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John McCain: *Maverick of the Senate*

BY: EVAN DAVIS

On August 26th 2018, John Sidney McCain III, maverick among congressman, died at his home in Sedona, Arizona at the age of 86.

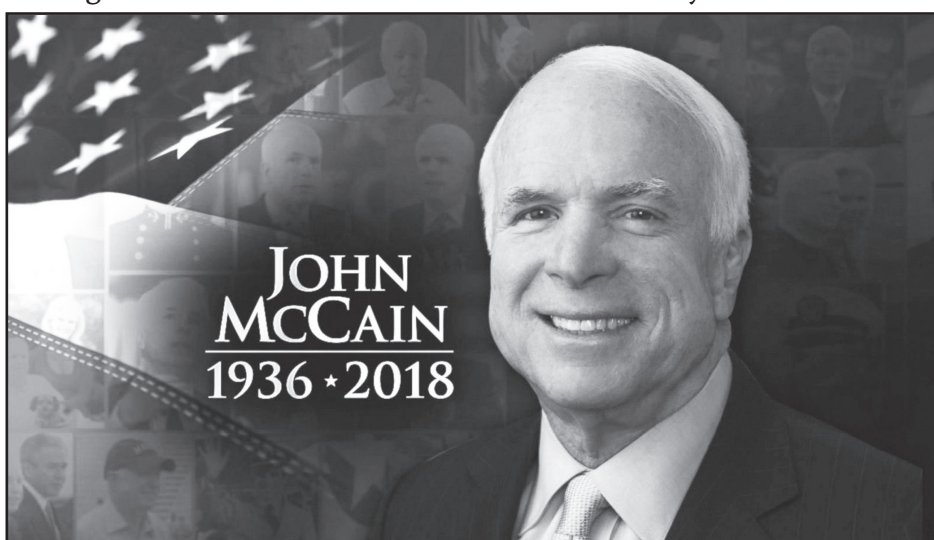
John McCain died from terminal brain cancer, an illness which he had been fighting for almost a year. The day before his death, McCain decided to stop his treatment for the cancer, to pass peacefully in the comfort of his home. To honor him, we

at the Huskian would like to tell his life story.

John Sidney McCain III was born at Coco Solo Naval Air Station in the Panama Canal Zone on August 29th, 1936. From an early age, McCain was influenced towards a military life. His father, John Sidney McCain Jr., and his grandfather, John Sidney McCain Sr., were both four-star naval admirals. Most of McCain's early life was spent abroad between different naval outposts. When McCain was old enough to attend school, he was sent to the finest naval academies, eventually graduating from Episcopal High School in 1954. McCain graduated from both naval and flight school in 1958 and 1960 respectively.

McCain's military career kicked off at the outbreak of the Vietnam War when he volunteered for frontline combat duty. His decision to participate in frontline combat was bizarre as McCain, both the son and grandson of military elites, could've easily secured a much safer position in the military branches. However, this didn't stop McCain from living up to his duties and beyond. McCain went on regular bombing

runs over enemy lines. It was on one of these bombing missions over the North Vietnamese capital of Hanoi that he would make history.



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McCain's plane was shot down during the bomb run. In the crash, he broke both of his arms and one of his legs. Shortly after,

he was captured by North Vietnamese soldiers and sent to a POW camp nicknamed the "Hanoi Hilton". His captors soon realized that he was the son of a renowned naval officer, and offered his early release for money. However, McCain decided every time his release was offered to not give in. He, being the legacy of a long line of military descendants, knew that his release would only aid the North Vietnamese, monetarily and militarily. If he cooperated, he would be marked as a traitor in the United States and give a boost to the already roaring Vietnamese resistance. John McCain heroically waited in the Hanoi Hilton for over half a decade, being released with the other POW's at the war's end.

McCain endured constant torture and beatings, and because of this was acknowledged by the United States with several awards including the Silver Star, the Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart, and the Silver Flying Cross.

After John McCain's imprisonment he was a shamble of his former self, and even after physical therapy, wasn't able to fly planes the way he

used to. In 1976, three years after the war, McCain became the naval liaison, or messenger to the Senate. This small

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Scholarship Season

BY: AUSTIN OLIN

It's fall, which means it's time for seniors to kick it into high gear when it comes to filling out scholarship applications and applying for financial aid. There are a lot of scholarships that require little effort and can help you pay for college. One of the first big scholarships that you can apply for is the Elks National Foundation Scholarship. Applications need to be submitted online before November 15, 2018. The Elks Foundation gives out \$4.1 million in scholarships to seniors all around the nation and is a great opportunity for you to take advantage of. For more information about the Elks Foundation Scholarship, you can visit them online at "elks.org/enf". Also, for more information about other scholarships or if you have any questions about financial aid, make sure to talk to Ms. Malabago in the Counseling Office.



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Mr. Looney



Mr. Looney works in the Athletic Department as well as being the Assistant Principal. Before becoming a staff member here, he attended George Fox University. He chose to work in Sweet Home because he has always been a small-town guy and Sweet Home reminds him of Scio where he grew up. He also heard great things about this town and loves the student body. His main goal for this year is to increase the number of participants in sports, make sports fun and a bigger part of our school. This is of course not his first year working in a school district, he taught math for 7 years, he was a behavioral specialist for 7 years and has been our Assistant Principal for the past for 5 years. His favorite part about working in our district is that he enjoys watching kids succeed in class and carry it onto the field.

