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Red Ribbon Week

By: Corilye Muller & Julian Connaughton



Above: Matthew Federer(left) Jake Wenzel (right) tie-die t-shirts.

Red Ribbon Week was a week hosted by Junior SASA (Students Against Substance Abuse), led by Miss Sikora. It was a week to bring drug awareness to the students of DVMS.

We asked members of the student body: "what message about drug awareness did Red Ribbon Week give to you?"

7th grader Angie

Detroy said "Not to do drugs because it is something that can severely harm you."

Red Ribbon Week took place from October 27 through October 31.

On Monday, students wore red T-Shirts. On Tuesday, stu-



Above: 8th graders pose in their superhero t-shirts during their lunch's photo booth.

dents dressed up as their future career and tie dyed T-Shirts after school. On Wednesday, people wore superhero T-Shirts and could take photos at the photo booth during lunch. On Thursday, people wore tie dye T-Shirts. On Friday, people wore the DV colors (Black and White).

I hoped you liked our retell of Red Ribbon Week!



Above: Daniel Zhivkovich (left) and Hunter Sickler (right) sport their red.



Above: 8th graders pose in their career outfits during their lunch's photo booth.



Above: Alexis King (left) and Rosemita Kielty (right) celebrate red ribbon week.

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School Happenings

DVMS Celebrates Veteran's Day

By: Corilye Muller & Chad Ford



On November 10, 2014, DVMS honored our community's veterans in an assembly that took place in the HS auditorium during 2nd and 3rd period. The DVMS study body was graced by the outstanding presence of over 15 veterans, including our very own Mr. Bullock and our keynote speaker, Mr. Harry Adams (90). Mr. Adams delivered a powerful speech, and really emphasized the need for *our* generation to show more respect to veterans.



The veterans who were honored during our assembly stand proudly on our stage.

What exactly is Veteran's Day? It is a day to remember those who have served and/or gave their lives so that we have the freedoms we do. We can honor veterans by showing respect to our country and to the veterans we see every day.



The DVMS band plays "Taps" inside of an original piece Mr. Bullock wrote himself, narrated by Miss Watson. Breathtaking!

We interviewed a veteran of our own school here at DVMS, Mr. Rick Bullock. Mr. Bullock served as an army medic in Iraq from 2003 to 2007. He had to go through basic training, medical training, and special forces training.



Mr. Harry Adams delivering his sincere, frank, and moving speech.



Come to the Drama Production:

SEUSICAL THE MUSICAL

By: Corilye Muller

Dates & times: November 21st & November 22nd at 7:00 p.m., November 23rd at 2:00 p.m.

Ticket prices!!!! \$8 for children & senior citizens, \$10 for adults

This is an event you can take your whole family to, and they will all love it! This production is something done by students in our wonderful school who put their effort in to do this all in fun and joy for you guys to come see! I guarantee if you come to see this play you will not regret it. You will have an amazing time. All kids in your family will enjoy it —young and old.

Miss G: "You should come to the musical because it is a really fun and exciting show! The music is amazing and it's just an amazing musical."

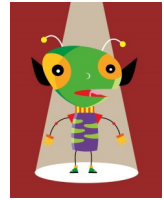
John Babbitts: "You should come see the musical because it is very lively and imaginative in its own way!"

John-Anthony Cirello: "You should come to the musical because it is a great chance to see something live."



Extraterrestrial Intelligence

By: Maks Henzel-Kedzior



Based off of the article by National Geographic, The Hunt For Life Beyond Earth.

Have you ever wondered if there are Aliens? I think we all have. But did you know scientists have come close to finding intelligent Alien

life? $N = R \times f_p \times f_i \times f_c \times L$ is an equation that estimates the number of alien civilizations we could detect. Each variable stands for something scientists need to discover these civilizations.* The only variable that we know for sure is R, the formation rate of sun like stars in the Milky Way. This equation was written by astronomer Frank Drake in November 1961. Drake wrote the equation right before an Astronomy meeting that he called to talk about the search for extraterrestrial intelligence or SETI. SETI "was essentially taboo in astronomy," Drake, now 84, remembers. But he got some scientists of different fields including Carl Sagan "to discuss what is now called astrobiology, the science of life beyond Earth." The search of alien life is really a search for alien radio broadcasts. If the civilization is intelligent enough to send out radio broadcasts, then they must live and be worth trying to communicate with or one day visit. What do you think about aliens? Do you think we will ever find intelligent life out

N	How many intelligent alien civilizations there are
R	The formation of sun like stars in the Milky Way
f_p	Stars that have planetary systems
f_i	Number of life-friendly planets on average in each such system
f_c	Planets where life arises
f_e	Where life evolves intelligence
L	Those that might develop the technology to emit radio signals we could detect.



