



Courtesy of Lawrence Budnick for The Westfield Leader and The Times
UNION COUNTY CHAMPIONS...The Westfield Blue Devil swim girls assemble after capturing the Union County Championship at Rutgers University Campus in Piscataway on January 30.

Blue Devil Boys, Girls Sweep UC Swim Tourney

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superstars," third-year coach Brooke Smith said. "Sure, the top kids all swam some great times, but it came down to the team as a whole. We only had one individual win and one relay win. All three girls in each event had to step up for us to win the meet, and that's what they did."

"As a coach, you can't ask for better swimmers. Out of 24 individual races, 21 were season-bests, and nine were lifetime bests. I wouldn't say I was surprised to see how fast the girls swam. But to see them achieve times they didn't know they were capable of, that's what makes me proud to be their coach. I love new records."

Westfield, which faced top-ranked Immaculate Heart on Tuesday (the boys faced Christian Brothers), will begin its state-title quest next week. The WHS girls have won 11 state titles, the most recent being in 2007 and '08. Last year they fell to West Windsor-Plainsboro South on the final relay.

"The girls are confident about the road ahead," Smith said. "They know they're going to stay focused through this month, but I think seeing results like they had, it makes their goal seem a lot more attainable."

"The boys' meet didn't have seven meet records, but the swimmers were seemingly just as fast, with WHS piling up 442 points, to 411.5 by SP-F and 320 by third-place Summit.

"This should be a good springboard to our main goal, which is to be state champions," WHS boys coach Jeff Knight said. "And I really think Scotch Plains can win (Public) B. (Five-time defending state B champion) Mountain Lakes is obviously a really good team. They both beat us in December. But I think Scotch Plains may have too many good swimmers for them. It should be a great meet."

The two-time defending state Public A champion Blue Devils showed

they will be tough to dethrone. With expected solid performances from seniors Matt Meserole, Mike Oster and John Taylor, and juniors Larry Zhang, Nicky Boyle and Jack Lorentzen, Knight was absolutely beaming about the efforts of sophomores Alex Bond, Brennan Haley and Matt Trinkle, and freshmen Matt Daniel, Connor Moore, Max Shin and Tim Walsh.

"The state tournament is all about depth, and I'd say we have a lot more depth after (Saturday) than we did coming in," he said. "All the guys put up some great times. And they're only going to keep getting faster."

Having lost the medley relay by .03 of a second in the December loss to SP-F, WHS rearranged its order, with Meserole leading off, Lorentzen doing breast, Zhang fly and Oster free. The result was a meet record 1:38.66. And when Summit anchored, Colin Terwelp touched out the SP-F anchor for second, Meserole went over and congratulated his Westfield "Y" teammate. It figured to be that close of a meet, where every place was key.

WHS got firsts from Lorentzen in the 50-free (22.56), Meserole in the 100-free (48.08) and 100-back (53.17) - his fourth straight title, tying WHS Hall of Famer Darren Hertell (IM, back), '04 grad Ryan Bartholomew (50) and '09 grad Chris DeLaFuenta (fly) as four-time champions - and the 200 free relay, where Knight made a switch that produced the victory.

SP-F didn't use Dan Napolitano or Joe Dunn on the medley relay, as in the dual meet, so that meant they would both be on the "sprint relay," likely with Mike Napolitano and Mike Rizzo, figuring WHS wouldn't load that race. And, to be sure, Knight hadn't "loaded" the 4x50. But when he saw who had swum in the medley, the coach switched Lorentzen and Meserole onto the sprint foursome, with Boyle and Walsh, and the result was a season-best 1:29.75.

The most outrageous swim of the day for Knight's team was in the 200 IM, where Zhang gave SP-F standout Greg Baliko all he could handle. The Raider sophomore finished in 1:57.41, breaking Hertell's old mark, with Zhang coming in at 1:58.83, fifth best in WHS history. Zhang trailed by just .24 of a second until the final 50.

But it was times like Bond's 1:08.49

in the breast, Moore's 1:07.81 in the breast, Daniel's 51.90 in the 100-free, Haley's 57.22 in the fly and 5:10.25 in the 500, Shin's 2:11.37 in the IM and 57.33 in the back, Walsh's 22.87 in the 50 and 52.80 in the 100-free, Trinkle's 5:23.46 in the 500, and Boyle's 22.89 in the 50 and 50.5 in the 100 that got Knight thinking positively about a possible three-peat.