Mrs. Malabago

Mrs. Malabago works in the Counseling Department here at the High School. Before becoming a staff member at the high school, she attended American Public University. She chose to work in Sweet Home because she wanted to move to an area with more mountains and a smaller community. Her main goal for this year is to get to know students and figure out the best way to serve every student as their counselor. This is her 18th year working in a high school. Before working in our district, she was a counselor at Nevada Connections Academy and prior to that she worked at the International Community School in Thailand. Her favorite aspect of being a counselor is helping students realize their dreams and point them in the right direction to achieve their goals.



Mrs. Knight



Mrs. Knight works in the Career Center Department here at Sweet Home High School. If you do not know her from last year, she used to work in the Guidance Office. Before becoming a staff member at Sweet Home, she attended LBCC. She is not a first-year staff member of course, she used to work at multiple elementary schools, but they were always in here in town. She chose to work in Sweet Home in the first place because she loved the community and working with the kids here and the school itself. Her new assignment is to assist Mrs. Adams in bringing great events to our school, like Career Day, keeping track of CLREs, and most importantly, reaching out to new students and helping them make connections with all the great clubs and activities we have here at SHHS. Her main goal as of this year is to help as many kids as possible find success in life.

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Mrs. Hiaasen

This year Mrs. Hiaasen has taken on her new role as Vice Principal. She has stepped up from her previous teaching career to fill this position. Taking some time to think before she answered, Mrs. Hiaasen stated that her main goal for this year is to support all of the staff throughout the school. As Vice Principal, Hiaasen has added a large list of responsibilities to her previous schedule from last year. She is in charge of the curriculum, professional development, the master schedule, evaluating staff, and assisting Mr. Brown with other responsibilities such as student discipline.

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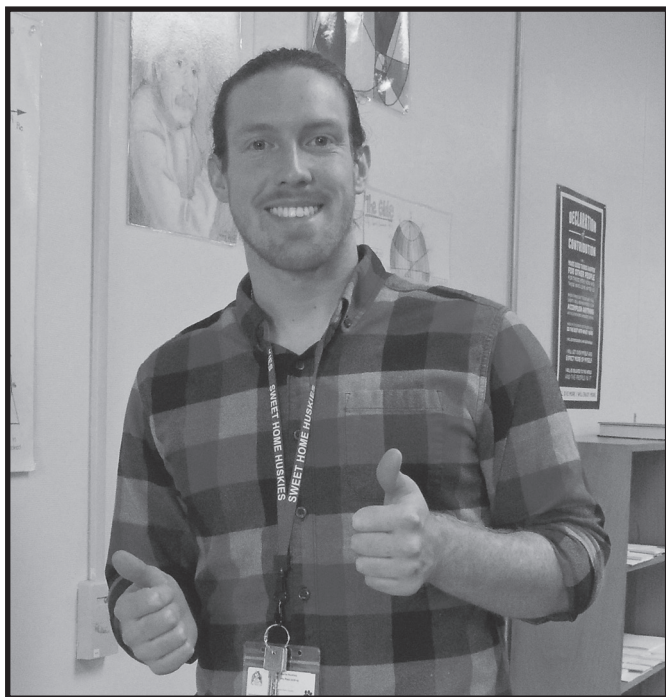
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Mr. Maxwell



Mr. Maxwell is teaching for the first time this year, and he will be helping out in the Math Department during Mrs. Klumph's leave of absence. He attended George Fox University for a degree in teaching. His goal this year is to finishing up his license and his favorite part of teaching are the students he teaches. The reason he chose Sweet Home was his personal connection with the people of our community.

Mrs. Weist



Ms. Weist works in the counseling department here at Sweet Home High School. Prior to working here she graduated from North West Christian University. She was drawn to Sweet Home because she used to be a student here and decided she loved the community and wanted to come back. Her main goal this year is to build positive relationships with as many students as possible. This is her first year counseling and her favorite aspect of the job is being able to help students be successful in anything they're working towards and helping them make positive decisions for life.

Mr. Hartman



Mr. Hartman works in the Math Department here at Sweet Home. Before becoming a teacher he attended Aurora University. He chose to work in Sweet Home because of the community and that this small town was exactly what he and his wife were looking for as a place to plant their roots. His search for a teaching job came to an end once he applied here at the high school. His main goal for the year is to help every student be the best they can be and use their full potential. This is his third year teaching, before being a teacher here in Sweet Home, he taught at Sheridan High School. He enjoys being a teacher because he wants to help each and every student see and realize their full potential in life and in anything they do.

Mrs. Johnson

New to the Sweet Home High School staff, Mrs. Johnson has joined as a Special Education teacher. Previous to working here, Johnson taught at Amy Houston Academy in Phoenix, AZ. She has been teaching for 30 years and she shared that her favorite aspect of being a teacher was knowing that she was helping those that need it the most. Johnson attended school at both the University of Anchorage, Alaska, and at Arizona State University. She chose to work here in Sweet Home because of the school community. Her biggest goal for this year is getting most of her students on track to obtain a modified diploma.

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Mrs. Wingo



Mrs. Wingo works in the Counseling Department here at SHHS. Before becoming a staff member here in Sweet Home, she attended Western Governors University. She chose to work in Sweet Home because she has grown up and volunteered here before, her children went here, and she loves the school. Her main goal as of this year is to keep everything organized and running smoothly. This is her first year working in the district as a registrar. Her favorite thing about being a registrar is being able to organize everything and keep it all in place.

Mr. Whitfield



Staying close to home, Mr. Whitfield decided to further his career and has joined the SHHS staff as a Special Education teacher. This year is his first as a teacher and his favorite aspect about his job is being able to help kids that need it the most. He is currently attending Pacific University and is working on finishing up his Masters in teaching. Mr. Whitfield has been coaching football and track for Sweet Home High School for a few years, so when deciding where to work, Sweet Home was the obvious choice.

