

DELAWARE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
"Where Dreams Become Reality"

THREE TIMES THE FUN: Our terrific trio of **Odyssey of the Mind** teams has been hard at work preparing for the **Northeast PA Regional Tournament**, which will be held on Saturday, **February 24th** at **Pocono Mountain West High School** in Pocono Summit, PA. Teams that place first or second at Regionals will advance to State Finals, which will be held on Saturday April 6th at Pocono Mountain East High School in Swiftwater, PA.

Problem 1: Drive-In Movie: Mrs. Nielsen's vehicle team (**Gianna Neilson, Miley Sutton, Joellen Nielsen, Paul Barcia, Mary Cetin, Lyla Mieczkowski, and Kelsey Hunt**), is designing and creating a vehicle with a team-created rider that travels to a drive-in theater. During the performance, a special effect will occur on the vehicle which makes it seem to become a part of the action. Their skit sounds **WHEELY** exciting!



(pictured in the Vehicle Team's group photo—front, left to right: **Miley Sutton, Paul Barcia**. Back, left to right: **Joellen Nielsen, Mary Cetin, Lyla Mieczkowski, Kelsey Hunt, and Gianna Neilson**.)

Problem 2: AI Tech-NO-Art: Mrs. Lockwood's Technical team (**Beau Tannenbaum, Brooke Nielsen, Clare Barcia, Christopher Miller, Patty Chen, Ariel Weyant, and Michael Simmons**) is designing and creating a device that determines if a work of art is beautiful or not. Once determined that one work of art is not beautiful, it will dismantle it and create a new work of art which it believes is beautiful. Their newspaper-themed skit is sure to be **INK-credible**!



(pictured in the Tech Team's group photo--front, left to right: **Ariel Weyant and Michael Simmons**. Back, left to right: **Patty Chen, Clare Barcia, Brooke Nielsen, Beau Tannenbaum, and Christopher Miller**.)

Problem 4: Deep Space Structure: In Miss Bednar & Mr. Rhule's Structure team's (Trent Kaylor, Patrick Fleming, Taryn Kaylor, Maryah Nuhn, Sekai Jones, Mackenzie DiMarsico, and Alia Arias) problem, they must unravel an original mystery by portraying a balsa wood structure discovered in deep space. The structure will be examined, tested, interviewed, and observed, all while an actual balsa wood structure is being tested to balance and support as much weight as possible. Their skit is sure to be OUT of this WORLD!

SNOWAY: The DVMS Ski and Snowboarding club is having **SNOW** much fun hitting the slopes of Shawnee Mountain! Our club has grown to include over **30 students** with a wide range of abilities this year. Our members who took to the slopes as novice skiers are getting more and more confident with each passing trip and lesson they take. Our intermediate to advanced skiers and snowboarders are strengthening their skills each week while hitting the terrain park and navigating the mountain. Everyone involved is having a blast with old friends and making new ones along the way. We look forward to spending more time together on the mountain throughout the month of February.



DVMS SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB

GROUND MOVING WORK: Mr. Jayne's class engaged in a lab where they used edible materials to model the different types of plate boundaries. These included convergent, divergent, and transform boundaries. Students answered questions related to the model and what it represented at the actual boundary. These scientists had lots of fun making a mess and studying the theory of plate tectonics at the same time!



Zoe Bocaletti, Taryn Kaylor, Harlee Draghi, Daphne Ley, Landon Sluck, Blake Mady

CHANGING OUR WORLD: Marking the beginning of Black History Month, Mrs. Shedlauskas has created a bulletin board offering a variety of reading opportunities promoting some of the most historical world change agents. The bulletin area outside of the library showcases an extraordinary group of individuals that have helped to change our world across many facets of business, industry, and entertainment.



Mrs. Shedlauskas & Mrs. Gilhooley

JANUARY TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Mrs. Strapec, World Language Teacher

JANUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH NOMINEES

**Annabelle Babb
Caitlyn Feely
Taryn Kaylor
Joellen Nielson
Ashlyn Rodriguez
Skylar Shin**

**Matthew Colon
Aiva Garnham
Ayla Martine
Colin O'Connor
Ilaria Sarte
Hailee Walzer**

**Emerson Delrio
Jeremy Gesualdo
Mia McFarlane
Jonathon Petrick
Connor Stewart**

**Thomas Famoso
Devyn Jahrling
Adeline Murphy
Liam Quill
Patrick Tamplin**

JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Zamaya Sarabia, Tristan Harrison, Taylor Babb, Fallyn Brockway

FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS

February 19
February 24

School Closed, President's Day
String Festival Performance, HS Auditorium 4 – 6:00PM

We are rapidly moving through this school year having already begun the third marking period. The students have begun receiving recommendations for the following school year. These are derived based on student performance. Please encourage your children to provide their best effort so the most accurate assessment of their abilities can be made. Tutoring is available after school to support instruction. If you have concerns, please reach out to the teacher for a discussion.

Hopefully, we will continue through the light winter weather, and we will soon be moving toward some beautiful spring sunshine. Thank you for your continued support and have a wonderful and safe month.

Sincerely,

Pete Ioppolo, Ed. D.
Principal