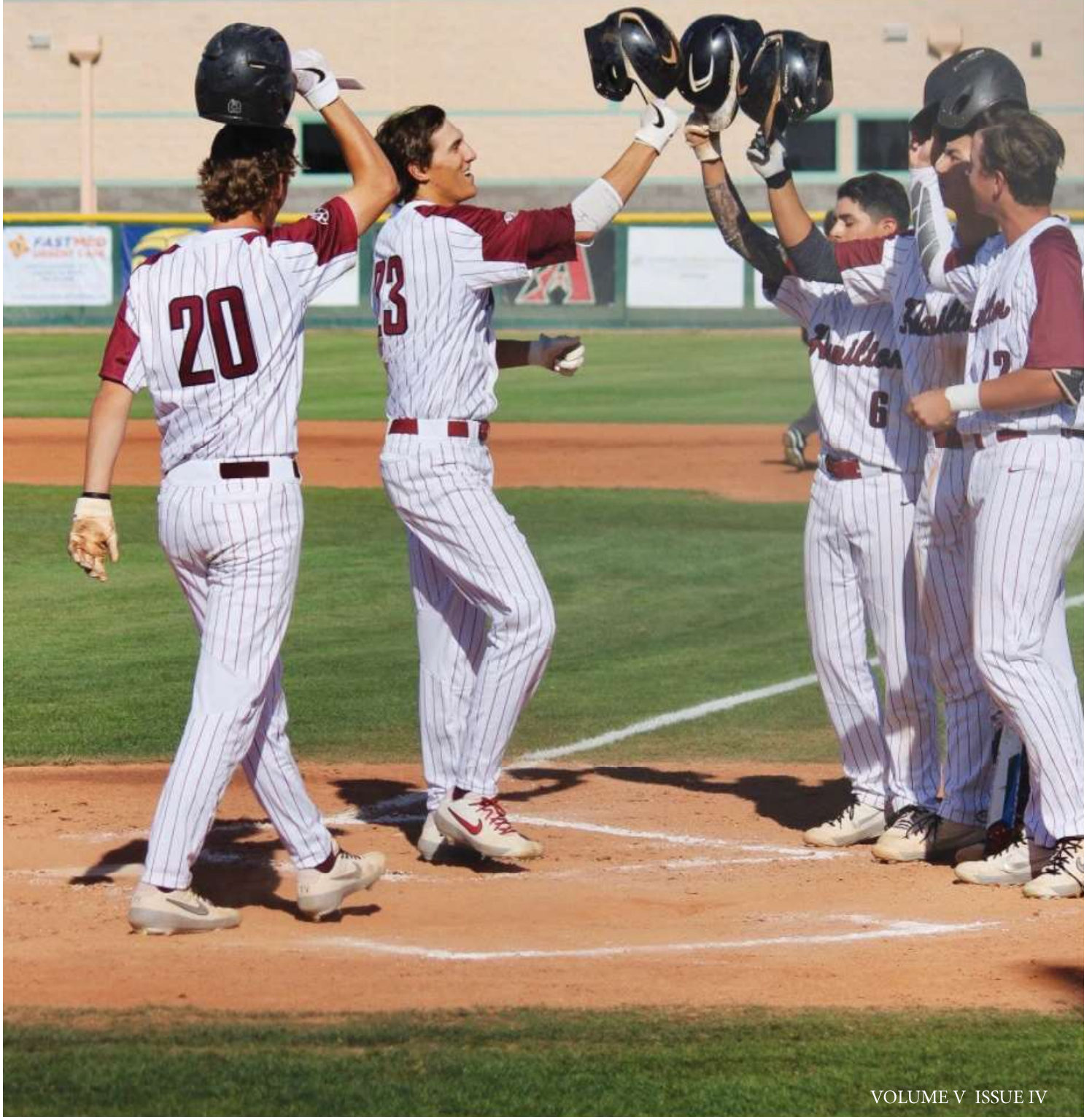


Paw Print

Hamilton Huskies

Alone, we can do so little;
together, we can do so much



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The first Hamilton Paw Print issue ever published.

The Future of the Newspaper at Hamilton

Our school's newspaper has gone through numerous changes in the past. From the creation of the Paw Print itself to paper issue, online issues, and a magazine, the Paw Print is always changing to better adapt to the dynamic aspects of Hamilton. Current adviser, Mrs. Headman, is taking a year off from teaching to have her fourth baby (and first girl)! All of us here at the Paw Print congratulate her and her family.

In addition to our advisor, we are saying goodbye to nine long-time seniors. It goes without saying that next year will be a transition year.

The Paw Print staff are excited to announce that we will be introducing a new format! We will begin weekly video

updates starting next school year. Along with the videos, our new adviser will be Mr. Fadness who is currently a multimedia and film teacher at Hamilton. Mr. Fadness says, "I see the class having one singular mission: to cover everything at Hamilton High School, both the good and the bad." We will be collaborating with students from the Multimedia class, hoping to form a great group together! The plan is to show the weekly updates during fourth hour on Friday, but the details are still undecided.

It can be said that next year will certainly be exciting for the Paw Print, and we look forward to welcoming a new adviser and staff!

- Lauren Craig, Managing Editor

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ACDEC Takes Minnesota

After taking first place in the state championship in early March, Hamilton's own Academic Decathlon team headed off to Nationals the week of April 21st. The team spent their week in Bloomington, Minnesota preparing for the intense competition. They competed in a series of challenging events against 72 teams from the U.S, UK, and China. The ten events fall under the theme of the The 1960s: A Transformational Decade, all events being equally as demanding.

Overall, the trip was a huge success, as Hamilton placed fourth in the nation in Division 1 and 7th overall including international teams and all divisions. The team also placed 3rd in Super Quiz, ousting the Illinois team from their spot.

In addition to the team's accomplishments, individual medals were also awarded to the outstanding team members on the team. This includes Jake Nance (12), who placed in a long list of events which included: Bronze overall, Gold Science, Silver Language and Literature, Silver Music and Bronze Math. Nance expressed, "given that it was our first time at nationals, I am very proud of how our team did." There is no doubt these accomplishments come after a lot of practice and commitment to long hours of studying and preparation. This dedication to the team and studying at any and all opportunities is what makes the team so impressive and successful in everything that they do!

Jasmine Sun (11) commented about how nationals was different from any other competition, saying, "the national competition did many things differently such as interviews without resumes, clickers

many things differently such as interviews without resumes, clickers instead of scantrons, arena interviews, group speeches, etc. At first it was intimidating, but overall it has made me more confident in my abilities." Although it was no easy feat, Sun proved to be very successful as she received: Gold Art, Silver Interview, Bronze Science, Bronze Social Science, and Bronze Speech.