Mr. Manley works in the Science and Career technical department here at Sweet Home High School. Before becoming a teacher here, he attended the University of Idaho. This is his first year teaching, but he has coached three years of football and four years of track. He was drawn to Sweet Home by the community we have here and the opportunity that opened up at the high school. He was a logger beforehand, but wanted to find something different and here in Sweet Home, he found exactly what he was looking for. His main goal this year is to be able to teach students about all the opportunities they have and help them succeed. His favorite aspect about being a teacher is that he loves the kids in the community and he feels they keep him young and aware of all the possibilities out there.

Mr. Manley



Dr. Neal



Dr. Neal works in the science department here at SHHS. Before becoming a teacher here, he attended Oregon State University. He chose to work in Sweet Home because he wanted to live closer to his family and he liked the direction our school was headed towards. His main goal this year is to get on his feet and establish and organize his classes. This is not his first-year teaching, but it is his first year teaching high school. He previously taught college for four years at Oregon State University. His favorite part of being a teacher is influencing kids into liking and growing a passion for science.

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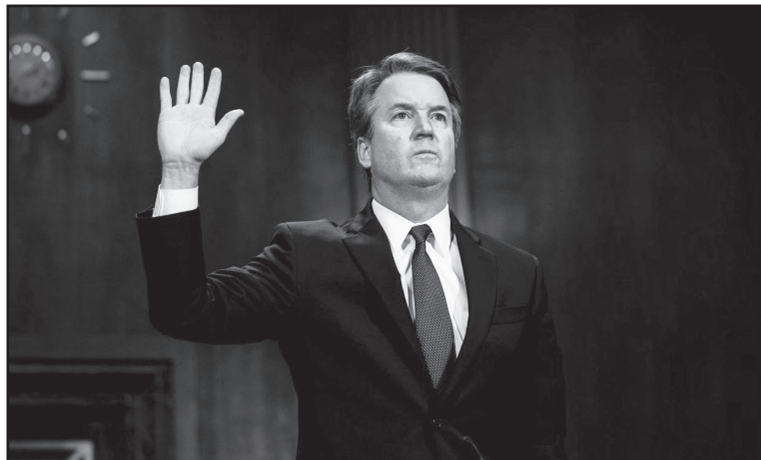


-Brett Kavanaugh-

BY: MADDIE PEEKS

Brett Kavanaugh graduated with a Bachelors of Arts cum laude from Yale College where he majored in history. After graduation he remained at Yale to attend Yale Law School from which he graduated in 1990. After earning a Juris Doctorate he began his legal career as a law clerk for Judge Walter King Stapleton of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

From 1993-1994, he clerked for Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy before he moved on



Brett Kavanaugh GOOGLE IMAGE SEARCH

to partnering with the law firm Kirkland & Ellis from 1997-1998. Soon after, Kavanaugh was recognized as the main author of the Starr Report which argued for Bill Clinton's impeachment. A year later he rejoined Kirkland & Ellis where he argued with a conservative outlook for many cases. In 2000, Kavanaugh joined the legal team of George W. Bush until 2003 when he became Assistant to the President and White House Staff Secretary, where he was responsible for coordinating all documents going to and from the President. After his nomination from Bush stalled for three years, Kavanaugh was ultimately confirmed to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and was sworn in as a U.S. Circuit Judge on June 1st 2006.

On July 9, 2018, President Don-

ald Trump nominated Brett Kavanaugh, 53, to become an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. His nomination came about after the retirement of Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy. He was chosen from a list of two dozen candidates, of which the Federal Society had closely examined. However, Kavanaugh stood out to Trump not only because

of his Ivy League pedigree, but also because he had impressed Trump during his interview. In addition, Donald Trump

described him as, "one of the finest and sharpest legal minds in our time," as well as a jurist who could interpret the Constitution as written. Kavanaugh's conservative record and deep ties to many advanced conservatives in the Republican Party also helped in his nomination.

In his time on the D.C. Circuit Court, Kavanaugh has been involved in several controversial and public cases. During a court case, Kavanaugh joined a panel which ultimately decided that the right to temporarily prevent an unaccompanied refugee from obtaining an abortion was within the rights of the Office of Refugee Resettlement. Later, the Circuit reversed its judgment and the girl received the abortion. Kavanaugh argued against the decision,

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Poverty, Firsthand

BY: BRADLEY WOLTHUIS

Most people in first world countries associate poverty with the lack of money. However, people in third world countries would beg to differ. For them, poverty means a lack of food, shelter, and the basic necessities of life. Earlier this year I had the opportunity to travel to Guatemala to provide service to impoverished Guatemalans in remote villages.

Having been relatively poor from the start, it was harder for them to lift themselves out of the rising tide of poverty. The Guatemalan government was in turmoil as it experienced multiple upheavals and uncertainty until finally appointing a president. However, by then it was too late as the people had been devastated by the lack of order. With the economy crumbling, families took their kids out of school to work just so that they could eat that day. Basic government programs were established to supply the simple necessities of life, and instead of providing aid, they were detrimental to the families. The people used these handouts as their only source of income and as time went

by they became dependent on them. When the government experienced hardships, the people were not able to live without the handouts and this only added to the problem. Rather than helping to provide a solution, the government got the people hooked on handouts and civilians' piggy backed off the government aid in lieu of working and farming themselves.

