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# HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

## December 2006

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### STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- The **Senior Citizens' Prom**, held on December 3, was a wonderful success. One hundred and fifty Senior Citizens attended and had a great time thanks to everyone's effort. The music, decorations, food, and student/faculty help all came together to make for another great event.
- The **High Point Chamber Singers** performed for the Branchville Rotary on Friday, December 8.

The members are as follows:

<b>Sopranos</b>	<b>Altos</b>	<b>Tenors</b>	<b>Baritones</b>	<b>Basses</b>
Cathy Coloccia	Jenna Banfield	Adam Carson	Dan Martin	DM
CH	VC	Daniel Frayko	James McMaster	JO
Kristin Kimball	Justine Doherty	KH	Joseph Oldock	Derek Schwabe
Mary Lanzilotti	Monica Hahn	Bobby Texel	John Sysyn	
DL	Erin McCormick	Fehmi Yasin		
Allison Miller	Nicole Plaza	Lenny Wolff		
Caitlin O'Neill	Heather Yaden			
Kim Rutledge				

- **The Music Department** presented its annual Candlelight Concert on Thursday, December 7, in the auditorium.
- **FBLA's** pumpkin sale was a smashing success. We raised \$565 for the **March of Dimes** through the paper pumpkin sales, the faculty jeans day, and the coin collections in lunch. Thank you for your support!
- Congratulations to **Chris Card, Dan Klaus, Zack Loughery, Brandon Mason, Conor McGrath, Corbin Opilla, Benjamin Rose, and Robert Weiss** for their achievement of Eagle Scout status this year.

### STAFF RECOGNITION:

- **The Guidance Department** recently held two informative evening programs which were very well attended. In October, **Pathways to Your Future** was presented. The guidance counselors, as well as representatives from colleges and universities, gave presentations on all aspects of the college planning process. One of the presenters was Mr. Bill Larrouse, Director of Admissions at Rutgers University. In November, a **FAFSA** workshop was given by Mr. Robert Baumel, Director of Financial aid at **William Paterson University**, in which participants were guided through the FAFSA process. The FAFSA is a financial aid form which college bound students must file in order to be eligible for any kind of aid. In addition, the Guidance Department has provided several programs during the day for students. These programs included the following: Project Success Day - Marty Novak, a recent graduate and current freshman at SCCC, came back to share his experiences with our juniors and seniors in their classrooms; Making It Count - Representatives from this organization presented Making High School Count, which provided freshmen with strategies to be successful in high school; Mini College Days - Over 30 representatives from colleges came to share information with our juniors and seniors in October and again in December; SCCC Immediate Decision Day - Todd Poltersdorf, Assistant Director of Admissions, met one on one with our seniors as they applied to SCCC.

### ATHLETICS:

- Please congratulate the following **Girls' Tennis** players on their selection to New Jersey Herald's All League Girls' Tennis Team: **MR and Lauren Tracy** (First Team); **Lauren Bayse, Kelly Costello, and Michelle Morawsky** (Second Team).
- Congratulations to the following Girls' Tennis players on their selection to the Girls' Tennis **All West Jersey First Team**: **Kelly Costello and Michelle Morawsky**. This honor caps an incredible season which saw the doubles team finish with a record of 20-5 including the first win in school history at the NJSIAA State Doubles Tournament.

**ATHLETICS:** (cont'd)

- Please take the time to congratulate **Jessie Lain** for being named to the **All West Jersey-First Team** for **Soccer**.
- The New Jersey Girls' Soccer Coaches Association has recognized three of our athletes as **All State** soccer players: **Jessie Lain**, **Ashley Sanborn**, and **Shannon McEvoy** exemplify the game of soccer by their hard work and dedication to the sport. Please congratulate these three young ladies on such an awesome accomplishment.
- Congratulations to the Cross County Team members for their very successful season. The following is a recap: The **Boys' Team** finished 5-4. This was their first season over 500 since the late 1990s. **Ben VanWyk** was named to All SCIL team, and **Dan McBride** was named as an Honorable Mention. Ben placed 6<sup>th</sup> at the Festival, and the team as a whole placed 6<sup>th</sup> as well. A new High Point record was established by Ben; he was undefeated on our course this year. The **Girls' Team** finished 6-3, and placed second at the SCIL festival with 3 top 10 finishers. They also had 3 team members in the top 10 at the sectional race at Garret Mountain. These 3 qualified for the Group 3 Championships. The team placed 6<sup>th</sup> at the sectional race. **All-SCIL** honors went to **Samantha Brummell**, **Danielle Czohla**, and **Stacey Lepes**. Honorable Mention was earned by **SJ**. **Stacey Lepes** was undefeated on our home course and currently holds the Girls' Cross Country course record at High Point. What a season!
- In more Cross Country news, the following Girls' Cross Country Team members were selected to the Star Ledger's All West Jersey Team: **Danielle Czohla** and **Stacey Lepes** (First Team); **Samantha Brummell** (Second Team).
- The following individuals have been named to the New Jersey Herald All League Cross Country Teams for 2006: Boys - **Ben VanWyk** (First Team); Girls - **Stacey Lepes** (First Team), **Samantha Brummell** and **Danielle Czohla** (Second Team). **Gary Dutko** - Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year.
- The following boys made the Star Ledger All West Jersey Team for Cross Country: **Ben VanWyk** (First Team) and **Dan McBride** (Third Team).

**MEDIA RECOGNITION:**

**The New Jersey Herald, December 8, 2006** - "High Point Starts with a sweep"

**The New Jersey Herald, December 4, 2006** - "Local girl makes good in Hollywood"

**The New Jersey Herald, December 1, 2006** - "2006 All-SCIL Cross Country"

**The New Jersey Herald, November 28, 2006** - "High Point Girls' Soccer"

**Advertiser-News North, October 26, 2006** - "High Point art students create a lasting legacy in cafeteria"

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

- The Art Institute visited with Media, Web Page Design, Women in Engineering, Communication Technology, World Cuisine, and Computer Apps 2 classes on November 27, 2006. This experience helped to satisfy career and higher education units in many classes. Majors at the Art Institute include the following: Interior Design, Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Digital Media Production, Video Production, Interactive Media Design, Photo, Animation, and Game Art Design.
- A supervisor from **Red Bank Regional High School** recently visited the **Technological and Business Studies** classes to get ideas for duplication in their own school.