The Tri-M Club gathered two loads of goods for Anchored by Grace Ministry during its December “Coats for Kids Drive”! 

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Welcome New Staff Members!

Mary Ann Malm-
7th Grade Language Arts

I graduated from Eastern University with a degree in English and Secondary Education. My husband and I recently moved to Elverson from Delaware County where I was a full year long-term substitute Language Arts teacher for Springfield School District.

My husband is a Twin Valley graduate, and I did my student teaching at the high school, so I am excited to be working for Twin Valley. I had my heart set on working here ever since student teaching because of the special community of this district.

My husband, Leif, is a biomedical engineer, and we have a dog named Zoe. I enjoy reading, hiking with my husband and dog, and cooking.

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On December 12th the Twin Valley Rotary club was proud to honor Twin Valley High School seniors Samantha Persicketti and Justin Monaghan as their students of the month. The presentation was made at their weekly meeting. Samantha Persicketti is a senior at Twin Valley High School. Her extracurricular activities include Indoor and Outdoor track. She is a member of National Honors Society and Mini-Thon. NHS has given her the opportunity to volunteer more often and meet new people. It has allowed her to volunteer with children, animals, at festivals, food pantries, and much more. Her experiences have opened up her eyes to how easy it can be to spread a helping hand in the community. Throughout her High School career, Samantha has taken 7 AP courses, and she has 2 additional ones next semester. She has exceeded her required credits for both Mathematics and Science, but she continues taking more because both are necessary subjects for her intended career path. She believes that challenging herself and taking harder courses has been a big part of her success thus far. After High School, Samantha plans to attend a four-year college to obtain a bachelor's degree in Biology or Zoology. Following that, she hopes to be accepted into Vet School and graduate as a Wildlife Veterinarian. She is looking forward to traveling to different countries and experiencing new cultures while helping animals in need. Being able to help animals in need has been a passion of Samantha's for her whole life and it would be her dream to pursue a lifetime career being able to do just that. She would like to thank her family for always pushing her to try her best and for always supporting her in her life decisions. With their help, she is able to accept the Student of the Month award today.

Throughout Justin Monaghan’s time at Twin Valley High School, he has always strived to improve his academic skills, while also building on his character. Justin has taken on several challenging AP courses, while also participating in school clubs and sports. He is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, High School Heroes, LINK, is co-chair of hospitality for German National Honor Society and he was a member of the Senior Homecoming Court. Justin has been a competitive swimmer since the age of 12. He swims for the Twin Valley High School team where is a team Captain this year. He also swims at the club level at the Reading YMCA and in the summer, he is on the Twin Valley Summer team. Justin holds several swimming records at the high school and has qualified for the PIAA District Three swimming championship meet every year since his sophomore season. He was awarded Hardest Worker for his team in tenth grade, and received the honor of being MVP as a junior. He has also been awarded the German III and IV for outstanding academic achievement in his German classes.

Justin has taken a strong interest in the growing fields of S.T.E.M., and wishes to attend a university to major in chemical or architectural engineering. Justin is very grateful for the impact that Twin Valley has had on him the past 13 years, and he looks forward to his life ahead of him outside of high school.

Pictured (L to R): Justin Monaghan, Chris Doyle, and Samantha Persicketti
Twin Valley School District Calendar

**Elementary Centers**
- January 18 - REC Career Day grades 3/4
- January 18 - HBEC Healthy Heart Challenge Kick-off
- January 22-25 - HBEC + REC The Great Kindness Challenge Week
- January 25 - REC One School One Book Reveal

**Twin Valley High School**
- January 7-18 Winter Keystone Testing
- January 8 - Music Department Dinner Concert 5-9pm
- January 24 - Back to School Night 6-8pm

**All Schools**
- January 18 - Early Dismissal for Students + PM Teacher in-service
- January 18 - End of Marking Period 2
- January 21 - No School (Teacher in-service)

The Warli style painting blocks by the 5th/6th grade TVMS students and Rinal Parikh, visiting artist, December 2018!

Teacher Appreciation Day at TVMS!

Berks County senior high students who are heading back to school should remember to take some time this fall to look at all of the higher education scholarships we have available. Applications for most scholarships will be accepted January 15 - March 15: https://bccf.academicworks.com
January Intern of the Month written by Sierra Cloonan

Adeline Amber-Messick has been chosen as the January Intern of the Month! Adeline is the first intern that Twin Valley Coffee has ever had. The company started as a hobby for Lynn and Lynne Burkholder in 2004, and a few years later they were selling coffee at farmers markets, and eventually in front of their home. Now, out of a gazebo on their lawn, Twin Valley Coffee serves hundreds of people daily. Their specialty is the Iced Toddy that includes freshly made cold brew, caramel drizzle, and flavored cream. They now have taken Adeline on as a mentor, and love having her.

“We appreciate having Adeline as Twin Valley Coffee’s first intern. She is willing to go outside of her comfort zone and likewise willing to do the ordinary just to benefit our company. She is an excellent addition to our staff and every other staff member at Twin Valley Coffee appreciates her,” stated Lynne Burkholder. They feel Adeline’s future is bright and hope she never forgets her time with them.

“The internship has helped me with people skills which is important for any job in the future. I have seen the inner-workings of running your own business and have learned valuable life lessons from my mentor,” stated Adeline. Every day, Adeline helps make drinks, serve customers, and stock inventory. Adeline has enjoyed the welcoming environment that is Twin Valley Coffee, and recommends that everyone should stop by to try out their one of a kind drinks.

For more information about Twin Valley’s internship program, please contact Angela Morgan, 610.286.8638, (amorgan@tvsd.org) or Gwen Werner, 610.286.8637, (gwerner@tvsd.org).
The Winter Sports season is underway at Twin Valley! Be sure to get the latest news on the website or follow @TVRaiders on Twitter!

#RaiderPride

Congratulations to the Girls Basketball team on their wins in Florida! Also congrats to Peyton on getting her 1,000 career points! Keep up the great work girls!

Congratulations to Ryan Givens, Griffin Schlegel, Dylan Servis, and Trey Hill for their win in the Distance Medley Relay with a time of 10:54. Currently ranked PA #1!
More TVSD News!

On Friday, November 2nd and Saturday, November 3rd, three Twin Valley High School students participated in the Annual Honors Orchestra at Lebanon Valley College - Reid Simmons, Grade 11, Violin; Lilly Leonowitz, Grade 12, Viola; and Rhiannon Pryor, Grade 12, Cello (pictured above).

Honors Orchestra participants included students from 28 schools traveling from Berks, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Montgomery, Somerset, and York counties. Conductors included Dr. Johannes Dietrich of Lebanon Valley College and Dr. Anna Binneweg of both Londontowne Symphony Orchestra and Anne Arundel Community College in Maryland. The concert repertoire included pieces by C. Hubert Parry, Arthur Duft, Edward Grieg, Antonio Vivaldi, Richard Pearson Thomas, and Giochino Rossini.

Our three students were selected to be part of a small ensemble for the performance of the Vivaldi Concerto in B minor. 2016 Twin Valley graduate Alyssa Lahoda was one of the featured soloists.

Let’s get Social!

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Craig Sell, Principal Twin Valley Elementary Center
Chasity Cooper, Honey Brook Elementary Center

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