To help solve this problem, local Oregonian Greg Jensen left with his family and moved to Guatemala. Jensen believes that poverty isn't a physical situation, but a mentality that can be overcome as people learn to become independent. Founding the non-profit organization Cultiva International, he and his wife kick started the growing organization. Their goal is to lift the people of Guatemala out of poverty by fostering independence instead of dependence. Quoting from Jensen's website, "In the world's poorest countries, the definition of poverty centers around the feelings it invokes: shame, inferiority, powerlessness, humiliation, fear, hopelessness,

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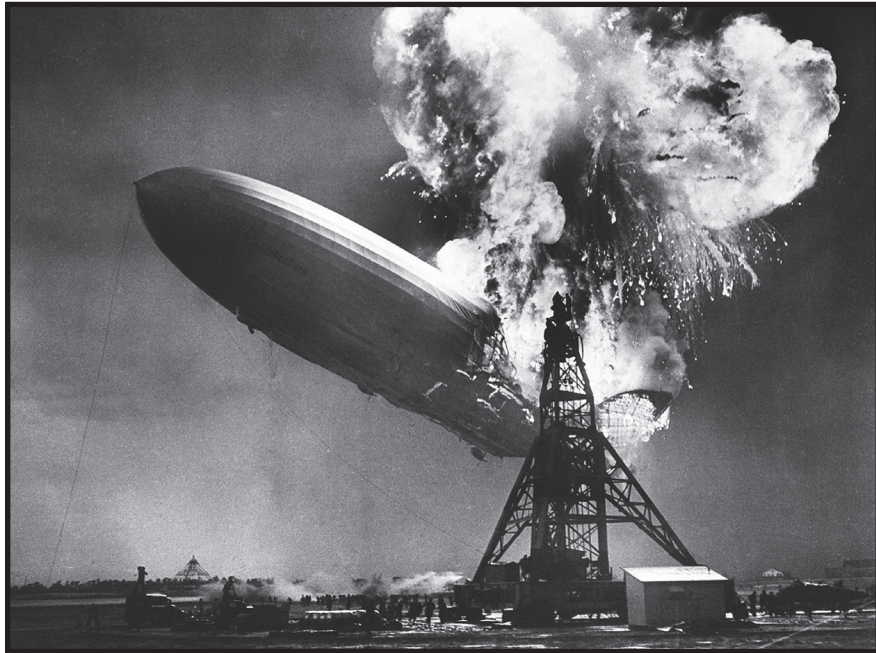
COURTESY OF HERSHEY'S FOUNDATION MISSION
Bradley with some locals on his mission.

A Snapshot of History

The Hindenburg Disaster - Sam Shere

BY: MADDIE PEEKS

On the evening of May 6th, 1937, hundreds of spectators gathered in a landing field to watch the German LZ 129 *Hindenburg* dock in Manchester Township, New Jersey. The *Hindenburg* was a magnificent passenger zeppelin, on its second round trip commercial voyage from Frankfurt, Germany. As it approached over the horizon, viewers gaped at its magnificence and splendor; this was the future of air travel. However, as the clock struck 7:25 p.m., the unspeakable happened. The glorious airship burst into flames. Bystanders watched in horror as fire burst from the nose as the mortally wounded zeppelin sunk to the earth. Passengers and crewmen leapt from the ship, as it finally fell to the ground, a mere burning wreckage of a once majestic titan of air travel. Of the 97 people on board, 36 were killed during the incident: 13 passengers and 22 crewmen, as well as one worker on the ground. Many died from the fire, while others



either fell victim to leaping out of the burning airship or from smoke inhalation and falling debris. Six other crewmen and three passengers also died of burns in the following hours and days. However, some passengers did escape virtually unscathed.

Photographer Sam Shere of the International News Photos Service just so happened to be a bystander this day. Though he came to photograph a mighty passenger zeppelin, he wound up photographing much more: its demise. When the airship suddenly caught fire, Shere had little time to act. Years later, NASA's Addison Bain calculated that it only took about 16 seconds for the *Hindenburg* to burn fully. Due to this, Shere had to think outside the box. He shot a picture of the disaster "from the hip." His quick thinking paid off. Since he didn't waste time putting his camera to his eye, he got an early picture of the disaster and of the original explosion. This allowed his photograph to outshine all the others taken that day, because of its "stark immediacy and horrible grandeur..." (Time Magazine). Shere's photo was later published in Life Maga-

zine, where it shocked people from around the world by showing, "...how human fallibility can lead to death and destruction." (Time Magazine).

Out of this disaster came one of the most famous news broadcasts to be put on the air. Herbert Morrison, an American radio journalist reported the crash in all its gory details. *"It's starting to rain again; it's... the rain had (uh) slacked up a little bit. The back motors of the ship are just holding it (uh) just enough to keep it from... It's burst into flames! Get this, Charlie; get this, Charlie! It's fire... and it's crashing! It's crashing terrible! Oh, my! Get out of the way, please! It's burning and bursting into flames and the... and*

it's falling on the mooring mast. And all the folks agree that this is terrible; this is the worst of the worst catastrophes in the world. Oh it's... [unintelligible] its flames... Crashing, oh! Four- or five-hundred feet into the sky and it... it's a terrific crash, ladies and gentlemen. It's smoke, and it's in flames

now; and the frame is crashing to the ground, not quite to the mooring mast. Oh, the humanity! And all the passengers screaming around here. I told you; it - I can't even talk to people, their friends are on there! Ah! It's... it... it's a... ah! I... I can't talk, ladies and gentlemen. Honest: it's just laying there, mass of smoking wreckage. Ah! And everybody can hardly breathe and talk and the screaming. I... I... I'm sorry. Honest: I... I can hardly breathe. I... I'm going to step inside, where I cannot see it. Charlie, that's terrible. Ah, ah... I can't. Listen, folks; I... I'm gonna have to stop for a minute because I've lost my voice. This is the worst thing I've ever witnessed."

