



Spring 2018

# DELAWARE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



## Prom 2018 News

The 2018 Delaware Valley Prom will be held Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Kalahari Convention Center in Pocono Manor Pa. The cost of the tickets are \$40 per person and includes a full dinner and dancing from 6-10pm. Tickets will be on sale Thursday 4/12 – 4/18 before school and during all lunches. This event is open to all DV seniors and approved guests.

This year the Class of 2018 will be hosting the first ever post prom activity at Kalahari Waterpark! This event will run from 10pm on Friday 5/11 through 5am on Saturday 5/12. All after-prom attendees will have exclusive access to the Kalahari waterpark and entertainment center, a pizza and frozen yogurt buffet, unlimited soft drinks, and a 75 token entertainment center gift card. Bus transportation will be provided back to DVHS on Saturday morning. Due to safety concerns regarding students being awake all night, students WILL NOT be able to drive home after the event. The cost of the overnight event is only \$75 per person! Tickets can be purchased from Mrs. Marchetti or during prom ticket sales.



During the week of February 19, students from Mr. Pol's AP Literature class (5th Period) responded to an initiative started by Diane Wolk-Rogers, an AP World History teacher at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. Handling the "thoughts and prayers" stance on a more intimate level, Ms. Wolk Rogers, who appeared on CNN, asked students and teachers nationwide to send letters to her grieving students at Stoneman Douglas, so that they may have something positive to receive upon their trying return to school. Their letters were sent on Tuesday of that week.



As part of their unit on food and eating habits in France, French 1 students celebrated a French breakfast. Pastries of all kinds were supplied by the Waterwheel Café and students got to taste croissants, chocolate and almond croissants, as well as éclairs. In the traditional French way students drank their hot chocolate from a small bowl.

In celebration of Mardi Gras, French 1 students met after school to make traditional New Orleans Beignets, small doughnut like pastries. Students went through the steps of shaping, frying, sugaring, and foremost eating the Beignets. Délicieux!

Students in Mr. Cotroneo's AP Spanish class participated in the National Spanish Exam in March. Results will be released on or before May 1st and students will know if they placed nationally and/or locally.

On Thursday, April 12, Saida Bary, Desiree Marquez, Lexi Sickler, Brianna Tonnesen, and Marissa Walzer accompanied Mr. Cotroneo to Marywood University to participate in their annual Immersion Day. Students participated in various activities in Spanish, had discussions pertaining to why it is important to continue studying Spanish regardless of career choice, and how marketable they will be if they are bilingual.

# Español

## PA HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER FAIR

Congratulations to Dave DeFreese who competed at the Regional Level of the High School Computer Fair. Dave entered his original animation titled, "ScienBot's Cane" and earned first place against five other teams. Dave's animation was solely designed and animated by him. In addition he also wrote the storyline and script. Dave will go on to compete at the state level at Dickinson College in May. To view Dave's winning animation, please visit: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNnQRonnlvg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNnQRonnlvg)



On Saturday, February 3rd the DVHS Engineering Club competed in the Region 9 Technology Student Association competition at Stroudsburg High School. The club did very well, with the most top 3 finishes in its history. The top 3 finishers and state qualifiers were: Nicholas McBride (1<sup>st</sup> place, Tech Bowl), Alexander Coelho (2<sup>nd</sup> place, Transportation Modeling and 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Tech Problem Solving), Grace Reixinger (2<sup>nd</sup> place, Flight Endurance), Harlan Muttee (2<sup>nd</sup> place, Tech Problem Solving), and Isaac Thollot (3<sup>rd</sup> place, 3D CAD). The club also had a 4<sup>th</sup> place in Tech Problem Solving (Richard Albanese and Nicholas Drago), (3) 6<sup>th</sup> place finishes, (1) 7<sup>th</sup> place finish, (2) 8<sup>th</sup> place finishes, (1) 9<sup>th</sup> place finish, and (1) 12<sup>th</sup> place finish.



