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## Theft At Prep

Stephanie Rosenstein

On November 6, the girls' locker room was robbed. Apparently, someone broke into the locker room after school. They did not only break almost every combination lock, but they also broke whole locker fixtures off of the lockers. It was rather easy for this person to do since the locker rooms are left unlocked and are unattended after school.

The students were surprised when they returned from practice and games to see what had happened. Clothes and belongings were scattered and thrown out onto the floor. Some students suffered heavy losses.

They had their valuables (such as walkmans, clothing, sneakers, and jewelry) stolen. A few students had over two hundred dollars worth of valuables missing.

Upon realizing what had happened Coach Nestvogel recorded the prices of the stolen items. She told the students that she would notify the police, and that the school insurance would possibly be able to cover some of the losses. To date, no word has reached the student body concerning the issue. However, Coach Nestvogel has reported the incident to the police and to Prep's faculty. Currently, the Prep community is awaiting a response to the theft.

## Model Congress 1990

Amar Maktal

On December 13 a group of Rutgers Preparatory School juniors and seniors embarked on the 1990 Princeton Model Congress Trip. The group left by chartered bus at 7:00 A.M., and the trip was chaperoned by Mrs. Wacker and Mrs. Howell. Sonali Lakhani, a Prep senior, tackled the job of Delegation Leader, which included organization and planning responsibilities. Mrs. Wacker advised the club.

The Prep delegation stayed at the Capitol Hill Hyatt, along with dozens of schools from across the nation. The purpose of the annual Princeton Model Congress is to simulate congressional proceedings. Each delegate was responsible for authoring a bill, and then arguing for it in their respective committee.

A typical day started at 9:00 with committee meetings, which recessed for lunch and then continued until dinner. After dinner, delegates would report to the meetings of their entire

legislatures, where bills passed in committee would be discussed. These meetings ended at 10:00 P.M. and the delegates then had two free hours to socialize in the hotel until curfew at 12:00.

Most of the first day was dedicated to registration. Since the Prep delegation arrived early, the delegates and chaperones were able to visit the tourist attractions in Washington D.C. Most spent a good part of their free time in Union Station, which houses many stores and restaurants.

The Prep delegation fared very well in the intense competition. Juniors Akin Salowu, Eric Wasson, Jen Geller, Scott Mory, Nicole Watkins, and Debbie Melnick all won Honorable Mentions for outstanding effort in their respective committees. Senior Geoffrey Gussis won the Gavel Award for being the most outstanding delegate on the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee.



Prep Delegation Poses in Capitol Hill Hyatt Lobby

## A Visit from Tom Luce

Geoffrey Gussis

On November 12, Mr. Tom Luce visited Preparatory School as the latest Klipstein Series Lecturer. He spoke to junior and senior history students on the theme of "The Responsibilities of Citizenship." He based his speech on his experiences as a candidate for the Republican nomination in this year's Texan Gubernatorial Primary.

Mr. Luce is dedicated to public service and to educational reform, and in his speech he stressed that 90% of prison inmates in Texas are high school dropouts and 85% have abused either drugs or alcohol. Mr. Luce sees education as a way to resolve many of the problems of society. Education was one issue that prompted Mr. Luce to enter the political race. "I felt I had done all I could outside have politics and I felt like I had to get into the political arena," and despite his loss in the primary he hopes to stay in politics in Texas. Mr. Luce stressed that public service is a very effective way of

"articulating your positions," although he described running for the Republican nomination as "frightening."

Presently, Mr. Luce is a Fellow at Harvard's J.F.K. School of Politics, where he will be a guest for four months. As a Fellow, he is required to lecture once a week to students and fac-

ulty, and in return is allowed to visit any Harvard class. He said that he enjoys the lively discussions he participates in.

Mr. Luce is the younger brother of Mrs. Carol Howell, an English teacher at Prep. After hearing his speech, she commented "Sounds like he's running again."



Photo by Adam Luce

Texas politician Tom Luce addresses the RPS student body.

## Rewriting the Constitution

Nicole Watkins

At the 1990 Mock Constitutional Convention at the Peddie School, students from various independent schools represented the original thirteen states. They debated topics such as changes in the Articles of Confederation, and what percentage a slave should count in the census for the determination of the number of representatives.