All the hard work throughout the year came to fruition with the teams success at Nationals. The determination and commitment from all members makes the team what it is: an unstoppable force!

- Alexis Brady, Staff Reporter



ACDEC Nationals

We The People Takes D.C.

Over the weekend of April 25th, Hamilton's renown We The People team traveled to Washington D.C. for a six day trip to compete in the National Finals. This is Hamilton's third consecutive year being represented at the national competition, and this year's team couldn't have been more ready to carry the We The People legacy.

The 2018-2019 team was notified on March 7, 2019, of their invitation to nationals, and began preparing hard all through spring break to be the best they could be at competition. Overall, the team made 27th place out of 70 teams, a huge victory considering the time crunch.

The competition units were as follows:

Unit One:

Taylor Smith
Aaron Gonzalez
Harsha Lakamsani

Unit Three:

Cora Baron
Madison Kier
Gordon Robertson

Unit Five:

Ryan Gentry
Sonakshi Sharma
Aditya Parekh

Unit Two:

Dheeti Deliwala
Aditi Tata
Vani Sanganeria

Unit Four:

Vivian Nguyen
Samihan Dani
Anusha Natarajan

Unit Six:

Chaelin Jung
Taylor Garcia
Abby Thornton

Be sure to congratulate these Huskies and their incredible representation of Arizona and Hamilton High School at the nation's capitol.

- Taylor Smith, Editor-in-Chief



Signing Day

This year 63 student athletes signed to play at the college level. Congratulations to these Huskies who signed on Hamilton's last signing day of the 2018-2019 school year.

Congratulations huskies on your amazing accomplishments!

- Jennifer Curry – Baker University (wrestling)
 - Donovan Corn – Luther College (wrestling)
 - Amanda Foley – Concordia University Irvine (swim)
 - Marisa Emoto – Occidental University (Swim)
 - Isabella Curcio – Cumberland University (Volleyball)
 - Finley Lindsey – Goucher College (soccer)
 - Deshay Martinez – Mesa Community College (basketball)
 - Brandon Hill – Southern Virginia University (golf)
 - Caden Rice – Mesa Community College (golf)
 - Preston Asher – University of Colorado-Colorado Springs (track)
 - Ankita Puri – University of Chicago (track)
 - Madeline York – West Pointe (track)
 - Erin Markey – Colorado State Pueblo (track)
 - Dustin Bermudez – South Mountain Community College (baseball)
 - Jose Valenzuela – Chandler Gilbert Community College (baseball)
 - Karsen Burke - Northern Arizona University (Track)
 - Marcus Massop - St. Mary's of the Woods College (Soccer)
- Taylor Smith, Editor-in-Chief



German Exchange Students

Hamilton High's foreign exchange program has benefited students from other countries for many years. Kids from all over are able to come and experience the differences American high schools have compared to their homeland school. Ava Crawford (9) talked about the benefits of the program, "It has been really cool to experience and learn things face to face with someone who has lived there rather than from a textbook."

For the next two weeks twelve German students and two teachers get to learn what Hamilton and Arizona have to offer. They are all partnered with an American student who goes to Hamilton to help show them around. Isabel Andrade (10) mentioned how exciting and different it is to be a host family. "It is very interesting to see how the cultures are similar, yet different at the same time. [She] has taught me a little German as well." Befriending someone who lives across the world can benefit the way we view history, social issues, etc- things we have been taught from a young age. Not only do the German students get to learn what Arizona has to offer but Hamilton students can learn as well. Aden Shriver (9) has learned from her exchange student, sharing, "There are a lot of things I could say. I am learning the differences in culture, how to speak German, and the little difference in things we do." This program opens doors for all the students involved.

Hamilton has a wide range of exchange student programs coming and going year round. From China to France, the Netherlands to the Czech Republic, the program allows for us to realize some topics we did not understand or even see it from a different perspective. A new perspective is a major takeaway for the host families and the exchange students alike.

- Adison Johnson, Staff Reporter



Little Women

After months of long, grueling work from the entire cast and crew, the Hamilton Theater Company (HTC) premiered their depiction of the classic show, *Little Women*, for their annual spring musical. The show opened Friday, April 5th and ran all the way through Saturday, April 13th with a total of five shows performed. Each show received tremendous applause and support as all of the hard work from everyone involved paid off, creating a memorable experience filled with raw emotion and passion.

The plot of this musical is a typical coming of age story set in the late 1800's, following the lives of the the four March sisters: Jo, Meg, Beth and Amy. They all take a unique path on their way to womanhood, but they always stick together as a true family. Jo, played by Sophia Donnell (12), is the main focus of the story as she attempts to turn her passion for potent writing and violent storytelling into a career despite the obstacles that come with society's customary sexism at the time. Carly Majors (12) appreciated what Jo's character stood for saying, "I really enjoyed her character because she stood out among the other women in the play as she didn't conform with the current time. She was her own woman and Sophia did such a great job playing her because she's so talented." To go along with her determination to become a published author, Jo is also trying to find her place in the world while keeping her independent and fierce personality in tact. Despite the constant challenges, she always has the support from her family and she always has support for her family.

One of the significant parts of this show was certainly the music. Many cast members had the chance to display their vocal talent and create many different beautiful performances. When Marissa Caldwell (12) discussed her love of the singing within the production, she said, "Yeah! Everyone did such a great job with that and are all so talented. Many of the emotional moments during the musical were enhanced by incredible performances." When considering the impact of the songs, Marissa has a point when saying how they enhanced the scenes.

The production of *Little Women* from HTC was spectacular in so many different ways and audiences should be genuinely grateful for the show that was put on by this hardworking cast and crew.

- Kyle Coffee, Sports Editor



StuGo's Buddy Prom

Prom is the most exciting time of the year for the juniors and seniors of Hamilton. Everyone gets dressed up in their finest outfits and dances the night away with friends. It is a happy occasion that sticks with people well into their adult years. Hamilton felt that everyone should be able to participate in the festivities, and thus Buddy Prom was introduced.

Buddy prom is a dance that student council hosts for the unified athletes and their peers from the self-contained classrooms at Hamilton so they can attend a dance and feel included. Buddy Prom took place on May 4th in the Hamilton school gymnasium. The gym was decorated in a Candy Land theme and food and drinks were offered. There were games set up as well as a necklace making station. The music was fun and everyone had a great time.

