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Pictured above: 1st place winner, Cindy Abella.

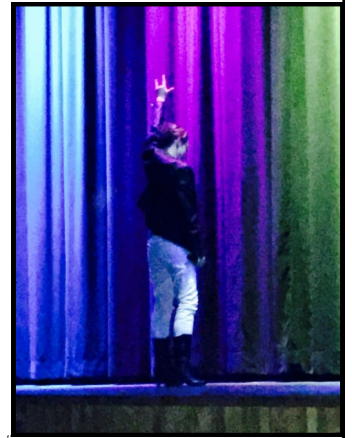
DVMS Shows Off Talent By Grace Hommel

On Thursday, February 11th, our school put on a spectacular talent show. The show was open to anyone and attracted many. Each act was nothing less than stellar.

The show opened with a baton and dancing act with seventh graders Haleigh Murphy and Miranda Murray. From there, singing acts, group dancing acts, and even some magic swept the audience off of their feet as the performers captivated everyone's eyes to the stage. The show seemed to have a little something for everyone. Our students put everything they had into those few

minutes on stage, and you could see the dedication in each of their eyes. This unforgettable night was hosted by our very own student council. With the class president hosting, and some guests including the memorable Tarna Batelman on stage, it kept the audience in awe laughing. Even some teachers got up to display some hidden talents that won't be lived down.

By the end of the night, the judges, being our very own teachers of course, added up the scores. Cindy Abella took first place with her mesmerizing voice. Second place went to Jenna Estock and Alexis King performing a duet from a Broadway hit, killing it on stage with emotion. Third place went to Justin Germann with his upbeat and unforgettable magic act. This talent show was a major success and was a night that will be remembered, going out with a bang. If you missed it this year, definitely make a strong effort to come and see what next year has in store. I'm positive it will live up to the hype of this year. We would like to thank all of the teachers and faculty that came out to support the show, and the student council for making this night happen, and a very special thank you to Mrs. Bruno, who advised the entire night.



Pictured above: Mrs. Terrones rocking out.



Pictured above: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners of the talent show.





Teacher Feature: Miss Sweet

By Jonathon Reome

Q:What is your favorite thing about teaching middle school?

A: My favorite part about teaching middle school is the age of the students I work with. Middle school is such an important time in a student's life where they are just starting to figure out who they are and what they would like to do when they are adults.

Q:Where did you go to college?

A: I went to West Chester University which is located in West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Q:What did you study in college?

A: I dual majored in Early Grades and Special Education.

Q:What is your favorite kind of music?

A: My favorite kind of music is country. I used to dislike country music until a friend constantly played it and I had no choice but to like it. My favorite artists are Luke Bryan, Miranda Lambert, and Thomas Rhett.

Q:Do you like sports? If yes, what is your favorite?

A: I have always been a big sports fan. I use to live in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and I am a huge Pittsburgh Steelers fan! I also played basketball and soccer during high school and college.

Q:Do you have any pets or children?

A: I have two cats named Cooper and Bentley!

Q:What is your favorite thing about DVMS as a school?



Pictured Above: Miss Sweet and her Fiancé.

A: My favorite part about DVMS is the students and fellow teachers I get to work with each day. I have the pleasure of teaching some very hard working and all-around wonderful students. I also get to co-teach with other teachers which has been enjoyable.

Q:What do you like to do in your free time?

A: I like to spend my free time outdoors. I live near a lot of beautiful hiking trails and I am so happy that the weather warmed up so fast this spring!

Q: What is your favorite color?

A: My favorite color is blue. My mom overdressed me in pink as a child, but it is starting to become another favorite color of mine!

Q: What is one thing the student body would be surprised to learn about you?

A: I will be getting married May 15th of this year! I will then officially become Mrs. Dillinger, but will miss my "perfect teacher name" of Miss Sweet!

Teacher Feature: Mr. Jayne

By Jonathon Reome

Q: What inspired you to choose to teach Language Arts?

A: I always enjoyed writing as a student and I liked to help people with their writing. This carried into college when I started to write more professional papers. I do really well with teacher jargon. I also had some great teachers that inspired me to do what I do. Mr. Weston, a high school principal now, was my first male teacher in 4th grade. He was tough on us and helped me to become a more confident reader. Many other teachers I had in high school really pushed me to do my best and I appreciated that; Mrs. Weston, Mr. Ferrell, and Mr. Griffiths just to name a few.

Q: How is DV different now compared to when you were a student here?

