murders becoming more gruesome with each episode. Kappa seems to be the target, and the mystery still remains.

The main reason I flip the channel to FOX every week is the definitely because of the characters. Among the most comical are Kappa president Chanel Oberlin and pledges Hester "Neckbrace" Ulrich and Zayday Williams. Their hilarious one-liners and personalities are what make the show great.

Tune in to FOX every Tuesday at 9 p.m. for a screaming good time.



Source: fox

REVIEWS

What the Del.Aware news staff has to say about today's entertainment

Youtube Review

BY SERA SCHAFER

Staff Writer

"Stay you stay beautiful" may just sound like a charming phrase to most people, but to 140,000 subscribers all across the globe, it has become something to live by.

Inspirational content creator Joey Kidney has been spreading positive advice through his YouTube videos since late 2012.

He said, "I created my channel to promote positivity."

He does exactly that by posting videos like the "I Love Myself Tag" and "How to be Positive."

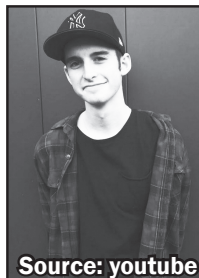
Kidney tackles difficult and sometimes controversial topics such as body image, teen sex and the social trend of chasing perfection. With new videos each week, there is no shortage of funny, artistic and honest content.

His videos aim to help students everywhere.

"School is just school," said Joey. "It shouldn't be the best time of your life...but it shapes you."

His message has even managed to reach the students of Delaware Valley.

"He is just someone who can make my day better in a second. He is always so positive and it's inspiring," said sophomore Emily Covert.



Source: youtube

Music Review

BY CAITLIN FLORIO

World News Editor

Just a year ago, singer and songwriter Halsey signed onto a record label and released her first EP. She then released her hit debut album *Badlands* in August. She is making her mark on the music industry with her brooding, conceptual electro-pop record, gaining a wider fanbase than she already has.

Badlands starts with the dark introduction "Castle." Some believe this song is meant to mirror the life of Halsey. "Hold me down" and "New Americana" are the most popular songs of this album. Both songs are relatable to many and are open to interpretation. In the deluxe version of the album, "Gasoline" is featured and tells a relatable story with not fitting in. "Colors" and "Colors II" tells a story about Halsey's personal life. Although *Badlands* the place is fictionals, the song "Colors" is meant to mirror her real social life and problems. "Colors II" follows and is an instrumental that can be interpreted in many ways. The album finishes with the "Walk the Line," ending the chapter of her journey.

"I really love this album; it is really one of my favorites," said senior Gina Dedes.

Overall, the debut of *Badlands* shows a promising future for Halsey.



Source: rollingstones

Broadway Review

BY MOLLY SCOLLO

Staff Writer

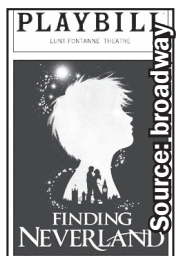
With a compelling and vibrant musical score by Gary Barlow and Eliot Kennedy, a stylistic direction by Tony winner Diane Paulus, and an imaginative, timeless and charming story by James Graham, "Finding Neverland" has been captivating audiences since its opening in April of 2015.

"Finding Neverland" tells the story of how Peter became Peter Pan. Told from the point of view of author J.M. Barrie, the musical follows his life and depicts how the people he meets in his life symbolize the characters in his plays.

Down on his luck, Barrie meets a young widow, Sylvia Llewelyn Davies and her four boys, who change Barrie's life for the better.

Matthew Morrison, who stars as Barrie, gives an outstanding performance, filled with emotion and energy. Morrison leaves everything behind him when he steps on stage. His vocal and dance performance were nothing but spectacular. Not only Morrison, but the leading lady, Sylvia Llewelyn Davies, played by Laura Michelle Kelly, and the company of "Finding Neverland" put on a spectacular show.

When exiting the theater, I found myself crying tears of joy and remembering my playful and creative childhood self.



Source: broadway



Nobel Prizes awarded

By SARAH MCDUGALL
Science & Technology Co-Editor

During the first week of October, the winners of this year's Nobel Prizes for science were announced and will be awarded on Dec. 10, the anniversary of Alfred Nobel's death in 1896.

