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Husky Pride

A successful start to the
2018-2019 school year!

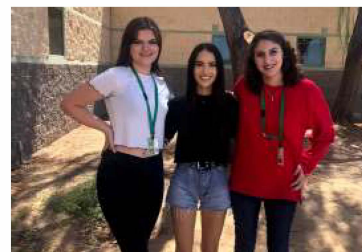


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2018-2019 Paw Print Staff

The 2018-2019 journalism staff is an even mix of new and returning faces, full of passion to become informed journalists and members of society.

Editor-in-Chief, Taylor Smith (12), leads the class in her third year of journalism, and her final year at Hamilton. Taylor brings her creative and academic writing skills, as well as her leadership skills, to help the staff come together, and write to the best of their ability.

Our Co-Editor-in-Chief, Sonam Jain (12), is in her second year of journalism. Last year, she was a managing editor and her organization skills and writing abilities were a great addition to the Paw Print. This year she hopes to work with Taylor to create the best newspaper possible.

Journalism is an elective choice here at Hamilton and is always bustling with everything current! We write weekly

stories that are posted online, work on researching current events, and practice interview skills. Our Editor-in-Chiefs are in charge of putting together the final magazine each quarter! It is always a fun and uplifting environment to be a part of.

Advisor, Mrs. Jen Headman, is in her sixth year leading journalism and in her thirteenth year teaching English at Hamilton. "I love newspaper because my students are so creative and hardworking. I get to have them in class for multiple years allowing me to watch them grow.

I love being able to brag about all of our student's successes in the Paw Print!"

Here's to a great school year! And don't forget to follow Hamilton Paw Print on our social links to keep up with everything Hamilton!

- Taylor Smith, Editor-In-Chief

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New Year, New Administration

As we begin another amazing year at Hamilton, we are joined by a few new faces in administration: Principal De La Torre, Assistant Principals: Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Cook, and Athletic Director Mr. Palmer.

Principal De La Torre did not want to start his first year as principal at Hamilton with a big agenda. Instead his primary focus is three words: align, empower, and motivate. He says, “for me those three words help to build that school climate that I believe really kind of fosters everything else.” His focus this year at Hamilton is to build a strong community and inspire teachers to be “excited to come to work and excited about where they work.” Our new principal has introduced the acronym T.I.E. (which stands for tradition, integrity, and excellence) to all staff members at Hamilton this year. His goal is to let these core values “tie us together” and help show the progress as the year continues.

Assistant Principal Palmer hopes to “continue the tradition and excellence here” and wants the students and staff “to keep that competitive fire going.” Knowing that Hamilton is a “top notch school,” Mr. Palmer believes it is very important to keep up the amazing reputation and continue working in a positive direction.

Assistant Principal Franklin started his education career as a teacher, but now, as an assistant principal, he says, “the fact that I get to help more kids than just the kids I have in my class” is what he loves about being a principal. He graduated from Hamilton and loves that he got the opportunity to come back because “this is home” for him and he loves watching it grow.

Coming from a much smaller school, with around half the enrollment, Assistant Principal Cook has also joined us and is loving the “pride and positivity on our campus” already. She wanted to work at Hamilton because she has “always heard about the out-

standing accomplishments of Hamilton’s students and staff” and she wanted to be “part of a large community that is dedicated to success and collaborative in their pursuits.”

Hamilton is a school with over 4000 students and with the rankings, traditions and high expectations, it needs leadership that can continue the excellence, which is exactly what Principal De La Torre and all of the administrators plan to do.

- Chloe Dickinson and Blake England, Staff Reporters



Hamilton’s 2018-2019 Administration Team

New and Returning Teachers

The start of a new school year means new schedules, classes, and teachers. For some students, it is their first year finding their way around the campus, trying not to get lost. For others, it is their senior year and they are excited to complete their final year of high school and move on to the next chapter of their lives. No matter what year it is, students are fortunate to have the support and encouragement from the teachers at Hamilton High School.

This year, there are many returning teachers who have inspired many students over the years. Mr. Gonzales, who has taught at Hamilton for 20 years, is a ninth grade World History teacher who also coaches the boys tennis team. Hamilton has changed over the years, and Mr. Gonzales said that the thing that has changed the most is “Size. When we started we had freshmen and sophomores only, which was about 1,500 to 1,800 students, and now we are at 4,100.” The school has grown rapidly since it opened; it is hard to imagine that our school used to be half the size Hamilton is today.

We’re lucky to have some new faces teaching in the classrooms. Mr. Torbert joined Hamilton High School last year as a 9th grade English teacher. This year, he teaches 10th grade honors English. While Mr. Torbert is new to the high school, he is not new to teaching. Before moving to Arizona, he taught for 10 years in Massachusetts. According to Mr. Torbert, the biggest difference between his

old school and Hamilton is size. “It’s interesting because in Massachusetts I was at one of the biggest schools in the state, and it’s about half the size of Hamilton.” The size of the high school seems to be a common theme among our teachers, new and old. It is not surprising since Hamilton is one of the largest public high schools in Arizona. Despite the size, the school is known for having excellent, well-educated and caring teachers that help the students of Hamilton meet their full potential and lead successful futures.

- EJ Byrd & Katherine Soltero, Staff Reporters



Mr. Torbert checking on his students in Honors English 10.

Class of 2022

It's a new school year at Hamilton High School. An array of new expectations, new opportunities, and fresh starts open up through the doors of Hamilton. As the next generation of Huskies roll in, with exuberant and enthusiastic attitudes, they prepare themselves for the storm ahead. Going into high school is one of the biggest anticipations of many children. Growing up, watching high school drama shows and seeing friends and family enter the same journey in their life has always been seen as a milestone. But experiencing it personally is another story with in itself. Welcome to high school.

High school is a big milestone for every kid. There are many high school based television shows that place a facade about what high school is actually like. With all the anticipations and expectations, many new freshman were able to explain their thoughts. Payton Humble (9) explains, "I thought we would have more freedom and fun than junior high school." High school's hard work and high expectations prepare students for college and adult life.