For SP-F, Dan Napolitano won the 200-free (1:45.31) and gave Meserole a great race in the 100 before taking second in 48.48. Brother Mike won the 100-fly (53.09) and 500-free (4:52.13). Baliko added the 100-breast (1:00.22) to his IM win, while Dunn was second in the 50. SP-F also won the 400-free relay with Dan Nap, Dunn, Mike Rizzo and Baliko.

Rizzo and Dan Pesin had great performances. They finished 3-4 in the IM with a 2:04.93 and a 2:05.02, surreal drops of 5.52 and 4.41 seconds, respectively. Rizzo also had a best 55.40 for fourth in the fly. Pesin also was third in the 100-back at 56.75. Senior Mike Henkels was eighth in the 100-back, with a three-second drop to 57.86. And sophomore Nick Sorace came down almost three seconds to a 1:07.75 for seventh in the 100-breast.

All in all, quite a performance for two of the state's best programs.

And the best - a state championship trophy, or two, or three, maybe even four - is yet to come.

"Nobody should be too surprised if both schools win state titles this year," Knight said.

Cougar Matmen Hold Down Blue Devils, 42-22

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takedown, but Giaccio countered with a walk-around takedown to win, 5-1. "We were looking for that match-up. We thought he could get him again. It ended up being the right move for the team," coach Torsone said.

At 130 lbs, Cougar Carmine Pellino amassed four takedowns, an escape and three nearfalls to seize a 16-1, 5:12, technical fall over Kevin

Cascillo. Cougar Kyle Markovitch, last year's 119-lb District 11 champ who had been out all season due to a wrist injury, managed to make his second bout of the season worthwhile, recording three takedowns and an escape to defeat Ryan Jennings, 7-0, at 135 lbs.

"He has been working a lot on his own, which helps him get through the

matches, but we are looking for him to get in better condition over the next couple of weeks to get ready for districts," coach Torsone said of Markovitch.

The third key bout came at 140 lbs. Blue Devil Christian Barber recorded a single-leg trip takedown in the first period on Matt DiGiovanni, escaped and added a single-leg, pry-back takedown in the second period, then performed a head-and-arm takedown in the third period to claim a 7-2 victory, narrowing the Cougars' lead to 27-9.

Blue Devil Brian Henry racked up five takedowns of varying styles, a nearfall and a reversal before pinning Eric Knight with a half nelson in 5:22 at 145 lbs.

"Brian wrestled well as he always does. Win or lose, you know you have six good minutes of Brian Henry," coach Kurz said.

Blue Devil Erik Gozdieski grabbed a 6-3 decision over Connor Londregan at 152 lbs to tighten the team score to 27-18, but Cougar JP Christiano used a grapevine and an arm bar to pin Chris Tomasso in 1:14 at 160 lbs.

At 171 lbs, Blue Devil sophomore Kieran Cline recorded a takedown and a three-point, head-smother nearfall in the first period of his bout with Chris Keim. He added an escape, a short-arm drag takedown and a double-leg takedown to earn a 10-0, majority decision.

"He can do some good things for us. We've got to get him in more of a wrestling frame of mind. I think once we do that, he will be, hopefully in our lineup regularly," coach Kurz said of Cline.

In the final head-to-head bout, Blue Devil Bill Kim jumped up to 189 lbs to face Errol Petgrave but dropped a 3-1 decision.

"Throughout the lineup, there weren't really many matches that were lopsided. A lot of them were close battles," coach Torsone said.

"We told the kids that we had a match plan that would put us in a position to win. It would be up to them to actually execute it to see if we were tougher than Cranford or they were tougher than us. We got our answer," coach Kurz said.