Physics: Takaaki Kajita (Japan) and Arthur McDonald (Canada) were recognized for proving that neutrinos have mass.

The existence of the neutrino was first discovered in 1956. The idea that neutrinos have mass was proved when these scientists realized that the neutrinos come in three types and spontaneously shift between the three types.

"The universe where we live in is still full of unknowns," said Kajita.

Chemistry: Tomas Lindahl (Sweden), Paul Modrich (United States) and Aziz Sancar (Turkey) created studies on the way bodies repair DNA damage.

Lindahl realized in the 1970s that there had to be a repair mechanism because DNA gets damaged so often. Sancar used this information to map a mechanism used to repair UV-damaged DNA. Modrich then showed how the cell corrects errors when DNA is replicated during cell division.

Medicine: William C. Campbell (Ireland), Satoshi Ōmura (Japan) and Youyou Tu (China) were awarded this year for advances in disease prevention.

Campbell and Ōmura created medicines that combat river blindness and lymphatic filariasis that result from parasitic worms. Tu created therapy against malaria, sharing half the prize.

"The two discoveries have provided humankind with powerful new means to combat these debilitating diseases that affect hundreds of millions of people annually," the committee said.

Breakthrough: Water found on Mars

By ALLISON WULFHORST
Managing Editor

Finding water on Mars is an incredible discovery, but liquid water is not all that was found. On Sept. 28, NASA found strong evidence of flowing water on Mars, and the evidence that the planet has the conditions to support life. There have been many theories that water may exist on Mars since 2000, but this is some of the most convincing evidence NASA has found.

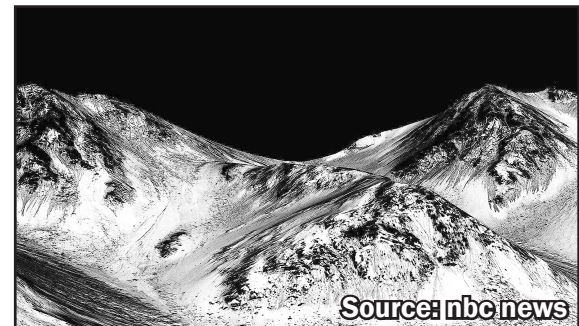
The Gale Crater discovered sedimentary rock and channels of water within the depths of the crater. This rock leads scientists to believe that Mars has

the appropriate atmospheric pressure and climate for liquid water and has raised the question; can life survive on Mars?

"It took multiple spacecraft over several years to solve this mystery, and now we know there is liquid

Dark streaks on the planet's surface contain hydrated salts which were seen in

pictures taken by the High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment (HiRISE) camera. These hydrated salts imply that water



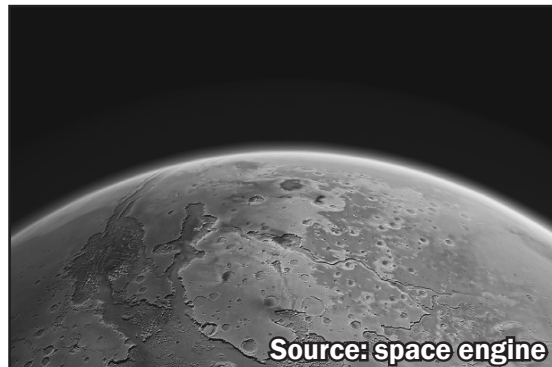
Source: nbc news

water on the surface of this cold, desert planet... the more we study Mars, the more we learn how life could be supported and where there are resources to support

plays a large role in forming these streaks. Other images taken by The European Space Agency's Mars Express displayed ice sheets in the cold, shadowed area of craters.

This breakthrough is a thrilling find for NASA on their mission to explore Mars and is only the beginning to discovering even more evidence of possible life.

life in the future," said Michael Meyer, lead scientist for NASA's Mars Exploration Program.



Source: space engine

Scientists develop mini brains

By SERA SHAFER
Staff Writer

Scientists at Ohio State University have developed a way to grow the genetic equivalent of an almost complete embryonic human brain in a pea sized cerebral "organoid."

The brain organoids could lead to cures for Parkinson's disease, autism and Alzheimer's. They give researchers the ability to realistically test experimental drugs without negative consequences on live human beings.