On Friday, February 9th the DVHS Engineering Club competed in the Pennsylvania Governor's STEM Challenge at Colonial IU 20 in Easton, PA. The team, consisting of Richard Albanese, Cody Dailey, Nicholas McBride, Harlan Muttee, and Isaac Thollot, came up with a very innovative design for a portable emergency shelter. The team presented their design to a group of industry professionals for judging. The students worked many hours on their own time on this project. The competition also included a "Project-in-a-box", where the students were given 30 minutes to design and build a vehicle to travel as far as possible in a straight line, using only the materials supplied to them. They finished in second place overall.



**THIS IS  
ENGINEERING**



Senior Morgan Gifford, news co-editor for the *Del.Aware*, has received first place in the state of Pennsylvania for the Division IV Keystone Press Awards for her sports photography skills. She received her award for her captured picture of a DV swimmer last winter.

“I was very proud to have earned the first place award for sports photography. I have taken sports photos for soccer, wrestling and swimming. Taking photos for swimming may be the most challenging, but is the most rewarding,” said Gifford.

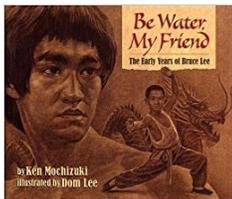
Gifford took journalism since her sophomore year and became a member of the newspaper staff her junior year, continuing onto senior year.

“For two solid years, Morgan has been persistent in her efforts to become a better sports photographer. This award is a reminder of all her hard **work**,” said journalism teacher Mrs. Leslie Lordi.



Congratulations to all the members of the Family, Career, Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization who competed at the FCCLA State Leadership Competition this past March at Kalahari Resort.

DV competed in team and individual events earning four Gold Medals, three Silver Medals, and three Bronze Medals! We are pleased to announce that the following Delaware Valley High School students will be advancing to the National FCCLA Leadership Competition at the end of June in Atlanta, GA. Katie Mauro (12th Grade) , Annberly Duke (12th Grade), Sara Duffy (12th Grade), Alyssa Tassos (12th Grade), Autumn Vallis (12th Grade) ,Sylvan Ortiz (12th Grade), Kaitlyn Aschoff (9th Grade) & Katelyn Mapes (9th Grade).



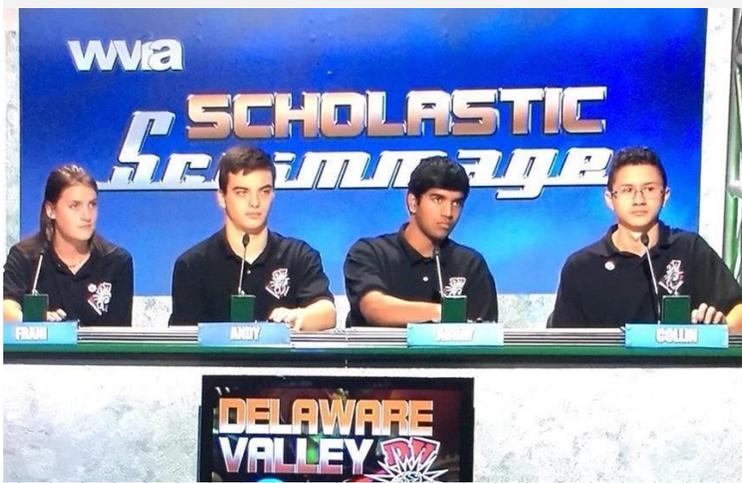
English learners in Mrs. Krasulski’s ESL class explored the theme, **What’s Makes Us Wise?**, through the biography, **Be Water, My Friend: The Early Years of Bruce Lee**. To help the students understand the text and the visuals, the students met with Social Studies teacher, Mr. Marcial, who gave them a lesson in Tai Chi. Students learned some basic movements which allowed them to move like the water mentioned in the text. It truly was a moving experience.



### FBLA CONDUCTS BOOK DRIVE FOR PROJECT ABILITY – COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

The Community Service Project team of Delaware Valley HS FBLA held a children's book drive for children in grades K-6. The books are going to be donated to CDD and Cori's Place, both that service children and adults with disabilities. The goal was to collect 500 books but the community effort was so successful that 2,004 books were collected.





