
HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK
January, 2003

STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- **AC, Erin Whelan** and **JC** were selected to perform with this year's Area Band. The concert was held on January 12.
- **Sara Hensen, Monica Vatalaro, Joe Leanzo,** and **Katie Lewis** will be accompanying **Mrs. Frisbie** to the Sussex and Frankford Middle Schools to present a 40-minute workshop on dating violence. The student developed program will include a skit with stop action discussion, information sharing and discussion on forms of control and abuse, how to help a friend, resources in your school and community, and positive alternatives for dealing with disagreements. All 8th graders at each school will participate in this interactive, student-facilitated, learning experience.
- **Julie Anderson, Derek Anderson, Dan Benkendorf,** and **DA** will be accompanying **Mrs. Frisbie** to Frankford Middle School to discuss incoming freshmen issues of peer pressure and misconceptions versus realities of high school. The student developed and facilitated agenda will include an opportunity to address anonymously submitted questions and fears of being a student at High Point. The discussion will focus on the responsibilities of being a high school student, information on High Point's substance use and possession policy, the sharing of examples of positive decision-making in the face of at-risk situations, and the importance of taking advantage of the many academic, athletic, co-curricular, and social opportunities that High Point has to offer.
- A design created by Graphic Design student **Brie Pepe** will be featured as the 2003 Teen Arts logo.
- **NP, CF, LM, Dan Romo, Kristen Brady, DL,** and **Tim Braun** assisted the Sussex County Coalition for Healthy and Safe Families as team leaders at a day-long summit hosted by the Frankford School.
- **Erin Whelan** and **George Selby** were selected to perform with this year's Regional Band. The concert will be held on January 26.
- Reporters from The New Jersey Herald and The Star-Ledger interviewed **Maria Adelmann** about her visit with Colin Powell.
- The following students placed in the Future Business Leaders of America Regional Competition, Northern Region: **GM**, 5th Accounting 1; **Rachel Courter**, 8th Accounting 1; **JH**, 5th Accounting 2; **Richard Lines**, 5th Business Law; **Rita Elston**, 5th Marketing.
- **DS's** work has been chosen as one of six pieces representing High Point at the Arts and Heritage Council's winter high school art exhibit at the Public Gallery in the Newton Courthouse. The show will be open to the public.
- Top winners at the DECA Regionals were: 1st Overall, **NL** and **Katie Struble** - Travel and Tourism Marketing and **MM** - Apparel and Accessories Marketing; 3rd overall, **DA**- Food Marketing and **Rich Lines** - Retail Merchandising Management Level; 4th Overall, **Jim Robertson** - Full Service Restaurant Marketing; 5th Overall, **Jess Keegan** and **HS** - Hospitality Management and **Dan Benkendorf** - Marketing Management; 6th Overall, **Jess Solley** - Food Marketing Management, **Rita Elston** - Apparel & Accessories and **Rachel Courter** - Quick Serve Restaurant Management; 7th Overall, **KC** - Quick Serve Restaurant Management; 8th Overall **Kim Salokas** - Retail Marketing.
- A reporter from Channel 8 will interview **Maria Adelmann** about her visit with Colin Powell.

ATHLETICS:

- **Colleen Ferguson, Meghan Radimer, Tracy Fitzpatrick** were named to the First Team The New Jersey Herald All-Area Varsity Girls' Soccer Team. **Emily Banta** and **LB** received Honorable Mention. **Colleen Ferguson** was named to the First Team The Star-Ledger All-West Jersey Varsity Girls' Soccer Team; **Meghan Radimer** and **Tracy Fitzpatrick** were named to the Second Team with **Emily Banta** receiving Honorable Mention. Colleen also earned Group 3, Third Team honors.
- **Meghan Radimer, Colleen Ferguson, Tracy Fitzpatrick** and **LB** received All-State recognition as Varsity Girls' Soccer players from the New Jersey Girls' Soccer Coaches' Association.