The first day of high school is highly anticipated: walking in with a fresh outfit and a new outlook on life. But the first day doesn't always work out. Aspen Keithley (9) explains her first day, "I was riding home from school on my bike, and I fell over and hurt myself. Then I cried

the whole way home." Every day won't be a bad day, resulting in crying and a hurt knee. Most days will be exciting and filled with many adventures.

Jackson Rothchild (9) says, "I can't wait for football season to start back up, the games seem so fun." Football games are definitely a fun experience for many high schoolers. With fun themed games and crazy outfits, football games is definitely a must have experience.

High school is a big journey in everyone's lives. Teachers expect a lot from their students to get them ready for college. The first year of high school is just the beginning long journey ahead.

- Miranda Rothchild, Managing Editor



Relax, Rejuvenate, and Unwind

A typical school day tends to be unbelievably stressful for a majority of high school students. Between hard classes, heavy loads of homework and just the everyday drama that comes with being a teenager, there is no time in the day to relax and take a break. Or is there?

Last year, Hamilton introduced a new program for students interested in taking yoga, and everyone is loving it. This class not only allows students to take a deep breath during their long day, but it teaches students the importance of concentration, benefits of fitness, how to strengthen and stretch their muscles, and how to balance and stay focused.

Yoga teacher, Ms. Visser says "I love teaching yoga because I love doing yoga." When it comes to a class with such specific teaching methods, it's most beneficial to have a teacher who loves doing what she teaches, otherwise the yoga class would not be as effective as it could be. Her class is run in an organized manner and she said "Typically, we come down here (to the field house) and we do a warm up. Right now we are learning poses but once we get into learning poses then we'll go through sequence, relax, and finish in corpse pose." For anyone who is unaware of what corpse pose is, familiarize yourself with it. This pose is simply lying flat on your back, with your eyes closed, completely relaxed and focusing on nothing but your breathing. Every student in high school could benefit from joining in on relaxing into this pose once a day.

Prior yoga students, who took the class last year, explained how beneficial having a yoga class incorporated into their school day was to them. Alli Davis(11) said that she believes the class "was beneficial to my focusing" and Paige Dickinson(11) really likes "how we did corpse pose at the end because it helped me relax during the day." She said that taking a yoga class during the day was "definitely effective in helping me

de-stress because it helps with just thinking about yourself and not worrying about the other school stuff going on." It's important to take a break from stressful school work and take an hour to really focus back in on yourself.

Anna Doty(12), a student currently in a yoga class during her school day, says, "I like how it doesn't just focus on bookwork so we can kind of think about just what we're doing." While it is a class that lets students take their eyes off of the textbooks for an hour, it isn't just a class that should be taken advantage of as an "easy-A" option. Students are actively learning about not only yoga poses, but the history of where yoga came from, learning and practicing basic nutrition and fitness principles and learning about self-evaluation.

It's important for students to be excited about their classes, and Chloe Tveten(12) says, "I like that it breaks up my day and gives me something to look forward to rather than just classes and I feel rejuvenated after." Whether it's a relaxing start to a school day, before or after a difficult class, or it ends a long day of classes, yoga is an extremely advantageous and excellent addition to any student's school day.

- Chloe Dickinson, Staff Reporter



Class of 2019

With a new school year starting, a fresh class of seniors at Hamilton High School walk the halls. Senior year can be stressful, yet excitement runs through the class with their journey to the future. With college enrollment around the corner, our seniors are ready to close out their years in high school with a bang!

As seniors finish up high school, they have to think about their next step in life: College. Although many already have their heart set on a certain career, it is not an easy process done overnight. There is so much time and effort that needs to be put in to make sure that these students are well set up for the future. First, they begin filling out applications for any colleges of interest, and find all scholarships possible to make paying for tuition much easier. Also, determining what major to pursue is crucial, but not knowing at this point is okay!

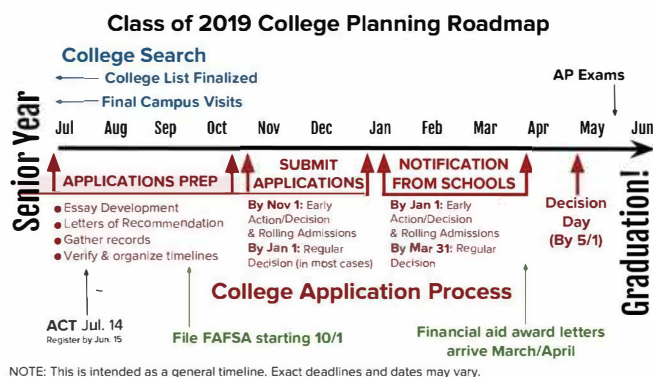
Despite all the excitement that seniors look forward to during their final year, there is a lot to juggle as well.

In the four years seniors have been at Hamilton, this school has gone through a lot of change. They have seen two new principals, two new buildings, and lots of reworking done around the school. Even though there has been some physical change, the spirit of the students and staff seem to never fade away. Also, many seniors themselves have changed throughout their four years of high school. Whether it's a growth spurt or a new look on life, people walk out of Hamilton as a different person.

When Alyssa Bleye (12) was asked about what changed for her, she said, "Classes have gotten a lot harder for me, but I've made so many new friends that have been able to help me over the years."

This may be the last year for these seniors, but there is a lot to look forward to as they try to finish off strong.

- Payton Smith, Staff Reporter & Kyle Coffee, Sports Editor
& Justin Rombough, Sports Editor



Get Your Water Guns Ready

Protect yourself and your partner. Make alliances. Hide your location at all times. And most importantly, keep your water guns ready at all times because HHS Senior Assassins has begun.

Senior Assassins is a game played by any senior who wants to be a part of a fast-paced, lively, and competitive community, and only lasts until there is one team or person left standing. The only requirements to play are, to be a senior at Hamilton, follow the Twitter account created for this years game, and pay a \$10 fee. There are no water balloons, spray bottles, buckets of water, or hoses allowed — just water guns, so our seniors loaded up and started practicing.