Rutgers Prep made its debut at the Convention this year. All of the delegates prepared extensively for this Convention by researching United States history in the Media Center, and through discussions in class.

When Amy Sheridan was asked if she would like to return, she replied, "I'm really looking forward to participating next year. I enjoyed myself immensely." The six delegates in Prep's Georgian delegation were Juniors Caroline Elo, Amy Sheridan, Lauren Trainer, Nicole Watkins, Nicole Weitz, and Kendall White.

Arlene Wacker was the Prep Delegation Advisor, and she was very impressed with all of the delegates efforts. She hopes to sign Rutgers Prep up next year if Peddie decides to continue the program.

## Council Corner

Liz Chin

The Can Food Drive sponsored by the School Council during November was very successful. The cans, which numbered over 1000, were collected and distributed through the Jewish Family services and the Somerset Food Bank. They went to many needy people in the area for the Thanksgiving holiday. The Food Drive Committee was headed by Jordana Weiner and included Shivam Mallick, Daniel Cantor, and Amy Smith.

The annual Toy Drive officially started on November 28. The toys are given to needy children for the holidays. This event will involve the Lower, Middle, and Upper schools. The Lower School's assignment is to bring in an unwrapped toy. Middle and Upper School students must pick the name of a person to whom a specific gift is sent. The Toy Drive Committee is headed by Shivam Mallick and Andrew Rafalaf.

A Dress Down Day was held on December 7. The proceeds from the dress down will go to a charity organization (to be announced).

Council has continued to provide newspapers in the Junior Lounge for all students to read at their leisure. Magazines will also be added to the reading materials.

The Food Truck Committee, chaired by Craig Fallon, met with Mr. Richard Karman and the Fall Sports Captains on Monday the 10th of December. The meeting was called in order to evaluate the food truck in hope of making it the more satisfactory to students participating in after school activities.

The Dance Committee has set January 11th as the tentative date for the first council sponsored dance of the year. Admission prices, refreshments, and the DJ are still being discussed. The committee has spent a great deal of time in planning, because it hopes that this dance will be more successful than dances held by council in the past.

Student ID cards were issued during the week of December 17th. They will be valid from December 1990 to January 1992. Students can use them as valid I.D. for College Board testing, and for student discounts in stores.



## Editorial Page

### Roving Reporter



Photos by Adam Lore

**Shivam Mallick, 12th Grade**

"Absolutely not. It's a good supplement, but not a good alternative. The prices are high, and the students have to look for it. The problem with litter isn't getting better, it's getting worse. Now there's glass bottles and nowhere to put them.

**Dejon Hush, 11th Grade**

"No, because you can't always find it and the selection of food is bad."

**Jeremy Goldberg, 10th Grade**

"I think that foodwise the snack truck is good, but I prefer having vending machines because they are at our own disposal and are less expensive"

**Debbie Rothberg, Grade 9**

"No, the snack truck you can only get at certain times. The machines were always there, like after gym. You could get food whenever you wanted.

**Mrs. Mansfield, French Teacher**

"At present the snack truck is on trial, but there are several problems. For example, on 10/18, I saw it leave at 3:18 and students come at 3:25. In order to provide a greater variety, vending machines were taken out, but the truck is not meeting the student's needs

*Do you think the Food Truck is a Good Alternative to the Vending machines?*

### Yet More Hypocrisy

**William Hornbostel**

A new phenomenon is sweeping the nation. Suddenly, environmentalism, animal rights, and human rights have all become extraordinarily popular; they are in fashion, in vogue. All have become politically correct. Indeed, there is even a new lingo used by the "politically correct."

Colleges, schools and businesses are instituting P.C. measures, and politicians are using P.C. ideals to gain popularity. All "politically correct" views must be taken under closer inspection, however; they are not as true as they seem.

Care for the environment is the greatest issue in political correctness. Recycling has become a big thing, and biodegradability is a major factor in what materials are being used in industry and everyday life. The greatest of the issues on the environment are ignored, however; not enough emphasis is placed upon finding new energy sources, however; hydrocarbons are not only one of the heaviest pollutants, a stranglehold can be easily placed upon the supply. Also, biodegradability isn't all that it is cracked up to be - in the garbage dumps, the bacteria necessary to break down the "biodegradable" items cannot reach the said items, and other items simply break down into smaller particles, entering and poisoning the water supply.