The realistic aspects of the organoids will equip scientists with the tools to begin unlocking the secrets of schizophrenia,

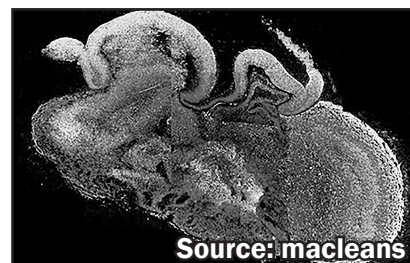
epilepsy, brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Researchers plan on replicating a deteriorating brain in order to see how the brain reacts to experimental drugs and treatments. A way to do this has not yet been developed, but scientists are now one step

closer to this goal.

This research brings up the question: Could this possibly lead to artificial

intelligence having human qualities? According to researchers, this is not out of the question, but it is farther into the future than this generation will have to worry about.



Source: macleans

Chemicals in turf

Turf chemicals can potentially be dangerous

By SHAINA KLEIN
News Co-Editor

Turf: the defining feature of most sports field. It is mostly harmless, despite its pesky trait of ending up everywhere—or so it was thought. In a 2013 statement, the EPA retracted its original position that the synthetic substance is completely safe, and according to executive director of the nonprofit Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility Jeff Ruch, the organization has "no idea about the extent of chemical exposure to children and athletes."

Made of shredded tires, beads of turf are implemented to make sports fields bouncier and safer for athletes to play on, however it may be doing the exact opposite.

The beads have a multitude of harmful chemicals within them, including volatile organic

compounds (VOCs). A study done by the Norwegian Institute of Public Health in 2006 showed that that VOCs have potential to become airborne during sports play. Health risks linked to turf include asthma, airway allergies and even cancer.

Seattle soccer coach Amy Griffin made a startling discovery in 2009 when she realized 38 soccer players, 34 of them being goalies that were especially exposed and vulnerable to turf, were diagnosed with cancer.

There are no studies directly linking turf to health risks, although whether it causes cancer is questionable since most describe the studies as "limited."

Tires are not allowed to be disposed of in most landfills, so it makes sense there are concerns over it being allowed to be disposed of underneath the feet of athletes.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



New step towards saving endangered species Tech Review

By NATE HAYES

Science & Technology Editor

The development of new frozen zoos may be the saving grace for endangered species that are on the edge of extinction.

Currently, the University of Georgia's Regenerative Bioscience Center is in the experimental phase of developing a frozen zoo which could be a new, more efficient way to cryogenically freeze and store animal genetic material.

Before the development of the frozen zoo, whenever there was a death of an endangered animal in captivity, it would be a race against the clock for the zookeepers to extract either the animals' sperm or egg cells to freeze and use in the future, but now they have developed a way to collect the endangered animal genetic material.

Biologists can now work around extracting sperm or egg cells, by just collecting the skin cells. They can then

convert those skin cells back into stem cells by introducing a series of specialized reprogramming genes. From the stems cells they can then be differentiated into either sperm or egg cells. So why take skin cells instead of sperm or egg cells



Source: forus2be

if they are just going to change into sperm or egg cells? The answer is that it's just simpler, the animal only has to be sedated, not deceased, and the procedure is non-invasive.

Once the cells are collected and transformed they are then cryogenically frozen in liquid nitrogen, which are then locked away in small containers for future use.

"It would take two boxes to essentially store an entire population," said Professor Franklin West.

Over the past few years, the University of Georgia has been experimenting primarily on big cats, starting back in 2010 on Jalal the Sumatran tiger and developing the process even further in 2013 with Moby the clouded leopard. They plan on collecting genetic material from the Florida panther next because of its lack of genetic diversity and dangerously low population.

This new development may provide a brighter and more hopeful future for future generations of endangered animals.

SmartLife clothing

By KIRSTEN PETERS

Sports Co-Editor

The brand SmartLife has come up with a way to record heart and respiratory rates as well as monitor bodily vital signs with the added bonus of being able to send this information directly to a doctor using an app on a smartphone or tablet.

In September 2015, SmartLife and Clothing+ launched these close-fitting garments, notably T-shirts and sports bras, lined with conductive yarns made of silver to act as sensors that detect electrical signals. These signals are then transmitted to detectors, which are easy to wear and relay information to the app.