BOUT SEQUENCE:

- Hwt: — Brady (C) won forfeit
- 103: — Slifer (W) p Castro, 1:47
- 112: — Helmsstetter (C) p Kalimtzis, 4:13
- 119: — Henry (C) md Aldana, 9-1
- 125: — Giaccio (C) p Skibitsky, 5-1
- 130: — Pellino (C) tf Cascillo 16-1, 5:12
- 135: — Markovitch (C) d Jennings, 7-2
- 140: — Barber (W) d DiGiovanni, 7-2
- 145: — Henry (W) p Knight, 5:22
- 152: — Gozdieski (W) d Londregan, 6-3
- 160: — Christiano (C) p Tomasso, 1:14
- 171: — Cline (W) md Keim, 10-0
- 189: — Petgrave (C) d Kim, 3-1
- 215: — Campo (C) won forfeit

Lady Blue Devils De-feather Cardinal Basketballers, 46-31

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six assists, found success setting up senior forward Diana Venezia, who bucketed seven of her game-leading 19 points in the second quarter that the Blue Devils won, 18-12. Markowski put in five points, junior Katie Ponce (2 assists) sank four of her six points, and guard Danielle Miller (4 points, rebound, assist) added two points in the quarter.

Venezia, who had 10 rebounds, sank eight of the Blue Devils' 10 points, including her second 3-pointer, in the third quarter to make the score, 38-20. Ponce, who had 11 rebounds, began the quarter by sinking a pair of free throws.

What was prevalent, however, was the Blue Devils' ability to commit numerous acts of theft, and Markowski and Miller were the chief thieves with four steals each. Ponce and Venezia each had two steals, while Jess Mondon (2 assists, 2 rebounds, 1 point) and Nikki Aronson each had one theft.

"Sometimes, especially today,

when I am not on offensively, I try to step it up defensively. That is one of my main things, try to stay on my toes and get any balls that are coming my way," Markowski said.

Blue Devil Charlotte Lorentzen finished with five points, four rebounds and an assist. Krista Embrett had two points and three rebounds, Christina Scaglione, Nicole Bilica, Sara Nelson and Gabby Cerami each contributed a rebound. Brittany Sutton led the 5-9 Cardinals with 12 points, and Danielle Hooks sank eight points, while Tiffany Frazier put in five points.

"You got to give credit to Plainfield. They are a nice little team. Those girls are good inside," coach Marino said.

Plainfield	5	12	3	11	31
Westfield	10	18	10	8	46

The Blue Devil girls defeated the Raiders, 45-36 on February 2. See story in the February 11 edition.

Park/Terrill Matmen Stop Farmers, Chiefs, Tigers

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood (SPF) - Park/Terrill Middle School - Little Raiders wrestling team shut out Union, 33-0, on January 26, and Piscataway, 43-0, on January 27, then edged South Plainfield, 27-22, on January 28, to boost its record to 9-0.

Against the Union Little Farmers, SPF won all six contested bouts, five by pin.

JT Bierre (S) p Frank Brewer, 3:06

Dominic Natale (S) p Mantino Pierre, 0:36

Matt Ridge (S) p T. Charles-Saint, 1:35

Brian Robinson (S) p P. Howard, 0:59

Alex Mirabella (S) d Chiz Mbagwu, 8:46

Sam McQuoid (S) p Alex Santana, 1:54

Against the Piscataway Chiefs, SPF recorded 5 pins, a major decision and

three decisions.

Tom Cunningham d D. Scannell, 5:00

Bierre d J. Cooke, 4-2, overtime

Brian Lapham md H. Nazeer, 16-3

Mike Lettieri p C. Neiper, 1:20

Tyler Kovacs p A. Gutierrez, :59

Ridge p E. Gaffi, 1:35

Natale p D. Brookling, 3:07

Mirabella p C. Hopkins, :51

McQuoid d A. Cruz, 5-2

Against the South Plainfield Little Tigers, SPF's middle lineup rallied with four straight pins to secure the victory.

Ryan Walsh (SoP) p Will Hochman, 2:03

Desmond Santos (SoP) md Cunningham, 11-3

Dan Hedden (SoP) d Bierre, 6-2

Lapham (SPF) d C.J. Masczak, 4-0

Lettieri (SPF) p Christian Gonzalez, 1:22

Kovacs (SPF) p Dom Penevolpe, 3:22

Natale (SPF) p Matt Hurst, 1:59

Ridge (SPF) p Jordan Handwerker, 3:59

Colin Lynch (SoP) d Mirabella, 9-2

Lou Gerandi (SoP) p McQuoid, 3:55

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education of the Westfield School District, Union County, New Jersey, at the Board of Education, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, for the following supplies, equipment or services:

BID FOR: B 11-01 INDUSTRIAL ART SUPPLIES FOR THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR
BIDS DUE: MARCH 3, 2010 AT 1:00 PM

The bids will be received at the Administration Building, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey 07090, on the date and at the time indicated, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids must be in strict compliance with specifications. Specifications may be secured from, Purchasing Office 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey 07090 (908) 789-4407. Bids must be made on the proposal forms in the manner designated. Proposals must be endorsed on the outside of the sealed envelope, with the name of the bidder, the bidder's address and the name of the supplies, equipment, or services for which the bid is submitted. It is understood and agreed that proposals may be delivered before the time or at the place specified for opening. The Board of Education assumes no responsibility for bids mailed or misdirected in delivery. No bids shall be received after the time designated.