Animal rights are another hot P.C. issue, mostly centered on the killing of animals for their fur. There are other arguments, however; one is on the method of killing cattle and other livestock (hanging them upside down and slitting their throats), and suggesting a so much more humane method (electrocuting them - so much less painful).

The more extreme animals' rightists will insist that no meat be eaten, due to the supposed cruelty to the animals. This sort of extremist can be confused with vegetarians who avoid eating meat because of the supposed health problems red meat causes (You're going to die eventually anyway, right? So why not die happy?)

The rest of the issues are more general humanitarian issues, among them being Amnesty International, being anti-discrimination and anti-apartheid, and community service. The idea behind community service is that one is selflessly aiding others in need, and increasing one's awareness of the plight of those people. In practice, especially in schools and in the very judicial system of the U.S., it is a punishment. Yet there are a number of schools which are adopting community service for a graduation requirement (to make them look better). It is one thing for students to independently do community service of their own free will, but in order to graduate? Is this truly altruistic? That is simply ridiculous; how many people are going to enjoy community service if they are forced into it? Also, if the student has a particularly rigorous course load, and several extracurricular activities, will that student really have the time for community service?

Lastly, there is the language used by the "politically correct." It is a wide blend of ridiculous euphemisms, used to describe people without offending them. Its origins are simple enough: the P.C. lingo evolved from a desire to treat everyone equally, and from the principle that other cultures are not inferior to Western culture, and should be

taught more in the classroom. This desire has been perverted, however, into a movement which seeks to enforce these obscene euphemisms on others, and limiting their freedom of speech, and to force down peoples' throats the histories of other cultures at the expense of knowledge of the West. The old are no longer old; they are "senior citizens"; blacks and orientals are no longer blacks and orientals; they are "people of color" (Isn't that a racial distinction made in South Africa?); the crippled are no longer crippled; they are "differently abled."

Political correctness is disgusting. It is a PR stunt, not any true commitment to those ideals it supposedly represents, and any institution that does anything that is politically correct is guilty of hypocrisy. It is a way of dodging real issues facing the government, of glossing over the roots of the problems. It is a game of appearance, not of real issues. It is also a movement to squelch the freedom of speech, to keep people from being offended. "Political correctness" is the new McCarthyism: all of those who don't fit P.C. views are branded. The ideals that political correctness appears to represent are perfectly fine: equality, a safe environment, basic rights for all individuals, altruism; P.C. itself is a nauseating mockery of those ideals, and is nothing more than a fad. I for one will continue to use the words "old," "black," and "cripple." I will continue to be a selfish bastard. I will continue to eat my red meat. I will continue to be an individual, not a member of the herd; P.C. is for the herds.

P.C. Don't do it.

### May I Make Myself Clear...Again

**Eric Wasson**

My good friend and colleague Mr. Fidelino has demonstrated thoroughly and completely the tyranny of fixed institutions. He has shown through his rebuttal the power of an incumbent institution to grip its members into self-protection.

My original comments were too general and a bit vague. I will now attempt to clarify my position as to the Student Council. It is my firm belief that a democratic institution should act democratically. By this I mean that its activities should be common knowledge, and it should reflect directly the wants and desires of the populations it represents. It is also my belief that democratic institutions should have as much power as is necessary to effect powers of direct concern to its constituents. In light of these beliefs, I rebut Mr. Fidelino's remarks. In his article "Council Misconceptions", Mr. Fidelino makes the unfortunate blunder of insisting that a person who comments on Council must attend its meetings and read its documents. A democratic body must make its activities common knowledge; if it isn't important enough to announce in morning assembly, then it must have dealt with "procedure", which I am wholeheartedly not interested in. Does one need to know how Council fills its limited role when it is the role itself that is being questioned? Certainly not.

