
HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

October 20, 2003

STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- **Paul Putera** participated in the U.S. Open Mountain Biking competition held at Mountain Creek.
- The following students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program:
National Semi-Finalists: **KH and Austin Randazzo**
Commended Students for 2004: **Derek Anderson, PG, Katrina Gersie, Nora Granville, NL, Keith Walton.**
These students placed among the top 5% of more than one million students who entered the 2004 competition by taking the 2002 PSAT.
- **Alexandra Kleinkopf** and **Scott Shelton** were recognized by The College Board as *Scholar with Honors* after obtaining at least 3.0 or higher on four Advanced Placement Exams.
- The following students were recognized by The College Board as *Scholar* after obtaining at least a 3.0 or higher on three Advanced Placement Exams: **Maria Adelmann, Jessie Carrollo, KD, Tiffany Heineman, PH, Andre Pause, NR, Daniel Ramirez, Curtis Raye, SS, and Nicole Tracy.**
- On Thursday, October 16, Katie McGee, a 1982 graduate who works for WCBS in New York, was at High Point with a film crew filming the school and interviewing a few former teachers.

ATHLETICS:

- **Tracey Fitzpatrick**, a varsity soccer player, was chosen as Sussex County Player of the Week. She scored three goals in the Hopatcong game and another three goals in the Kittatinny game.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

- A Regional Inservice involving staff from all of the sending districts and High Point was held on October 13. Representatives from Northwest Christian School also attended. The Inservice included department meetings, articulation meetings, and a substance abuse training session. Results from a survey will be analyzed and communicated to our stakeholders.
- On October 7, **Paul Derin, Kevin Fenlon, April Ficks, Jeff Hull, Carol LaStarza, Ken Miller, Dan Pecoriello, Mark Veltri, Diane Paine, Stacey Zaremba** and **Vincent Mohan** attended a training session for the Lifeslider. This is a rescue device to transport people with limited mobility down stairs during emergencies. Further practice sessions are planned.
- On October 14, **Lara Lovett** and **Rebecca Patterson** attended a workshop on graphic organizers presented by Dinah Zike at the New Jersey Science Teachers' Convention.

STAFF RECOGNITION:

- **Debby Greulich** is Membership Chairperson for School Transportation Supervisors (STS).
- **Debby Greulich** is Treasurer for the New Jersey Interscholastic Ski Racing Association (NJISRA).
- Thank you to everyone who participated in Denim Day on Friday, October 10. High Point will be sending \$745.35 to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. **Cathy Madaio, Bonnie Smith** and **Interact** sponsor fund raisers for this foundation.

MEDIA RECOGNITION:

- The New Jersey Herald, September 17, 2003, High Point
- Advertiser-News North, September 18, 2003, Results from around Sussex County - High Point
- New Jersey Sunday Herald, September 21, 2002, Return to Sender - **C**
- The New Jersey Herald, September 26, 2003, Girls' Soccer - **Fitzpatrick, Gibbons**

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- New Jersey Sunday Herald, September 28, 2003, Wildcats, **Matsakis** pick up first victory
- The New Jersey Herald, September 29, 2003, High Point students learn first aid
- Advertiser-News North, October 2, 2003, Saving lives is part of the sophomore curriculum at High Point
- Advertiser-News North, October 2, 2003, Going for the Goal
- Advertiser-News North, October 2, 2003, High Point
- The New Jersey Herald, October 2, 2003, Jump ball (**F**)
- The New Jersey Herald, October 8, 2003, Record time (**Wejsa**)
- The New Jersey Herald, October 10, 2003, (**B**)
- The New Jersey Herald, October 13, 2003, High Point students finish fourth in contest

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

- Johnson and Wales College will be presenting a program entitled Choices Beyond High School to our Engineering/Technological Studies and Business Studies students on October 23. Lincoln Tech will be making a presentation to our Industrial Studies students on November 12.
- NJEA will be at High Point on February 4 to tape our Media Technology 1, 2, & 3 classes. The topic of the video will be Media Programs in New Jersey High Schools.
- **Ed Blevins** and **Jill Shrope** met with **Gail Cerutti** this summer to parallel the third and final Special Education Integrated Math class with regular education.
- The Fall Adult Education program began the week of October 6. One hundred-twenty people are participating in eleven different weekly classes.
- **Ed Blevins** designed and implemented Wildcat Discovery, a month long summer program with an emphasis on Science and Technology.
- The Red Cross Council is in the process of starting a Red Cross Youth Council at High Point. **Rebecca Patterson** has agreed to be the advisor for this activity.
- High Point presently has a team in eighth place in the state's Stock Market Game. Six other High Point teams are in the top forty.
- As part of High Point's participation in Violence Prevention Week, a bullying and harassment seminar will be held on October 21. Speakers from the Sussex County Prosecutor's Office, New Jersey State Police, and Newton Memorial Mental Health will be making presentations.
- High Point's Safe Homes program, a prevention initiative, held its kick-off at Back-to-School Night on October 2. Parents were asked to review and sign a contract which would commit them to supervise student gatherings held in their home or on their property. The contract also stated that such gatherings would remain drug free. Seventy-five contracts have been signed as of October 20. The target for this kick-off year of the program is to gain participation from 133 (10%) of our families. The names of Safe Homes families will be published in the Guidance Newsletter, the school newspaper, the High Point Regional District Newsletter, and on the school web site.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Mini College Day, October 31
- Supervisors'/Curriculum Meeting, October 22
- County Chorus/Band Rehearsal, October 22, 29; November 12, 19 and 20
- Homeroom Schedule, October 31; November 14 and 21
- Booster Club Meeting, October 27
- Student Council Meeting, Period 8, October 29
- SAT Registration, October 30
- Fall Drama, October 31; November 1 and 2
- SAT Test, November 1
- Election Day, November 4
- Student Council Meeting, Period 9, November 4
- Supervisors' Meeting, November 5
- HPEA Meeting, November 5
- End of First Marking Period, November 5
- Teacher Convention - School Closed, November 6 and 7
- Winter Sports Sign-Ups, November 7
- National Honor Society Induction, November 11
- PAC Meeting, November 12
- Special Education Open Public Meeting, November 19
- Student Council Meeting, Period 2, November 19
- Staff Meeting, November 19
- Fall Sports Awards Night, November 20
- County Music Festival, November 21
- Thanksgiving Recess, ½ day November 26, November 27 and 28