This is the second year that Buddy Prom has been hosted. Last year it was a smaller affair held in one of the school's many classrooms. This year the attendance grew to around 100 students. With more attendees, a change of location was necessary.

Thankfully the girls PE coach Ms. Phillips said that they could use the gym. Brooke Romero (10), one of the Co-heads of the dance, tells us her favorite part of the dance: "I loved seeing everyone so happy and smiling." The prom was a huge success for both the students and their buddies. The other Co-head, Lauren Kubricky, (11) says, "I loved dancing with all of them. They were really happy." Brooke has been a part of this organization for two years now and this is Lauren's first year. They were both thankful to be a part of the whole production.

With the huge success that Buddy prom has had these past two years, it is sure to become a new Hamilton tradition.

-Emma Lavoie, Staff Reporter



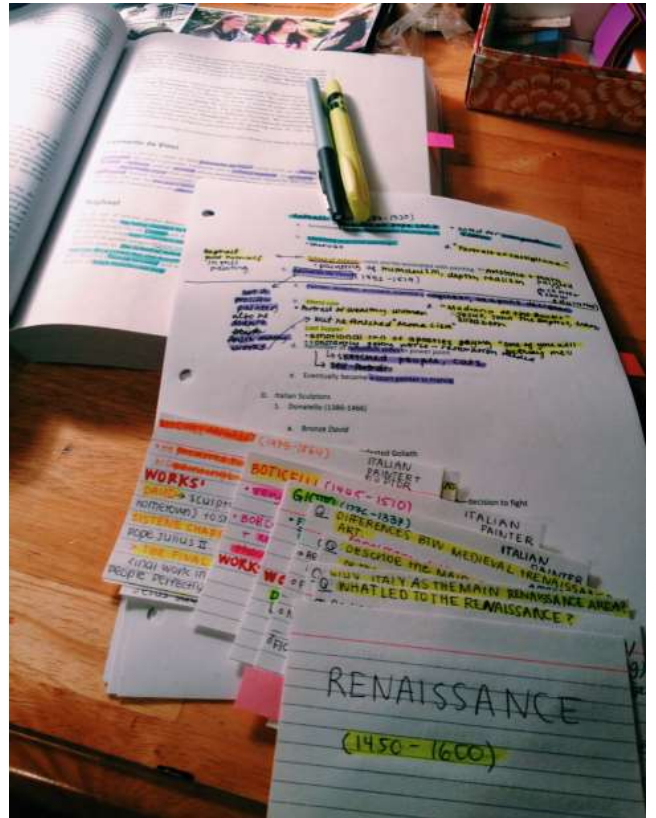
AP Testing

One of the most dreaded times of the year includes long study sessions, practice tests, and way too much stress in preparation for the AP exams. By taking Advanced Placement or AP classes, students are given the chance to earn college credit before graduating high school. This is a very beneficial opportunity for many students because it provides them with a higher level class that challenges them in different ways, and gives them the chance to get a head start on college credits. However, for the students who opt out of Dual Enrollment, which is the case for most, these benefits mean having to take AP exams.

For most students, especially those who are taking their first AP test, this time of the year can be very stressful. There is a massive amount of material to remember and for many students, more than one class to study for. Alyssa Bleyde (12), has taken six AP tests throughout her high school years and in order to prepare she typically “goes to many review sessions, at Starbucks with friends, or goes to school for review sessions.” She says “I don’t do a lot of studying on my own, most of it is with groups of people.” It can be difficult to have the motivation to really study when you’re on your own. Putting together a group of people that all have to study for the same test can be extremely beneficial because everyone will be contributing what they know and helping each other feel prepared.

The most important thing to remember is to be confident in yourself and to not be too overly stressed out. As intimidating as being put into a silent room filled with test-takers can be, hard work, careful studying, and practice really does pay off.

- Chloe Dickinson, Staff Reporter



GSA

Hamilton is home to a very diverse and colorful student body and no community is as colorful as the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community. Hamilton’s Gender-Sexuality Alliance is a club founded by LGBT students and their allies. They promote a safe, and welcoming environment for everyone!

Cora Baron (12), president of GSA, has been a part of the club since her freshman year. She had plenty to say about GSA considering how much the club means to her: “I was in the club from the very beginning, and it’s grown tremendously. We have new freshmen every year and we’ve garnered a lot of support from administration and we now have resources for transgender students available.”

Baron also expressed how much the club means to her personally, “The club has been a big part of my life and when I came out as bisexual, the club was very supportive of me.” GSA has the power to help students feel like they belong and have a place of sanctuary at Hamilton no matter how they identify as or where they come from. Whether the students are in the closet or not, GSA is a safe place.

Cora guarantees, “We tell them it’s a safe place and we hope to just find some support to give them and make them feel like they have a place they can go.” GSA meets on Thursdays after school at

2:30 in Room N113.

- Edward Quintana, Staff Reporter & Marlene Alvarado, Marketing Editor



2019 Graduation

As our feet landed in the freshly painted hallways of the scary “big kid” school, we painfully realized we were freshman in high school, and the double doors behind us slowly closed. Cut to four years later, our feet stand in the same hallways, looking around at peers we once considered strangers and walls we once deemed foreign.

A time of finishing homework an hour before it's due, contemplating whether or not pulling an all nighter is worth it, and touring college campuses around the country-- the end of senior year is around the corner. While some seniors are ready to jump into their cap and gown and wave goodbye to the crowded hallways of high school, others are left reminiscing on the memories and irreplaceable friends they made over the four years. Exactly one year ago, I wrote an article about the seniors graduating Hamilton High; now, I am one of those seniors and I will soon be graduating alongside the class of 2019.

At this time of year, students around Hamilton are outlining their future, debating between colleges and planning for the summer. It's a strange feeling being so close to the end, for it seems as though just last Friday, we were attending our first football game. As though, last Saturday, we were grooving at our first homecoming dance. As though, just yesterday, we were saying goodbye to our junior high friends and moving on to the big leagues: high school. Little

did we know, college is the MLB.

The class of 2019 had an exciting run and will continue to flourish outside the walls of Hamilton High School: a foreign place that soon became a second home.