Bidding shall be in conformance with the applicable requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A-18.1 et seq., pertaining to the "Public School Contracts Law".

The Board of Education of the Town of Westfield, in Union County, New Jersey, reserves the right to reject any or all bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(s), (i), (x), (y), 18A:18A-4(a), 18A:18A-22, and to waive any informality. The Board further reserves the right to take such alternates as they deem appropriate, and in any order that the Board feels may be in the best interest of the Westfield Public School District.

All bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., Affirmative Action Against Discrimination and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. Corporate bidders are required by law (Chapter 33, Laws of 1977) to submit a list of names and addresses of all stockholders owning 10% or more of their stock.

A Non-Collusion Affidavit and a Contractor Questionnaire/Certification also must be filed with the bid. The bid package will also include other documents that must be completed and returned with the bid. Failure to comply with Instructions to Bidders and to complete and submit all required forms, may cause for disqualification and rejection of the bid.

All bidders shall submit with their bid package a copy of the New Jersey Business Registration Certificate as issued by the Department of Treasury of the State of New Jersey. (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)

BIDDERS NOTE: Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Westfield Board of Education, for ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total bid, however, not to exceed \$20,000. By order of the Town of Westfield Board of Education, Union County, New Jersey, Robert A. Berman Board Secretary

1 T - 2/4/10, The Leader Fee: \$70.89

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT COUNTY OF UNION STATE OF NEW JERSEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that MetroPCS New York, LLC ("Applicant") has filed an application for a use variance, height variance, variance to allow for no screening of antennas and for preliminary and final site plan approval with the Town of Westfield Zoning Board of Adjustment seeking permission to place six (6) telecommunications antennas and one GPS antenna on the roof of an existing building and to also place its related equipment in the basement of the building. The property which is the subject of this application is located at 900 South Avenue West, Westfield, New Jersey which is located in the GB-3 Zoning District and is designated on the Tax Maps as Block 2606, Lot 19 ("Property"). Applicant is seeking the following approvals:

- * Use variance
- * Height variance
- * Variance to allow for no screening of antennas

Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval
 TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Applicant also seeks other approvals, waivers and variances from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance as may be deemed necessary or required by the Town of Westfield Zoning Board of Adjustment at the hearing in this matter.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Town of Westfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, Wednesday, February 24, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Town of Westfield Municipal Building, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey at which time opportunity will be given to all those in interest to be heard and at which time the Board may approve, modify or deny the application. Any interested party may appear at the aforesaid hearing, either in person, or by their attorney, and be given the opportunity to be heard with respect to the aforesaid application.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the application for development and all supporting maps, site plans and documents are on file in the Westfield Engineering Office, located at 959 North Avenue, West, Westfield, New Jersey and are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

This notice is given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.

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 Morristown, New Jersey 07962-1945
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 Attorneys for the Applicant
 1 T - 2/4/10, The Leader Fee: \$57.63



BASKETBALL CHAMPS...The Westfield sixth grade Blue team won the Year's Kean University Tournament in early January by defeating a squad from Basking Ridge. Westfield Blue, over its three-year history, is 26-1 in tournament play. Pictured, left to right, are: front row, Nick Mele, Owen Murray, Tyler Roth, Chris Rinaldi, Billy Fitzpatrick and Chris Boutiskaris; second row, Coach Daniel Murray, Coach Gary Roth, Mitchell Bryk, Andrejs Rumpeters, Justin Lin, Owen Colwell, Parker Hess, Matt McIlroy, Coach Mark Cleere and Coach Dave Hess.