This advancement in technology can allow ordinary people to purchase clothing items lined with these sensors and keep track of their vitals 24/7. In addition, this could be instrumental in the medical field. Doctors could have their patients wear these garments at home and have the results sent straight to them, allowing them to track long-term data.

According to CEO of SmartLife Andy Baker, "We could put a T-shirt on 20 people in a ward and a clinician could walk in with an iPad and see all 20 heart rates at once."

The garments vary from the typical T-shirts and bras to skin-tight undershirts or shorts and socks, and even special variations for firefighters and astronauts.

The closer the sensors are to the skin, the better the signals are detected.

Because of these high-tech innovations, name brands such as Victoria's Secret and Adidas have jumped on the band wagon of offering SmartLife's technology in some of their garments.

This new technology is taking the clothing industry by storm, allowing people to monitor their health at home just by having sensors in their clothing. It is as easy as getting dressed in the morning.

Revolution rediscovered

New technologies used to analyze historic Revolutionary War sites

By VANESSA PAOLELLA

Circulation Co-Manager

Using modern technology, archaeologists have been mapping the locations of the men who fought in the skirmish known as Parker's Revenge. Geophysical surveys, airborne LiDAR, metallic surveys and other high-tech technologies have made it possible to not only find the location of the regiments, but also the individual men.

On the first day of the American Revolution, a relatively unknown battle occurred along the Battle Road between Concord and Lexington. Captain John Parker and his 77 men fought the 700-men strong British force early in the morning and suffered the loss of eight men and 10 wounded. Later, anticipating the British's return, Capt. Parker and his men waited for their revenge.

Recent discoveries have revealed several musket balls of

both British and American make, as well as a cast copper waistcoat button. Ground-penetrating radar and metal detectors have been used to locate these artifacts, and X-ray fluorescence has been used to determine the chemical makeup and ascertain the origin of the individual musket balls.

Undamaged musket balls believed to have been dropped reveal the exact position where men may have stood, while calculations on damaged musket balls are used to approximate the location of the man who fired it.

The information from this ongoing project will be used educate visitors of the Minute Man Nation Historic Site. Artifacts found will be displayed in the park's visitor center, and information placards will be installed to explain the skirmish to visitors. These new technologies have created a more hands-on approach to analyzing historic events.

App gives deadly route

By MEGHAN KIEDERER

Circulation Co-Manager

Thousands of people all around the world trust GPS devices to get them from one place to another safely. Regina and Francisco Murmura believed that they were traveling to a safe, populated area until their GPS app, Waze, instructed them to enter a slum area.

Mrs. Murmura, 70, and Mr. Murmura, 69, were traveling to a touristy destination in Niteroi, Brazil. By mistake they typed in street instead of avenue, and this error led the couple to a slum area in Niteroi. When driving through the area, 20 shots were fired at their car. Mrs. Murmura was fatally shot but Mr. Murmura was unharmed.

Waze responded to the incident stating they were "incredibly saddened."

"Unfortunately it's hard to prevent drivers from navigating to a dangerous neighborhood if it's the destination they select," stated Waze.

However, Mr. Murmura blamed the app for leading them into the neighborhood. Waze responded that even people who live in those neighborhoods need to get home too.

Waze is a navigation app that allows users to view and communicate what is on the road. The app



warns when there is a police officer ahead, a car parked on the side of the road, or upcoming traffic. It

also allows other users to communicate with one another and asks for feedback to keep the information updated.

SPORTS

Girls' soccer loses final two games

By KIRSTEN PETERS
Sports Co-Editor

Although the Warriors lost their last two games of the regular season, they played together as a whole knowing that they win or lose as a team.

DV – 0, Wallenpaupack – 3

On Oct. 15, the Warriors held their annual senior night to celebrate seniors Sara Burns, Olivia Kelly, Christina Newsome, Arion Wilkins and Madeleine Yost. After taking time to recognize the seniors, the game was under way.

The Buckhorns took an early 1 – 0 lead, scoring within the first minute of play. Goal keeper Burns had six saves for the Warriors in the first half, keeping the Buckhorns from gaining any more of a lead.