His eyewitness report is to this day almost as famous as the crash itself. His panicked cries perfectly painted the situation in the minds of those who listened to him the following day. His broadcast also helped to shatter the public trust in zeppelins, marking an end to the age of airships.

In addition to Morrison's broadcast, film of the tragedy was released the next day. View-

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Kavanaugh

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stating that, "the government has permissible interests in favoring fetal life, protecting the best interests of a minor, and refraining from facilitating abortion." However, Kavanaugh has not publically stated his personal opinion on *Roe v. Wade*, and he does have a record of possessing a swing vote when it comes to abortion rights. Many people who are pro-abortion are currently expressing fears that with Kavanaugh on the bench *Roe v. Wade* may be overturned. As controversial as abortion is, gun control is another issue where Kavanaugh tends to lean right. In one 2011 case, he objected to the majority opinion that upheld a ban on semiautomatic rifles in the District of Columbia, stating the Supreme Court had previously "held that handguns -- the vast majority of which today are semiautomatic -- are constitutionally protected because they have not traditionally been banned and are in common use by law-abiding citizens." Finally, when it comes to environmental regulations Kavanaugh generally supports the government's relaxation of tight standards over the concerns of environmentalists.

Kavanaugh's rulings had already made him a controversial choice for the Supreme Court, with many on the Right seeing him as a savior and those on the Left viewing him as the biggest threat to their core beliefs in a generation. Added to this controversy has been sexual allegations from his past that have made this the most contentious nomination to the Supreme Court since Clarence Thomas. The media attention this generated towards his confirmation was boiling hot, fueling the concerns for women's safety and respect represented by the #metoo movement. In an extremely close 50-48 vote, with two senators not voting, Kavanaugh was confirmed and sworn on the bench of the Supreme Court of the United States of America.

In conclusion, Judge Kavanaugh certainly does possess the schooling and credentials to make a great Associate Justice, but the controversy surrounding him may never calm down and could eventually lead to his downfall.

John McCain

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start in the political field was enough to jumpstart his future career as a politician. In 1981, McCain retired from the Navy and moved to Phoenix, Arizona where he established many political ties. He ran for the House of Representatives and was elected in 1982. McCain was elected again in 1984, and in 1986 he was appointed to the Senate after the death of long time Arizona Senator, Barry Goldwater. He was re-elected to the Senate in 1992 and 1998. During his time as a senator, John McCain became known as the “maverick” of politicians for his outspoken and different outlook on policies. While he was a Republican, he also was known to lean to the left on decisions. In later years, McCain would vote no on abolishing Obama Care. In the 2000 presidential campaign, McCain ran as a Republican, along with George W. Bush. However, McCain narrowly lost the nomination to Bush. McCain would later run in 2008 against Barack Obama, but yet again, he would fail to gain the office of the presidency.

The story of John McCain is a story of grace, honor, and valor. Even in death he was able to do the unthinkable. His funeral brought together a nation that was thought to be divided. Both Democrats and Republicans were able to put aside their differences to honor the life and memory of John Sidney McCain III.

Snapshot

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ers now watched the *Hindenburg* catch fire from around the world. Such a disastrous catastrophe did more than just end the age of zeppelins, it also shaped the future of all news. After the *Hindenburg*, people began to realize that tragic news makes for good ratings and sales. From then on, news teams began looking for tragedy after tragedy, thus changing news forever. To this day the news focuses on calamity, sharing sad story upon sad story. Catastrophes catch our eye, drawing us in. We just can't seem to look away. The news uses this, posting big pictures and headlines that scream “TRAGEDY.” In fact, I'm sure one of the reasons you're reading this right now is because it's about a disaster.

Poverty, Firsthand

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ness, depression, social isolation, and voicelessness.”

The idea is simple. Guatemalans sign up to take a multi-week class. In this class they learn about the many ways they can lift themselves out of poverty. The first method to success they are taught is gardening. Because of the lack of pesticides, the crops in Guatemala are especially susceptible to infestation and wildlife. To combat this, Cultiva teaches the system of square foot gardening. Square foot gardening allows for a well-organized garden that keeps similar plants separate to prevent a total loss in case of infestation. After this course is finished, the next step begins.

This step involves Cultiva small workforce as well as volunteers that come down on mission trips to visit these families' homesteads.

At the homestead, they clear an area for the family's personal garden. A fence is put up to prevent wildlife from getting in and the garden box is quickly set up and filled with bags of compost. People that have completed this class then are given plant starts to plant in the different boxes. This whole process takes less than an hour to complete and supplies the family with a source of fresh and healthy vegetables.

Being able to experience the joy these Guatemalans felt first hand was a life changing event for me. As an American, I have enjoyed a very privileged life. I've never gone hungry, and I've never had to worry about not being able to access the basic necessities for life. This is something that really hit me when I was down there. To them, a simple toy or even a wooden pencil is a magnificent gift.

However, they truly are a content people and even though the standard of living is so low, they are able to enjoy the little things in life.

Visiting a developing country yourself is a fantastic option to provide service for those in need, but if you can't that, there are still many other ways you can help. Reach out to local organizations and donate money or supplies.

Even a donation of five dollars helps. If we take the time to look up from our screens and material comforts, we can truly open our eyes to the world and realize that not everyone is as well off as the average American. We can make a huge difference in the lives of so many, and it's of little to no cost to you. This is why I am thankful to have been born in the United States, as I have many opportunities available to me.



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Homecoming Court 2018 consisted of some pretty amazing people!

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Our cheerleaders had many incredible performances this year.

