

HIGH POINT HIGHLIGHTS - AN INSIDE LOOK

March 2007

STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- The following students have been named as Student of the Marking Period: **Liza Cotter** (Social Studies Dept.), **Taylor Torppey** (World Languages Dept.), **Mayra Molina** (Science Dept.), **Devon Wilson** (Language Arts Dept.), **Ben Rose** (Math Dept.), and **CZ** (Fine and Performing Arts Dept.).
- Seniors **MH** and **Jason McConville** filmed and photographed Nancy White's freshman College Prep A class's performance of Mr. Blewit's Nose at the Clifton E. Lawrence and Lafayette Township Schools. **Kayla Hall, JM, Yendie Lin,** and **Meghan Toale**, students in Lisa Hodgins' Art I class, created the scenery for the production.
- **Austin Bensen** is the DAR Recognition Award nominee.
- On March 28, the following students will make presentations to the Sussex and Lafayette 8th graders on topics of peer pressure and making the most of high school: **LC, Daniel Conrad, Mandy Crane, Jane Granville, Ashley LeBelle, MM,** and **Bill Suchoski**.
- Please congratulate the following students for their fine performance at the FBLA State Competition: **Amy Wilson** - 3rd in State for Job Interview; **Ben Rose** - 4th in State for Cybersecurity; **Shannon Southard** and **SS** - 3rd in State for Desktop Publishing Team Event.
- **CZ, JV, JK, AC, Lyndsay Hoffmann, LP, KR,** and **Dilek Baykara** entered the Mt. Olive 17th Annual Invitational Art Competition. They were. **CZ** won first place in Crafts. **KR** and **LP** were awarded second and third place in Illustration.
- **Beth Christensen, Jacqueline Lake, Mary Jean Lanzalotti, MM, Alysa Ochoa, JV, Amy Wilson, Heather Yaden,** and **CZ** are exhibiting their artwork at the Youth Art Month annual exhibit at the County Courthouse in Newton.
- Graphic Design 2 student **Ed McNeil** had his logo design selected for the Adult Education Spring 2007 brochure.
- **CZ** received a Merit Award at the Art Administrators of NJ Emerging Artists exhibit. As a result, she has been invited to submit her portfolio for review in application for the AANJ Achievement Award/Governor's Award for Excellence in Visual Art.
- Congratulations are in order for several of our Performing Arts students. **Sean Marks, Tom Aroune** and **Isaac Cryder** were selected for the Region Band; **Isaac Cryder** was also selected for Region Orchestra. **Briana Doran** and **KD** were selected to perform with this year's Jr. Region Band, while **Erin McCormick, TD,** and **JO** were selected for Region 1 Chorus.
- **Ashley LeBelle** was recognized as Rotary Student of the Month in Wallkill; **Lyndsay Hoffman** was recognized in Branchville.

STAFF RECOGNITION:

- **Heather Strout** has been asked to host two "Poetry Jams" at this year's Sussex County Teen Arts Festival. These open poetry forums will allow her to interact with students from across the county and help them to share and develop their writings.
- **Karen Kozlowski** organized and hosted a lecture in October on the topic of Global Tolerance given for our students by the renowned author and professor, Dr. Daniel Mengara.
- Please congratulate **Brian Drelick** on his selection as High Point's Teacher of the Year for the 2007-2008 school year. We are very proud to have Brian representing High Point.
- **Lance Sorchik** has been selected as High Point's Governor's Teacher. Congratulations, Lance!
- **Dan Muller**, Technology Education, has been selected to receive the Innovative Technology Educator Award of \$10,000 by the Technology Educators Association of New Jersey. He will receive the award at this year's State TEANJ Conference on May 3, 2007. The award is sponsored by the Martinson Family Foundation.
- **JoAnn Koch, Joe Santora,** and **Chris Henry** have been nominated for Who's Who.
- **Lisabeth Sunda** received the Principal's Innovation Grant for a Document Viewer, which is installed and being used for Biology and Forensics.
- **Brian Drelick** has been elected to the position of President Elect of the Technology Educators Association of New Jersey.

