



The Delsea Crusader's Banner

2010 Winter Report to the Community
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DELSEA STUDENTS WIN TOP PRIZES AT WIDENER UNIVERSITY DESIGN COMPETITION

Delsea High School students in Mr. James Dallett's computer aided engineering class (CAE) competed in an annual design competition held at Widener University in West Chester, PA on October 21, 2009. This year 37 teams from schools in Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey competed for the top prize. Each year the competition is held, a different problem is presented for students to solve. Students must adhere to strict rules and specifications in order to qualify for the competition.

This year, three teams of Delsea students captured first, second and third place to sweep the competition. The first place team consisted of Chris Pondo, Brooke Phillips and Barry Metcalf. Second place winner was Vlad Koldmasov and third place was awarded to Anthony Merlino. All the students involved in the competition worked together as a team to build a mousetrap-powered device that had to successfully travel in a 360 degree circle without touching the track's retaining walls. Winning this competition has become a Delsea tradition as this is the third straight year that Delsea students have placed in the top five and the second time that they swept the top three spots. For Mr. Dallett's CAE students, this competition emphasizes teamwork and school spirit. Most of the students are interested in pursuing a career in either mechanical engineering, design or architecture.

Row 1: (from left to right) Kyle Patrick, Vlad Koldmasov, Anthony Merlino, Dylan Storms, Paul Pierson, Barry Metcalfe, Brooke Phillips
Row 2: Brian Spence, Eric Christ, Nick Visalli, Joe Decker, Chris Pondo, Leno Zuccarini, Miles Dunlap, Jake Morchauser



ANNIE will be performed at Delsea Regional High School

Performances will be held on Thursday,	March 11th at 7 p.m.
Friday,	March 12th at 7 p.m.
Saturday,	March 13th at 1 p.m.
	March 13th at 7 p.m.

\$8 per ticket (reserved seating)

Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door (while available)

Call (856) 694-0100 x 376 for tickets

There will be discounted tickets for the 1 p.m. performance if a canned good is donated for the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation.



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Coach Meg Unger - Gloucester County Times Field Hockey Coach of the Year

DELSEA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE COACHES OF THE YEAR

Coach Meg Unger stated "The girls should get all the credit, from my perspective, I just watched them. We had intense practices and by the time the games came, they were physically and mentally prepared to play. They went out with that attitude where they just knew nobody could beat them."

Coach Linda Marchese stated, "We had a great season because the girls worked hard all summer long. They started practice the first week in July and continued through until Thanksgiving. It goes to show that hard work and dedication will pay off at the end of a very long but rewarding season."



Coach Linda Marchese - Courier Post Cross Country Coach of the Year

BANNER SEASON FOR DELSEA SPORT TEAMS

The Delsea boys' and girls' winter track and field teams captured the state relay team championship on January 16, 2010 at the Bennett Indoor Complex in Toms River. The 4X400 team of Felicia O'Donnell, Lateaque Jackson, Ashley Woodards, and Brianna Crofton captured the gold medal. The 4X800 team of Ashley Deckert, Felicia O'Donnell, Paige Senatore, and Brenda Mendez also finished first. Finally Janiece Rose and Jeanne Berry combined to give the Delsea girls' their third top finish in the shot-put relay. Congratulations to the Crusaders and head coach Ronn Flaim.

The 2009 Delsea girls' cross country team coached by Physical Education teacher, Linda Marchese and assistant coach, Brittany McCann finished their season winning the Gloucester County, Tri-County, Sectional and State Championships in Group II. They were selected by the Courier Post as the overall #1 team in South Jersey for all groups receiving the Courier Cup honor.

The Delsea Regional High School field hockey team won the 2009 Tri-County Championship.

The Delsea Crusader football team won the South Jersey Group II championship for the second straight year. The Crusaders also hold the South Jersey single-season scoring record with 510 points. They surpassed the 504 point record held by Paulsboro High School football team since 2001.



Pictured above - 8th grade student, Kayla Staley, with her grandmother at the Grandparents Breakfast held during National Education Week.

"CHALLENGE DAY" HELD AT DELSEA MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Challenge Day Program inspires youth and adults to be the change they want to see in their schools, in their communities, and in the world by increasing their personal power and self-esteem. Challenge Day helps young people learn to connect through powerful, often life-changing programs. It is designed to help stop the bullying, violence and alienation that youth face every day.

Delsea Regional Middle School hosted Challenge Day on January 12, 13, & 14, 2010. Over 300 students and 50 staff members were chosen to participate in this three day event. The activities allowed students to experience the effects of bullying and alienation. The students were also trained in techniques to stop bullying and alienation among their peers. This was the 2nd year that this event was held at Delsea Middle School.

DELSEA STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY

Beginning in October, the high school English club and Student Government Association (SGA) worked in tandem to organize events to promote class spirit and solicit donations for the Susan G. Komen Foundation. The Student Government Association collected \$729 during Delsea High School's annual Spirit Week celebration which brought the total donation to \$1200 for the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Students from the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) class joined forces with the Pelican Restaurant of Washington Twp., to raise awareness for pediatric cancer. The campaign was spearheaded by Delsea DECA officers, Stephanie Cancglin and Tara Craig. The marketing students and business raised over \$1,000 for this worthy cause.