The Warriors put up a good fight with sophomore Haley Korfmann blocking

a potential goal and sophomore Reilly Henry keeping the Warriors aggressive by taking two shots that just could not find the back of the net.

The intensity level remained high to start the second half with possession of the ball constantly going back and forth between the two teams.

Wilkins and sophomore Jillian Reich kept the fight alive with a strong defensive backbone. But the Warriors could not capitalize on scoring opportunities, ultimately leading to the Buckhorns scoring another two goals and winning the game 3 – 0.

DV – 1, North Pocono – 3

On Oct. 22, the Warriors played their last regular season game against North Pocono.

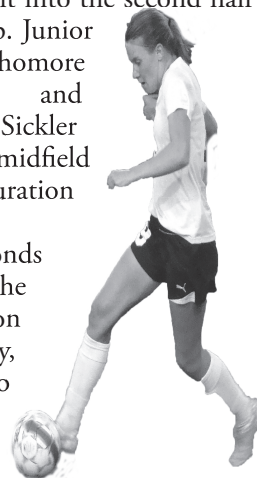
The Warriors took charge with a 1 – 0 lead over the Trojans when sophomore Faith Fucetola scored a goal with an assist

by sophomore Gabby Buckley within the first 10 minutes of play.

However, the Warriors were unable to keep their momentum going, allowing the Trojans to score back-to-back goals and take a 2 – 1 lead toward the end of the first half.

Both teams went into the second half not willing to let up. Junior Emma Burns, sophomore Shelby Brittain and freshman Alexis Sickler kept the Warriors' midfield rock solid for the duration of the half.

With 30 seconds left in the game, the Trojans capitalized on a scoring opportunity, allowing them to win the game 3 – 1.

SPOTLIGHT
ATHLETE

Soccer



Arion Wilkins, SENIOR

"Ari has done a tremendous job playing through injury and adversity this season. I admire her perseverance and determination to finish her career strong."

-Head coach Jeff Rainear

Hockey advances to playoffs

By MOLLY SCOLLO
Staff Writer

After a big win against Wallenpaupack, the Lady Warriors took their confident energy to a tie breaker game against Pittston Area, winning in double overtime and advancing to the playoffs.

DV – 3, Wallenpaupack – 0

Seniors Jessica Quinn and Liz Cooney

were honored on Oct. 20, the field hockey team's senior night, with a win at their last home game.

Twelve minutes into the game, sophomore Kara Gearhart scored a goal assisted by freshman Grace Conselyea.

Most of the game was played on DV's offensive side, thanks to a strong defense played by sophomore Emily Covert, freshman Brenna Cavallaro and junior Leah Yost.

With three minutes left in the first quarter, junior Maecy Chlebowski scored on a stroke goal. Chlebowski's goal gave the whole team a confidence boost heading into the second half.

Within the final 10 minutes of the game, Chlebowski set up freshman Lyndsay Floystad for the third goal, leading to their win.

DV – 2, Pittston Area – 1

In a sudden death, double overtime game, the Warriors defeated Pittston Area, clinching their spot in the playoffs.

"We played three overtime games against them this season and to finally get a win when it mattered most feels amazing," said senior captain Liz Cooney.

Floystad scored the first goal for the Warriors assisted by Chlebowski. The girls showed great teamwork and never lost hope when the Patriots scored their first goal.

Heading into double overtime, Gearhart scored the game winning goal, sending the Warriors to the first round of playoffs against Coughlin.

Tennis takes on Districts

By SERA SHAFER
Staff Writer

The girls' varsity tennis team played in team districts, singles districts and doubles districts to bring an end to a strong season.

Team Districts: DV – 1, Wallenpaupack – 4

In a single elimination tournament, the Warriors took on Wallenpaupack on Oct. 8 for team districts. Junior McKenna Quinn won her singles match (3-6), (6-3), (6-1). Singles players senior Sabrina Schlenker and sophomore Katie Cooney both lost their matches in two sets. The doubles team of senior Lara May and freshman Taylor Moglia lost their match in two sets with scores of (6-2), (6-1).

"I think the whole team played very well. We were able to play our best against harder teams," Cooney said.