On Monday, August 20th, 158 teams of two began, most likely, the biggest water fight of their lives. Only when one team remains, will the game end. Starting at \$3,160, the winning prize continues to grow, as teams are eliminated and brought back to life. The price to keep playing once you have been shot is \$20, but each team only has 2 buybacks. If a team hasn't reached two outs by October 17th, they will be eliminated.

Before the game even began, seniors were preparing. Madi Reyes(12) says, "I'm going to keep my location secret at all times and make strong alliances." Having friends that you know wont go behind your back to get you out is important because solid alliances are the key to staying in the game. However, just because you make an alliance with a team doesn't mean you don't need to watch your back. Sometimes a team will form an alliance for the simple reason that they want to get you out without having to worry about you taking out your mad water gun skills on them first. Daniel Obarski(12) says, "I turned off my location and I'm planning on staying home more so I don't get caught."

While it's pretty much impossible to stay out of sight from everyone playing, you never want to be galavanting around in public with a water gun for everyone to see. That is one way you are sure to get out.

Even though this game may seem like just a bunch of rowdy high schoolers running around like little kids with water guns, it has a bigger purpose. It is an opportunity to get to know our classmates that we may have never met and cheer each other on in a massive game. As Maddi Reyes put it, this game is "a really fun class bonding experience" that everyone should be a part of. Get to know your classmates, figure out what they are like and what they do in their freetime, and then...get them out.

- Chloe Dickinson, Staff Reporter



Empowered Women, Empower Women

When women support each other, incredible things happen. Incredible things influencing actions representing resilience, willpower, and strength. Encouraging women to fully participate in life across all sectors is essential to build stronger economies, achieve internationally agreed goals for development and sustainability, and improve the quality of life for women, men, families and communities. Guaranteeing the rights of women and giving them the same opportunities to reach their full potential is crucial not only for attaining gender equality, but also for achieving progressive goals. The entire world is full of strong, and fearless women; on a smaller scale, Hamilton High is encompassed by the most driven and barrier-breaking young girls who are working towards a better tomorrow and are truly the future of our nation!

In these past few weeks, the girls of Hamilton High have worked together to establish various clubs dedicated solely to highlighting their interests and passions: One of these incredible clubs is “Girl Up.” Girl Up, led by Anusha Natarajan(12), is a UN based organization that helps provide and collect resources(ex. Hygiene products and canned goods) and money for underprivileged girls in the local and global community. They strive to “provide and fundraise nutritional supplies and money for women and children around the world to encourage them to become global leaders,” as stated by Natarajan.

Additionally, Anika Attaluri(10), created a club known as “Girls Who Code,” which is an “international nonprofit organization that is trying to close the gender gap in technology and reform the image of a programmer.” She started the club because she believes it provides a “safe haven” for the girls at Hamilton to work and because there are few coding/engineering clubs, none of which target the female demographic. Esha Patel(12) joined the club so she could “expand her knowledge on a topic that could potentially help her with her major in biomedical engineering.” While currently they are learning about different influencers and intricacies in the field, their ultimate goal is to create a project to release for the community’s

use.

Hamilton has shown us that women can be leaders and have a voice. The initiative these young girls have shown in collectively originating such progressive clubs truly shows how capable they are of using their voice to lead themselves to success. So, here’s to strong women. May we know them. May we raise them. May we be them.

- Sonam Jain, Co-Editor-In-Chief



Anusha Natarajan, President of Girl Up

Vibin’ with Vibe

Hamilton’s favorite hip-hop step group is coming back strong this year, with exciting new routines and a push for a stronger sense of a diverse community. Vibe’s president, Aamia Johnson (12) says that she hopes “we start advancing our performances and making it more important to us instead of just dancing at an assembly.”

Vibe held tryouts at the beginning of August, and that team will not change for the duration of the year. Johnson was looking for members who “are committed and willing to come and tryout even if they’ve never done it before” during auditions ex-plained Johnson.

Returning member of Vibe, Tiffany Ticlo (11), talked about what Vibe stands for and how it is different that any other dance group at Hamilton. She said that “dance is powerful and it is a way of conveying emotion to spread excitement or joy. It’s a sense of community through dance. Sometimes words aren’t as easy for expression, but movement is.”

Vibe is bringing a new face this year with improvements in team organization, more advanced performances, and a stronger representation of cultural aspects into their routines.

- Alexis Brady, Staff Reporter



Vibe Officers

ASU College Football

College Football has begun, and Arizona State has started strong. Change is happening with the Sun Devils as they hired a new coach this off season, Herm Edwards, who was previously working for ESPN. Jefrie Lucio (11) stated, "It's exciting to have a new coach. Todd Graham was okay but not great." Now let's take a deeper dive into the Maroon and Gold.

The ASU Sun Devils finished 7-6 last season losing to North Carolina State, 52-31 in the Hyundai Sun Bowl. After that loss, on December 3, 2017, ASU signed Herm Edwards to be the next head football coach. In a 2018 Athlon Sports College Football preview piece it is stated, "with Edwards, who has not coached since 2008 and has not been in the collegiate game since 1989, is one of the most puzzling decisions in recent history. This might work out well for Arizona State, which has long been considered a sleeping giant." At the beginning of the year there was doubt that Edwards would be a good coach because he hasn't coached in ten years and hasn't coached in college since the 80's.

Arizona State is only returning four starters on the defense and at the beginning of the year their schedule looked tough.

However, ASU started out the year on fire with a 49-7 victory over UTSA and they also won a huge game against Michigan State, 16-13, on a game-winning field goal.

During the Michigan State game, their major help was from their seven returning starters on offense including their strong-arm QB Senior Manny Wilkins who threw 260 completions in 410 attempts

for 3,270 yards and 20 TDs. Their bright star on the outside, N'Keal Harry, a junior wide receiver and likely first NFL round pick helped out in their early season success. Harry was very productive, last year having 82 receptions for 1,142 yards and 8 TDs.

If Herm Edwards can ride this momentum throughout this year, this ASU team could have a bright future that could include some roses.