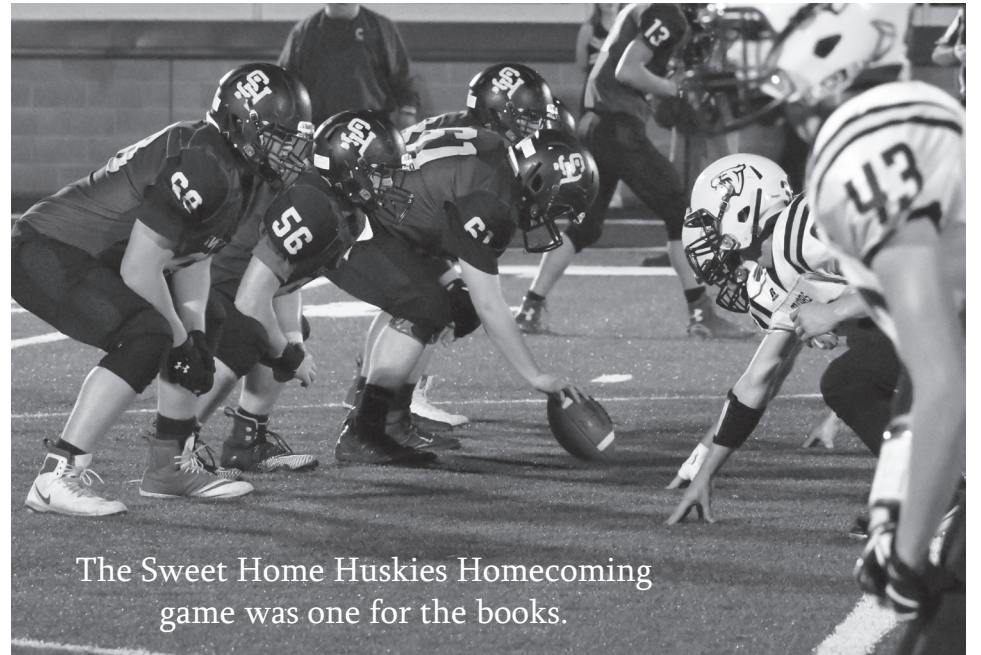
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Travis Thorpe played He-man for the Juniors who placed 2nd after the Seniors..



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The Sweet Home Huskies Homecoming game was one for the books.

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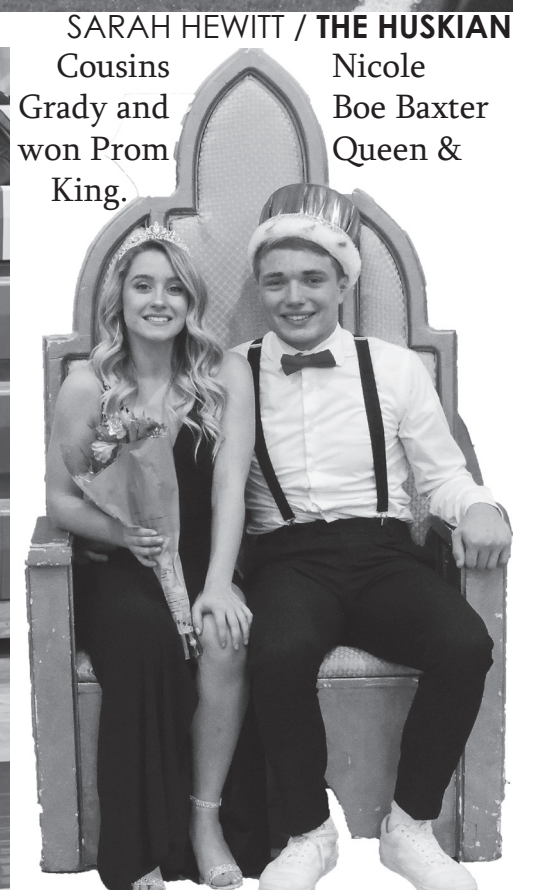
Isabel Sayers eats a banana during an assembly game.

SARAH HEWITT / THE HUSKIAN



Tatiana Patricio and Natalie Rodgers during senior citizen day.

SARAH HEWITT / THE HUSKIAN



Cousins Grady and Nicole won Prom King & Queen & Boe Baxter.

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Levi Baird guesses which type of chocolate candy is in the daiper.



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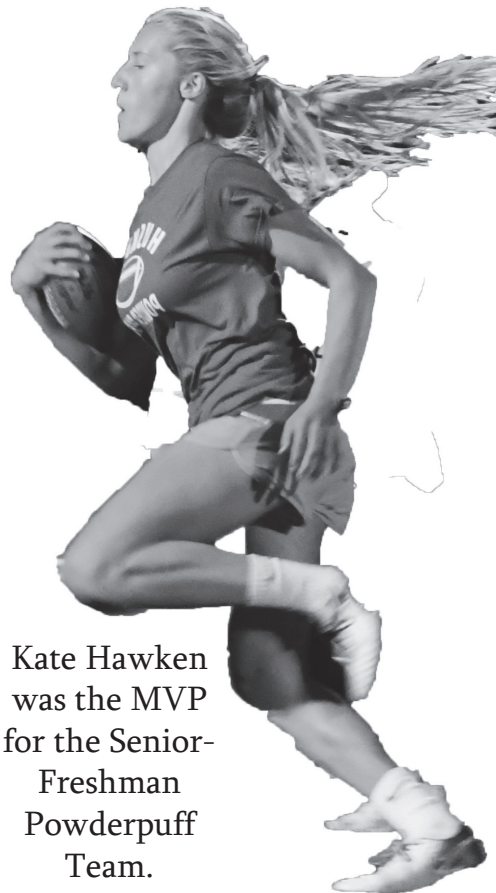
Our student sections this year were very loud and had a lot of school spirit!