A: Yes, I went to DV. I lived in the same house in Dingmans from when I was 6 weeks old until I was 18 and went to college. I was a "Ding-Del" kid until I went to high school. A lot has changed in the 10 years I was away. I am jealous of the opportunities that you have now. There are a lot more programs and ways to get involved. It is virtually impossible to not find a way to get involved. Mr. McElroy was a principal at DDMS when I was in middle school and Mr. Ioppolo was a principal in the 9/10 when I was in high school.

Q: What is your family like?

A: I have a wife Erika whom I have been married to for 5 years. I also have a beautiful daughter Ryleigh who is 16 months old and is a load of fun, and a dog Bella.

Q: When you were in middle school, what was your dream?

A: When I was in middle school

my dream was to be an astronaut. I have always been fascinated with space exploration, the search for other planets and life, and science fiction readings. I still dream of one day going to space. It would be the experience of a lifetime.

Q: What is your favorite kind of music?

A: I am a big 90's alternative and metal fan. I can also tolerate some country music. My interests range from Green Day and Bush to Metallica and Black Sabbath

Q: Have you had any jobs besides a teacher?

A: Yes I worked as an equipment manager in college when it wasn't football season. I was a grounds keeper at Radley Run Golf Course (worst job ever). Right out of college I worked in day care/preschool with 3-4 year olds preparing them for kindergarten. During that time I also worked at GNC as a sales person. I worked almost 60-65 hours a week. It was tiring, but rewarding.

Q: Where did you go to college?

A: I went to Widener University in Chester, PA. I majored in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. I also played football...ROLL PRIDE!

Q: What is your favorite thing about teaching 6th grade?

A: Students at this age are on the verge of stepping into becoming teenagers. They are really creative and have a level of thinking and speaking that I enjoy working with and learning together with them.

Q: What song gets stuck in your head often?



A: AC/DC - Rock and Roll Ain't Noise Pollution

Q: What is your favorite weekend activity?

A: Working and building with reclaimed wood in my wood shop in my basement. I really enjoy doing pallet projects.

Q: What is the best compliment you've ever received?

A: The best compliment I ever received came from a student. She wrote me a letter and it really made me happy because she understood why I am tough on my students. She appreciated my hard work and acknowledged that I had a life outside of school, and she was appreciative of my hard work, high standards, and time I put in to help the class succeed. I think the highest compliment that anyone can be paid is someone telling them that what they do matters and is making a difference in someone's life.

Q: Finally, what is one thing that the student body would be surprised to know about you?

A: I am a competitive powerlifter and once lifted a total of 2325 lbs. combined in the squat, bench, and deadlift. I was also at one time ranked 33rd in the world in the squat at 975 lbs.

Video Game Review: Batman: Arkham Origins

By Julian Connaughton



Hello again, DVMS. Ready for another game review, better than the past reviews I did? Well then, you're in for a big treat. Today, I am going to review a video game called Batman: Arkham Origins.

Batman: Arkham Origins is a video game featuring of course, Batman. In this game, you can fight the criminals of Gotham City, fight 8 assassins, fight melee or by using batarangs, solve puzzles, be a detective and solve a murder in the game like in CSI or NCIS. You can upgrade Batman's

armor and gadgets to make him stronger than he is. He will not need his butler Alfred very much. Batman is no longer lazy in this game, so you don't need to worry about him going back to Alfred very much, only for weapons and tips. You will also not need to worry about him sleeping and being lazy.

This game is rated T. It has a lot of blood and gore, but it is mostly going to be from you fighting criminals. This game can be found on several gaming systems. I own it for the Wii U. If you get the special edition, you get the Death-

stroke download code. With it, you can fight as Death-stroke.

This game's price varies because it depends what system you're buying it for. You should buy this game because it is really good, and it is filled with action for all of you action lovers. This game is also an RPG. Well, that's it for this game review. I enjoyed writing for all of you at DVMS. Thank you for reading, and I will not stop writing. 6th and 7th graders: Tune in next year for my last year of Commentary by Connaughton at DVMS. See you next year!



Pictured above: Mrs. Lockwood's OM team.

Have you ever wondered what Odyssey of the Mind actually is? Well, Odyssey of the Mind (also called OM) is an after school activity that anyone can tryout for. In a nutshell, in OM you create an eight minute skit, creating all the props and costumes without adult help. In OM the idea is to be as creative as possible. You also compete against other OM teams around this area. This year's 2016 regional competi-

Odyssey of the Mind!

By Anna Bailor

tion was held at Pocono Mountain West. The states competition was at Moon Area High School in Pittsburgh.

Our middle school had two teams compete at the regional competition. We had Mrs. Benson's structure team and Mrs. Lockwood's vehicle team. Mrs. Benson's team placed fourth out of seven teams at the regional competition, and Mrs. Lockwood's team placed first out of eight teams.