College Football has so many traditions, rivals, and fans that have been around forever. From Late-August through January games are won, trophies are handed out, but there is nothing like that feeling when the first kickoff occurs and that ball goes flying through the air.

- Justin Rombough, Sports Editor



New NFL Helmet Rule

There is a new rule in the National Football League (NFL) that is enraging some of the league's 2,800 players. This rule states that players may not use their helmet for contact with another player, and if they do it will result in a 15 yard penalty. Is this new rule going to affect the players and the game? Will it impact the league overall? These questions are flooding the minds of coaches and players around the league.

Leading NFL players to confusion from this new rule, some say it's safer for the league and some say it is not. This rule will avoid head to head contact and keep players from head injuries due to head on contact. Keeping the players safe from injuries this rule might not be the worst idea after all. Crew Marin (11) states " It will change the aggression in the game and keep the players safe from head injuries like concussions".

Players will need to adapt to the new rule and find better ways to tackle, other than using force with their helmet. Jacob Brown (11), a current student that plays for Hamilton Football, said " The new rule will cause players to try and tackle different".

The NFL keeps growing and expanding every year. Rules will continue being added to the game to make it safer and a better game to watch and play. This new helmet rule could either affect or not even change the NFL, but coaches state that players should avoid contact after lowering their helmet. With less concussions and injuries, this rule will create a safer game for the teams of the National Football League.

- Blake England, Staff Reporter



Arizona Primary Elections

Primary Elections are arguably the most important election in any state, as they decide who will be on the ballot in November.

The voting turnout to this election is always the smallest, but candidates still go to the lengths of canvassing and promoting their causes. This specific primary election is deciding many important Valley issues as well as if we move Phoenix elections to even-numbered years.

The primaries took place on August 27th, with results posted on the 28th.

For the U.S Senate, Martha McSally won for the Republican party with 55 percent of votes. And for the Democratic party, Kyrsten Sinema won with 79 percent of the vote. McSally was a colonel in the Air Force and was the first woman to fly a fighter jet in combat. She served 26 years in the military and was deployed to Saudi Arabia on 9/11. Sinema grew up in poverty, but was able to get herself a full-ride scholarship to college and rise into politics. She is strong on the issues public education and fair opportunity. This is an overall result for Arizona, as each state only has two senators. With John McCain's tragic passing, Senator Jon Kyle was chosen to replace him for the duration of McCain's term.

But, the House of Representatives is proportional to the population of the state, meaning, the bigger the state, the more representatives the state is given in the House. The most common districts for Hamilton students to live in is District 9.

For U.S. Congress, in our district, Andy Biggs won the Republican party (as he was the only one who ran) and Joan Greene won for the Democratic party.

Arizona Governor wasn't a close race for either party; Doug Ducey for the

Republicans with 71 percent of the vote, and David Garcia won for the Democrats with 51 percent of the vote.

State Senate only had two runners, one for each party, Sonny Borrelli for the Republicans, and Jaime Moranine for the Democrats.

Primary elections are incredibly important for the November election, as well as for important issues here at home for us. So, if you can vote now, or when you can vote, get involved! Research your candidates and make informed choices! Voting is your most important right!

- Taylor Smith, Editor-In-Chief



Kyrsten Sinema (D)



Martha McSally (R)

Are You Voting?

Senior year is a time in which students accumulate more responsibilities than ever before. Turning 18 is a milestone that many look forward to, but there are certain freedoms that adolescents rarely anticipate - like their right to vote.

In a democracy, the right to vote is often seen as one of the most important and influential rights. Women and minorities fought for centuries to have a voice in our country, and long before then, the Ancient Greeks fought to create the first democracy in history.

So, how do Hamilton seniors feel about voting?

When faced with the question, many students find that they don't even know how to register. Stefanos Ambus (12) says, "I don't know how [to register]... Don't you have to go to the DMV?" In Arizona, you can register online, by mail, and in person at the County Recorder or at a DMV office. At least he guessed right - it's a common theme that high school students have no idea how or where to become a voter.

Of the five students I spoke with, only one of them was registered. Charleigh Reid (12) says, "I went online with my parents and we got the voter registration sent directly to my house, and then when it's time to vote I'll just fill it out and send it back." She explains that when she turned 18, she was sent a website and instructions on how to register.

Whether or not students have the resources/knowledge they need to get registered, they tend to have strong feelings about voting in general.

Taylor Jacobsen (12) says, "I feel like everyone should vote because we all have to live with how the president decides to run our country." She then elaborates, stating that people who "don't vote and complain about the current leaders" are part of the problem. Taking action in politics is something the whole country can benefit from.

Katie Jacobson (12) gives her opinion: "Voting is obviously a choice

- people can choose to do it or not... personally, I feel that more people should be involved, because we are living in a democracy." She's right in saying that more people should get involved - the last presidential election saw a pretty low voter turnout, with about 59% of Americans casting their ballots. The Youth Vote turnout (citizens aged 18-29) was around 50% according to civicyouth.org.

The act of voting is something very necessary to a functioning democracy. In order for our country to thrive in the best way possible, we must teach our students the steps it takes in order to utilize one of their most important rights.

Make sure to register by October 9th to vote in Arizona on November 6th!

- Lexi Schieffer, Managing Editor



Bo Burnham's *Eighth Grade*

Eighth Grade, an independent film about an awkward teenage girl undergoing her last year of middle school, hit theatres this summer. Although it is a story about the lives of pre-teens, many of them could not see the movie due to the fact that it is rated R. Bo Burnham, the director and writer, said that they knew all along what the rating of this movie would be, but refused to cut any scenes that might change the outcome of the rating. Despite the rating preventing teens from seeing it, *Eighth Grade* has proven to be very popular and has made a total of ten million dollars since it first premiered on July 13th, 2018. And not only was it popular, Bo Burnham hosted a free showing in every state where the rating on the movie was removed, so audiences of all ages could be included.

