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## HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

### December 20, 2004

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#### STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- The **Music Department** presented their annual **Candlelight Concert** on December 9 in the auditorium.
- **High Point** hosted the **Senior Citizens' Prom** on December 5 with approximately 190 senior citizens in attendance. Prom pictures and dinner were held, with excellent feedback from the seniors.
- Congratulations to the following students on their acceptance into the **National Honor Society**:  
**Seniors - SB, Emily Dattoli, Katherine Hamilton, LL, Megan Perry, Erika Peter, MR, and Michele Talmadge;**  
**Juniors - Lauren Abati, Derek Bonham, EC, DD, Kristyn Dombroski, RG, Jenna Gersie, JH, AJ, Cara Lancellotti, Jesse Lerch, Brett Magura, GM, EM, Nicole Monahan, Jon Panico, AP, Hayley Tamburello, Katherine Walton, Jennifer Wejsa, and Jacquelyn Witt.**  
The selection process for the NHS is a rigorous one. These students have been selected by a faculty committee who judged their school activities, leadership abilities, and community service to be exceptional. All of these students received an overwhelming number of positive character references from the survey completed by the faculty. Thank you very much to those of you who completed one. The Induction Ceremony was held on Tuesday, November 30, 2004, in the **HPRHS** Library.
- The **College Board** has recognized **High Point** students who have earned **AP Scholar Awards** on the basis of their outstanding academic performance on the AP exams. Congratulations to the following students who took AP Exams in May 2004:  
**AP Scholar with Distinction Award** (granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams) - **Paul Fetzer, Nora Granville, Katelyn Hildebrand, Laurie Knies, and Austin Randazzo;**  
**AP Scholar with Honor Award** (granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams) - **Melissa Eng-Wong, Nicole Lott, Joseph Tisler, and J. Keith Walton;**  
**AP Scholar Award** (granted to students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams) - **Kyle Carnahan, Sarah Costello, Patrick Garofalo, Katrina Gersie, and Samantha Sikorski.**

#### ATHLETICS:

- Congratulations to **Shane Bosma** and **Dustin VanderGroef** for being selected to the **All-State** soccer team.
- **High Point** is extremely honored to have the following athletes named to the All State Girls' Soccer Team: **Tracy Fitzpatrick, LB, KB, Jessica Lain, KP, and Lauren Gibbins.** It is unheard of to have 6 athletes from the same team make All State. Congratulations to the girls and to **Kevin Fenlon** for a job well done.
- Congratulations to the following members of the **Boys' Soccer Team** for being named to the New Jersey Herald's All Team roster: 1st Team - **Dustin VanderGroef**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team - **Shane Bosma**, Honorable Mention - **AM** and **RF.**
- Congratulations to the following members of the **Girls' Varsity Soccer Team** for being selected to the **Star Ledger's All West Jersey Team**: 1st Team - **Tracy Fitzpatrick, LB, and Jessica Lain;** 2nd Team - **Ashley Sanborn** and **SS;** 3rd Team - **KP** and **Lauren Gibbins;** All West Jersey Player of the Year - **Tracy Fitzpatrick;** All West Jersey Team of the Year - **High Point.**
- The following student athletes have made **Academic All League**: **Julie Anderson** - Field Hockey, **Erika Peter**- Field Hockey, **LB** - Girls' Soccer, **Leah Jones** - Girls' Cross Country.

- **J.P. Noon** and **Brian Konopka** have been chosen for the **Football All-League** award for the 2004 season. All-League players are chosen by all of the football coaches in the SCIL for their outstanding performance this season.
- **Kevin Fenlon** has been selected as the **New Jersey Herald Coach of the Year**. Also, the **Girls' Soccer Team** has been selected as the **Herald Team of the Year**. The **New Jersey Girls' Soccer Association** has selected Kevin as its **North 1 State Coach of the Year**. In New Jersey, only 4 coaches per season earn this honor. Kevin was invited to coach the State All Star game on December 5.

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### STAFF RECOGNITION:

- **Brian Drelick** has received the distinguished **International Technology Education Association's High School Teacher Excellence Award**. This award is for exceptional accomplishments in teaching as recognized by his district and New Jersey's State Technology Teachers' Association.
- Congratulations to **John Gardner** on his induction into the **Sussex County Hall of Fame**, and on a wonderful wrestling career. John is an outstanding coach and teacher. We are very fortunate to have him with us at High Point.
- On October 26, **Mary Hassenplug** returned from her three week sojourn in Japan. Mary received the **Fulbright Memorial Fund Scholarship Award**, which allowed her to study cultural and educational systems abroad. Mary will be sharing her experiences with school and community groups over the course of the next several weeks.
- **Noah Klimas** and **Mary Hassenplug** invited Venerable Hui Yong Shih and Venerable Xin-Xing from the Bodhi Monastery in Lafayette to speak to their 11<sup>th</sup> grade **World Literature** students about the philosophy of Buddhism as a follow-up to the study of Siddhartha, a novel by Herman Hesse.
- **Jacqueline Sutton** has received a \$250.00 **Joan Lavine Keats Social Justice Teacher Grant** to purchase classroom materials related to the Holocaust. She was selected from a considerable number of applicants, and was honored at a dinner at Rider College on December 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **John Tallamy** has obtained a \$600.00 grant in the form of a discount toward the purchase of a Smart Board for his classroom.

### MEDIA RECOGNITION:

- **The New Jersey Herald**, Tuesday, December 7, 2004: Youth Served on All-Area First Team
- **The New Jersey Herald**, Tuesday, December 7, 2004: 2004 New Jersey Herald All-Area Girls Cross Country First Team
- **The New Jersey Herald**, Tuesday, November 30, 2004: 2004 New Jersey Herald All-Area Girls Soccer
- **The New Jersey Sunday Herald**, November 28, 2004: Fenlon's hard work turns around Wildcats
- **The New Jersey Sunday Herald**, November 28, 2004: Wildcats capture first-ever SCIL title
- **Advertiser-News North**, Thursday, November 25, 2004: "Senior" prom coming to High Point Regional High School
- **The New Jersey Herald**, Monday, November 22, 2004: High Point holds clean-up
- **Advertiser-News North**, Thursday, November 18, 2004: Women in Science comes to High Point
- **The Star-Ledger**, Friday, November 12, 2004: Fake pups train troops about hidden bombs

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

- On October 28 & 29, a representative from **Gibbs College** visited senior English classes to give a presentation on how to properly compose a college essay.
- **High Point** has received a \$500.00 **ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Award** to be used by **Bill Bauer** and **Carla Mancuso** for High School Proficiency Assessment practice materials. This award will benefit both regular and special education students as they prepare for the HSPA state assessments. The service station owner, Mr. Avak Uzatmaciyan of Corn Patch Inc., Augusta, submitted the nomination to the ExxonMobile Corporation.
- **Janice Mezier** participated in a **New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards** workshop given by the **NJ Department of Education**. The workshop provided information regarding changes to the standards and an analysis of the standards by department officials.
- The **Local Professional Development Committee**, led by committee chairperson Vince Mohan, has submitted **High Point's Local Professional Development Plan** to the Sussex County Department of Education for review and approval.