- Sonam Jain, Co-Editor-in-Chief



Hamilton's 2018 Graduation

Letter From the Editor-in-Chief

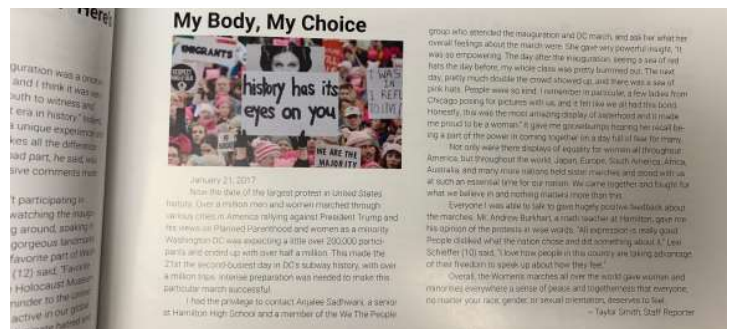
The Paw Print has given me a confidence I never knew I needed. As a third year student, I have experienced being a general staff member, and being a leader for the past two years. I feel so incredibly lucky to have been able to cover everything from the Women's March two years ago, to my final story in this issue, my club, We The People, making it to the National Finals in Washington D.C.

To the Hamilton staff that has been a part of the newspaper, thank you for allowing it to grow and become an organization where students can truly express their opinions. I hope in the next five years, the Paw Print will continue to be an outlet for students and their peers.

To the Hamilton student body, continue to involve yourself in your school and in the newspaper. Join journalism! Join a club! Thank you for giving me an outlet to express myself.

To my advisor, Mrs. Headman, this is our last year at Hamilton newspaper. Thank you for making it the best one yet and for becoming one of my true friends. I wish you all the best in everything you do!

- Taylor Smith, Editor-in-Chief



Taylor's first story in the Paw Print.

2019 Paw Print Graduating Class

The Paw Print provides the students of Hamilton information about sports, assemblies, dances, music, and tons more. Every school year consists of a new class of journalists ready to share their work. This years class of writers has nine seniors getting ready to write their last Paw Print story ever. Take a look at what our seniors learned from newspaper and what they are planning to do after high school!



Taylor Smith

Taylor is the editor-in-chief and will be attending Arizona State University to major in Philosophy with an emphasis in Morality, Politics, and Law. Taylor has been in journalism for three years and says, "My last newspaper has been bittersweet for me. The Paw Print will always have a special place in my heart."



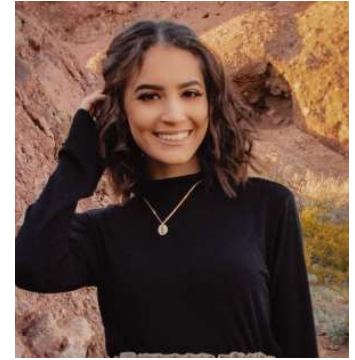
Chloe Dickinson

Chloe will be attending Grand Canyon University, studying film and media production. Chloe describes her first year in journalism as, "I've learned how to keep up with having a story every week and having people skills. I enjoyed choosing what I wrote, too."



Marlene Alvarado

Marlene is a marketing editor and will be attending Pima Medical Institute, studying to be a medical assistant. Marlene says, "I've never been confident in myself or was really social, but once I joined journalism, my confidence grew. I will forever carry the memories I made these last three years."



Miranda Rothchild

Miranda is a managing editor and will be attending Chandler Gilbert Community College for two years then going to Arizona State University to be a journalist. Miranda has enjoyed her two years in journalism and says, "I learned a lot about myself. I always loved writing stories, but there's something about sharing other peoples experiences that make it sentimental to me."



Edward Quintana

Edward will be studying to be a flight attendant. Edward explains how his first year in journalism was, "I feel like this class made me more confident interviewing strangers and writing about topics I care about. It opened an interest to me in journalism if I ever want to pursue it"



Sonam Jain

Sonam, the co-editor-in-chief is going to University of San Diego, studying economics. Sonam explains, "I've learned what it's like to be apart of a growing community while leading a group of individuals."



Alexia Schieffer

Lexi is a managing editor will be attending Northern Arizona University, studying English with an emphasis in literature. Lexi explains her first year being in journalism and as a managing editor as, "I definitely learned a lot about myself as a writer and I enjoyed the classroom environment and being with others who also have the same passion to write"



Kyle Coffee

Kyle is a sports editor and will be attending Arizona State University, studying sports business. Kyle has taken journalism all four years of highschool and says, "I felt like I made a second family and learned about journalism and the industry I wasn't aware of."



Ashlie Johnston

Ashlie Johnston (12) will be attending Penn State University, studying business. Ashlie explains her time being in journalism as, "Honestly

I was placed in here and needed the credits. But you know what, I just went with it and ended up enjoying it."

- Miranda Rothchild, Managing Editor

Notre Dame Cathedral

Tragedy struck the heart of Paris, France this April when a devastating fire broke out beneath the roof of its beloved Notre Dame Cathedral. Onlookers stood horrified at the scene as plumes of smoke penetrated the sky and cascades of water fell over the structure while firefighters' struggled to put out the flame.

By the time it was extinguished, the building's spire and most of its roof had been destroyed, its upper walls severely damaged. Officials are uncertain exactly what caused the fire, but it's possible the accident could have occurred during renovations - arson has been ruled out.

The infamous Notre Dame Cathedral, known largely for its historical significance and complex architecture, holds a special place in the hearts of many who took time to mourn over its burning. Although a large number of its artworks and religious relics were able to be moved to safety, many others were damaged or destroyed. This has prompted an international response from both French and American donors, who've pledged billions to the reconstruction of Notre Dame.

The New-York based French Heritage Society has launched a restoration fund for the structure; Elizabeth Stribling, the chair of the Society, said in a press release, "I fight back tears as I write this. Notre-Dame is more than a religious symbol, it speaks of human achievements and great art." This speaks alongside some of France's "superrich" donors like

Bernard Arnault and François-Henri Pinault who have each promised at least 100 million euros.

The burning of such a prominent cultural symbol is not only a heart-breaking event for France, but for the world. Americans are grieving the damage, and even fellow Huskies feel the shock. Senior student Lance Kristof says, "I felt uneasy when I first heard the news about Notre Dame. To think that all the history that has been preserved in that building can be destroyed in just a few hours. It's unnerving to be reminded of how fragile it all is." Those words resonate with many who felt the devastation hit home this April 15th.

From the ashes, however, rise precious hope and determination to preserve what's left of Notre Dame.

- Lexi Schieffer, Managing Editor



2019 Coachella

Coachella 2019 was one for the books. Both weeks were littered with the top artists from across the country. Young teenage star, Billie Eilish performed at the biggest stage of her young thrilled career. The anticipation of her performance was insane. Many fans were awaiting the performance. She did not disappoint. She killed the set and was the third youngest artist to perform at Coachella. Lexie Campbell (11) said "Unfortunately I didn't get to see Billie Eilish perform live but I watched highlights on Twitter and she looked stunning". Eilish is truly an inspiration to young girls across the globe.

