

PRESS RELEASE

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ESSEX COUNTY FREEHOLDERS HONOR SETON HALL PREPARATORY SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM

**Winners of the 2016 Greater Newark Tournament Championship and
NJSIAA Non-public "A" State Championship**



The Seton Hall Prep H.S. Baseball Team was honored by the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders during its Wednesday, June 22nd, meeting held at Montclair Town Hall. Pictured above are (left to right): Assistant Coach Frank Gately, Freeholder Vice President Brendan Gill of Montclair, Athletic Director Lawrence Baggitt and Freeholder Patricia Sebold of Livingston Photo by Glen Frieson

(Montclair, NJ) – During its Wednesday, June 22nd, meeting held at Montclair Town Hall, the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders honored the Seton Hall Preparatory School Baseball Team for its outstanding 2016 season. The Board’s Commendations were sponsored and presented to the team coaches by At-Large Freeholder Vice President Brendan W. Gill of Montclair and At-Large Freeholder Patricia Sebold of Livingston.

The Seton Hall Preparatory School Baseball Team was recognized for winning the 2016 Greater Newark Tournament Championship and the NJSIAA Non-public “A” State Championship. Athletic Director Lawrence Baggitt along with Assistant Coach Frank Gately were on hand to accept the Commendation on behalf of the team. In his introduction, Freeholder Vice President Gill started things off by stating, “I am always excited to recognize citizens in our county who are doing extraordinary things and today is no exception.” As he gave highlights from the Commendation, he proudly noted the Seton Hall Prep Baseball team as the newly crowned “Kings of the North.”

The 2016 Seton Hall Prep Baseball team is comprised of the following members: *Seniors* Dylan Badger, A.J. Cerbo, Justin Miller, Nick DeNicola, Brendan Shamieh, Joe Giovinco, Ryan Toohers, Joe Savino, Patrick O'Hare, Gerard DePhillips, Brenden Weiss, Chris Festa and Dwayne Marshall; *Juniors* Josh Tannen, Eric Raio, Kevin Gately, C.J. Strlekar, Francis Prior, Mike Ukrainskyj, Jack Mahala, Kevin Young, Christian Bascunan, Jamil Vanheyningen, Nico Mottesesi, Jermaine Vanheyningen and Eric Vaz; *Sophomore* Jack Zyska; and *Freshman* Nick Maldonado. Honorable mention also goes to the coaching and administrative staffs that contributed to the team's success by providing outstanding support: Head Coach Mike Sheppard, Jr., Assistant Coach Frank Gately, Stephen Kress; Team Managers Jack Ehrich, Danny Metcalf.; President Msgr. Michael E. Kelly; Headmaster Msgr. Robert E. Harahan; Athletic Director Lawrence L. Baggitt; and Trainer Robert DiGregioro.

Freeholder Brendan Gill of Montclair is serving his second term as an At-Large member of the Freeholder Board and second year as the Board's Vice President, having also served one term as the District 5 Freeholder. Freeholder Patricia Sebold of Livingston is currently serving her seventh term as an At-Large member. She previously served as the Board's Vice President in 1996, from 2003-2006 and then again from 2011-2014.

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