Singles Districts

Schlenker and Quinn competed in the District 2-4 Class AAA tennis singles tournament on Oct. 15 at Kirby Park in Wilkes University. The first round of play was a bye round for Delaware

Valley. In the second round, No. 6 seed Quinn won her match against Wyoming Valley West in two straight sets with a score of (6-2) for both sets. Schlenker lost her match in the second round to Hazleton in two sets. In the quarterfinals, Quinn lost her match to Williamsport in two straight sets. Despite her loss, Quinn says, "I think it went well. I've never been that far [the quarterfinals]."

Doubles Districts

On Oct. 20, Quinn, Schlenker, Cooney and May headed to Kirby Park for the Class AAA doubles tournament. Both doubles teams had a bye for the first round. In the second round, doubles team Quinn and May beat Scranton in two straight sets, both with a score of (6-4). Doubles team Schlenker and Cooney lost to Wallenpaupack in two sets. Quinn and May moved on to the quarterfinals where they lost to Hazleton (6-1), (6-2).

KEY PLAYERS

**Katie Cooney,
Lara May, Taylor Moglia,
McKenna Quinn and
Sabrina Schlenker**

SPOTLIGHT
ATHLETE

Field Hockey



Maecy Chlebowski, JUNIOR

"She's really dominating her position and her stick work in the center is just what we need."

-Head coach Lindsay Gonzalez

SPORTS

Warriors finish season strong

BY MADELEINE YOST

Sports Co-editor

The boys varsity soccer team finished their regular season with two great games, giving them a good running start as they head into play-offs where they will be facing very challenging teams.

DV - 0, Western Wayne - 0

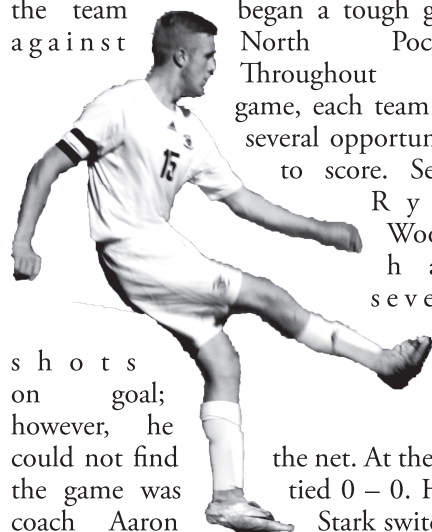
The Warriors faced off against Western Wayne in a high intensity game. The game went back and forth with both teams having chances to score.

Junior Trevor Martin, held the defense together and shut down the other team. Sophomore Austin Preston,

the team's goalie, had amazing saves and recorded another shut out. With the score 0 - 0 at the end of the game, the boys began a grueling overtime quarter. With several breakaways and several shots from both teams, the game was very exciting. However, neither team was willing to let up, causing the game to end in a tie.

DV - 2, North Pocono - 0

On Oct. 21, the boys' soccer team celebrated their seniors at their last home game. With their nine seniors starting, the team began a tough game against North Pocono.



Throughout the game, each team had several opportunities to score. Senior Ryan Woolley had several

shots on goal; however, he could not find the net. At the half the game was tied 0 - 0. Head coach Aaron Stark switched some players around, which gave Martin the opportunity to score at the 5:40 mark. Almost immediately junior Cal Pepper came in with a free kick and scored again for the Warriors. Senior Neil Roche recorded a shutout in the goal and the night ended with a win for the Warriors.

"This was a bittersweet win for us. It means the end of the regular season, but it was exciting to win on our senior night," said senior Ryan Woolley when asked about his final game in the regular season.

XC loses last two meets

BY SHAINA KLEIN

News Co-Editor

Cross country faced two very difficult races as the season drew to a close, and despite their efforts, accumulated a total of eight losses.

Meet @ Merli-Sarnorski Park

On Oct. 13, both the boys' and girls' teams ran a 3.1 mile course. The girls competed against Western Wayne, winning 15-50, and Honesdale, losing 41-20. Junior Vanessa Paoella came in

"The lose does not reflect how hard we worked, and the accomplishments we have achieved"

- Junior Sarah McDougall

fourth overall and was the first girl for DV to finish with a time of 19 minutes 36 seconds. The boys' competed three schools: Western Wayne, Honesdale and Forest City. Despite their efforts, they lost against all three with scores of 30-27, 45-16 and 29-27, respectively. Sophomore Jon Roe was the first boy to finish for the Warriors with a time of 18 minutes 54 seconds.