There were some significant changes from 2018 Coachella to 2019 Coachella. They added many more scenic statues along with adding a new stage to make way for more artists to perform. On Easter Sunday Kanye performed at church service for fellow attendees. Also, whilst Kid Cudi was performing he brought out a special guest; Kanye West. Together they performed their album "Kids See Ghosts". To many people, this was the highlight of the event due to Kanye West being such an icon in the music industry. Tyler Anderson (11) said "The fact that on Easter Sunday people could come together and celebrate the existence of life."

A fellow Hamilton student Maya Abdallah (11) went to Coachella and shared her thoughts on how her experience went "Overall the atmosphere was insane, everybody was so into the festival and the things surrounding it. My favorite part was when the house music was played. The crowd was so into it"

Overall Coachella will forever be a magical place to be.

- EJ Byrd, Staff Reporter



The Lion King

The remake of *The Lion King* is set to arrive in theatres over the summer on July 19. It stars Donald Glover (*Community*) as the main character Simba, Chiwetel Ejiofor (*Doctor Strange, 12 Years a Slave*) as the film's villain Scar and James Earl Jones (*Star Wars, Sandlot*) reprising his role from the original as Mufasa. The film follows the same plot line, but with some tweaks for the new generation. Elton John has announced that he'll be working on the soundtrack with primary composer Hans Zimmer.

D'hani Branch (10) said "I would go see it, but I won't be in a rush to see it. The movie looks like it's going to have the same storyline but just with different animation. But it still looks good." Not much about the plot has been revealed leading many to believe the new film to have the same plot coming off to many as lazy. But many are praising to see it due to its illuminating animation and star studded cast.

Michael Williams (10) said, "The animation looks cool. It looks real like what they did with *The Jungle Book* and it has Childish Gambino as Simba which is cool." *Lion King* also stars major names like Beyonce Knowles as Nala, Seth Rogen as Pumbaa, Billy Eichner as Timon and Eric Andre as Azizi. Jon Favreau (*Ironman*) is directing the CGI remake of the Disney classic.

The Lion King is expected to meet a good number at the box office when it releases. The remake is in the wave of live action Disney remakes such as *Aladdin*, *Little Mermaid* and *Dumbo* with most of them not receiving much critical acclaim but *Lion King* is supposedly going to open to a better reviews on July 19.

- Max Pulido, Staff Reporter



Avengers: Endgame

The most anticipated movie of 2019 came out on April 26th. More than ten years after the release of the first movie of the series, Iron Man, it is bringing every moviegoer and Marvel fan to the edge of their seat. Avengers Endgame is finally here as the last movie of the Avengers series.

The movie opened in 4,662 theatres in the United States and Canada, which is more than any other opening day for a movie. According to Time magazine, "Avengers: Endgame shattered the record for biggest opening weekend with an estimated \$350 million in ticket sales domestically and \$1.2 billion globally".

Tyler Giusti (11) states "I have never seen such an incredible superhero movie on the big screen." With so many unexpected turns and surprises for viewers, this huge action-packed film will bring audiences to tears of sadness and happiness as the last story of the Avengers unfolds.

Carson Recht (11) says "This movie will be remembered for a long time as one of the greatest of its kind". There is no reason not to see this film as it will not let you down, it received a 96% rating from Rotten Tomatoes. With a run time of just over three hours, this movie will keep your attention to the last minute.

As this movie brought a lot of people to the screen, it also brought many spoilers with it. So, before it's too late, grab your popcorn and a refreshing drink and enjoy the best rated Marvel movie on the big screen.

- Blake England, Staff Reporter



Billie Eilish's *when we fall asleep, where do we go*

17-year-old Billie Eilish took the world by storm when she released her debut studio album last week. The alternative-pop record "WHEN WE ALL FALL ASLEEP, WHERE DO WE GO?" was released on March 29th and was long awaited by millions of fans. Billie and her brother, Finneas (who is also her co-writer), have worked on "WHEN WE ALL FALL ASLEEP, WHERE DO WE GO?" for over a year to get every song perfect, and it's finally here. Even though many know Billie as a pop singer, she has made it very clear that she has a different style than other pop artists. A handful of her tracks have chilling messages that are alarming, yet interesting, like in songs "bury a friend", and "you should see me in a crown".

In songs "wish you were gay", "when the party's over", and "listen before i go", Billie sings about heartbreak and difficult stages in a relationship. Sarah Paulk(10) shares her favorite song from the album, "My favorite song right now is "i love you", because it's just one of those songs that not only makes you feel sad but also makes you get into your feels". A good amount of Billie's songs talk about failed relationships, so many people look at this album as a heartbreak reliever.

Billie has had music out since she was 14 years-old, and she came out with her first EP when she was only 15. Maci Sarli(10) gave her input on Billie's new album "I like some of the songs but her first album was my favorite because the songs were more like pop songs and not really that dark". Her first EP "don't smile at me" didn't get big at first but in 2018 many tracks got extremely popular, like "ocean eyes", "bellyache", and "my boy", making her one of the best upcoming artists of 2018. Billie Eilish revealed back in January that she would be coming out with her new album in March and revealed details about it as well, including the name, tracklist, and how many songs will be on the CD. Lexi Ernesto(9) talks about how long she has been waiting for Billie's new record, "I was so excited when she released the date that she was coming out with the album, I love every single song that she put out before and I love every song on this album as well".

Billie Eilish has come a long way since she first began releasing music, but almost anything she puts out now gets a good amount of attention.

- Jay Jay Quintana & Katherine Soltero, Staff Reporter



Game of Thrones

Game of Thrones has been an incredible saga that has garnered a massive following since the premiere in 2011 and it all comes to a close with the eighth and final season which is sure to bring many twists and turns as the long awaited conclusion finally happens. With six episodes that air every Sunday on HBO until the finale occurring on May 19th, who knows where the story can turn, but avid viewers are on the edge of their seats waiting to find out. The focus of this season is set on two different storylines: the result of the war between the living and the dead and the character who ultimately sits on the Iron Throne to rule the seven kingdoms of Westeros by the end of the series.

