

U.S. PARMA Girls High School Wrap Up

All-Conference, All-County and All-State

Kiah Atkinson U18 Dapprima- 3rd Team All-Essex County, 2nd Team All-Super Essex Conference (Montclair)

Anna Bandy U18 Dapprima- 1st Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll, NJGSCA Senior All-Star Game (Union)

Tori Crisafi U18 Dapprima- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (New Providence)

Emma Culleton U18 Dapprima- Third Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll, 2nd Team All State-Group 1 (New Providence)

Amy French U18 Dapprima- 2nd Team All-Essex County, 1st Team All-Super Essex Conference, NJGSCA All-State (Columbia)

Vicky Gagliano U18 Dapprima- 2nd Team All-Union County, Second Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Westfield)

Danielle Jakubik U18 Dapprima- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Cranford)

Margo Kleinberg U18 Dapprima- 2nd Team All-Super Essex Conference (Columbia)

Cora Littlejohns U18 Dapprima- 3rd Team All State-All Groups, 2nd Team All State-Group 4, 1st Team All-West Jersey (Hunterdon Central)

Vicky Lopes U18 Dapprima- 2nd Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll, 1st Team All Union Conference-Mountain Division, NJGSCA All-State, Top 20 Player Group A North 2, NJGSCA Senior All-Star Game (Union Catholic)

Ali Moretti U18 Dapprima- 2nd Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Union)

Stephanni Perini U18 Dapprima- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (New Providence)

Rachel Philbin U18 Dapprima- All GMC Conference- Blue Division (Metuchen)

Rachel Romano U18 Dapprima- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Cranford)

Nicole Saitta U18 Dapprima- Third Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll, 2nd Team All State-Group 1 (New Providence)

Avia Shadmi U18 Dapprima- 3rd Team All-Union County, Third Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Scotch Plains)

Mercedes Smith U18 Dapprima- 1st Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Westfield)

Emily Cimilluca U17 Coraggio- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Union Catholic)

Christine Miklas U17 Coraggio- 1st Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll, 3rd Team All-State Group 3, NJGSCA All-State, Top 20 Player Group 3 North 2 (Scotch Plains)

Leah Salituro U17 Coraggio- 2nd Team All-Union County, First Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll NJGSCA All-State (Scotch Plains)

Ginny Whitman U17 Coraggio- 2nd Team All-Union County, Second Team All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Oak Knoll)

Tess Feury U16 Liberta- 2nd Team All-Northwest Jersey Athletic Conference-Liberty Division, All-Northwest Jersey Athletic Conference Academic Team

Kate Lowe U16 Liberta- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Union Catholic)

Thalia Santacruz U16 Liberta- Honorable Mention All-Union County-Coaches Poll (Rahway)

Neema Liverpool U15 Vittoria- All GMC Conference- Gold Division (Wardlaw Hartridge)

Congratulations to our Champions!

Scotch Plains captured it's 6th Union County Championship in 7 years. Leah Salituro of the U17 Coraggio led the team in scoring and provided the goal in the 1-0 win against Westfield in the County Finals. The county's stingiest defense was led by team captain Avia Shadmi of the U18 Dapprima, Christine Miklas and Kelsey Meisch of the Coraggio with help from Caroline Ross of the U16 Liberta. It was the second year in a row that Scotch Plains edged Westfield in the County Finals with PARMA well represented on the Westfield side with Mercedes Smith and Vicky Gagliano of the U18 Dapprima and Janet Morrison and Erica Davis of the U17 Coraggio.

Congratulations to Kiah Atkinson of our U18 Dapprima and Montclair High School. Kiah scored the winning goal in a 1-0 win over Livingston in the Essex County Finals! She was the second leading scorer on the the team which went 22-1-1 and also won the Group 4 North Section 1 State Championship and finished ranked #6 in the Star Ledger Top 20.

Amazing season for Ginny Whitman of the U17 Coraggio and Melissa Dunn of the U15 Vittoria and their Oak Knoll team which overcame some tough early season losses and made an incredible run though the state tournament. Ginny picked up 2 assists in the 5-0 win over Mater Dei in the state finals and Melissa was an anchor on defense as the two helped Oak Knoll capture it's first ever Non-Public B State Championship!

New Providence capped off an 18-1-1 season with it's second straight Group 1 State Championship! Casey Trezza of the U16 Liberta scored the game winning goal in the 4-0 win over Haddon Township. Incredibly, this was her second career goal with the first one coming a year ago in the 1-0 state championship victory! There is no shortage of PARMA girls on New Providence with seniors Nicole Saitta, Emma Culleton, Tori Crisafi and Stephanni Perini of the U18 Dapprima and Casey Trezza and Anna Crisafi of the U16 Liberta. Congratulations to all of them for back to back state championships!

This marked the first season in Union County Girls' Soccer history that two teams won state championships in the same season with Oak Knoll and New Providence going the distance. Congratulations to all of their players and coaches!

Miscellaneous Tidbits from the Star Ledger

Team Sportsmanship Award of the Greater Middlesex Conference goes to JP Stevens and U16 Liberta players Erin and Kristen Shea, Marissa Cooney, Karen Eng and Jenny El-Fakir.

Miss Versatile: Amy French thrived both as a keeper and midfielder for Columbia. The senior stopped 47 shots and combined with Eliza Gray for seven shutouts while also making an impact on the field with five goals and two assists.

Solid as a rock: The top defensive squads in Union County were Scotch Plains (.409 goals-against average) with PARMA players Avia Shadmi of the Dapprima, and Christine Miklas and Kelsey Meisch both of the Coraggio and Caroline Ross of the U16 Liberta contributing on defense, New Providence (.450) with Nicole Saitta, Tori Crisafi, Emma Culleton, Stephanni Perini of the Dapprima and Anna Crisafi and Casey Trezza of the Liberta in the defense and midfield, and Westfield (.474) with Mercedes Smith and Vicky Gagliano of the Dapprima and Janet Morrison and Erica Davis of the Coraggio, each with only nine goals allowed this season. Scotch Plains and New Providence both had 15 shutouts, and Kent Place tied Westfield with 12 shutouts.

All-Wheels Team: For sheer speed, with or without the ball, among the fastest players in Union County were Thalia Santacruz of Rahway of the U16 Liberta; Christine Miklas of Scotch Plains, U17 Coraggio; Kate Lowe of Union Catholic, U16 Liberta.

Morris County Top Sophomores: Tess Feury of the U16 Liberta and Villa Walsh HS.

Players to Watch: Cora Littlejohns of the U18 Dapprima was listed as a player to watch in West Jersey at the start of the season, and she did not disappoint!