FALL 2017

# DELAWARE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL





For some DVHS Odyssey of the Mind students, work continued into the summer. On July 8, 2017, a group of "Omers" presented Murder Among the Mateys, a pirate-themed murder mystery performance, to raise funds for Luann Charity.

Luann, a much-loved former transportation secretary, she always had a deep passion for the OM Program at Delaware Valley and was involved in the program for many years. Luann left DV two years ago to move closer to her daughter, Kelsey, in Ohio. She quietly began her battle last Spring.

Two DV OM coaches, Cathy Davidson and Karen Waggenhoffer, decided to do a fundraiser to support Luann and her family. They tapped into the talents of the DVHS Odyssey of the Mind program for assistance, enlisting Omers to help organize and perform a dinner theater presentation and a raffle.

2017 graduate and valedictorian Jacob Lockwood and current senior Collin Kawan-Hemler worked together to write the script for the show. Around 30 current and former DVHS Omers formed the cast of the performance, with senior Jake Stine playing the lead alongside 2016 DV graduate and current University of Wyoming student Jacob Ahlstrand. Many other OM team members, coaches, and parents helped build props, prepare food, and sell tickets. Several families and local businesses donated baskets for the raffle.

Thanks to the hard work of the Omers and the involvement of the community, the fundraiser was a success. The cast entertained an audience of over 150 people with an interactive performance while dinner was served. During an intermission, the audience entered tickets for raffle baskets and voted on which character they believed to be the murderer. For the second act, the cast returned to reveal the identity of the killer and dole out the pirates' treasure—or the raffle baskets—to the winners. The event raised over \$5000 for Luann and her family.





#### Untied Way Day of Caring

On Saturday, September 9th the United Way of Pike County held its 17th Annual Day of Caring. Over 300 Delaware Valley High School student

volunteered their time at numerous non-profit agencies in the Milford/Dingmans Ferry area. The day began with a delicious breakfast prepared by Mr. Alexander Niosi's Culinary Arts students. The following sites participated in this year's Day of Caring: American Red Cross, Ann Street School, Camp Speers, Center for Developmental Disabilities, GAIT Therapeutic Riding Center, Pike County Developmental Center, Pike County Public Library, Pocono Environmental Education Center, and Safe Haven. In addition, the DVHS Cheerleaders kicked off the high school's new Adopt-a-Highway initiative by cleaning two miles of Routes 6 and 209. An extra debt of gratitude goes to the following people: Marvin Eversdyke and the support services staff, Justin Roselli and the food service staff, and the many teachers, secretaries, and other staff members who helped to make this year's Day of Caring such a rousing success.

30 cheerleaders participated in the 17th annual United Way Day of Caring. The cheerleaders donned bright orange vests and rubber gloves to pick up trash along route 209 for the Penn Dot Adopt a Highway program. Delaware Valley High School students and staff recently adopted a one mile stretch of 209 in front of the DVHS campus.





Healthcare Careers students volunteered as donor-escorts for the 9/11 Memorial Blood Drive on Saturday's United Way Day of Caring. Some even donated blood too!

#### **Pine Forest Cheerleading Camp**



The cheerleading teams attended Pine Forest Cheerleading Camp in August. The teams won several awards including gold ribbons during preliminary evaluations. At the final evaluations, the varsity white team earned the Champion Chant award and 3rd place overall. The varsity black team earned 2nd place in the extreme routine and 2nd place in the cheer division. Three cheerleaders, Chloe Gawel, Amanda Oakley, and Victoria Blaut were named All Americans and invited to participate in the London New Years parade. Eighth grader Chelsea Rude and freshman Nicole Weinrich were both recognized in the Varsity Pin it Forward program. This program recognizes athletes with outstanding sportsmanship.

#### In PE news.....



Officer Mark Moglia is appearing as a guest teacher in the Health 9 classrooms as the freshmen begin the 7th year of the "Too Good for Drugs and Violence" program. This program is a health curriculum that deals with real world challenges teens face in high school and beyond. The program explores practical guidance for understanding dating and relationships, violence and conflict, underage drinking, substance abuse, and healthy friendships. Lessons further enhance skills for responsible decision-making, effective communication, media literacy, and conflict resolution.