Ever since the first episode, this showdown has been teased and after much prodding around the topic for a few seasons, both sides have reached a boiling point and this climactic battle finally took place on the third episode of the season, titled "The Long Night." Dubbed "The Battle of Winterfell," Jon Snow and Daenerys Targaryen teamed up to defend the North against the White Walkers and the Army of the Dead who are led by the terrifying Night King, who is set to destroy humanity and all of the history with it. The powerful antagonist's main goal was to kill Bran Stark and his limitless knowledge of Westeros. Sean Do (12) described his feelings watching this episode, "I was really nervous because I didn't know what was going to happen. I knew many people could and would die, but I just wasn't sure who. Towards the end, I pretty much understood how it was gonna play out so conclusion of the battle wasn't too much of a surprise." Sean may not have been surprised due to the massive foreshadowing done throughout that really gave the ending away if seen right away.

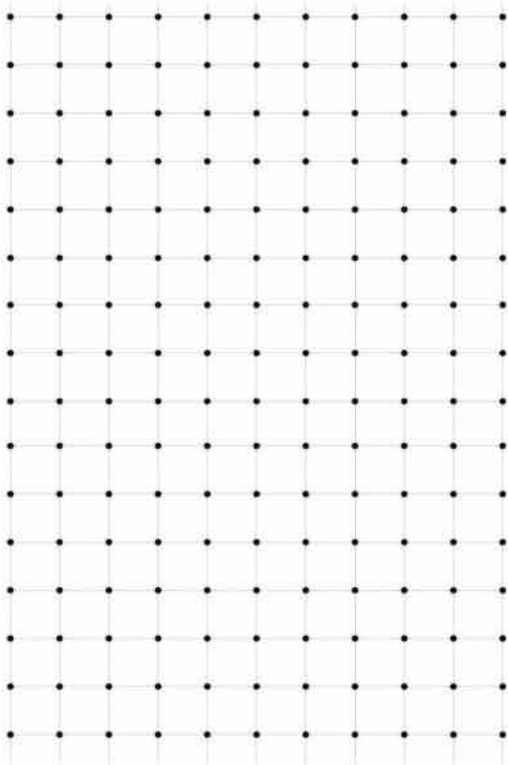
Throughout the show, audiences are led to believe he is a Stark family member, but the true identity of his mom is revealed to be Targaryen which leaves him heir to the throne due to his true heritage and being a male trumps Daenerys. Although he is next in line, he has shown reluctance to take leadership in the past, so he could pass up the opportunity and identify as a Stark exclusively. Cersei Lannister, the one who currently sits on the throne, is the pick to rule if the antagonists win the war. She is ruthless and evil, which can show the lengths she will go to rule them all, but it would be an overall disappointing ending as the villains win.

The series is finally winding down, and *Game of Thrones* has left a distinct impact on pop culture and society.

- Kyle Coffee, Sports Editor

GAME OF THRONES

Hamilton Paw Print Summer Brain Games



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Friends: What's your plans for today?



Making plans for summer vacation like



When you first turn on the AC in the car and it blows hot air



Pisces

February 20-March 20

You plan world domination for two whole months and never crack the summer reading open.

Aries

March 21-April 20

You are the only one in the friend group who has a full time job this summer.

Gemini

May 22-June 21

You will never leave the pool this summer. You will grow gills.

Leo

July 23-August 22

You told all your friends you are going out of the country this summer so you can sleep uninterrupted.

Virgo

August 23-September 23

You've been working on your summer body since December.

Taurus

April 21-May 21

If anyone is going on vacation this summer, it's you!

Cancer

June 22-July 22

You bought a gym membership for the summer and are ready to come back next year unrecognizable.

Capricorn

December 22-January 20

You will spend your summer prepping for next school year. Go you.

Libra

September 24-October 23

You have the perfect summer wardrobe, yet you spend all your time shopping.

Scorpio

October 24-November 22

You bought blackout curtains and a Netflix subscription for this summer break.

Sagittarius

November 23-December 21

If you make it outside at least twice, you have succeeded.

Aquarius

January 21-February 19

You will be seen at every single summer party. No one even knows how one does that.

- Payton Smith, Marketing Editor

Husky Art



"I've always just liked taking pictures, then I started taking classes here and it became my passion. We had a water assignment so I put my cousin in the water and used my surrounds." - Jillian Avery (11)



"I remembered how kids in intro to art do a symmetry piece. For my piece, I wanted to make a radial symmetry by demonstrating feelings of being overwhelmed but still enjoying yourself." - Mira Rooney (12)

Baseball

Before this season Kevin Askeland from Maxpreps wrote an article on the “Top 25 high school baseball dynasties since 2009” where he ranked Hamilton as the number one team. A big part of this being the fact that the Huskies had won three state championships since 2014 (2014, 2016, 2017). Also, Hamilton had the best accumulative ranking since 2009 with a total of ranking of 635, with the second ranked team being Orange Lutheran with a overall ranking of 811. With all of this success the Huskies racked up yet another state championship this year on May 14 as they defeated Corona Del Sol 8-1.

The 2018-19 Hamilton Baseball team had an amazing regular season and continued that success in the postseason. Earlier in the season from March 2 through March 15, the Huskies pulled off eight straight victories. Of these eight wins, the Huskies had monstrous performances against Pinnacle (15-5), Basis (10-4), and Mountain Vista (12-1). After a 3-0 shut out, eight strikeout performance Shane Murphy (12) had this to say in an AZCentral interview stating “All three of my pitches were going pretty well, I was able to mix it up.”

The Huskies finished the regular season with a 21-6 record and did very well in Conference Play with a 6-2 record and a first place finish in the Conference Standings. After a two-game sweep of Basha High, J.D McLaughlin (12) who hadn’t homered yet before that game, hit a two-run homer. Hamilton scored the most runs (80) in the Conference, which was 28 more than the next team, Chandler with 52. The Hamilton Boys also had amazing pitching and defense with only 26 runs given up, again first in the Conference, the team in second having given up 51 runs.