Although I am not shocked, I am disappointed in the President's rebuttal. Blinded by emotion, he has failed to see the obvious concern, the institution. As capable as he is, he should recognize that he would be more

effective at the head of a more powerful body (made so by law). Perhaps Council can't change because of administrative restriction and the President has chosen to accept the duties of a social activist without any power. Still, we should try to correct the obvious defects in the world. My problem was, and is, with the power structure, not with the people. They are attempting the impossible to effect the change from a small soapbox. Those poor bureaucrats!!!

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## Features

# The Imaginary Invalid is a Smashing Success

Robbie Samuels

The Upper School Drama production of "The Imaginary Invalid," by Moliere, opened on Wednesday, December 5. The show ran from Wednesday through Saturday, and was sold out on three of the four nights.

The play tells the story of an old lady, Argon, played by Nicole Weitz, who believes that she is very ill. It also involves a romance between Argon's daughter, Angelique, played by Mairén McCue, and a music master, Cleante, played by David Lee.

The production was very comical and fun to watch. Nicole Weitz and Madai Cruz, who played Argon's young, seductive maid, Toinette, gave excellent performances. David Lee, Mairén McCue, Akin Salawu, who played Argon's husband, and Juliet Morris, who played Argon's sister, Beralde, all gave fine, supporting performances. Randi Schwartz as Louison,

Daniel Cantor as Dr. Fleurant, and Amy Sheridan as Bonnefuooy, also gave fine performances. Several actors gave comic relief, including Chris Davis and Jennifer Cooper, who played a great super-geeky mother and son combination, and Joseph Foleno, a crazed doctor, who made quite a boisterous appearance.

Ron Kelly directed the technical aspects of the show. Kelly's expertise in lighting, along with the assistance of the Tech crew, headed by Russell Lee, really enhanced the production. Props, costumes, and make-up, headed by: Laureen Trainer, Nicole Martin, and Rachel Kahn, respectively, were also an asset to the show. The magnificent special effects, including Garvin Jesdanun's stained glass window, and Jeff Brinker's collapsible beds, were a pleasant surprise to the audience. The "chorus," consisting of Julie Ciamporecero, John Fidelino, Hallee Fish, Jason

Grey, and Windy Treese, was an amusing group of clowns that added an element of originality to the show.

The production received rave reviews by all who saw it. "It was a great way to start off the new drama year," said Colin Simons. As "The Imaginary Invalid" adds to the list of exceptional Prep Drama productions, the RPS community eagerly awaits the upcoming Drama extravaganza. Although Mrs. Herzberg, the director of the play, said, "Directing is easy, comedy is hard," the cast and crew of "The Imaginary Invalid" succeeded in staging a most memorable performance that was humorous to all.

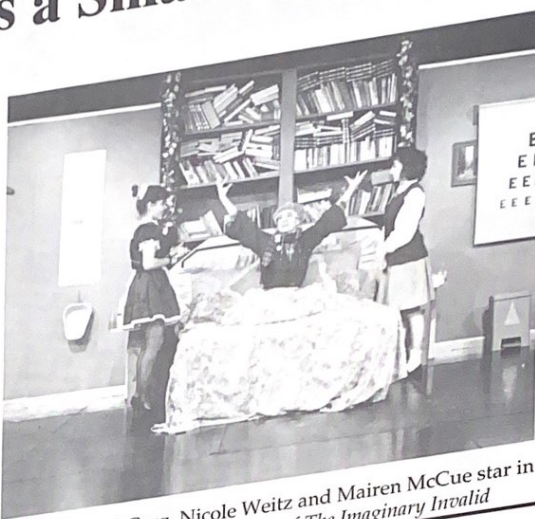


Photo by Adam Lane

Madai Cruz, Nicole Weitz and Mairén McCue star in the RPS production of *The Imaginary Invalid*

## SADD Symposium

Amanda Heron

On November 8, S.A.D.D. officers and representatives hosted a S.A.D.D. Idea Exchange from 9:30 to 1:00 in the Media Center. S.A.D.D. representatives from Gill St. Bernard, Dwight Englewood, Stuart Country Day, P.D.S., Pingry, Ranney, Purnell and Wardlaw Hartridge attended the symposium along with their chapter advisors.

