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## HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

November 15, 2004

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### STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- More than 80 **Peer Counselors** extended a warm welcome to the Class of 2008 entering **High Point**. Juniors and seniors have the opportunity to participate in Peer Counseling, a full year program geared to promoting improved communication skills, interpersonal relationships, and leadership abilities.
- **Media II** classes, under the tutelage of **Joseph Portello**, completed a fund-raiser video for **Project Self Sufficiency**. They are also working on a video about the new **P.S.S.** home in Newton, in addition to developing an employee training video for **Sussex County ARC**.
- **Brian Drelick's Power, Energy, and Transportation III** class will compete in this year's **Odyssey of the Mind** competition.
- The **FBLA** Executive Officers for this year are as follows: Advisor - **Mr. Ron Hoffman**; President - **GM**; Vice President - **Christina DeFeo**; Secretary - **AC**; Treasurer - **PG**; Historian - **Zachary Hall**.
- **FBLA** is currently sponsoring a food drive in recognition of **World Hunger Week**. The items collected will be donated to the **Sussex County Food Locker**.
- **TSA** Executive Officers for this year are: Advisor - **Mr. Brian Drelick**; President - **SL**; Vice President - **EM**; Reporter - **Christine DeMaria**; Secretary - **Nick Aromando**; Treasurer - **MS**.
- **DECA** Executive Officers for this year are: Advisor: **Mr. Gary Dutko**, Co-Presidents: **Kerry Geddis** and **Sarah Courter**, Vice President: **James Penhaker**, Treasurer: **GM**, Secretary: **Kristin Auberger**.
- Students from **Mrs. Madaio's** Sewing classes decorated the area above the mailboxes in the Main Office by creating soft-sculpture characters. One class chose a haunted house theme; the other class chose *The Nightmare Before Christmas*.
- **High Point** hosted a booth at the **Sussex County Camber of Commerce Expo** at Crystal Springs Resort on Thursday, October 28, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. The booth had information on the elective areas of **Business, Technology, and Home and Family Studies**. Teachers and students discussed partnership opportunities and our program offerings with business leaders from around the county. Representing **High Point** were **Ronald Hoffman** (Advisor of FBLA), **Gary Dutko** (Advisor of DECA), **Brian Drelick** (Advisor for TSA), and **Mark Wallace** (Supervisor of Technological, Applied, and Practical Studies). Student leaders in attendance were **SL** (President of **TSA**), **GM** (President of **FBLA**), and **Kerry Geddis** (President of **DECA**).

### ATHLETICS

- Congratulations to **Kevin Fenlon** and the **Girls' Soccer team** for becoming **SCIL League Champions**. Their win on October 26 was Kevin's 100<sup>th</sup> win! Kevin's team has broken into the top 10 Girls' Soccer Teams in the state.
- The following members of the **Girls' Varsity Soccer team** were selected to the **SCIL All League Team**:  
**Tracy Fitzpatrick, LB, Jessie Lain, and SS. Lauren Gibbins** received Honorable Mention.
- The following **Cross Country** runners were named to the **All-SCIL** team for the 2004 season:  
Girls: **Jen Wejsa, Leah Jones, Dana Corriere; Danielle Czohla** - Honorable Mention  
Boys: **CL, Ben VanWyk** - Honorable Mentions
- Congratulations to the following **Boys' Soccer** players:  
All League: **Shane Bosma, Dustin VanderGroef; AM** - Honorable Mention

### STAFF RECOGNITION:

- Congratulations to **Gary Dutko**, **Marketing** teacher, for receiving the **North Jersey Teacher Excellence** award from the **NJ Marketing Education Association**. **Mark Wallace**, representing the Administration, was there to see him receive this recognition.
- **Mark Wallace** did a presentation on Technological Literacy at the **NJ Principals and Supervisors Association Conference** in Atlantic City.

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**STAFF RECOGNITION:**

- 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.

**MEDIA RECOGNITION:**

- Advertiser-News South, Thursday, October 28, 2004, High Point physics students catch the pitch
- Advertiser-News South, Thursday, October 28, 2004, Peer Counselors welcome class of 2008 to High Point
- Advertiser-News South, Thursday, October 28, 2004, Wildcats kicking their old records
- Advertiser-News South, Thursday, October 28, 2004, High Point offers science during NJEA break
- The New Jersey Herald, October 27, 2004, Crazy 'Cats - High Point wins SCIL on Lain's goal in O.T.
- The New Jersey Herald, October 27, 2004, The Highest Point - High Point's Girls' Soccer team celebrates after clinching first-ever SCIL title
- The New Jersey Sunday Herald, October 24, 2004, Spartans cage Wildcats to end mini-streak
- Advertiser-News North, Thursday, October 21, 2004, High Times at High Point Homecoming

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

- The following higher education schools visited our **Business and Technology** classes to talk with students about careers, college, and the future: **Berkeley College** (Paramus), **Chubb Institute** (Parsippany), and **Johnson & Wilkes University** (Providence, Rhode Island).
- **High Point** offered two days of science-based programs during the **NJEA** Convention Break on Nov. 4-5 for children in grades K-8. Instruction was provided by Super Science Programs for Kids, the only locally based business that provides this type of service for the children in the Sussex County community.
- **Mrs. Carol Arnett's Foods** class hosted a culinary specialist, Tricia Prokopowicz, from the **Art Institute of New York City**. Ms. Prokopowicz delivered a dynamic multi-media presentation about a variety of different careers in the food industry. Her presentation covered food research and development, food styling, food journalism, and restaurant and menu design.
- 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.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- The annual **High Point Senior Citizens' Prom** will be held on Sunday, December 5. **PRIDE** sponsors the event, with many different groups in the school contributing their time, effort, and general support.
- The **New Jersey Society of CPAs** will be sending a guest speaker to **Mrs. Henning's Accounting ICP** class, **Computerized Accounting 2** CP class, and **Computerized Accounting 3H** class in November. The guest speaker will be an accountant from Sparta, who will discuss the accounting profession as well as scholarship programs available to students.