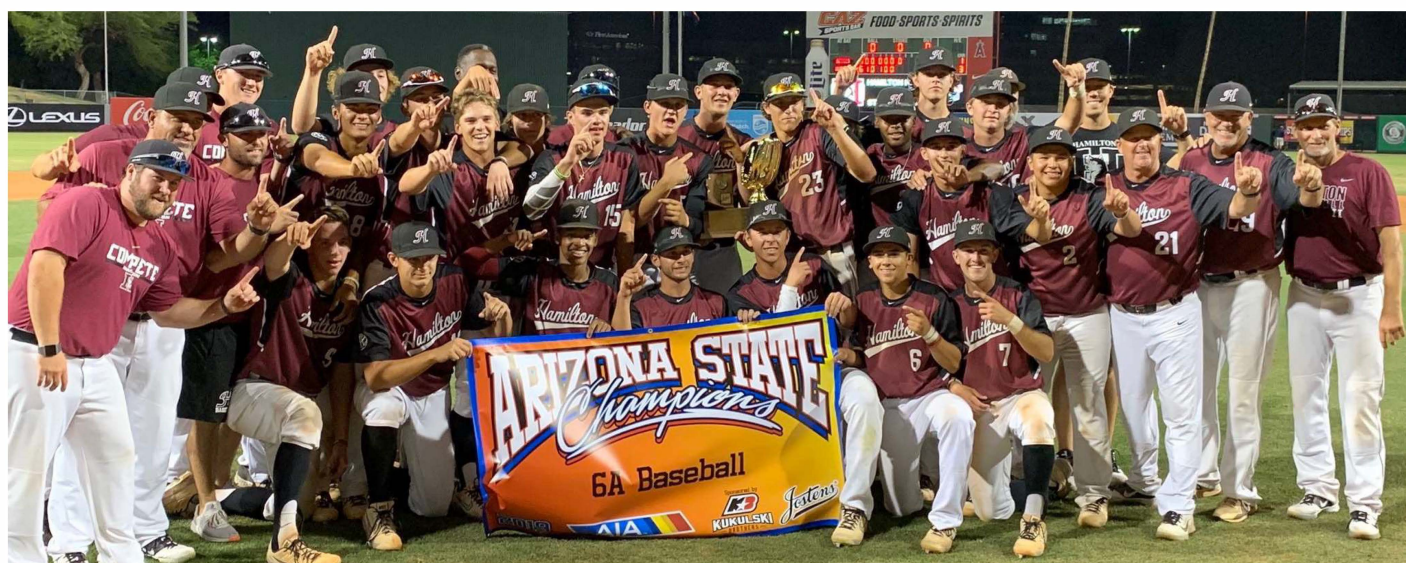
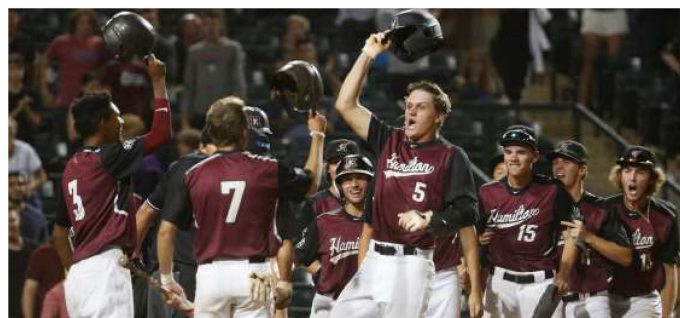
The Huskies Head Coach, Mike Woods, said this about how the

team was playing and what he expected coming into the postseason, stating “They’ve played good this season. They have had good chemistry and I look forward to seeing them build on that chemistry. I expect us to win another State Championship.” As you can see, the team fulfilled Woods’ expectations by winning it yet again.

This Huskies team was solid throughout the regular season and they steamed through the playoffs with a 8-2 victory over Queen Creek, a 1-0 victory over Liberty, a 3-2 victory over Mountain Ridge, and a state championship win against Corona Del Sol 8-1. The State Championship was expected to start at 7pm, but didn’t take place until 10:40pm thus finishing at 12:40am. In the game the Huskies got off to an amazing start, scoring six runs the in first inning! They then kept the lead throughout the rest of the game and finished the Aztecs off thanks to freshman pitcher Logan Saloman, shutting down Corona hitters throughout the night.

Thanks to all the fans for all the support given to our Huskies! Stay tuned for next season as the Huskies attempt to defend their crown and try to make it four titles in five years!

- Justin Rombough, Sports Editor



Track & Field Highlights

On May 1st and 4th the Arizona State Track and Field Championships were held at Mesa Community College. Here are some of the highlights:

For the 2nd year in a row, Hamilton Husky senior Malik Whitaker takes the gold in the D1 Boys High Jump, tying his PR of 6'8"! Whitaker will attend NAU in the Fall.

The 4x800 relay team of Maddy Burciaga, Ankita Puri, Deidre Nelsen and Rose Connolly placed 4th!

The boys 4x400 relay team finishes as State Runner-up! Kam Miller, Preston Asher, Xavier Ridgway, and Christian Anaya.

The girls 4x400 relay team gets the Silver with a time of 3:56:01! Congrats Maddy Burciaga, Ankita Puri, Alia Nichols, Haley Cole!

To finish the season, athletes competed at the Meet of Champions on May 11th. Congrats to Karsen Burke on his silver medal in the 110HH and Maddy Burciaga for her gold medal in the 800!

-Arabella Hammerich & Jay Jay Quintana, Staff Reporters



Softball

The girls softball team finished the regular season with an impressive 23-10 record! They showed dominance throughout the course of the season by ranking sixth in the state. To cap off the season, the girls went on a seven game winning streak and were riding high with confidence heading into the playoffs.

This season was filled with obstacles that the girls overcame which was fantastic because it showed that the road isn't easy and there will always be challenges to overcome if you want to be champions. Before playoffs began, Tegan Dobson (11) said "It's been a great season so far even with the ups and downs. This team has really come together these last couple weeks, and we have each other's backs. Now we focus on getting to state."

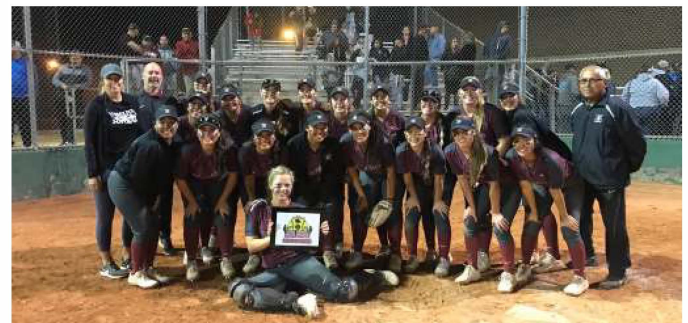
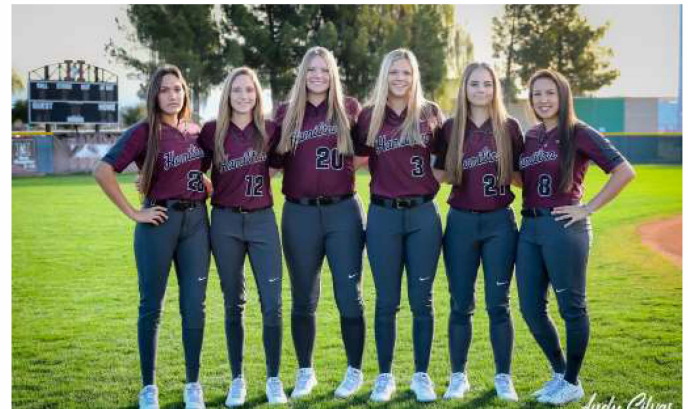
The girls had their first playoff game against Desert Ridge and took care of business with an easy 11-1 victory!