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Elora Mason and Maren Weld make adorable old people.

SARAH HEWITT / THE HUSKIAN



Kate Hawken was the MVP for the Senior-Freshman Powderpuff Team.

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Natalie Rogers played exceptionally well for her Sophomore- Junior Powderpuff team.

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Malia Hewitt is fed baby food during a disgusting assembly game.

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Sweet Home alumni cheerleaders put on a surprise performance!

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Colton Smith leads the football team to a Homecoming victory of 41-38.

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Addi Ingram, Anna Coleman, Zoe James, and Kennedi Waldrop were full of spirit!

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Kaitlyn's Kitchen

-Chai Cupcakes & Vanilla Buttercream-

BY: KAITLYN VICTOR

If you're in the autumn mood, but don't want a piping hot chai tea, then these are perfect for you. With a smooth and sweet vanilla buttercream frosting and a cupcake with rich chai spices, this dessert is absolutely irresistible and just what you need this fall season.



Cupcakes Ingredients:

- 1 box white cake mix
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 1 (3.4 oz.) package dry instant vanilla pudding mix
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon ground cardamom
- ½ teaspoon ground cloves
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg

Cupcakes Directions:

First, preheat your oven to 350 degrees and line your cupcake tins with 22 cupcake liners. Set this aside and grab a large bowl. In the bowl, combine your cake mix, eggs, milk, vegetable oil, dry pudding mix, and spices, stirring until the batter is a smooth consistency. Next, scoop your batter evenly into each cupcake liner, filling them about 2/3 of the way full. Place your cupcake tins in the oven and bake for 17 minutes, or until a toothpick is inserted and comes out clean. Finally, let the cupcakes cool completely, frost with vanilla buttercream.

Reviews:

- 10/10 - This is exactly what you need to spice up your holidays.- Evan
- 11/10 - Insanely fluffy, with a good balance of spice for the harvest season.- Sarah
- 10/10 - The frosting is to die for.- Maddie

Buttercream Ingredients:

- ½ cup butter- room temperature
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 3 cups powdered sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk

Buttercream Directions:

First, in a medium sized bowl place your room temperature butter. Cream the butter until light and fluffy. Next, add your vanilla and mix until fully incorporated. Then, gradually add your powdered sugar, one cup at a time, and whip until it is to a frosting consistency. If your frosting is too thick, add 1-2 teaspoons of milk to thin the mixture. Once you are happy with the consistency, frost your cupcakes and enjoy!

Molasses Tsunami

BY: EVAN DAVIS

In a time where natural disasters ravage the eastern coast and pacific islands, many people forget the tragic events of the past. Historical tragedies are devastating and some like Pearl Harbor and 9/11 will most likely never be forgotten. However, there are some strange and unique tragedies that have been lost in the sands of time. In American history several such events exist, and it doesn't get much stranger than

the Great Molasses flood of North Boston.

Picture this; you are an Irish immigrant walking to the train station. It's a nice winter day in Boston's north end, about 40 degrees Fahrenheit. Horses are clopping along jovially to the commercial street market. Men are playing cards outside; children are running across the street happily. You're approaching a gradual bend on Commercial Street and towering over you is a gargantuan fifty-foot steel holding tank which is currently filled with two-million gallons of sticky molasses. You hear a large groan and squeal; however you are accustomed to these sounds as they happen every day on your walk to the railroads. Then, all at once, that fifty-foot monster of an industrial holding tank ruptures, releasing two-million gallons of hot dark sludge everywhere. On January 15th, 1919 at 12:38 pm the Great Molasses flood began.

The fifty-foot molasses steel holding tank was the property of United States Industrial Alcohol, or USIA. The molasses tank was built in 1915 during World War I due to the increased demand of industrial alcohol and munitions. The USIA hurried the construction of the molasses tank and as a result it was structurally compromised. Before the flood occurred; several USIA employees complained about leaks, groans and other structural problems. USIA did little to improve on these technical difficulties other than re-sealing the tank once. The result of this arrogance was a massive explosion of molasses. The molasses reached

waves 15 feet in height and speeds up to 35 miles per hour. This destructive force moved homes off their foundations, killed people and stained the streets for months. The casualties reached 21 people, the most common form of death being suffocation.

However, others were killed by the impact of the initial explosion as well. In some cases, victims were trapped for days before they were able to be safely rescued.

Horses stuck in the molas-

ses were shot and one man's corpse was encased in molasses for four months.

119 different lawsuits were filed against the USIA for structural incompetence and irresponsibility. USIA's counter to these claims was sabotage. During and after World War I anarchist's attacks were quite common, and according to the USIA they were not to blame for the tragedy, it was the anarchist. The previous year USIA was threatened by an anonymous caller, and therefore they couldn't be held accountable. The court hearings went on for 5 years, and the plaintiffs were finally successful. Later, USIA would pay families \$628,000 dollars in damage compensations, which is the equivalent to \$8 million today.

The moral of this story is that stuff happens, and sometimes it can be pretty sticky. Looking back in history there are several instances like the Great Molasses Flood, but the molasses flood definitely takes the cake as the strangest. In a time of disaster let's all agree that we could most certainly have it worse, we could all be killed by a giant wave of sticky molasses.



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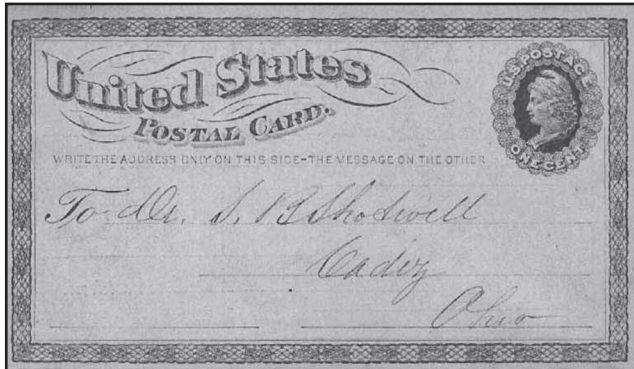
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This Week in History...