"The lose does not reflect how hard we worked, and the accomplishments we have achieved," said junior Sarah McDougall.

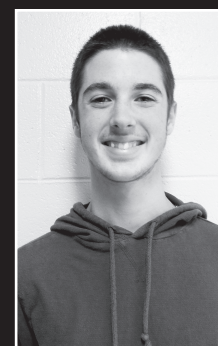
Meet @ Abington Heights

On Oct. 20, the boys' and girls' teams ran a hilly 3.1 mile course. Both teams competed against three teams: Abington Heights, North Pocono and Valley View. It was a rough meet for DV, as neither team secured any wins. The girls had scores of 45-18 against Abington, 40-21

against North Pocono and 39-22 against Valley View. Paoella came in fifth overall and was the first DV girl to complete the difficult course with a time of 20 minutes 34 seconds. The boys' team had losing scores of 45-18 against Abington, 44-17 against North Pocono and 44-17 against Valley View. Sophomore Vincent Schlenker stood out finishing first for the Warriors with a time of 19 minutes 28 seconds.

Oct. 20 marked the last meet of the regular season for the Warriors, and Paoella had the honor of being selected as a First Team Lackawanna League Cross Country All-Star.

SPOTLIGHT ATHLETES Cross-Country



Vanessa Paoella, JUNIOR
Jon Roe, SOPHOMORE

"When you look at both Vanessa's and Jon's results from the regular season you can immediately see how their determination, dedication and self-discipline have assisted them in achieving personal and team goals this year."

-Head coach Audrey Josephite

SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE Soccer



Trevor Martin, JUNIOR

"He is a bulldog on the team, and he controls the defense. He's the heartbeat back there and is willing to move to any position."

- Head coach Aaron Stark

Scranton strike affects DV athletics

BY MATT CAVALLARO

Staff Writer

After 18 days of wondering when their normal schedules would resume again, Scranton students returned to school. During their break, many functions involving DV were either postponed or cancelled, disorganizing Delaware Valley's schedule.

A teacher's strike began when the district could not reach agreements with the teachers union on a new contract.

Both the Scranton and West Scranton School Districts cancelled all co-curricular activities during the 11 days of school missed.

One of the most noted cancellations was the football game between Delaware Valley and West Scranton that was supposed to be held on Friday, Oct. 2. Due to of the physical nature of football and the schedule of one game a week, it could not be rescheduled for a later date.

Junior Tyler Smith said, "It really stinks because there's nothing we can

do about it. We only play 10 games a year and one of them just got cancelled. I love to play at Warrior Stadium, and it's definitely a disappointment that we lost this game (in our schedule)."

The game between the Warriors and the Invaders is counted as a forfeit win for Delaware



Source: timeStribune

Valley.

The Scranton School District finally came to agreement with the teachers union and Scranton schools headed back on Wednesday, Oct. 14. All of their co-curricular activities started up again, allowing DV to start rescheduling events between the two schools.

SPORTS

DV football blows by the Cougars

BY OLIVIA TENNEY
Arts & Literature Editor

The Warriors cruised past Valley View on Oct. 17 with a final score of 31-13. Senior Austin Cernek ran over the Cougars defense carrying the ball 30 times and rushing for 214 yards.

Delaware Valley is in first place of the Lackawanna Football Conference Division 1 standings after the win. They have a 4-0 record in the division and a 5-2 overall record. After the rough 0-2 start, they have bounced back, going on a five-game winning streak and dominating their league.

