

Lady Lions Tame Cougar Cagers, 53-28

end against a more experienced team. I think we worked very hard, and that's all I could ask for. More than half of our team are sophomores. They are young

compared to a lot of teams that we play against," Coach Dyer said.

Roselle Catholic	15	13	14	11	53
Cranford	10	2	8	8	28



Cougar Wrestlers Muzzle David Brearley Bears, 43-25

The Cranford High School wrestling team claimed victories in nine of the 14 bouts to earn a 43-25 victory over the Brearley Bears on January 6.

Freshman Tom DiGiovanni continued his winning ways when he put away Bear Liam Savona in 41 seconds at 113-lbs. In the 106-lb bout, Ray Wetzel recorded a 10-1 majority decision over Cougar Anthony Capece. Bear Nick DeMarco, last year's Union County Tournament 113-lb champion, pinned Nick Scaramuzzi in 1:35 at 120-lbs.

Cougar freshman Chris Scorese won a 6-3 decision over Tim Murphy at 126-lbs then Cougar Dave Busch seized a 9-0 majority decision over Charlie Buckley

at 132-lbs. Cougar Brian McGovern pinned Jesse Goncalves in 1:54 at 138-lbs then Cougar Andrew Tompkins pinned Aly Mohamed in 29 seconds at 145-lbs.

Cougar Gavin Murray received a forfeit at 152-lbs and Corey Birch defeated Eoghan Savona, 9-2, at 160-lbs. Niko Cappello pinned Bear Nick Nazario at 170-lbs. Bear Mike Tancs defeated Nick Ballas, 7-1, at 182-lbs. Bear Joey Balboni, who placed third in the state at 182-lbs last year, received a forfeit at 195-lbs then Bear Jeff Velez pinned Mike Pastor in 1:45 at 220-lbs. Cougar heavyweight Jon ElKhoury earned a 3-1 decision over Saverio Salfcas.

Cougar Snacks

Cougars Top Hackettstown, Fall to No. Bergen, Clifton

The Cranford High School wrestling team defeated Hackettstown, 49-16, and fell to North Bergen, 36-23, and Clifton, 33-32, on January 4. Tom DiGiovanni, Gavin Murray, Niko Cappello and Jon ElKhoury won all three of their bouts. Anthony Capece won both of his bouts.

CRANFORD 49, HACKETTSTOWN 16:
106: — Chase Gunther (C) tf Steve Nicotta, 16-0 4:34

113: — DiGiovanni (C) md Tony Figueroa, 9-1

120: — Joe Rennie (H) md Chris Scorese, 13-2

126: — Dave Busch (C) p Jake Figueroa, 1:42

132: — Matt Nicotra (H) d Mike Nigro, 8-2
138: — Brian McGovern (C) d Anthony Gonzalez, 6-2

145: — Murray (C) p Anthony Carida, 3:06
152: — Paul Castillo (C) md Khilian Bernard, 16-4

160: — Cappello (C) p Eldin Rible, 3:53
170: — Kyle Connelly (H) p Chris Kiame, 2:45

182: — Scott Anderson (H) d Nick Ballas, 11-4

195: — Durlandy Cubillos (C) d Tahke Martin, 7-3

220: — Mike Pastor (C) p Ted Gurnowski, 5:57

Hwt: — ElKhoury (C) p John Jensen, :35

NORTH BERGEN 36, CRANFORD 23:
106: — Capece (C) md Kevin Montero, 12-4

113: — DiGiovanni (C) p Devin Garrido, 3:43

120: — Dan Ortega (N) p Scorese, 3:04

126: — Matt Gonzalez (N) d Nigro, 3-1

132: — Axel Urgiles (N) d Busch, 4-2

138: — Anthony Giraldo (N) p McGovern, 3:33

145: — Steve Reyes (N) won forfeit

152: — Murray (C) d Jeff Rivera, 8-6

160: — Corey Birch (C) d Antonio Alvarez, 7-2

170: — Cappello (C) md Amahurys Corrales, 9-1

Hwt: — ElKhoury (C) d Dave Medina, 6-0

CLIFTON 33, CRANFORD 32:

106: — Capece (C) d Tony Tuda, 6-0

113: — DiGiovanni (C) p Chris Zaccane, 2:23

120: — Kareem Askew (Cl) md Scorese, 11-2

126: — Khilil Zawaide (Cl) md Busch, 13-5

132: — Mohamed Farhan (Cl) p Nigro, 3:32

138: — Maurice Marsilla (Cl) p McGovern, 2:15

145: — Andrew Tompkins (C) d Jon Routis, 9-5

152: — Murray (C) d Pat DePasquale, 8-2

160: — Jim Sonzogni (Cl) p Birch, 3:49

170: — Cappello (C) d Steve Naidek, 4-2

182: — Ballas (C) p Steve Gonzalez, 5:51

195: — Ed Mazur (Cl) p Cubillos, 5:16

220: — Pastor (C) p Mahmoud Allen, 2:53

Hwt: — ElKhoury (C) d Tarek Awad, 8-6

Cougar Cagers Skin Rahway Boys, 50-49

The Cranford High School boys basketball team registered another nail-bitter and came out on top of the Rahway Indians, 50-49, in Rahway on January 4. Senior guard Tommy Trotter led the 4-1 Cougars with 14 points. Mike Guarriello netted 11 points, Luke Christiano sank 10, Cameron Kutzer had six, John Oblachinski scored five and Jack McCaffrey added four.

Cranford	4	14	15	17	50
Rahway	6	17	3	23	49

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COUGAR ATHLETE OF THE WEEK...Mike Guarriello, a senior on the varsity basketball team, is averaging 13 points a game this season. The Cougars are currently 4-1, including a tournament victory over West Orange in the Cougar Holiday Classic.