Commentary by Connaughton

Video Game Review

Review by: Julian Connaughton

Super Smash Brothers



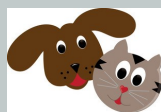
Hey, this is Julian Connaughton, a 6th grader who loves writing, and this is my very first article for the DVMS Warrior Times. This year, I will be your new video game reviewer. I will be telling you about the newest and coolest games out lately, I will tell you all about the game, and after the review, I will tell you if you should go out and waste your money on the game because it is worth it, or I will tell you if you shouldn't get the game because it is heinous, or if it is just TOO expensive. Last year, when I was a 5th Grader, I wrote ALL kinds of reviews in the Shohola Scoop newspaper(books, video games subscription boxes, etc.) People who I didn't know knew who I was because of those articles. I hope you enjoy ALL of my articles, and if you do, give me feedback. Enjoy reading my first article on Super Smash Bros. for the Nintendo 3DS and Nintendo Wii U.

Before I start the review, I have 2 questions for you: Do you like the "Super Smash Bros." series? Do you like fighting games? If you answered yes to one of these questions, you are going to love Super Smash Bros! Super Smash Bros. came out on October 3, 2014 for just the 3DS. The Wii U version will come out November 21, 2014. In this game, newcomers, people from older games of Super Smash Bros., and Nintendo characters that have been around on every single game of Super Smash Bros. are in the brawl.

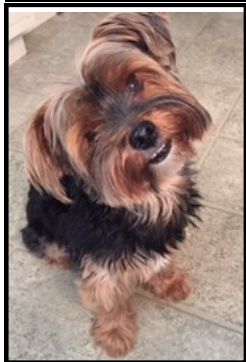
For the first time ever in Smash Bros. history, you can now create Mii fighters! You can create a swordsman, a gunner, or a brawler. Before we continue, I have another question for you: Who are you going to bring to the brawl? Answer? ANYONE YOU WANT! You can choose from a set of courses inspired by a variety of Nintendo games. You can also do what is called a Smash Run, a 5 minute run with some of Nintendo's famous levels and enemies. You can gain power from all of the stat boosters you have collected in the run. You have to unlock the special powers to make your character stronger in battle. This game is rated E10+, but it has no contents that you would find inappropriate. The only violence it has is the fighting.

I've got one more question for you: Do I think you should buy this game for \$39.99? The answer is yes, because it was the best of E3 and it was given a Game Critics award by E3.

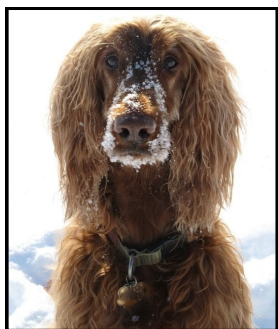
I like this game because I am a fan of the Super Smash Bros. series. This concludes my first review on video games. I hoped you enjoyed reading my article, and if you did, read my next article in the DVMS Warrior Times.



A DVMS Warrior Times Special: Teacher's Pets



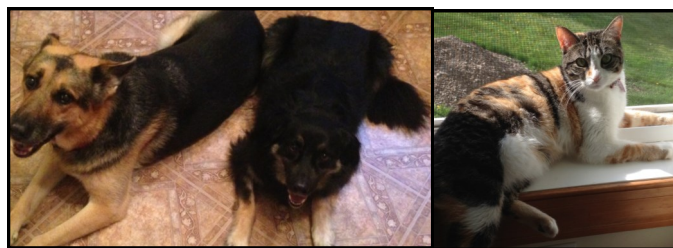
Mrs. Carter's pooch,
Lola!



Mr. Horst's dog Sophie,
playing in the snow!



Mrs. Snure's dogs, Lady and Shadow.



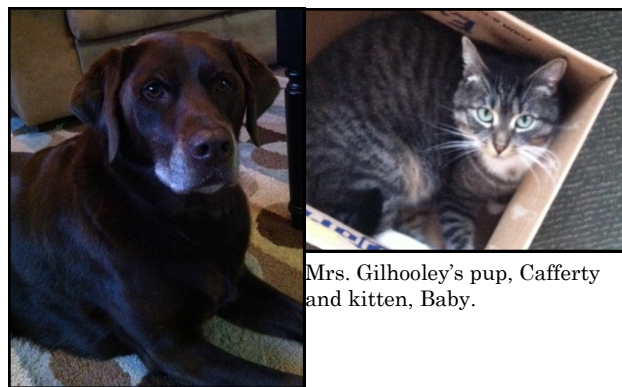
Mrs. Topa's fur babies, Heidi, Dakota (left), and Aurora (right).



Mrs. Shire's dog, Elsa, named by
her 9-year old daughter.



Mrs. Lockwood's cat, Sophia, and
goldfish, Klaus.