The independent film depicts just how challenging this time is for so many young teens and the kind of obstacles they have to face while also trying to figure out who they are. Mina Alaaldin (11) says "I was attracted to this movie because I felt that I could relate to it. I can connect with the main character, and it provided me another perspective on the junior high school experience." Many students felt like they can relate to this movie's portrayal of what eighth grade was like. For many, eighth grade was a significant turning point in their lives and discovering who they were going to be. Sara Paulk (10) says "In middle school you are finding out who you are, and it is

really relevant to the kind of person you are going to become." The movie has proven to be widely popular amongst the general public with a score of 98% on Rotten Tomatoes.

Critics have praised the coming of age story about a generation Z pre-teen. Many feel that Bo Burnham depicted a truthful representation of what middle school was like for many. Amisha Dubey (11) says that she would "rate this movie nine out of ten because I found it relatable, and now that I am a junior I am able to look back at eighth grade and feel nostalgic." Everyone can relate to Bo Burnham's new comedy, *Eighth Grade*, which will be available on DVD and Blu-Ray on October 9th 2018!

- Alexis Brady & Katherine Soltero, Staff Reporters



Crazy Rich Asians

It is the movie being talked about around campus, the movie of the month: *Crazy Rich Asians*. The film showed a couple, one with a famous and rich family, and the other with a poor family. The movie shows the struggle between the couple and their families to accept each other. It was released on August 17, and it has stunned audiences. Being the first movie in 25 years with a full asian cast, it has been one to wait for. Students have been talking about going out to see the movie, and the movie did nothing but surpass expectations.

Giving the movie a 10/10, Vivian Ngo (12) explained how the movie "showed the dynamic of family, and how we value it". The movie hit humor, emotion, and excitement, and it gave a moral lesson. Students think it showed a different side of what is important in life.

The outbreak movie got yet another 10/10 from Amerita Jocson (12). The typical view people have on Asians is "nerdy and only caring about school", Gabbie Bautista (12) admitted, but she counter claimed that the movie "broke stereotypes" and put a true view of what their life is like. It put an end to judging a book by its cover and seeing the true picture.

Excelling at grabbing the audience's attention, students and viewers loved the life lessons and stereotypes that were shot down in this film. *Crazy Rich Asians* made a deep impact on its audience, and changed how people are looked at.

- Isabella Klemeneic, Staff Reporter



Nicki Minaj's *Queen*

Nicki Minaj is back and fiercer than ever. She doesn't hold back on her fourth studio album as she comes for blood. No one is safe this time around as she takes jabs at raps newest (and oldest) contenders. Among the targets include but are not limited to Lil Wayne, 50 cent, Quavo, Fetty Wap, Drake, Lil Uzi Vert, Future and Dj Khaled. The rap artist has come to prove herself as the unchallenged *Queen* as proven by her album title.

Eight years since her first album, Ms. Minaj has come a long way in the industry. Among a sea of up and coming rap artists it's hard to distinguish oneself. Can the rap artist prove herself in a industry already filled to the brim with competition? Given her long and diverse track record, she may not have to prove anything. Ashlie Johnston (12) explains, "Honestly she's improved. She did go through a little phase but I definitely think she's in her original place."

Possibly her most controversial and most anticipated album yet, fans have been eager to hear the artist set things straight about drama and beef clouding her image these past few months. After the rise of Cardi B, fans and listeners alike jumped at the possible tension between the two opposing rappers. Among the drama came others threatening to take Minaj's spot at the top. From Azealia Banks to Remy Ma, the jabs kept coming in forms of disses and sharp words. Nicki used her fourth album as a boat to send a array of come-backs. She even took the opportunity to come out about juicy incidents we didn't even know. Fan favorites on the album seem to be the ones where the Minaj was the Rawest. Leah Jones expresses, "Barbie Dreams" is my favorite, she went in on everyone!" (12)

Amongst the rivals and drama, Minaj still manages to stand out in a field that's rapidly trying to discredit her. Minaj has proven herself again and again, now shes come to set the record straight on her now Gold album *Queen* now available in stores and on streaming services.

- Edward Quintana. Staff Reporter



Travis Scott's *Astroworld*

Travis Scott released *Astroworld* on August 3, 2018, easing the anticipation he evoked when he teased the album back in 2016 with the release of the title. *Astroworld* is Scott's third studio album that he released. His album, *Astroworld*, was presented with mixed reviews but they were mainly positive. He reached #1 on Billboard, with 270,000 albums being sold. Scott had many other artist featured on his album including: Drake, 21 Savage, and Quavo. There are 17 songs on the album, some of the songs that are included on his album are "Stargazing", "Butterfly Effect", "Skeletons" and "Astro Thunder". The cover is Travis Scott's head as a carnival entrance with a family friendly feel. The cover, however, offers another option with the location being at night with a more adult oriented feel.

One student, Andrew Barraza(10), heard that *Astroworld* was being "too hyped up", making the release not as big as it was made out to be, ruining the release to some. Even fellow musician Nicki Minaj accused Scott of heavily pushing his merchandise to gain album sales. But other students, like Ricardo Perez(10) disagreed by saying, "I liked it. The songs were pretty good. They had a nice beat and good lyrics." Whether you liked the album or not, Travis Scott *Astroworld* was still reviewed as #1 on Billboard.

Travis Scott is planning to have an *Astroworld* tour and has already announced his tour dates. Scott has already performed one of the albums songs, "Sicko Mode", with Drake in Toronto. He also performed a few of his other songs at the VMA's. Scott plans to come to Phoenix, AZ on December 18th at Talking Sticks Resort Arena.

- Max Pulido, Staff Reporter



The World of Husky Art

Art is a different language without the normal conventions of a language. Only one's mind, and other's perspective and perception on it. Art finds a way to open up people in ways no one knew possible just by using ideas to manipulate a blank canvas. It's a form of reality created to show the world. The idea of art isn't about the surface level, but what others see. Each piece of art can have a different meaning to everyone who views it.

Art can mean something different for everyone; there are a variety of ways people can see art. In this case, Sydney Case (11), a student in art class, says "I love drawing and it really helps me channel my emotions into my pieces." In contrast, Jacob Heinkel (11), another student in art, says "I think art represents every single person individually. It's kind of like a signature... it's very unique to each person and it gives an in-depth look at someone's life and who they are and the emotions they have." These two opinions show how differently art can affect people.