Mrs. Lockwood's team continued on to the state level competition. At the state level competition, Mrs. Lockwood's team placed 7th. To all OMers (people who participate in OM) "great job!"

In my opinion, OM is a wonderful activity that can teach you many things. OM is also very fun to participate in. Congrats to all the teams this year, and good luck next year!



Pictured above: Mrs. Benson's OM team.



DVMS Oral Bee & Tri-State Bee 2016

By: Julian Connaughton

On February 17, 2016, 32 students in grades 6-8 competed in the DVMS Oral Bee. Here are the results:

6th Grade: Bergen Dove

7th Grade: Autumn Walzer,
Stella Tannenbaum, Julian
Connaughton (me)

8th Grade: John Babbits

Congratulations to all of those who participated, especially to the final five, who advanced to the Tri-State Spelling Bee.

The Tri-State Spelling Bee was on March 17,

2016. 2016's winner was Julian Connaughton, your very own "Commentary by Connaughton" writer for this newspaper! Other competitors from Delaware Valley were:

8th Grader John Babbits

7th Graders Stella Tannenbaum and Autumn Walzer

Thank you and congratulations for representing our school and for making it to the 38th annual Tri-State Spelling Bee, especially to Bergen Dove for his 2nd place finish (WAY better than what I (Julian) did last

year).

I will be going to the National Spelling Bee in National Harbor, MD during Bee Week, May 22-27. Wish me luck!



Above: Julian holding the trophy for the tri-state spelling bee.

Top Songs to Boost your Mood!

In need of a pick-me-up? MSN's Health & Fitness researchers published their list of the top 10 songs from the past 50 years to put you in a better mood.



1. 'Don't Stop Me Now' by Queen
2. 'Dancing Queen' by ABBA
3. 'Good Vibrations' by The Beach Boys
4. 'Uptown Girl' by Billy Joel
5. 'Eye of the Tiger' by Survivor
6. 'I'm a Believer' by The Monkees

7. 'Girls Just Wanna Have Fun' by Cyndi Lauper
8. 'Livin' on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi
9. 'I Will Survive' by Gloria Gaynor
10. 'Walking on Sunshine' by Katrina & The Waves

So, the next time you need a mood-boost, try one of these throwbacks!

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Anna Bailor

Julian Connaughton

Lucas Helms

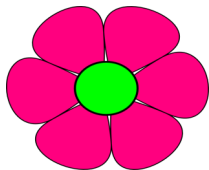
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Samantha Hurley

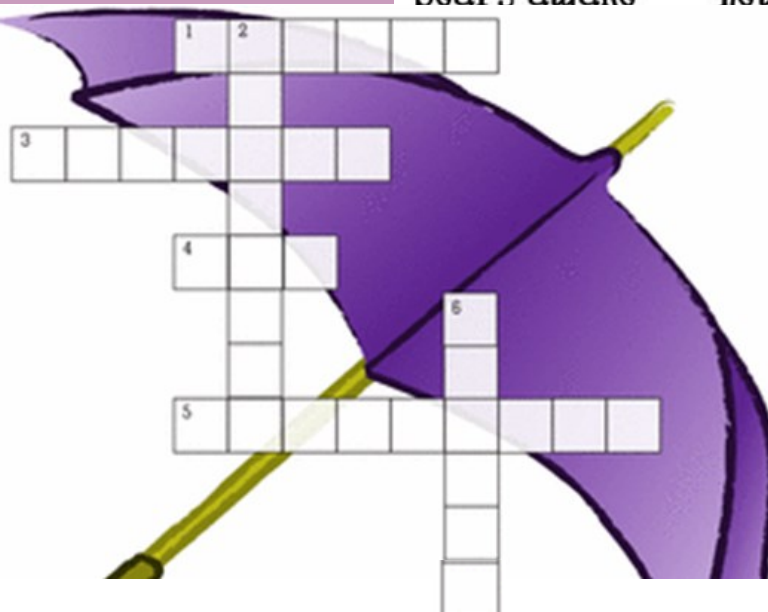
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Rainy Days Crossword



Spring

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B U D D H A S B I R T H D A Y B O G G L E S W

flowers bloom

April Fool

March

May

plant crops

bears awake

birds return

cherry blossom

bees

seed

warm

new leaves

green

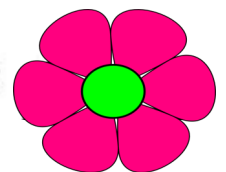
Easter

Buddha's Birthday

spring break

lilac

picnic



Across

1. a small pool of water
3. a bow shaped display of colors
4. soaked with water
5. waterproof garments

Down

2. a portable canopy that protects from rain
6. a brief fall of rain