

---

# HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

## March/April, 2006

---

### STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- Congratulations to **Visual Art** students of High Point! At the county Teen Arts Festival on March 14, twenty-five of our students submitted forty-five pieces of fine art, fine crafts, photography, and graphic design. Fourteen of our contributing artists had their artwork selected to be exhibited at the State Teen Arts Festival, the Public Gallery at the Newton Courthouse, the SCCC Fall Festival, and the SCCC Gallery exhibit in April. These talented students are as follows: **EB, LC, RF, BH, Jesse Lerch (3), RL (2), NL (2), Kim Lyons, Laura McCarthy, Sam Muller (2), Caitlin Rubin, SS, Rachel Weinrich (2), and CZ (2).**
- **Superintendent John Hannum** is proud to announce that **Hayley Tamburello** has been selected to receive the Superintendent's Roundtable Award for 2006. Hayley is a class act. She has logged over 50 hours of community service, volunteering for groups and programs including Pass it Along, Interact, National Honor Society blood drives, Walk America, the Senior Citizen Prom, and Freshman Orientation - to name a few. An active member of the concert and marching bands, Hayley is also a member of the Model Congress team, the International Club, Student Council, and the Foreign Language National Honor Society.
- On March 7, High Point Choir members **Mary Jean Lanzilotti** and **NL**, accompanied by pianist **Tiffany Lin**, sang a variety of songs at the *Relay for Life* Kickoff in Branchville. The **High Point Jazz Ensemble** also contributed musical selections.
- **Brian Drelick's** Power, Energy, and Transportation Technology 3/4 Honors class came in 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 30 schools in New Jersey in the Lego Mind Storm Computer Programming Robot competition. Their robot completed the course and earned them a robotics kit valued at nearly \$250. Student designers are as follows: **Mark Andersen, Neil Kornutick, MN, Jon Dolan, Tom Hull, ES, Laura Jean Gasperino, Nicole Finigan, Dan Clifford, Kyle Demarest, Dillon Dean, MS, and AM.**
- **Warren Potter**, freshman, placed 9th out of more than 900 teams in the North Atlantic Region for the Stock Market Game DECA competition (Fall 2005). With his top 8 placement, he qualified for the National DECA Competition in Dallas.
- **Ron Hoffman's** Entrepreneurship and Business Administration classes finished in 10th place in the state out of 250 in the Stock Market Game conducted by The New Jersey Council on Economic Education.
- Congratulations to the following Model Congress students who competed in Leadership Day at the State House Annex in Trenton, NJ, on Friday March 3: **Jenna Gersie, Munroe Graham, Jane Granville, Tiffany Lin, Jason McConville, Nicole Monahan, Jon Panico, William Stumpf, Hayley Tamburello, CT, Victoria Theese, Ray Thompson, Keith Veenhuizen, and Katie Walton.**
- Please congratulate **LC** and **Amanda Swanson**, who were selected as semi-finalists in the 2006 Library of Congress Letters about Literature contest. They were invited to a statewide ceremony to celebrate their achievement. Congratulations!

### STAFF RECOGNITION:

- High Point is very proud to announce that the High Point Teacher of the Year for the 2006-07 school year is **Joan Smith**. Joan is an outstanding Special Education teacher and is a very active community member. She goes above and beyond for her students and we are pleased to honor her in this way. Congratulations!
- Congratulations are also in order for Language Arts teacher **Heather Strout** on her selection as High Point's Governor's Teacher.
- Congratulations to **Chris Kappelmeier** and his wife Rachel on the birth of their new baby girl, Madelaine Grace on March 4.
- **Dan Muller** received his MA in Technology Education from Ball State University in Indiana.

**STAFF RECOGNITION: (cont'd)**

- Congratulations to the following teachers for being named Who's Who Among American Teachers for 2005 - 2006: **Chris Dexter, Brian Drelick, Kevin Fenlon, Lisa Frisbie, Janice Hennings, Mike Hingston, Lisa Hodgins, Ronald Hoffman, Joanne Koch, Karen Kozlowski, Daniel Pecoriello, Bonnie Puzio, David Ruppert, Lore Toedtmann, Mark Wallace, Harold Woods, and Stacey Zaremba.**

**ATHLETICS:**

- Please congratulate **EC** and **MK** for their many accomplishments: **EC** earned the following distinctions: All-SCIL; 1st team, All-Area; NJ Herald, 1st Team; All-West Jersey, 1st team (The 1st HP player to receive this honor in 14 yrs). Selected to represent the SCIL in the annual Sussex-Morris game at Delbarton H.S.. **MK** earned the following distinctions: All-SCIL, Honorable Mention; All-Area - Honorable Mention; M, too, was selected to represent the SCIL in the annual Sussex-Morris game.
- **Erik Carlson** has been selected as NJ Herald Swim Coach of the Year, three straight years in a row!
- High Point's Wrestling team has been voted Team of the Year by Muggs Media. In addition, **John Gardner** has been voted Coach of the Year by Muggs Media as well. John and the team were honored at a brunch that took place at Farmstead Golf and Country Club.
- Please congratulate the following members of the Girls' Varsity Basketball Team on their selection to the following teams: ALL SCIL- **TK** and **Jessie Lain**; Honorable Mention - **Mikayla Wingle**.

**MEDIA RECOGNITION:**

- **The New Jersey Herald**, April 20, 2006 - High Point climbs atop SCIL standings
- **The New Jersey Herald**, April 20, 2006 - School districts face changes, challenges
- **The New Jersey Herald**, April 11, 2006 - Two compete for slot in High Point Lafayette race
- **The New Jersey Herald**, April 10, 2006 - High Point senior calls attention to Darfur
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 28, 2006 - High Point's Jeff Davidowsky steps down after 20 seasons
- **TEANJ Interface**, Spring 2006 - ITEA Honors Mark Wallace
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 26, 2006 - High Point's John Gardner returns Wildcats to winning ways
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 26, 2006 - High Point stuns No. 1 S. Plainfield
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 26, 2006 - High Point graduate to be part of choreographers' showcase
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 22, 2006 - Alumni Watch
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 22, 2006 - Tyler Bartz - SCIL First Team
- **The New Jersey Herald**, March 22, 2006 - Art Mina, Girls Coach of the Year

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **High Point** will host a "Brunch Hour" for Sussex County Realtors on Friday, April 28, in our library. The intention is to provide the local real estate community with information on our school. Tours and refreshments will be offered as well as brief presentations from the administration and various departments.

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

- The High Point **Graphic Design** program has been nominated for the 2006 School Leader Award sponsored by the **New Jersey School Boards Association**. The School Leader Award spotlights creative and innovative programs in New Jersey schools that improve student learning. The three year program, written by Fine Arts teacher and professional illustrator **Lance Sorchik**, was begun in 2001. Successful completion of **Graphic Design 3** awards the student an opportunity to accrue six college credits through our Concurrent Enrollment Program with **SCCC**.
- A guest speaker visited **Mrs. Olsen's Foods II** classes on March 20. Rick Fine represents the **Art Institute of NYC** and spoke about their Culinary Arts program. He demonstrated knife technique and prepared Pasta Primavera for the class.