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TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Invitations are extended to qualified Bidders to bid for the following Project:

THE PURCHASE OF SEED, CHEMICALS, AND SUPPLIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS

Bids will be accepted only by mail or in person to the Office of the Township Clerk, Scotch Plains Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains 07076 (attn: Barbara Riepe, Township Clerk) until **February 17, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.**

The Township of Scotch Plains (hereinafter "Township") shall not be responsible for any bid mailed which is lost in transit or delivered late by the Postal Service. At the above time, the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids must be presented in sealed envelopes, which are clearly marked, **THE PURCHASE OF SEED, CHEMICALS, AND SUPPLIES,** for the Maintenance of the Township of Scotch Plains, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076. No bid will be received after the time and date specified.

After receipt of bids, no bid may be withdrawn within (60) days after the date of the bid opening except if provided for herein. The bid of any bidder who consents to an extension may be held for consideration for a longer period of time as may be agreed upon between bidder and the Township.

All bids must be on the bid forms provided by the Township of Scotch Plains in the bid package. Specification and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Recreation, Room 113, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Bid proposals and all required documents must be completed and submitted by the date as set forth above. All documents in the enclosed bid package must accompany the bid proposal.

In addition to the above documents, a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond issued by a responsible bank, trust company or insurance company, payable to the Township of Scotch Plains shall be submitted with each bid as a guaranty that if a contract is awarded the bidder shall execute said contract.

The bid security shall be in the amount of \$100,000. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive immaterial

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informalities or to accept any bid which, in the opinion of the Township of Scotch Plains, will be in the best interest of the Township all in accordance with the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The Township shall award the bid to the bidders which, in the Township's sole discretion, best serves the interest of the Township.

The Township also reserves the right to reject any and all bids if sufficient funds are not available and/or appropriated. The Township also reserves the right to not utilize these services if they are not necessary.

The selected Bidders, will, within seven days (7) of award of the bid, enter into an appropriate contract with the Township.

All bidders must comply with P.L. 1975, Chapter 127 entitled "An Act Relating to Affirmative Action in Relation to discrimination in connections with Certain Public Contracts and supplementing the Law Against Discrimination approved April 16, 1945 (P.L. 1945, Chapter 169)" N.J.A.C. 17:27, as amended from time to time, and the Americans With Disability Act.

All bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

All bidders must be registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor to engage in public work as defined in the requirements listed under N.J.S.A. 34:11-5661 through 5665, as well as N.J.A.C. 12:62-1.1 and must submit a Business Registration Certificate with the Bid Documents.

Where applicable, prevailing wage rate shall be paid to all workers on the job as per N.J.A.C. 34:11-56.25 et seq.

All Bidders must submit, with their bid, a copy of their and their contractors and sub-contractors BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE, regardless of whether a Business Registration Certificate may have previously been filed with the Township or Department of Parks and Recreation in the past with a prior bid. This requirement is MANDATORY and a bid without a Business Registration Certificate enclosed MUST be rejected.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Ray Paeiro
 Director Of Parks and Recreation
 Township Of Scotch Plains
 430 Park Ave 07076
 Barbara Riepe, Town Clerk
 1 T - 2/4/10, The Times Fee: \$99.96

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD COUNTY OF UNION PUBLIC AUCTION

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Resolution adopted by the Town Council of Westfield, New Jersey on February 2, 2010 that the undersigned will expose for sale at Public Auction in accordance with 39:10A-1, at the time and location specified below, the following motor vehicles which came into possession of the Westfield Police Department through abandonment or failure of owners to claim same.

All the vehicles on the following list are offered in strictly "as is" condition, with no representation as to condition or fitness for any particular purpose. Bids will start at outstanding balances owed on these vehicles for towing and storage fees.

Purchase must be made by cash or certified check. A 10% deposit must be given at the time of auction. Balance must be paid by 4:00 pm the same day.

The public auction shall be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey pertaining thereto.

The following vehicles may be examined at AM Auto, 401-413 S. Elmer Street, Westfield, New Jersey at 9:00 am. The public auction will commence at 9:15 am.

MAKE: Jeep Gran Cherokee
 YEAR: 1995
 VIN# 1J4GZ58SXSC766790
 MILEAGE: 231235
 Start Bid: \$7,377.85

MAKE: Volkswagen Golf
 YEAR: 1997
 VIN# 3VWKB81HXVM026600
 MILEAGE: 107143
 Start Bid: \$6,965.80

MAKE: Chevrolet S10
 YEAR: 1991
 VIN# 1GC