**2nd ANNUAL SPIRIT GAMES** 

On Friday, September 29, 2017, the second annual Spirit Games were held in both the 9/10 and 11/12 gymnasiums. Students in grades 9 and 10 competed against one another and students in grades 11 and 12 competitive against one another. Mrs. Wummer, Mrs. Marchetti, and Mr. Vasquez with help from Mr. Sotak and Mrs. Rojas organized the games, recruited students from all grade levels, and decorated both gymnasiums for a record level of school spirit and highly competitive games. The cheerleaders and marching band performed during the games in both locations and the Warrior was passionately encouraging the competitive spirit. The Sophomore and Seniors won their respective titles.



#### PERMANENT ART COLLECTION

All are invited to see the latest additions to the Permanent Art Collection. Please stop by and peruse the C-Hall to view the creative works by the following DV student artists.

Taryn Naundorff, graduate; Pair of Ceramic Vases

Lisa Kolasa, graduate; Mixed Media Relief of Birches

- Olivia Zinn, grade 10; Photograph self-portrait titled, "Victim of the Stage"
- Chloe Gawel, grade 11; Pop Art Parody made in Photoshop
- Katya Adler, graduate; Acrylic portrait

Samantha Garcia, grade 9; Posturized Flower

Gabriella Cuevas, graduate; Totem Pole Self-Portrait, acrylic

Leah Yost, graduate; Photograph titled "Port Jervis Pizza"

Alexandria Garcia, grade 11; Acrylic portrait



Artist of the Week

Senior Paige Collins has been chosen to represent DVHS as WVIA's Artist of the Week. This television campaign, conceptualized by NEIU 19, is designed to call attention to high school students who have excelled in the study of the arts. Paige, along with nominees from other area high schools, will tape an individual 1-minute vignette in which the student can share their artwork, talk about their technique, subject matter and reasons for their visual arts involvement. The session will be aired on WVIA TV at a future date. Paige will then be in the running to compete for Artist of the Year in the WVIA viewing region.



#### **DV BUS MAKES ITS DEBUT**

Students in the Graphic Design class had an opportunity to tackle a real-world design problem by designing graphics for the new DV activities bus. Twelve students were enrolled in the Graphic Design 2 class. They followed the design process by learning about the size and specifications of the bus, researching ideas, and creating sketches. They were encouraged to consider designs that would represent DV in a positive manner and convey the idea of excellence or importance. They were further challenged by adapting their ideas to the physical shape of the bus. The final design was created by 2017 senior Rebecca Odendahl.

On September 21st, the 4th annual DVHS Club Fair was held in the Freshman Gymnasium. Club advisors and student leaders set up informational tables, provided handouts, and created an exciting atmosphere for recruitment. The goal of the fair is to inform the students of all of the club offerings at DVHS. There is truly a club for everyone! Over 40 clubs were represented during all three lunches.

Engineering Club News:

#### Maker Faire 2017

This year students in the Delaware Valley High School Engineering Club, (Richard Albanese, Angus Muttee, Nick Drago, Stephen Demmo, Cody Dailey, Alex Coelho, and Harlan Mutee), attended the World Maker Faire. Not only did the students have an amazing time, they were also able to learn about many new technological advances and engage in STEM activities. The World Maker Faire is a public event held in The Hall of Science in New York City. Students, inventors/ innovators, and anyone interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math attend the event and enjoy "The World's Biggest Show and Tell." They come to see people show off their creations and ideas, as well as learn many new things. While at the Maker Faire, the students saw things like an eighteen foot 3D printer, a flame throwing van, robotic dinosaur, and many other robotic projects and 3D printed objects. After attending, the students now have a better idea of what they wish to pursue in the club and in the future.



# **Science News**



**Physical Science** One of the new programs offered this year at the Delaware Valley High School is the Application of Physical Science course. It was designed to provide access to the physical sciences for all students through hands on activities, laboratory experiments, and discovery based learning. In the first two weeks it has been a smashing success. The students have completed several learning activities and two labs in two weeks! They have become fluent with the scientific method and how to think like a scientist. The students are excited about completing the lab activities, analyzing their data, and drawing conclusions based on that data. Up next they will be studying the Laws of Motion and Mechanics. It is an exciting time in the Applications of Physical Science Classroom.

## **Mr. Alberts Science 9**

Mr. Albert's Science 9 classes have been conducting activities along the scenic Delaware River and along the district trails to learn how to study ecological communities. They are practicing scientific observations, identification, looking for seasonal patterns, and apply their learning of ecology outside the classroom.







As part of Fire Prevention month, the Intermediate Foods A students at Delaware Valley High School were taught some very crucial kitchen safety tips! Mr. Bill Koferl, the President of the Westfall Volunteer Fire Department, donated his time to Mrs. Peters FACS class to help emphasize the importance of safety when working in the



kitchen environment. Mr. Koferl discussed how to safely extinguish a kitchen fire, what basic kitchen ingredients can help extinguish a flame, and what not to do when it comes to kitchen grease fires.