Their next game was on May 2nd against Sandra Day O'Connor as they looked to keep their season going! The girls unfortunately lost by a score of 9-6. This was obviously not what they were seeking as this loss hurt the team from a physical and mental standpoint. They would look to get back on the winning track against their next opponent Cibola.

Unfortunately the season came to an end as Cibola defeated Hamilton 3-1 on May 4th. The girls ultimate goal was to bring a championship back to Hamilton. Unable to do so the girls will look to improve as

a team and compete for a title next season. Stay tuned!

- Adam Worthy, Staff Reporter



Boys Tennis

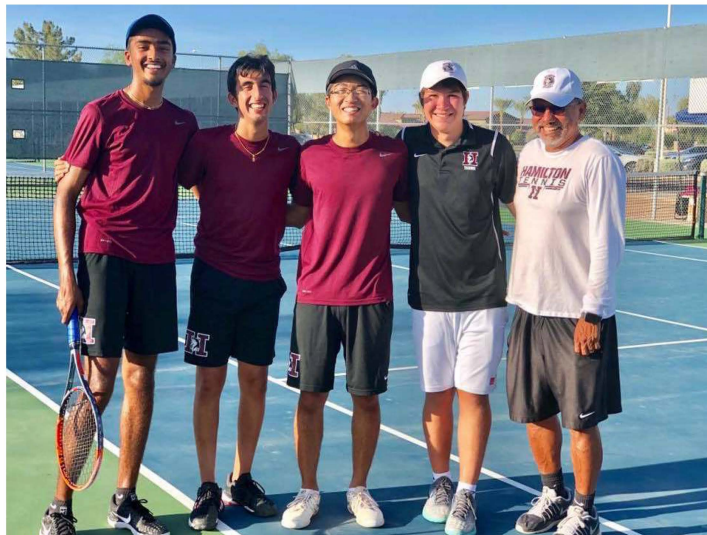
The Hamilton Huskies boys tennis team concluded the 2019 season 13-1, ranked #2 in the state, only losing their final matchup to #1 ranked Brophy. The Huskies kicked off their state tournament sweeping the Millennium Tigers 5-0. Led by seniors Matthew Wang, Neil Bhardwaja, and Rahul Bhat, they looked to finish off their high school careers as state champions.

They moved on to a quarterfinal win against Chaparral, 5-1, then defeated Desert Mountain, 5-1, in the state semifinals

After four and a half hours of battling with Brophy in the state championship game, the boys tennis team ended with a score of 3-5; State Runner-up Champs. While the Huskies did not obtain the result they wanted, there is no denying what a remarkable season they had.

In addition to a great season for the team, Neil Bhardwaja (12) and Rahul Bhat (12) became the AIA Division 1 Boys Tennis Doubles State Champions!

- Connor Manning, Staff Reporter



Girls Tennis

The Hamilton girls tennis team finished their 2019 regular season with an incredible 11-3 record, while finishing second in the standings, and fourth in the state rankings. Their three losses were to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd seeds in the state. After a dominant season, they entered the playoffs with a championship in mind. Their first round matchup against Centennial wasn't even close, as they beat the Coyotes by a score of 5-0. In the second round, they faced the Rincon/University Rangers squad once again at home, and they won this intense and grueling matchup by a score of 5-3.

Freshman Shivika Agrawal (9) commented on her and the team's success by stating that, "Myself and the team have found a way to put together consistent good performances, and we just keep growing as a team." They would carry their momentum into their semifinal matchup, only to find out that the Wolves had forfeited, meaning that the Girls Huskies team was in the State Championship.

The Huskies put everything they could into the state championship, but they were just simply outmatched by Xavier. The Gators defeated the Huskies 5-0, and Senior player Hannah Szoke said that, "While we didn't win the championship, I still feel that this was a tremendous run for our team, and losing can't take our successes away."

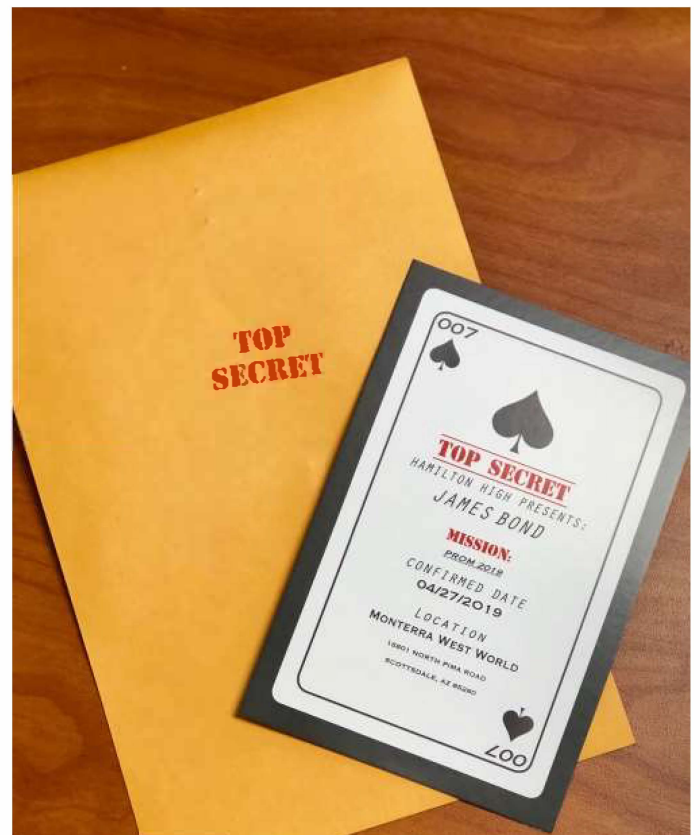
Next year the girls team will be losing five seniors from their roster, but it allows doors to open for new, up and coming players to

emerge and continue the team's success for the foreseeable future. The Hamilton Girls Tennis team had a tremendous season despite coming up just short, and hopefully they continue their triumph into next season.

- Connor Manning, Staff Reporter



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One of Journalism's own, Justin Rombough (Sports Editor), was chosen to participate in the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism's Summer Institute.



Hamilton recognized all the "students of the year" at a special breakfast held in their honor.



2018-2019 Boys Volleyball Team

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