North Pocono

Matthew Kuniegel qualified every year in high school for the NEPA bridge building competition.

Last year he earned third place at regionals, which qualified him to compete at the national level in Chicago.

A four-year member of Science Olympiad, Matt served as captain of treasury and engineering for two years.

He recently placed first in Scrambler at the Battle of Valley Forge Science Olympiad Invitational.

The son of Joseph and Linda Kuniegel, Matt takes many extra classes at North Pocono, including biology II, applied engineering principles, Latin I and II, wood I, II and III and pre-engineering.

He said his most memorable school moment was when his Science Olympiad team placed 10th in the state. He enjoys playing recreational basketball and is employed at Pappy's, the family business.

Next year he plans to attend Pennsylvania College of Technology or Penn State Worthington Scranton for their science and technology programs and hopes to become an engineer or an architect.

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