



# Purple & Gold

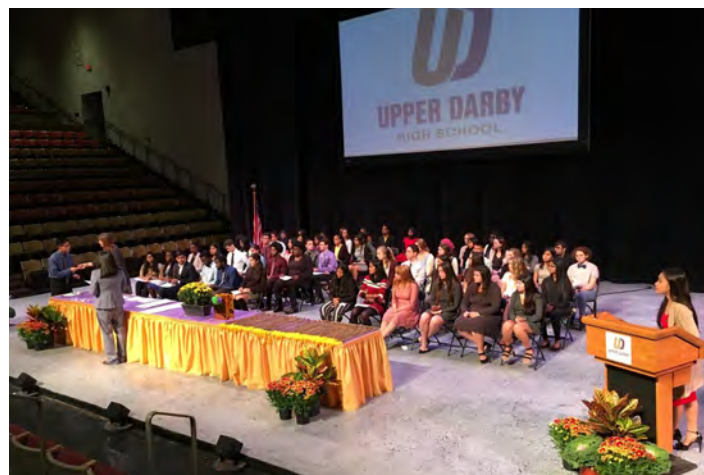
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## NATIONAL ENGLISH & SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETIES



The UDHS Chapter of the National English Honor Society inducted thirty six new members at a ceremony on October 16th. Featured speaker, Phil Heron of the Delaware County Daily Times, inspired the students to find their passion for writing. Students in NEHS demonstrated academic excellence with an A average in accelerated, honors or AP courses and a B average overall.

On October 29th, new UDHS students were inducted into the Science National Honor Society. Students have demonstrated excellence with a grade of 90 or better in Honors or Advanced level science courses and an overall GPA of 80%. Senior Electrical Engineer Adam Schuman of Telefactor Robotics gave an inspirational speech encouraging students to pursue lifelong learning in the sciences.



## BREWING FOR SUCCESS



Tenneh Doley prepares her cart for her daily delivery stops.



From left: Young brewers Zihan Zihan, Base Dayard, Demetrius Merritt, Tenneh Doley and Kara Kenney serve up fresh brewed coffee, tea, hot cocoa and snacks every morning in the library cafe. Hot drinks are \$1, but the smiles are free. Under the supervision of Melanie Brown, the Brewing for Success program helps students develop workplace skills for life beyond high school.

## UD JUNIORS AND SENIORS VISIT MILLERSVILLE U

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Forty Upper Darby Juniors and Seniors toured Millersville University, courtesy of

Campus highlights included classrooms, dorms and the Multicultural Center. Emily Catlett gave a big shout out to lunch room ladies who packed forty bag lunches on short notice and to the professionalism of the UD transportation department.



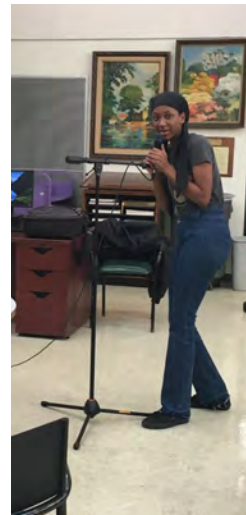
# TWO FIRST PLACE TROPHIES FOR UDHS ROYAL CHEERLEADERS

The Upper Darby Royal Cheerleaders clinched two first place wins, one at Burlington Township and one at West Chester Rustin High School. Hard work, determination, and a technically difficult routine gave the squad a great start to their season. Congratulations Royals!



# OPEN MIC EVENTS IN THE LIBRARY

After school this past Friday, the library was the place to be. World Language teacher and musician, Gabe Esposito hosted an Open Mic event where students are invited to perform a song or poem of their choosing. This bi-monthly event, which garners overwhelming support from the student audience, demonstrates the many positive interactions that occur at UDHS on a daily basis.



## MARINE ECOLOGY WEBINAR



Science-minded Upper Darby students attended a fall webinar on the effect of climate change on marine life and what they can do about it. Marine Ecologist Malin Pinsky from Rutgers University shared his data on the state of the oceans and described his plan for sustainable fisheries. Pinsky's Rutgers University lab focuses on understanding changing marine ecosystems and collecting data needed to shape ocean policy amid global temperature rise.