- **BG** and **Vinny Synol** were selected to the All-Tournament Team at the Morris Knolls Basketball Tournament.
- The **High Point Ski Team** kicked off the 2002-2003 ski season with the annual pre-season training trip to Smugglers Notch, December 13th through 15th. Coach **Art Mina**, Coach **Debby Greulich**, Mr. **Jim Greulich** and **Dr. John Hannum** chaperoned the trip.
- Our field hockey players were honored with the awards listed below.
 - All SCIL:* Offense - **Jessie Carrollo**; Defense - **Kelly Kessler**; Honorable Mention - **Samantha Hensen**.
 - All Herald:* First Team - **Jessie Carrollo** and **Kelly Kessler**; Second Team - Kourtney Hull, Monica Vatalaro; Honorable Mention - Shannon Gill, Samantha Hensen, Samantha Khoury.
 - All West Jersey Star-Ledger:* First Team - **Kelly Kessler**; Second Team - **Jessie Carrollo**; Third Team - **Monica Vatalaro**.
 - North Jersey Field Hockey Coaches Association: Group III Team Offense - **Jessie Carrollo**; Group III First Team Defense - **Kelly Kessler**.
 - All State Star-Ledger for Group III:* First Team - **Kelly Kessler**; Second Team - **Jessie Carrollo**.
 - HPRHS Awards:* MVP - **Kelly Kessler**; Coaches Award - **Kourtney Hull** and **Monica Vatalaro**; Most Improved - **Samantha Khoury**; Best Offensive Award - **Jessie Carrollo**; Best Defensive Award - **Kelly Kessler**; Most Goals Award - **Amy Wilpert**; Most Assists Award - **Jessie Carrollo**; The Aukema Award, "Behind the Scenes," - **AB**; the Chandler Award, "All Guts, No Glory," - **Cayla VanderGroef**; the Harrington Award, "Spunkey, Spirited, Strong, Determined," - **Monica Vatalaro**, the Gill Award, "Best Comeback," - **Shannon Gill**.
- **Bev Keur** was honored as The New Jersey Herald Coach of the Year, The Star-Ledger West Jersey Coach of the Year, and Eastern Propane/MUGS Media SECTV Coach of the Year.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

- **Mary Hassenplug** and **Beth Hatler** attended the National Council of Teachers of English 92nd Annual Convention in Atlanta. The convention is an intensive professional development experience complete with interactive sessions, invigorating workshops, and world-class speakers.
- **Mark Wallace**, **Janice Mezier**, and **John Hannum** attended the Quality New Jersey Consortium meeting. **Jan Mezier** presented information on essential elements of student performance.
- **Jeff Hull** attended the Quality New Jersey Conference in New Brunswick.
- **Mark Wallace** attended a Perkins Focus group meeting at the New Jersey Department of Education.

MEDIA RECOGNITION:

- The New Jersey Herald, December 11, 2002, Ryba, **Heineman**, Auchter SCIL Queens of the Court
- The New Jersey Herald, December 11, 2002, All-SCIL tennis
- The New Jersey Herald, December 11, 2002, 2002 All-Area Girls Tennis
- The New Jersey Herald, December 11, 2002, 'Who's Who' honors county teachers
- The New Jersey Herald, December 12, 2002, 2002 Girls Cross Country
- Advertiser-News North, December 12, 2002, Prom Night
- Advertiser-News North, December 12, 2002, Inquiring Photographer: **Melanie LiTrenta**, **Ronald Hoffman**
- Advertiser-News North, December 12, 2002, Chemistry for kids at High Point
- The New Jersey Herald, December 12, 2002, 2002 Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year, **Gary Dutko**
- The New Jersey Herald, December 12, 2002, 2002 was a year that saw more than one standout; **Jen Wejsa**
- The New Jersey Herald, December 13, 2002, League coaches name boys and girls All-SCIL teams
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, December 15, 2002, Coaches name All-SCIL
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, December 15, 2002, Final 2002 SCIL Offensive Leaders; Herald 2002 All-Area Football
- The New Jersey Herald, December 16, 2002, Kids chemistry at High Point
- The New Jersey Herald, December 17, 2002, Wantage teen places second
- The New Jersey Herald, December 17, 2002, Wildcats cage Chiefs: Pats, Tech, Sparta win
- The New Jersey Herald, December 17, 2002, 2002 All-Area Field Hockey