First, everyone signed in and received folders containing information on S.A.D.D. Then, Mrs. Sally Beckwith, administrator of the Hunterdon/Somerset M.A.D.D. chapter, spoke about projects undertaken by other S.A.D.D. chapters and showed a movie on drinking and driving. Students from Basking Ridge High School directed, cast, filmed, and edited the movie. It was about a high school girl who drives home drunk from a party with her boyfriend. They have an accident that kills her boyfriend. All their plans for the future, such as marriage and college, are ruined. The rest of the movie shows how she and her

friends deal with the loss of her boyfriend.

After the movie, everyone broke up into three discussion groups: fundraising, activities and spirit, each headed by Prep students. Each group talked about past attempts, roadblocks, present situations and future planning. Many ideas were exchanged such as setting up a deal with a cab service to go pick up high school students who are drunk and drive them home safely. S.A.D.D. would cover fares. Other ideas included raffling off a limousine for the prom, having a candlelight vigil, and acting out the "walking dead." Some of these activities have already been set up at schools such as Dwight Englewood and have been very successful.

After hearing the summaries of each group, lunch was served at 12:30. The seminar ended at 1:00. After attending the first exchange of its kind, the S.A.D.D. representatives from the many schools plan to make this successful meeting an annual event.



Photo by Adam Lane

Shivam Mallick leads the discussion at Prep's recent SADD symposium

## Alcohol at Prep

Vijay Maktal

After the 1990 Argo Alcohol Survey results were tabulated one thing was clear, Prep students have a wide variety of views on the subject of alcohol. Many said they enjoyed drinking, but there are also those who have tasted alcohol and say it stinks. The results of the October Alcohol at Prep Survey show many view concerning alcohol usage within the student body.

The Argo received 191 student responses. Most students responded enthusiastically and took the questionnaire seriously. This survey was hindered because some students were absent, and some homeroom teachers did not hand out the survey.

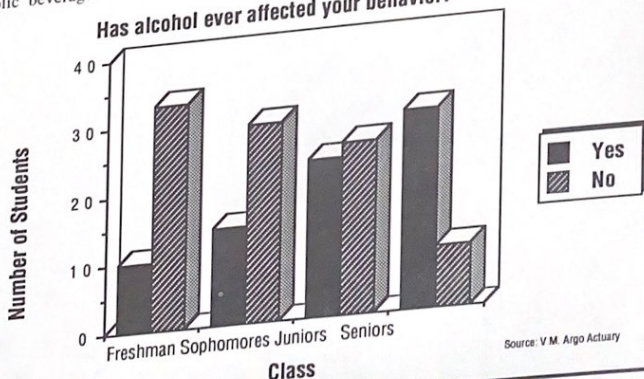
Thirty-eight out of 42 drivers were responsible enough not to drive after consuming an alcoholic beverage. However

studies show that drinking and driving is an increasing problem, and hopefully Prep students will use better judgment in the future.

As the grade level increases, the number of parties attended with alcohol or beverage present also increases. The Freshman class had 38 out of 47 people who consumed alcohol before, and 18 of them have attended the parties with alcohol present. The Sophomore class had 33 out of a possible 54 people who consumed alcohol, and 30% of them have been to parties where alcohol was served. The Juniors had 42 students of 52 consume alcohol in the past. Finally, over 90% of the Seniors have consumed alcohol and attended student parties where there was alcohol.

Many Prep students have very strong feelings about alcohol. The results show, that as the

grade moves up the attitude towards alcohol changes. Many Freshmen and Sophomores stated that they hated alcohol and that it messes with your life. One male Freshman stated, "I have only had sips of beer at New Year's parties. I don't plan on ever drinking either!" On the contrary, a male Senior stated, "Everyone is fake until he is drunk; sobriety is full of facades and drunkenness breaks down these walls and shows you true feelings." But a Junior summed up the idea of alcohol consumption quite clearly, stating, "Hey, it's your choice! If you are responsible and adult enough to drink, you should just be responsible and adult enough to accept the consequences of your actions."





## Sports

### Girls V-Ball Starts Off Strong

Joe Locandro

The Prep Girls' Volleyball team has started off their season in a strong fashion, posting a 7-2 record. The team was close in completing an undefeated run in their opening three games, but fell to Kent Place, the defending Division A State Champions. Despite the close loss, the team managed to collect itself for the following games. At the Christmas Tournament at Morristown Beard, the girls' team managed to place second after losing again to Kent Place. According to co-captain Naledi Khabo, "This tourney will set the tone for the remainder of the season." Since then, the Argonauts chalked up three more victories. After a 2-1 victory over Wilson, the team swept PDS and Morristown Beard convincingly.