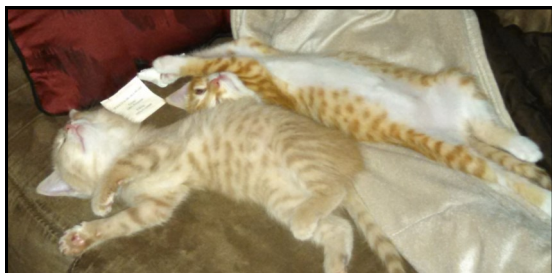
Mrs. Gilhooley's pup, Cafferty
and kitten, Baby.



Miss O'Brien's puppy, Zoey!



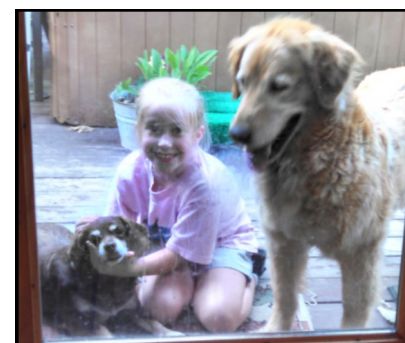
Mrs. DeYoung's dogs, Diesel and
Dixie!



Mrs. Ward's rescue kitties, Pumpkin and Peaches!



Mrs. Palko's pets:
Bruno (upper
left), Goby
(above), and Ban-
dit (lower left).



Mrs. Ward's daughter, Samantha,
and their dogs Bear and Bailey.

Teacher Interview: Mr. Penberthy

By: Arianna Peters



Q: Mr. Penberthy, what were you like as a middle school student?

A: As a middle school student, I was quiet and a little awkward. I remember I had a bowl haircut which at the time I thought was cool, but when I look at the pictures now I laugh.

Q: What or who inspired you to become a teacher?

A: My middle school wrestling coach, Mr. Turner.

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: I have a dog named Bella and 2 cats.

Q: Why did you decide to teach Social Studies?

A: I always enjoyed history when I was growing up, and it is a subject

that I would like to further study as I continue my education.

Q: Did you ever want to be anything other than a teacher?

A: Well, I actually used to compete in mixed martial arts, and I fought professionally as a cage fighter before I became a teacher. However, teaching has more benefits and less risk of injury, so I decided to put down my gloves and pick up the books.

Q: What is your favorite project you did with your students?

A: I had my 7th grade students create brochures about the Articles of Confederation. The students did a really nice job with these, and I even displayed them on my cart which I push from

class to class.

Q: What do you like to do outside of school for fun?

A: Anything outdoors! I love hiking, fishing, swimming, and rafting down the Delaware River.

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

A: That I'm secretly a *Harry Potter* fan!



Teacher Interview: Miss Sikora

By: Arianna Peters

Q: Miss Sikora, You are so involved in school with teaching, coaching volleyball and softball, and running Jr. Sasa, Cooking Club, and Yearbook Club. How do you juggle it all?

A: The most important aspect of succeeding, whether its one thing or twenty things, is to be organized. For me it works if I keep an up-to-date calendar listing all my responsibilities and important dates. I also love to write lists, I feel that lists help me keep my priorities straight and keep me focused. I also try to focus on one thing at a time; when you try to divide up your focus on too many things you can get lost in your responsibilities.

Q: Why did you want to become a FACS teacher?

A: In 11th grade I had a fantastic teacher who was great and loved what she did, so she inspired me!

Q: How do you come up with the recipes you decide to have your students cook?

A: Pinterest is my best friend! I also use cookbooks.

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: I used to have a chocolate lab.

Q: What college did you go to?

A: Marywood University. I majored in FACS and minored in nutrition.

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

A: I have a shoe obsession with any shoe stylish and unique!

Q: What do you spend your free time doing?

A: I love to workout and be active and cook!



Riddles (Medium Difficulty)
By: Julian Connaughton (Video Game Guy)

Hey, this is Julian Connaughton, the video game guy with some riddles at medium difficulty. Good luck trying to figure out the answers!

1. Wooden Box Riddle

What do you put in a wooden box to make it lighter?

2. Deadly Number Riddle

I am a number. If you eat me you'll DIE. What am I?

3. Battery Problem Riddle

For some inexplicable reason, a man was about to lose his data on his laptop. The battery was getting more critical every second, and the time left said 1 minute 5 seconds, but five minutes later, he was chatting with his friends.

How could this happen??

Answers 1. Holes 2. ZERO 3. His charger was right next to him. All he had to do was to plug it in.

#Hashtag Word Search
By Chad Ford

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Upcoming School Events

- DVMS Drama Production—Friday, November 21, Sat. November 22, & Sun. November 23
- Parent/Teacher Conferences—Tuesday, November 25
- Grandparent's Day—Wednesday, November 26
- Fall Recess—Thursday, November 27-Monday, December 1
- Winter Pep Rally—Thursday, December 4
- Winter Dance—Thursday, December 4 from 3-5pm
- Winter Recess—Wednesday, December 24-Monday, January 5



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