Sydney Case shared her favorite piece displayed in this article, "Innocence". Case chose a beautiful drawing of birds displayed with human hands. According to the artist, this piece represents "innocence... it's based around my childhood... and thinking about how I'm going to be leaving home soon. The hands in the piece represent pulling me away from home," a representation very personal to the artist.

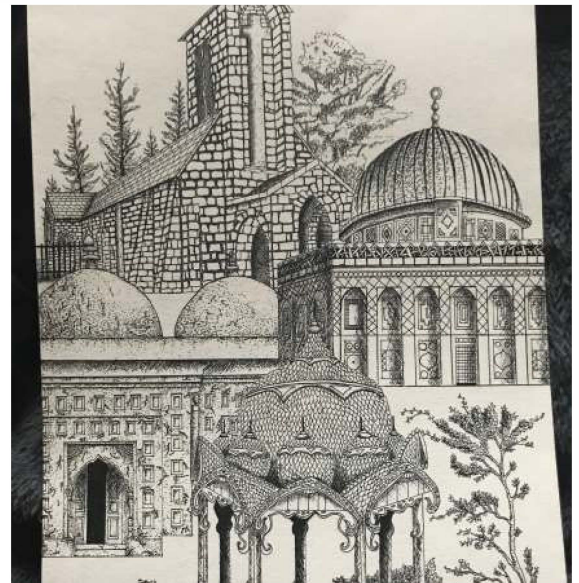
Recently, artist Karina Yang (11) won First place and \$1,000 in the third annual Western Governors Association (WGA). Karina's acrylic painting entitled *The Old and the Young* is now in Governor Ducey's office. This art piece was inspired by the state of Arizona, with its beautiful sunset, cacti, and Native American Culture. One would infer that the title of this piece represents new beginnings and innocence in comparison to the opposite.

Effectively, the concept of art isn't only about what the artist makes of it, but also is how others interpret it. People use art to find a way to open up to people by just using their ideas to reflect off events and emotions in their life. People can find inspiration in pretty much anything, and find their own ways to relate to art pieces, either from past experiences or personality traits.

- Jay Jay Quintana and Arabella Hammerich, Staff Reporters



Innocence by Sydney Case



Religion by Jacob Heinkel



The Old and The Young by Kiara Yang

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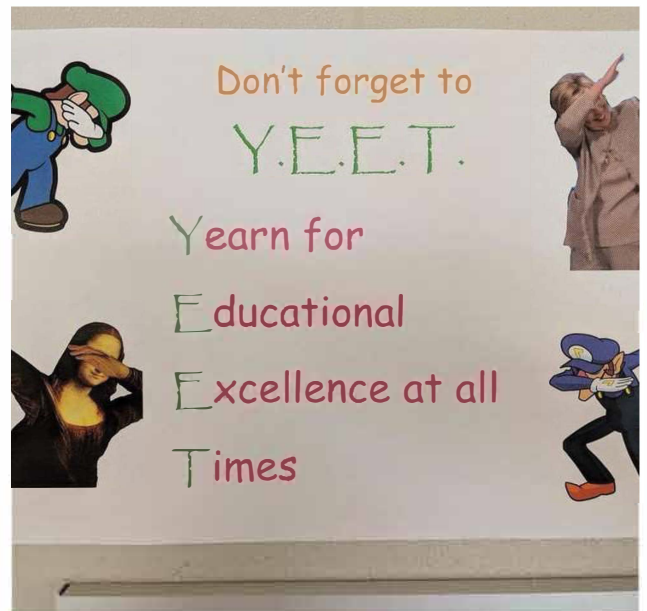
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- "Test on Wednesday"
- "Project due Friday"
- "Read the first 135 pages"
- "Do problems 1-60"



Pisces

February 20-March 20
Stop yelling. I'm standing right here.

Aries

March 21-April 20
You constantly find yourself the only one laughing at your jokes. You aren't funny?

Gemini

May 22-June 21
Some favors should be free.
Stop bribing people.

Leo

July 23-August 22
Sleep is good for you, but not with every task you do. You don't need to sleep after you walk to your kitchen.

Virgo

August 23-September 23
Sarcasm is not a good way to make friends.

Taurus

April 21-May 21
Try being spontaneous, people will like you, I promise.

Cancer

June 22-July 22
Your recklessness this month isn't cute.

Capricorn

December 22-January 20
Stop thinking you know everything. It will get you in trouble this month.

Libra

September 24-October 23
Calm down. Your perkiness gives everyone a headache.

Scorpio

October 24-November 22
You're not hiding it very well. Your dirty looks tell all.

Sagittarius

November 23-December 21
Your constant jokes are hilarious, and so is how tired you are. Seriously, drink some coffee, it's ridiculous.

Aquarius

January 21-February 19
Believe it or not, everyone knows you have feelings. You try to hide them, but it's not working.

- Payton Smith, Marketing Editor

2018-2019 Dawg Pound

Hamilton's Dawg Pound is well-known for pumping up school spirit at pep rallies and games throughout the year. The 2018-2019 Dawg Pound has ten members who are seniors only. Every year the Dawg Pound excites the crowd with cheers, chants, and fun ways to hype up games. Having the power to direct the crowd, Dawg Pound this year has a different way of incorporating everyone, not just seniors. They started off the season with great spirits at Hamilton's annual 'Welcome Back' assembly.

Hamilton has over 4,000 students, which makes it difficult to include them in all school spirit. The student section at football games is separated by grade. Typically, with freshmen at the top of the stands and seniors at the bottom. This year, Dawg Pound, plans on including the freshman and the other grades. JD McLaughlin (12) says, "we want to have more student involvement, especially with freshman".

Dawg Pound will have newer themes this year, with previous years having themes such as camo, jersey, beach/hawaiian, and blackout. Cooper Newlin (12) said, "we want to take the games to a new level and have better themes". Not only do they want to make it bigger and better, but they will keep tradition with the chants.