The Jazz Band was asked to play at Silver Birches in Wallenpaupack for PASR (Pennsylvania Association for School Retirees) luncheon for retired administrator, teachers, support staff, and custodians on Friday, October 27th. The following districts that were represented at the luncheon are as follows: Delaware Valley, Wallenpaupack, Western Wayne, and Honesdale school districts. This was a showcase for our school district's music program and for our students performing in the jazz band.

Students attended a jazz concert at the Wilkes University FM Kirby Center at the end of October. On November 16th, students will participate in the Monroe/Pike County Chorus at East Stroudsburg High School South.

The Marching Band continues to work through refining their show. Specifically, they had their first ever competition on October 23rd, and will have another on November 4th. They will continue performances as long as the football team continues to win games throughout their playoffs.





Nine DV students participated in the Marywood University String Celebration 'that was held on October 20th and 21st. They rehearsed and performed challenging repertoire under the direction of master teachers and conductors at this event.

A world-renowned professional string ensemble, PubliQuartet, performed for our middle and high school music students and led our orchestra students in an improvisation workshop on Friday, October 6th.

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Chorus students auditioned for District Chorus on October 23rd.

7 students participated in the Men of Song Festival at Penn State on October 14th.

Chamber Choir will be singing at the Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet on November 5th.

On November 17th, our Chorus will participate in the Calvacade of Choirs at Nazareth High School where they will be adjudicated by faculty members from Indiana University of PA, and will have the opportunity to hear a few other high school choirs.



#### **Photo Contest**

All DV students were invited to submit an entry into the first ever Twin and Walker Creeks Watershed Conservancy photo contest. Requirements were to capture the natural beauty of Pike County. Photos were judged at the TWCWC annual meeting. Judging was done by Kathy Kaericher from the Artist's Market in Shohola. Many photos were received from around the county.

In the 5th to 9th Grade category,:

9th Graders—Gavin Munro earned 2nd place, and Ava Nienstadt earned 3rd place.

In the 10th to 12th Grade category:

11th Graders—Haleigh Olenick won 1st Place, John Skrypek won 2nd place, and Dominick Corrieri won 3rd place.

**Congratulations to these students.** 



#### Delaware Valley, PA FBLA Chapter Participates in Community Activities



The Delaware Valley FBLA Chapter was busy participating in many community activities this fall. The members served as guides during Open House at the house school where they assisted parents in locating classrooms. They also participated in the Pike County Day of Caring where they volunteered their time in cleaning up at different locations throughout the county. Members assisted with running the concessions at the Scholastic Bowl, went to GAIT for training so they can assist and volunteer throughout the year and were runners at the CDD Tricky Tray. Members also organized a booth at the annual Warrior Fest where they sold soft pretzels and Krispy Kreme donuts. Proceeds from Warrior Fest will be donated to the PA FBLA State Project, the Alzheimer's Foundation.

#### DELAWARE VALLEY HS FBLA CHAPTER SUPPORTS HURRICANE HARVEY FLOOD VICTIMS

The Delaware Valley HS FBLA chapter took up a collection to aid the flood victims of Hurricane Harvey. The chapter officers collected donations during lunches periods and collected approximately \$420. The monies collected were donated to the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund that was set up by Mayor Sylvester Turner and County Judge Ed Emmett.



The Delaware Valley High School FBLA Chapter participated in the 2017 Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday, September 23. The walk was held at Mauch Chunk Lake Park Jim Thorpe - Carbon County, PA. The FBLA students served as volunteers by passing out advocacy and clinical trial forms to gain support and awareness for the Alzheimer's Foundation. Members also participated in the 2-mile walk and helped clean-up from the event. The Alzheimer's Foundation is the PA FBLA State Project for the current year.

# DV SCHOOL STORE

## Warrior Pride School Store Holds Pink T-Shirt Sale

The Warrior Pride School Store sold pink tye-dye t-shirts during the month of October in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month. For every t-shirt sold the store donated \$1.00 to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. The store sold 110 shirts and a donation of \$110 was donated to the foundation. The Business/Marketing class operates the school store during the morning, all lunch periods and after school.

#### Marketing/Business Classes Informed on Dress for Success

The Marketing/Businesses classes were informed on how to Dress for Success. Representatives from Men's Warehouse presented the students how to seek employment, prepare employment documents, a job application, resume, cover and follow-up letter. They also gave the students tips on how to dress for a job interview and explained what employers are looking for in an interview.