ATHLETICS:

- Congratulations to **Mikayla Wingle**, as she was named Athlete of the Month for February.
- Kudos to the Girls' Basketball Team for taking the 2007 SCIL Festival at Hopatcong.
- Congratulations to the **Wrestling Team** for their outstanding efforts in the regions. High Point sent five wrestlers to Atlantic City for state competition.

ATHLETICS (Continued)

- Congratulations to the **Boys' Ski Team** for taking the 2007 SCIL Team title. The **Girls' Team** took third and gave an excellent performance. When you see the following Basketball players, please congratulate them on their well deserved awards: All League, 1st team - **Austin Bentson**; All League, Honorable Mention - **CP**; All SCIL, Honorable Mention - **Ray Frey**.
- Congratulations to the following individuals for being honored by Mugs Media:
Eric Carlson - Coach of the Year for swimming;
Jessie Lain - Co-player of the Year for Girls' Basketball;
Wrestling Team - Team of the Year.
- Congratulations to **Austin Bentson** for being selected to the All SCIL 2nd team by the *NJ Herald*.
- Congratulations to the Boys' and Girls' Ski Teams for their outstanding accomplishments. The Boys' Team finished second in states and the Girls' Team finished fifth. Top finishers were **Tyler Bartz** (2nd overall, first team All State), **Roddy Vandenheuvel** (7th overall, 2nd team All State), and **HK** (5th overall, 2nd team All State).
- Please congratulate the following **Boys' Swim Team** and **Girls' Swim Team** members for being selected 1st Team All-SCIL by the league coaches. (The boys also broke a combined seven school records this year!)

BOYS:	<u>1st Team (all unanimous)</u> Dan Klaus - 200 IM, 400 Free Relay Steve Vealey - 50 Free, 400 Free Relay Shaun Greer - 100 Fly Corbin Opilla - 100 Breast, 400 Free Relay SM - 400 Free Relay	<u>2nd Team</u> Dominic Fasino - 200 Medley Relay Mike Klics - 200 Medley Relay	<u>Honorable Mention</u> Erik Kristiansen - 200 Freestyle
GIRLS :	<u>1st Team (all unanimous)</u> Nicole Ferlo - 500 Free (4th year making the team) Eliza Cotter - 100 Free	<u>2nd Team</u> EB - 400 Free Relay JG - 400 Free Relay	<u>Honorable Mention</u> Rebecca Schreyer - 100 Breast

MEDIA RECOGNITION:

- The New Jersey Herald**, March 11, 2007 - "Carlson makes Wildcats believe"
- The New Jersey Herald**, March 11, 2007 - "High Point takes a step toward top"
- The New Jersey Herald**, March 2, 2007 - "The stage is their classroom"
- The Advertiser News**, March 1, 2007 - "High Point Supervisor invited to Korean Embassy"
- The Advertiser News**, March 1, 2007 - "High officials"
- The New Jersey Herald**, February 27, 2007 - "A win is a win"
- The New Jersey Herald**, February 23, 2007 - "High Point stops Vernon's streak"
- The New Jersey Herald**, February 21, 2007 - "Boyle redefines success"
- The Advertiser-News**, February 15, 2007 - "Youngest Eagle Scout"

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- High Point's Spring Musical *The Music Man* will be presented on March 30, 31, and April 1.
- High Point's **Technology School Association** will host the Easter TSA 5K Run/Walk Fundraiser on Saturday, April 7, 2007 - rain or shine - at Woodbourne Park. An Easter egg hunt will be also be hosted at the park.
- High Point's **Wildcat Booster Club** will host their 20th Annual Tricky Tray on Friday, April 20, in the cafeteria. Admission is free.

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

- Seven members of the High Point faculty attended the New Jersey Educational Technology Consortium annual conference in early March at Montclair State and participated in a variety of training workshops in technology integration, the latest technology initiatives, and Podcasting and the publishing of Podcasts.
- At the March administration of the **HSPA**, a total of 341 students were tested. This included all first time 11th graders and several students who needed to retest.
- The spring session of High Point's **Adult Education** program began on March 12 with over 115 students registered for the 12 different courses offered.