The DECA students also sponsored Shoes that Fit, an initiative to provide at least one pair of shoes for needy children. In addition, the DECA members purchased clothing, toys and books in order to provide holiday gifts for over 135 local children.

During the holiday season, members of Delsea Regional High School's JROTC Crusader Battalion participated in the Marine Corps League Toys for Tots Program. Students collected over 1865 new toys in order to help needy children in Franklin and Elk township communities. The students' challenge this year was to collect 1200 toys which they well exceeded and in fact collected more toys this year than in past three years.

Delsea clubs in both the middle school and high school collaborated to raise money for the Haitian earthquake efforts. Youth Organized for Disaster Action (Y.O.D.A.), Key Club and the SGA worked together in this endeavor. To date Delsea clubs have raised \$2,113 to be donated to the Red Cross.

For the second year in a row, Y.O.D.A. is running a canned food drive to benefit New Life Ministries food pantry in Malaga. Through their English classes, the Y.O.D.A. group is hosting a competition to bring in the most canned goods. The winning class is rewarded with donuts, but the real winners are the community members who receive the pantry items.

DELSEA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S MEDIA CENTER SPECIALIST IS PUBLISHED IN REFERENCE BOOK

Delsea Media Center specialist, Mary Moyer, recently had work published in a book entitled "Teen Centered Library Services." This reference book will be used in libraries throughout the United States.

In the article, Delsea's media specialist was featured in a chapter about how school and public libraries successfully collaborate to aid students working on educational projects. A photo from one of the many events that the Delsea Media Center hosts throughout the school year was also included. This is the second article nationally published for Ms. Moyer.



DELSEA STUDENTS EARN SPOTS IN ALL-SOUTH JERSEY CHORUS AND BAND

Delsea Regional is proud to announce that eleventh grader Elisa Grello and seventh grader Kristina Handy auditioned for and were selected to perform with the 2010 All-South Jersey Chorus. The performances took place on January 30th and 31st at Eastern High School.

Four members of Delsea Regional High School's band auditioned and were selected as members of the 2009-2010 All-South Jersey Symphonic Band, Orchestra and Wind Ensemble. Sophomore Sara Smith, who plays the violin, earned a spot in the orchestra. Senior Malcolm Homeyer, who plays the clarinet, junior Jessie Thiele, who plays the clarinet and freshman Amanda Schmidt, who plays the flute were selected for the Wind Ensemble.

Two middle school students also performed with the South Jersey Junior Blue Band. Samantha Considine, who plays the trombone, and Janell Pitts, who plays the baritone saxophone, won positions in the band and orchestra out of the hundreds of students who auditioned from the South Jersey region. The orchestra concert, conducted by Dr. James Kjelland, was held on Sunday, January 10th at Eastern Regional High School. The Wind Ensemble, conducted by Ron Demke, and Symphonic Band, conducted by Nicholas Santoro, was held on Sunday, January 17th at Middle Twp. High School. The South Jersey Junior Blue Band will perform March 7th at Rowan University.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

HSPA Testing	Tues. Mar. 2 Wed. Mar. 3 Thurs. Mar. 4
High School Play Annie	Thurs. Mar. 11 at 7:00 pm Fri. Mar. 12 at 7:00 pm
High School Auditorium	Sat. Mar. 13 at 1:00 pm Sat. Mar. 13 at 7:00 pm
Dessert Theater High School Cafeteria	Thurs. Mar. 25 at 7:00 pm
Spring Break School Closed	Fri. Apr. 2 Mon. Apr. 5
Mr. Delsea Contest High School Auditorium	Wed. April 14 at 7:00 pm
NJASK Testing Middle School Student Dismissal 12:45 p.m.	Tues. Apr. 27 Wed. Apr. 28 Thurs. Apr. 29 Fri. Apr. 30

DELSEA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS HAVE RECEIVED CITIZENSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS.

- * **Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars:**
Gabrielle Hassinger, Alexandria Hill, Amanda McCaffrey, Patrick Schaffer, Kirstie Simmons, Allison Tirrell and Rocco Burrell
- * **2009 National Merit® Scholarship Commended Students:**
Allison Tirrell and Kirstie Simmons.
- * **Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation (HOBY) delegates:**
Sara Smith and Sarah McAlister
- * **Saint Joseph's University Presidential Scholarship:**
Jaclyn Keller
- * **Wendy's High School Heisman Award:**
Jaclyn Keller
- * **Philadelphia Inquirer Student Citizenship Award:**
Arielle Visalli
- * **President's Volunteer Service Award:** Amanda McCaffrey
- * **Prudential Spirit of Community Award:**
Victoria DeFrance, Asia Byrd

These are just a few of the exceptional Delsea students that have received recognition.