The DV Scholastic Bowl team was named to the Morlan's Top 125 teams in the nation. Delaware Valley's A team has earned several qualifications for Nationals and will be competing against top teams in early June in the PACE National Scholastic Championship in Reston, Virginia.



FBLA and Business/Marketing students were informed on how to start up their own business by participating in the Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Program (PFEW.) Students will attend the week summer camp either at Lycoming College or PA College of Technology. The participants make up an "imaginary" management team where they will learn first-hand about the Free Enterprise System. Their task is to turn their failing company into a financial success! They will develop their own marketing strategies, design a website and, make all of the decisions that are demanded of real life company executives.



On February 15th, 2018, State President Shane Fagan spoke at the PACTA CTE Symposium at the Hershey Lodge in Hershey, PA. Along with the other State Presidents of their respective CTSOs, they were honored for our outstanding contributions to CTE and its students statewide. Shane prepared and delivered a three-minute speech highlighting the successes of last year and the goals of this year, discussing membership statistics, state project funding for the Alzheimer's Association, and the upcoming State Leadership Conference approaching quickly. This conference acted as a fantastic way to further promote PA FBLA and its goals to premier career and technical schools throughout the Commonwealth. With over 500 teachers, administrators, and legislators in attendance, this was the perfect audience to hear PA FBLA's inspiring message. Furthermore, Shane had the unique opportunity to network with the other CTSO Presidents and gain valuable knowledge and information to bring back to our organization. Overall, this experience was very beneficial to Pennsylvania FBLA, serving as a stepping stone before the final showdown in April.

The DV FBLA chapter competed at the State Leadership Conference in Hershey the week of April 9th where over 4,000 members competed. Chapter awards received were: first place for the William Selden Outstanding Chapter for all the activities and community service the chapter does throughout the year. There are 500 chapters in PA., first place for the most community service hours – 5,522.75 hours, second place for the top fundraising chapter for the state project and third place for community service project.

Individual event winners were: 1st place – David DeFreese in Open Event Computer Operating Systems, 2nd place – Eileen Nikles – Business Communications, 3rd place, Anastasia Grigoryeva, Database Design and Application and 16 students placed in the top ten. Shane Fagan received a \$2,000 scholarship and achieved the America, highest level of the BAA award. Shane Fagan and Eileen Nikles received the Keystone Leadership award and the following were inducted into the National Business Honor Society: Natalia Torres, Eileen Nikles, Tyler Magee and Liliana Hendrix. Seven students advanced to compete at the National Competition in Baltimore, MD at the end of June.



### Hospitality Speakers

On Friday March 23<sup>rd</sup> Mrs. Brenda Lidy from Keystone College spoke to Miss Yanko's Hospitality & Tourism students. She brought information about Keystone's Business and Hospitality majors as well as fun swag for the students! Mrs. Lidy talked about the opportunities in the hospitality industry in our regional area and gave examples of the famous companies that her previous students are now working for. Mrs. Lidy and Keystone College coordinate with Delaware Valley in providing dual-enrollment credit for the Hospitality & Tourism course as well as other business courses. Students are encouraged to speak to a Business Department teacher for more information or visit [www.keystone.edu](http://www.keystone.edu).

Hospitality students were also visited by Ms. Amanda Olthoff from Cedar Lakes Estate. Cedar Lakes is located just over the bridge outside of Port Jervis and offers a rustic hideaway and camp setting on over 500 acres for various events such as weddings and corporate retreats. Designed to be like an "adult summer camp" for city-dwellers, Cedar Lakes hosts major companies such as Google and Uber throughout their season. Each weekend also brings unique and upscale weddings from April through November. Cedar Lakes prides itself on keeping things local including locally sourced foods Ms. Olthoff discussed the history of the venue, the various amenities and encouraged students to apply for various job openings. DV and Cedar Lakes Estate hope to build a connection within the community. For more information, please contact JoAnne Yanko at [yankoj@dvsd.org](mailto:yankoj@dvsd.org) or visit [cedarlakesestate.com](http://cedarlakesestate.com)

**TEAM**  
Hospitality



### Music

All students who were eligible for PMEA Region Festivals made them, totaling 7 students across Band, Chorus, and Orchestra. Additionally, two of these students are moving on the State Orchestra Festival to be held in Lancaster, PA from April 18th-21st.