Hamilton football games are always hype and are a great way to come together with friends and family. Dawg Pound does a fantastic job of interacting with the crowd. They do amazing cheers that gets the crowd jumping and hyped. One of the main cheers, is the HHS chant. Tyler Curvey (12) said, "The HHS chant is easily my favorite hype cheer".

This year Dawg Pound will be new and improved. Make sure to come out to your Husky Football games, and every sport, ready to show your husky spirit!

- Marlene Alvarado, Marketing Editor & Adam Worthy, Staff Reporter



Swim and Dive

The Hamilton Swim and Dive team's new season is going to be a great one! The team has high hopes for this season and believes their team will rise to the occasion. Hamilton's Swim and Dive team is a great one for two reasons: amazing coaches and strong relationships.

The team has expressed their bonds with one another; Chase Mathias (10) said that "I've done all the sports--you name it-- but with the swim team, there's a special bond... I consider them more as my friends rather than my teammates... the whole team are friends." Thus, the closeness of the team boosts morale and helps them to work well together.

The coaches and the team also work together well; the team is led by head coach Michelle Hojnacki, as well as Head Assistant Coach Tracy Robertson, and Assistant Coach Chris Chew, and Dive Coach Elizabeth Foust. Connor Dumont (10) enjoys that, "They all know you, they know what you can do, they know what you're times are... they know everyone individually." The coaches know the swimmers well, which strengthens their relationships.

Chase Mathias discussed that bonds are formed by doing things together with the coaches and the team; "We made blankets for children in need at the hospital... we do charities... the team is so well involved in eachothers lives." This allows the team to strengthen their bonds.

The Hamilton Swim team's have already had early success this season. In their first meet of the season the Hamilton Girls team beat Basha 142-44, but the Boys team lost 71-114. Next, Hamilton went against Perry. Both the Boys and the Girls teams managed to come away with a win. The Boys with a one point win of 92-91 and the Girls with a victory of 108-78.

Members of the Swim and Dive Team also had individual success along with the team successes. At a separate dive invite, Jake Reed (12), Pieper Cull (11), and Asia Yi (12) all scored excellent, but Yi went above and beyond, qualifying for State scoring a 334.95.

- Arabella Hammerich, Staff Reporter



On The Rise: Hamilton Football

After a tough start to the 20th season, the Hamilton Huskies football team defeated the Arbor View Aggies and the Tolleson Wolverines in back-to-back weeks to improve to 2-2 on their season. For the Huskies, their win in Las Vegas showed that they have a lot of fight left in the season, and there still is time to bounce back before playoffs.

Prior to the Huskies traveling to Las Vegas to face Arbor View, the Aggies had won 19 straight regular season games, and 36 of their last 38. That ended when Hamilton topped Arbor View 23-17 in a thrilling back-and-forth affair. Brenden Rice (11) — son of NFL Hall of Famer Jerry Rice — tore the Arbor View secondary to pieces with five catches for 95 yards and a touchdown. Hamilton quarterback Peyton Poe (12) finished the game 18-of-34 for 248 yards and three touchdowns.

The Huskies will finish the season facing opponents including the rest of the 6A Premier high school teams, Brophy, Basha, Perry, and Arizona Avenue rival, Chandler.

Make sure you come to the two remaining home games left in the season against the Perry Pumas on October 19, and the Chandler Wolves on October 26. Go Huskies! #HuskyNation

- Connor Manning, Staff Reporter



Unified Flag Football

An athlete is defined by the content of one's character. Our Unified sports teams show us just that. This program gives people with disabilities that chance to shine in the bright lights. With this incredible team, Hamilton High School gives every student a chance to achieve greatness.

This quarter, Unified is starting with flag football, which is coached by Matt Stone. He expressed what the program means to him explaining, "Teaching the kids good sportsmanship and other necessities in most sports". Unified means something different to everyone, to Coach Stone it means being a team and teaching the students how to be amazing athletes.

Hope Branger (11), who is a part of the PE program, talked about her favorite parts when working with the kids. "I love working with the kids because they are always excited and ready to learn and engage with all the other kids".

Unified does a new sport every quarter with Flag Football being in the fall, Soccer in the early winter, Track & Field in the late winter, Basketball in the spring, and Cheer being year round. From soccer to basketball, Track and Field to Cheer, Hamilton makes sure everybody gets a fair shot at their dream sport.

At the end of the day, goals play a major [art in making a team, and even a community, stronger and indestructible. According to specialolympics.org, more than 70 percent of high schools are engaging in Unified Sports.

On each of the sport pages, they are always so welcoming and inviting to new people. "Whatever your passion is, [Unified] has a place for you!". Always keep in mind, PLAY UNI-FIED, LIVE UNIFIED!

-Adison Johnson & Emma Lavoie, Staff Reporters



Girls Volleyball

The Hamilton volleyball team is looking to win a state title this season after coming up short last year. There are many challenges that these Huskies overcame to get there, but with an experienced group leading the charge, this season might end with that title.

The volleyball team has started off hot, going 2-0 in their first two games against Highland and Liberty. They completely dominated the competition, winning every set they've played so far. With a mix of heavy offense and strong defense, the formula for success is apparent. They have to make sure to keep it up as they go against tougher opponents within their section. Teams like Perry, who have also started off hot, can present a much more difficult challenge to take on.

To be successful in such a tough conference, these Huskies need to be able to work together and master their skill. This is achievable through constant practice and working hard day in and day out. With the help of a great coach, this is possible.

One of the most important pillars of a successful team is great coaching. Coach Vanis has been a staple of this team for the last twelve years and her brilliant coaching has had tremendous impact on all of the players that she has worked with over the years. Not only has she established a foundation built on winning and teamwork, but that ideology has been the framework that has led to much of the success for the volleyball program at Hamilton.

With the schedule getting tougher, these athletes are going to have to compete every day in order to get the state title they long for all season.