This year's team roster is made up of a cross-section of all classes, but is mainly composed of juniors and seniors. Both of this year's captains, senior Naledi

Khabo and junior Gracie Alcidi, feel that this makeup helps keep the team emotionally balanced. "Consistency is something that we are really striving for this season," said Khabo recently. "We need to play steady this year." Coaching this year's squad once again is Miss Nestvogel. Khabo feels that their coach's enthusiasm, combined with their positive attitude, is the correct chemistry for a winning season.

Seniors Khabo, Shivam Mallick, Raguni Narotam and Marisol Gonzalez, juniors Alcidi, Lindsay Benko, Kendall White, and Laureen Trainer, along with sophomore Lynne Schwartz, will play important roles on the team this year. The team's goals include a good showing in the state tournament, if not a victory. The team was, in fact, one match away from the state title last year. Hopefully, the team will not be disappointed in its quest for a championship this season.

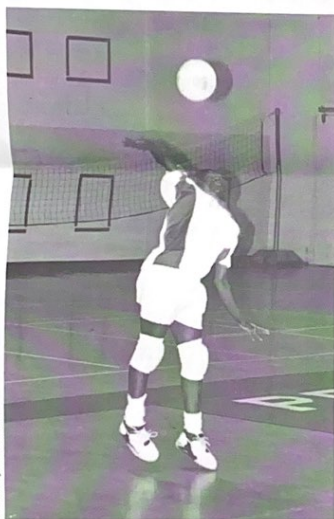


Photo by Adam Love

Naledi Khabo serves during girls volleyball's game against Mt. St. Johns.

### Swimmers Take Their Mark

Jason Kaplan

With only a few meets under their belts, Prep's swim team is standing strong with a 5-0 record. The first tri-meet was against Hun and Wardlaw-Hartridge, two tough teams, but Prep won a clear victory. Andrea Grumet and Guillermo Garcia, the team captains, inspired the team to victory. Their leadership skills will be counted upon heavily. A recent meet against Ranney ended up to be a quick win for the Argonauts. Over the Winter Break, the Prep swimmers posted wins against Trenton and Madison. However, Garcia says, "We won't let these victories get us overconfident."

Without losing any seniors, the team's roster has expanded to include Joanne Miller, Jason

Haedrich, and Kiera Westphal, who all hope to contribute to the team. Swimmers returning with experience include Amy Holliday, Dan Miller, Janet Jenkins, and Russell Lee. According to Miller, "The team has added several promising new swimmers, and should have a great season." Miller's statement could indeed be true, as the team prepares for upcoming battles against Trenton and Newark Academy. Things are looking bright for the Conference Tournament on January 11. Last year's third place finish in the Conference was a point of improvement for the team, but as Coach Nes Forney says of rival Morristown Beard, "They're in a class of their own." However, the season looks to be a good one for the Prep swim team.

### On The Rebound

Jamie Kelner

After two consecutive dismal seasons the Rutgers Prep boys basketball team is hoping to rebound and vie for the State, Prep B Title. Dick O'Connell, New Jersey's coach with the most wins, predicts a vastly improved record.

Things are looking up for the Argonauts as they have started off with a 7-3 record. Recently the boys' team won the annual Prep Holiday Tournament. The team had little trouble defeating Newark Academy and Pingry in the first two rounds. The team thwarted Admiral Farragut in the final game with a score of 73-49. An upcoming game against Franklin High may be forfeited due to 2 deaths on the opponents team.

Junior transfer Brian Lloyd is hoping to begin where his brother, Rick Lloyd, left off. Brian's perimeter ability along with improved play of Junior point guard, Paul McLaughlin, will open up the inside for their

teammates.

This year's squad also features three returning front court starters. Juniors Doug Brown and Colin Simons have been varsity members since their freshman year. Jason Eisenberg, a senior, will be playing his first full year with the team.