Several well-respected clinicians will be conducting workshops with each music ensemble at DVHS. Participation in these is part of the requirements for students to attend a day at 6 Flags in June as part of our Music and the Park initiative.

Music  
with heart...

Our music students were well prepared for another Benefit Concert in early March that ended up being cancelled due to weather.





## CTE Tours for Freshman

### Building Trades



### Culinary Arts



### Early Childhood



The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards is a national competition recognizing teens with exceptional talent in 29 different categories of art and writing. The core values are originality, technical skill, and the emergence of personal voice or vision. DVHS artists were among the 60,000 who entered works in the Northeast Region-At-Large division. Having competed in such a large division, the art department is especially excited this year that Delaware Valley has earned a total of 37 awards consisting of 14 Gold Keys, 11 Silver Keys and 12 Honorable Mentions. Gold Key award winning entries will proceed to national judging. We would like to congratulate our students for their hard work and excellence.

#### Gold Key

Paige Collins  
 Madison Dean (2)  
 David Defreese  
 Dakota Fury  
 Chloe Gawel  
 Jada Gonzalez  
 Reilly Henry  
 Delia Macaulay  
 Abigail Reno  
 Dena Salotti  
 Julia Thompson (2)  
 Jesse Umstead

#### Silver Key

Catalina Arrabito  
 Olivia Becker  
 Christopher Bernazzani  
 Madison Dean  
 Dakota Fury  
 Chloe Gawel  
 Delia Macaulay  
 Nicole Martucci  
 Kaitlyn Nagrowski  
 Nickolas Thalassinis  
 Cyan Vazquez

#### Honorable Mention

Kayley Baker  
 Paige Collins  
 Halley Deskin  
 Samantha Fraulo  
 Alexandra Garcia  
 Chloe Gawel  
 Christen Good  
 Adriana Majoica  
 Heather Quadrino  
 Ashley Skrypek  
 Julia Thompson  
 Georgana Williams

NATIONAL  
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 HONOR SOCIETY

The newly founded National Art Honor Society would like to announce our officers. President, Julia Thompson; Vice President, Chiara Ruggiero; Secretary Abigail Babitz; Treasurer, Olivia Wood; and Historian, Anastasia Geros. In keeping with our pledge of promoting the arts, members have already planned some new projects and events. One of them was a Black History month bulletin display highlighting black American influential artists. Members are also currently working on coordinating an activity with the middle school to help inspire our younger artists. Also being discussed is a project supporting the LGBT audience.

In addition, the Art Honor Society will be selling notecards featuring student artwork at the annual art show. Notecards can be purchased in sets of 8 for \$5.00. Congratulations to the student artists whose work is being featured this year: Cheyenne Allen, Gr. 11; Ian McFadden, Gr. 11; Isaac Yost, Gr. 11; Kayley Baker, Gr. 10; Madison Dean, Gr. 12; Meghan Kelly, Gr. 12; Melody Bookey, Gr. 10; Nick Ficker, Gr. 11.

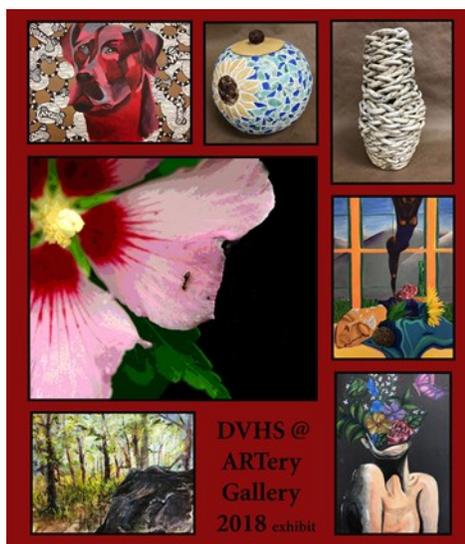


Seniors Paige Collins and Paxton Mentnech were selected by their teachers to represent DV in the WVIA Artist of the Week program. Both students traveled to the Pittston studios to be interviewed on tape for their broadcast segments, which were aired on WVIA on March 25th, and can be seen online anytime at <http://www.wvia.org/education/artist-week/>