# SUCCESS



On Saturday, 24 teams from around the Northeastern US competed in the third annual Tri-State Tussle Quiz Bowl tournament, hosted by the Delaware Valley Scholastic Bowl team. DV's A team of Collin Kawan-Hemler, Frani King, Andy Greene, and Abhay Byadgi, went 9-0 on the day before losing to the Nation's 5th-ranked team, Lehigh Valley Academy. DV placed second, and DV's B team of Emma Dove, Chris Secular, Chrissy Dedes, and Jonathan Langberg narrowly missed also qualifying for Nationals. The DV Scholastic Bowl team would like to thank everyone who helped out at the tournament to make it run smoothly for all of the teams in attendance!



On Friday September 22nd, Deb Anagnost and Carol Saxmon from North Hampton Community College came to teach First Aid and CPR to Mrs. Pavinich's and Mrs. Farr's Early Childhood Education classes at Delaware Valley High School. 13 Level 1 Sophomores and 10 level 3 Seniors in the Early Childhood Education program participated in a 4 hour training that consisted of Infant and Pediatric CPR and first aid. The students need to learn this information because they work very closely with children ages birth through 9 throughout their 3 years in the Early Childhood education program at Delaware Valley High School.



Students Ilia Williams, Emily McElroy, Destiny Mann, and Instructor Carol Saxmon





Deb Anagnost and Carol Saxmon Instructors from North Hampton



**Students Emily Gig and Rosemita Kielty** 

On Tuesday September 26, Elaine Tucker spoke to Mrs. Pavinich's Parenting Skills class about the harmful effects of drinking while pregnant. Mrs. Tucker works for the CMP Drug and Alcohol commission and is the Drug and Alcohol Prevention Specialist for the Delaware Valley School District. She presented to the Parenting Skills class as part of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness month. Mrs. Tucker stressed the importance of abstaining from consuming any sort of alcohol during pregnancy and the harmful effects it could have on your unborn child. She also showed the class a baby simulator that was born with FASD. The class members immediately took notice of the facial and size abnormalities that this baby had. Mrs. Tucker's message was extremely important and well received by the students.

On Monday September 18th, Mrs. Luann Scardino from the Mt. View School in Matamoras visited Mrs. Beth Pavinich's Early Childhood Education Level 1 classroom at Delaware Valley High School. Luann is an advocate in the field of Early Childhood and makes frequent visits to the classroom to discuss various topics in Early Childhood. During Monday's discussion Luann expressed the importance of observing children and maintaining confidentiality. Luann spoke with the high school students about why we observe children and shared some tips and tools to properly write an observation. Luann also spoke in length about the importance of confidentiality when working with children.





# **Reading Department**

READ 180 Program has been upgraded to Read 180 Universal. It is a reading intervention program that builds comprehension, vocabulary, and writing for struggling readers. It uses the latest research in brain science, adaptive technology, professional development, and knowledge for school and life.

We now have a new program for our most challenged readers. System 44 is a foundational reading program Grades 3–12+. System 44 is proven to help students master the foundational reading skills required for success with the new standards, college, and career through explicit instruction in phonics, comprehension, and writing.

Mrs. Newman is providing after school tutoring for students who need to retake the Keystone Literature Exam in December. The tutoring takes place every Thursday in the Media Center.

**SPANISH:** Students in Mrs. Krasulski's Spanish 2 classes are redesigning the Argentine soccer jersey by incorporating cultural influences, historical facts and landmarks into their designs. Students have been researching and discussing the culture of Argentina and will use their designs as a platform for a future Spanish discussion. See them on display in A11 now through Parent/Teacher conferences!



Students involved in Students Against Substance Abuse and Teens Against Tobacco Use distributed pencils with the slogan "United We Stand Against Drugs and Bullying" to the upper grade levels and ribbons with the same slogan to the lower grade levels. Joclyn Irons, Emily Herald and Jennifer Yulfo were instrumental in the distribution of promotional pencils and ribbons. On Wednesday October 25th, club members had their peers sign a banner with this same slogan during lunches. Club members who orchestrated the banner signing included: Emily Lee-Chong, Shaye Kelly, Talor Moglia, Katie Gandolfo, Brianna Tonnesen, Joclyn Irons, Emily Herald, Aniyah Richardson and Jennifer Yulfo. On October 30th, students are going to DDPS to speak with the K, 1 and 2 students about good choices, peer pressure and Halloween safety.