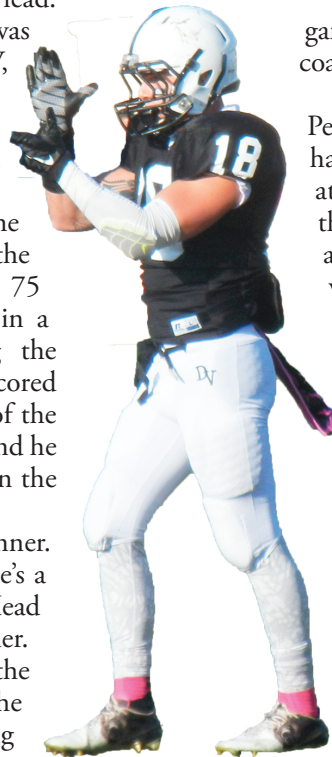
Sophomore Ryan Obiso scored the first touchdown of the game, after the Warriors drove down the field on a 15 play, 83-yard drive. The Cougars tied the game up at 7-7, and a short time later sophomore Josh Goulette kicked a field goal to make the game 10-7 in DV's favor. Senior Nick Pampalone had an interception which he returned for a touchdown with 36 seconds left in the half. At halftime The Warriors

had a secure 17-7 lead. The first half was dominated by DV, and the interception at the end of the half kept the momentum going their way.

To open the second half, the Warriors went on a 75 yard drive resulting in a touchdown, making the lead 24-7. Cernek scored his first touchdown of the game on that drive, and he added another later in the second half.

"He's a hard runner. He's a fast runner. He's a physical kid," said Head coach Keith Olsommer.

Cernek broke the game open in the second half, rushing for 135 yards and two touchdowns.



"I thought he was able to take the game over in the second half," added coach Olsommer.

The game was sponsored by the Pennsylvania National Guard, and had many soldiers and veterans in attendance. A trophy was given to the Warriors for winning the game, and each team's most valuable player was also awarded one. For Valley View, Brandon Brzenski was named M.V.P., and for Delaware Valley Austin Cernek received the honors.

"Winning M.V.P. for the game felt great, and I could not have done it without the team," said Cernek.

The Warriors take on Scranton Prep tonight at Warrior stadium at 7 pm.

SPOTLIGHT
ATHLETE

Football



Dylan Kelly, SOPHOMORE

"Dylan provided two exciting plays in the second half, that helped turn the tide of the game in our favor."

-Head Coach Keith Olsommer

SPOTLIGHT
ATHLETE

Volleyball



Karley May, SENIOR

"I think that the last four or five games she has just been an impact player for the team,"

-Head coach Bridgette Crawford

Warriors strike back against Pittston Area

BY GWEN NATHAN
Staff Writer

The Warriors are coming to a close in their regular season, with a current record of 15-1. Their final match will be on Oct. 29 against Coughlin. From there the team will continue on to Districts, in hopes to become six-time district champs.

DV – 0, Holy Redeemer - 3

On Oct. 13, the Warriors took on rival Holy Redeemer Royals. Though the Warriors fought hard, they lost to Redeemer in straight sets.

Both teams played intensely, but Redeemer managed to take a wide lead against the Warriors, ending the set 16-25.

During the second set the Warriors once again fell behind the Royals; however, at the match point the Warriors stepped up their game, scoring three points in a row, concluding the second set 14-25.

The third match was the closest yet, with the Warriors and Royals neck in neck for multiple portions of the game.

However, Redeemer pushed ahead and was able to score the last couple points to end the game 19-25.

"The first two games we had a system and couldn't get our offense started, but once we had our serves situated we were able to get some points," Coach Crawford commented.

DV – 3, Pittston Area

- 0

The Warriors competed in their last home game of the regular season on Oct. 27 against the Pittston Area Patriots. The Warriors beat the Patriots in three straight sets,

which was a great way to celebrate the volleyball team's senior night. Throughout the game seniors Samantha Egan, Meghan Kiederer, Hannah Matthews and Karley May were honored for their contributions on the team.

The first set ended 25- 13 and the

second ended 25-14. Though the Patriots played well, the Warriors dominated in both games.

May started off strong in the third set, scoring the Warriors points with her serve. The Warriors kept their lead throughout

the game, keeping at least a five point lead against the Patriots. At the end of the game, tensions were high as Delaware Valley fought for their final point during the third set. The two teams volleyed back and forth, but in the end the Warriors pulled through and concluded the set 25-15.

"Our game wasn't one of the cleanest we've had, but I just enjoy being on the court with my team. I'm really going to miss them," May said.



Seniors Samantha Egan, Meghan Kiederer, Karley May, Hannah Matthews and Rafael Alexandre Contributed Photo



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