- The New Jersey Herald, December 17, 2002, 2002 Field Hockey Coach of the Year
- The New Jersey Herald, December 18, 2002, 2002-03 H.S. Boys Basketball Preview Capsules
- The New Jersey Herald, December 18, 2002, Wildcats, Cougars, Pats sail to key SCIL victories
- The New Jersey Herald, December 19, 2002, 2002 H.S. Wrestling Preview
- Advertiser-News North, December 19, 2002, All-Sussex County Football team
- Advertiser-News North, December 19, 2002, High Point, third highest score in SCIL
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, December 29, 2002, **Radimer** scoring, rebounding lead High Point
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, December 29, 2002, **Radimer**, Cats wear crown
- The New Jersey Herald, December 30, 2002, High Point Regional High School announces Bloustein scholars
- The New Jersey Herald, December 30, 2002, Keeping warm
- The New Jersey Herald, January 8, 2003, High Point sails to win
- The New Jersey Herald, January 9, 2003, Message sent; Newton tops High Point for 1st time in years
- The New Jersey Herald, January 9, 2003, **E,P** go side by side for High Point
- Advertiser-News North, January 9, 2003, Inquiring Photographer: **BT**
- The New Jersey Herald, January 10, 2003, Pasta dinner fund-raiser at High Point
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, January 12, 2003, Student learns lesson in interviewing
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, January 12, 2003, **P** free throws, **Synol** buckets lead High Point to overtime victory
- The New Jersey Herald, January 15, 2003, Vikings soar past Falcons; Braves, Wildcats roar

CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT (WHAT'S NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY):

- Faculty attendance for the month of December was 95.9%.
- Student attendance for the month of December was 95.8%.
- **Diana Morrison** from **DASI** addressed **Mrs. Cook's** freshman health classes. The topic was "Healthy Relations."
- **Jennifer Speulstra** from **Helping Hand** addressed **Mrs. Keur's** and **Ms. O'Mara's** junior health classes. The topic was "Why Choose Abstinence?"
- **Pamela Wilson** (a former student) from **Project Self-Sufficiency** addressed **Mr. Karnas'** and **Mr. Hensal's** senior health classes. The topic was "Anger Management."
- A correspondence was received from **Ms. Mary Ameen**, Assistant Chief Engineer at the **New Jersey Highway Authority**, applauding the ground-breaking efforts of High Point's innovative Women in Engineering program.
- Through the generosity of our local Kiwanis chapter, four students received the vision care they needed to ensure their opportunity for academic success. Through our **Student Assistance Program**, a need was expressed to **Karen Duane** of the **Sussex Kiwanis** and funds in the amount of \$450 were approved for all four students to receive whatever care necessary to address their vision needs.
- **Ed Blevins** held a Chemical Magic Program on December 23 for area children. A variety of chemical demonstrations were used. Each child also participated in several hands-on activities, making projects like radial chromatography t-shirts and phosphorescent polymers.
- High Point Regional High School hosted the Regional Boards of Education meeting highlighting the Guidance and the Fine Arts Curriculum in the elementary schools and at High Point. Other areas of the curriculum represented were Social Studies and Math. Board members, department supervisors, administrators, superintendents and curriculum directors from each of the sending districts and High Point shared curriculum initiatives and reinforced the articulation that has taken place this year.
- Twenty students attended the New Jersey Institute of Technology Career Day.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 20 - District Inservice Day (Martin Luther King Day– School closed for students)
 January 22 - Staff Meeting
 January 27 - Booster Club Meeting
 January 27-31 - Mid-Term Exams
 January 28 - Student Cabinet Meeting
 January 31 - End of First Semester/Second Marking Period

February 5 - Student Council Meeting
February 5 - Supervisors' Meeting
February 5 - HPEA Meeting
February 7 - Sign Up for Spring Sports
February 14 and 17 - Winter Recess