The Hamilton Paw Print will be updating all of the scores for the volleyball games throughout the season on our website, www.hamiltonpawprint.com, and on our Twitter, @huskypawprint

- Kyle Coffee, Sports Editor



Cross Country

The Hamilton Cross Country team is looking to put up big results after a successful season last year. Despite the loss of key seniors, there are plenty of Huskies who are looking to take the torch and run with it. In order to go far in the playoffs, both the men and women groups will have to play together since so much of the official scoring relies on full team performance. With plenty of competition to look out for as the season goes on, each meet they run in will be a dog fight as everyone is looking to hoist a state championship.

Since many of the team's best runners graduated last year, there are large shoes to fill by current members of the team. Not only do they have to worry about their individual performance, but also that of the entire team. Each team needs strong leadership from multiple people in order to succeed in a team oriented competition. One of those runners is Gavin Voigt (12) who placed in the top three for the Hamilton men's team at every meet last year and is looking to put up similar results this year.

Gavin commented on his new leadership role this year saying, "It is going to be tough for me. I had some great mentors last year and I'm ready to take on that role for this team. I'm confident that I can perform at a high level at every meet, but making sure my teammates do as well is what's important to me. We got a lot of great runners coming back and we believe we can be the best school in the state. Hopefully everything will go well this year as we chase a title."

The school is hoping for the same thing as Hamilton hasn't been as successful at cross country compared to other sports at the school. This team is looking to change that narrative and become more well known around campus. Obviously this culture of winning can't happen overnight. Everyone must be committed to train hard constantly in order to improve. Every member has to be dedicated to each other and strive

to not only help themselves improve, but everyone around them.

One of the star runners, Jolie Wahlberg (10), understands this fully. She said, "We all get what needs to happen to establish a winning culture here. We believed that last year was a good year, but there is so much to improve on. Everyone on the team wants to get better and we're all working to make that happen everyday. We need people to step up at every meet and if that happens, success should follow." As this team tries to go all the way this year, they need to rely on each other and work as a team. You can follow their quest to the state title at the hamiltonpawprint.com.

- Kyle Coffee, Sports Editor



Badminton

Badminton has long been played as a competitive sport for many years. Badminton demonstrates stamina, speed, agility, power and quick touches. It is also a game of tactics, strategies and mental fitness.

On August 24th and 25th, Hamilton competed in the 2018 Flying Feathers tournament at Highland High School. There were several schools from across the state including Mesquite, Queen Creek, Skyline, Desert Vista, and Basha. All of the competition didn't scare the team as they placed second in the entire tournament. They've also had some dominating wins over Boulder Creek and Westwood, winning by scores of 7-2 and 9-0, respectively. With big competition like Perry and Chandler coming up on the schedule, these Huskies will need to keep up their exceptional play.

Another thing that this team needs to prepare for is the big state championship. This event will take place at Independence High School on October 19th and October 20th. There will be both a singles and doubles tournament that Hamilton and many other schools enter. October 19th will be the Initial Rounds and the Final Rounds will be on October 20th. The Hamilton badminton team hasn't won State since 2015, so the hunger for that championship is there.

Mrs. Regester, the head coach of the Hamilton Badminton team, is bringing

a team ready to take the win for Hamilton. Coach Regester stated, "I would love for us to win state and improve individually as a team". Improving as a team and individually will be a positive, but winning the title would be a cherry on top.

- Blake England & EJ Byrd, Staff Reporters



Husky Photos

Throughout the first quarter, you all have been doing rad things. Here is picture proof.



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Hammie the Husky with Swim and Dive



The Girls Golf Team winning 6th place at the Antigua Invitational.

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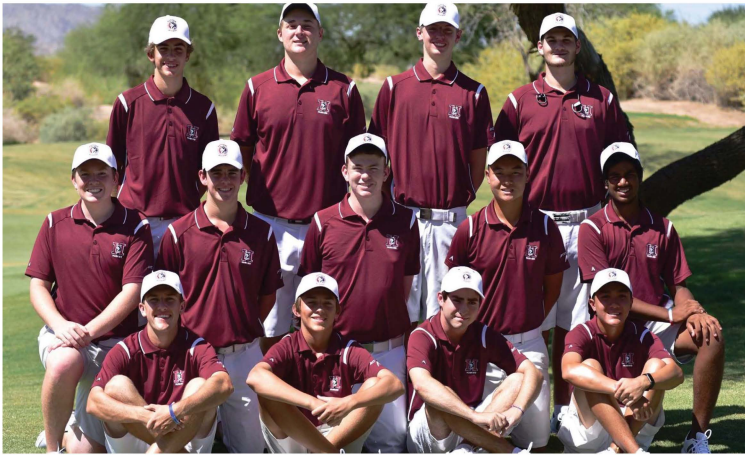


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Members of GSA recruiting new members at the Club Fair



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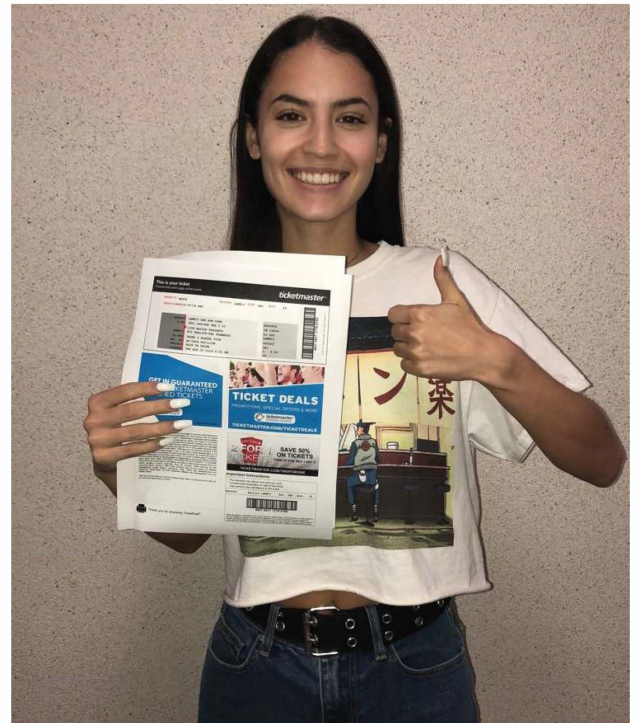
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