During the interview, Paige's artwork was shown as she spoke about her process and inspiration. Paxton was taped performing freestyle jazz on the drum kit which was shown as he talked about his musical influences and future plans. Both students did a great job expressing themselves, allowing the viewer to appreciate and understand their artistic work.



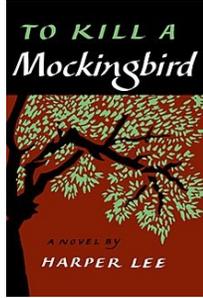
Congratulations to Heather Quadrino, grade 11, for winning the "Dream and Do" art challenge sponsored by Pennsylvania College of Technology and WVIA Public Media. Heather's drawing with markers, entitled Light the Way depicts how one person's effort can be the gateway to helping others in the community find their way to a better world. She was presented with a gift basket filled with art supplies, reference and activity books and other useful items.



The ARTery Gallery in Milford hosted the DVHS art students for another successful show and sale. On the evening of March 10th, forty student artists along with their families and friends gathered at the Gallery on Broad street to enjoy the curated exhibit, refreshments and especially, the opportunity to talk with others about the work on display. The Gallery was filled to capacity; the power outages and hardships endured by most of the participants' families did not dampen enthusiasm. In fact, the excitement and turnout was especially celebratory this year. The show, entitled "Unplugged: The Timeless Joy of Making Art" features works from all of the disciplines offered by the high school art program: drawing, painting, photography, computer art, ceramics, and jewelry. The work was for sale; with many pieces selling on opening night, and remained on display at the gallery until April 16th.

## Language Arts

Ninth grade English students were treated to an immersive study of the classic novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird* during the winter months. The ninth grade teachers used many active reading teaching strategies to help students comprehend the challenging language and intertwining plot lines of the novel. Teachers drew on strategies they learned through the Reading Apprenticeship program. These hands-on techniques included activities such as Readers' Theatre in which students rehearsed and performed the trial scene. This teaching strategy aids the development of oral reading fluency in grade-level and struggling students. Several classes even conducted a Skype interview with Elmer Pizzi, a veteran whose family experienced and struggled through The Great Depression.



Students in Mrs. Ross Intermediate Foods B classes enjoyed making their own meals following the My Plate recommendations, during their many snow days. They needed to include a protein, vegetable, a fruit, a dairy and a grain. If they were missing a food group, they needed to describe how they would add to alter their meal to make it a complete meal following the recommendations <https://www.choosemyplate.gov/>



The intermediate Foods B classes have continued with the My Plate theme throughout the semester and are enjoying creating meals to share with their classmates during kitchen lab days. For our yeast bread unit, students first learned how to develop the gluten in the flour by kneading. Students compared the kneading process to chewing a piece of gum until they were able to blow a bubble. When the gum became hard to chew they over worked the dough and it could no longer rise.

The Foods A students have been working hard to learn the skill and techniques needed for following a recipe and measuring correctly. Part of this measuring correctly is mise en place or gathering all ingredients and measuring before you begin. These newly learned skills are valuable as the students in Foods A prepare for their cupcake wars. Students show off their decorating cakes and piping skills as they practice decorating techniques.



Students made Olive Garden Copy Cat Salad, including the Olive Garden Salad Dressing and Bread Sticks and Pizza.



Along with a small group of students, senior Garret Hawkins was able to develop a Freestyle ski and snowboard competition team in conjunction with the high school ski club. This past season, Garret competed in the slopestyle category in local competitions and ended his season with a ranking of 11th in the country and an invitation to the USASA national competition in Copper, Colorado .