Coach O'Connell believes that this team is full of talent, and may be as good as the team of two and three years ago. The only problems he sees are their lack of maturity, and their inability to stay focused throughout a full game.

Coach O'Connell hopes to win at least 15 games this year. He said that they are one year away from regaining the State Title, and bringing basketball back to the way it used to be at Rutgers Prep.

Paul and Jason are the team leaders and co-captains. Dick O'Connell believes that good friends make each other better, and this is a closely knit group, and it may be the most talented that Rutgers Prep has had in a long time.

### Pinning Down the Season

Sam Finklestein

The Boy's Wrestling team has started off with a 4-2 record. The team won its first match against St. Mary's, but lost its next against Dwight Englewood. The trend continued with a win against Hun, a loss against West Windsor, and finally a win against Saddle River. A matchup against Manville, "the team to beat", went down to the wire. It was all up to the final match, and heavyweight Rob Wines put the team over the top by pinning his opponent.

During break, the Somerset County Tournament took place. Marc Poole placed fourth in his division, Shaun and Dean Barber each took third place finishes and, once again, Scott Goldberg took first place. Overall the team placed 6th in the tournament.

The team has been practicing hard, learning the extensive moves from Coaches Dougherty and Marotto. A typical workout in wrestling consists of pushups, situps, and jumping-jacks. The team also trains with heavy sandbags to gain strength. Lastly, mental toughness and self-confidence are taught by the coaches in an effort to help their wrestlers to succeed.

The team is led by a strong senior class, including Scott Goldberg, Delano Copprue, Rob Wines, and Marc Poole. Goldberg, a captain along with Marc Poole, Rob Wines and Shaun Barber, is returning from a excellent junior campaign in which he was a National, State and Conference champion. Goldberg is striving for another great season and possibly 100 career wins at Prep.

The middle weights (119-145) are the strongest part of the team. The heavier weights also have solid wrestlers, with seniors Poole and Wines. Returning wrestlers Shaun Barber, Paul Kermizian, and Delano Copprue, are expected to have fine seasons. Newcomer, Dean Barber is also expected to perform well this year. Coach Dougherty feels that this year's team could be one of the best ever at Prep.

### Girls' B-Ball: Still Shooting

Regis Renard

This season's Girls' Basketball team is still shooting for a winning season. The team's year has started with a record of 4-4. On December 8, Rutgers Prep held its annual Christmas Tournament. The Prep team managed to win the tournament, but have since lost three games. Games against Villa Walsh, Wardlaw Hartridge, and Montclair Kimberly all were among the losing efforts. The girls' team did however manage to gain a win against Mt. St. John's.

Despite the losses, Coach Mary Klinger has high hopes for the young team. "We do have a young team (1 senior, 2 juniors, 2 sophomores, and a handful of freshmen), but I know that they are working hard in practice and

are improving each day. I am quite pleased that the team is working together, and as we continue this, we will see the results."

Klinger feels that the team's defensive play is the strongest part of their game right now. "We have had success with the 1-3-1 formation defense, but we need to box out more and add more pressure." The team does need to improve its rebounding, and also improve foul shooting.

This year's squad is led by senior captain Connie Conaway. At a recent practice, she mentioned, "I think that we play together as a team, and that should have a good influence for the season." Conaway and some of the other older and experienced players should help the new players improve.

### Upcoming Home Games

- Jan. 4 - Boys Var. and J.V. BB vs. Saddle River
- Jan. 8 - Girls Var. BB vs. Gill St. Bernards
- Jan. 10 - Girls Var. BB vs. Montclair/Kimberly
- Jan. 11 - Girls Var. BB vs. Morristown Beard
- Jan. 15 - Girls Var. BB vs. Hun
- Jan. 16 - Girls Var. BB vs. Lawrenceville
- Jan. 25 - Boys Var. and J.V. BB vs. Wardlaw/Hartridge
- Jan. 28 - Girls Var. BB vs. P.D.S.
- Jan. 29 - Var. Wrestling vs. Newark Academy
- Jan. 30 - Boys Var. and J.V. vs. Blair Academy
- Feb. 1 - Girls Var. BB vs. St. Elizabeth
- Feb. 2 - Boys Var. and J.V. BB vs. Pennington