## UD FIREFIGHTERS VISIT UDHS PRESCHOOL LAB

UD Firefighters, Richard Jernegan, Nick Gerlacher, Paul McCormick, Emily Vlassopoulos and David Lothy arrived via Engine 26 to teach preschool students the importance of fire safety. The firefighters demonstrated how to use the equipment they wear and even gave preschoolers a look at the inner workings of that big red truck.



## UD MATH TEAM COMPETES AT SPRINGSIDE-CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY



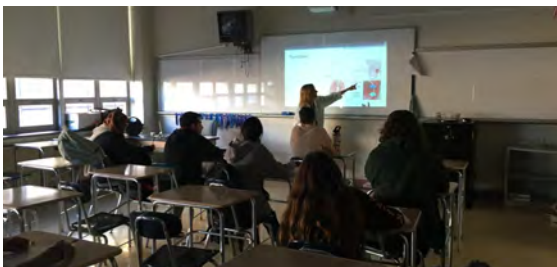
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Members of the UDHS Math Team represented UDHS well at the Association of Teachers of Mathematics in Philadelphia and Vicinity (ATMOPAV) contest at Springside-Chestnut Hill Academy. Pictured top left: Max Peters, Luke Finley, Emilio Kamanousa, Sarah DeMott, Aniq Islam, Chris Dwyer, Nate Polidoro, Emily Fedon, and Catherine Vivo.



From left: Catherine Vivo, Sarah DeMott, and Aniq Islam placed third out of the fourteen competing teams by correctly solving twelve out of fifteen very challenging problems, just under Abington Friends School. UD's Chris Dwyer, Emily Fedon and Emilio Kamanousa placed fourth by correctly solving eleven problems, out-scoring every team from Hatboro-Horsham, Perkiomen School and Springside Chestnut Hill Academy,. UD's Max Peters, Luke Finley and Nate Polidoro placed ninth after correctly solving ten problems.

## STUDENTS RESEARCH VAPING IN PREPARATION FOR ANNENBERG SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM



In preparation for their presentation at the Annenberg Science Symposium, UDHS students examined the lungs of a fetal pig as part of their study on how vaping affects the lungs. UDHS Anatomy teacher Theresa Diamond gave an informative lecture about the form and function of the lungs and then facilitated the students' lab work. Kindergarten teacher Geri Sullivan later met with students to discuss the serious consequences her son experienced as a result of his vaping. Mrs. Sullivan willingly shared the details of her son's diagnosis, his treatment and his recovery from vaping illness, as well as her concerns about vaping companies targeting teens.



## THE VERDICT: 12 ANGRY JURORS PLAY “INTENSE”



The Cast of 12 Angry Jurors



UDHS students put on a phenomenal rendition of 12 Angry Jurors, a one act play that explores the dynamics of the courtroom. Rife with internal conflict, the plot of the one act play investigates good and evil, right and wrong, innocence and guilt. Junior Rachel Hauben, who played the role of Juror #9, explained how the cast would gather before each performance in order to get into character. “We’d form a circle and look at each other, saying, ‘A life is at stake—a man may die.’ It was intense.” Producer Hannah Wisniewski says she is proud of the student leadership on the overall production. “The contributions of Assistant Director Allie Buchanan, Lighting Designer John Troy, and Stage Manager Cara Ochs, as well as the dedication of the cast truly made this a unique production.”

## CROSS COUNTRY Central League Championships



## FOOTBALL COACH RICH GENTILE HONORED



L to R: Dr. John Council, Head Coach Richard Gentile, Superintendent Dr. Daniel McGarry.

UDSD honored Rich Gentile for his twenty seven years as head coach of the UDHS football team and thirty seven years overall coaching for the District. Superintendent Dr. Daniel McGarry presented Coach Gentile, surrounded by his team, with a plaque to commemorate the occasion. **Thank you for your years of dedicated service!**