BY: REBECCA JONES

October 25, 1521: Emperor Charles V bans wooden buildings in Amsterdam.

October 22, 1861: The first telegraph line linking the west and east coasts of America is completed.



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October 25, 1870: Postcards are first used in the US.

October 22, 1897: The

world's first car dealership opens in London.

October 26, 1901: The first recorded use of a "getaway car" occurs after holding up a shop in Paris.

October 22, 1936: First commercial flight from the mainland to Hawaii.



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October 24, 1938: U.S. forbids child labor in factories.



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October 24, 1946: The first photograph of Earth from outer space is taken.

October 23, 2001: Apple releases the iPod.

October 23, 2015: Adele releases "Hello". It becomes the first song with more than 1 million downloads in the first week.

HALLOWEEN MOVIES

BY: JERUSALEN JIMENEZ

Halloween is the second most celebrated holiday, second only to Christmas. A popular activity people love to do with their family and friends is enjoy a horror film. Most of us can't get enough of horror movies! They feed our instincts with horrifying gore, monsters, and the supernatural. If you like to feel a sense of suspense, excitement, or anticipation all at once, then horror films are for you. Three of the most popular horror genres are Psychological Horror, Thrillers, and Slashers. They each have a popular movie that has been people's favorites since they came out. Some examples are Annabelle, a supernatural American horror film in the Psychological Horror category, Friday the 13th which fits in the Slasher section, and Silent Hill which give us a sense of the Thriller genre.

Psychological Horror relies on mental and emotional states to frighten, disturb, or unsettle viewers. Annabelle's story takes place before the events of the movie The Conjuring, following the exploits of an evil doll. In the late 1960s, a young couple, Mia and John Horton, are expecting their first



baby. As a gift, John gives Mia a doll for her collection. Soon terrifying things begin to happen. The baby is born, and the couple moves to a new apartment, but the disturbances continue and seem to be the work

of a demon. With the help of a bookseller, Mia learns that the doll won't stop until it possesses a human soul. Annabelle was a box office success, grossing over \$257 million against its \$6.5 million production budget, making it very popular among the Psychological Horror category. The Slasher genre is hard for some viewers to watch, due to its displays of killers graphically murdering people, even though it's one of the three most popular genres. The film Friday the 13th takes place years after a camping accident that saw a young boy drown, and his mother murdered. But the boy lived and now stalks the area around the camp, slaughtering any "outsiders" who stumble across his path. This doesn't go well for the group of vacationing kids who meet up with a man, Jared Padaleck, who is desperately seeking his missing sister around the camp. Soon the whole group is being

stalked, picked off, and killed by the murderous masked boy. Friday the 13th broke two records; the highest-earning opening day for the film series and the highest-earning opening weekend for any horror film. As of July 2014, it is the second-highest grossing film in the Friday the 13th film series (\$65 million), and has earned over \$92 million worldwide.

Finally, the Thriller genre gives viewers a high level of anticipation, uncertainty, anxiety, and nerve-wracking tension. The film Silent Hill follows the nightmarish story of Rose, whose daughter Sharon is a longtime sleepwalker, who is pulled by a mysterious force. Rose takes Sharon to Silent Hill, an abandoned coal mining town that appears to be haunting the girl. On the way, they encounter motorcycle cop Cybil, who follows Rose and Sharon to Silent Hill. Once there, they confront many misshapen, nightmarish creatures. At last, Rose finds the head mistress in town, Christabella, a self-identified witch-burner, who wants Rose, Sharon, and anyone else from out of town to be burned at the stake. Silent Hill was released on April 21, 2006, grossing nearly \$100 million worldwide, while film critics praised the film's visuals, set designs, and atmosphere.

These Halloween movies have not only have been positively reviewed by fans and critics alike, but they are exciting to watch as well. Some see the enjoyment of the horror genre as the same as riding roller coasters. The thrill of horror films elevates heart rates and boosts adrenaline, and since the "scares" pose no real threat, they can be processed, laughed about, and enjoyed. The scary movie season is in full swing, so find a darkened theater or turn off the home lights, grab the popcorn and candy corn, and embrace the chills.



Wall or Fence?

BY: JERUSALEN JIMENEZ

On November 8th, 2016 Donald Trump was elected President of the United States. One of the main promises he made to America was to build a wall across the United States and Mexican border. His goal was to stop illegal immigrants from crossing the border. "We started building our wall, I'm so proud of it. We have \$1.6 billion toward the wall, and we've done the planning... we've already started." he proclaimed in Ohio on March 30th. Is Trump actually keeping his promise and being honest about the construction of the wall? Trump's statements towards the border have led to confusion on what is actually happening. Though it's true that \$1.6 billion is being used currently to increase border security, the wall itself is not being built. Instead of building a concrete wall like Trump promised, fencing and barriers will be used. To comprehend this better, we'll have to dig deeper into the Omnibus Spending Bill, which is the funding the border constructions.

Although Trump had asked for \$25 billion for wall construction, the Omnibus Spending Bill created by the Legisla-

tive branch provides what Trump called only an "initial down payment" of \$1.6 billion in funding. The bill itself only lets Trump use a certain amount of money for a certain expense. For example, \$38 million goes for planning and design and \$196 million helps pay for the security system. On March 13th, Trump toured 8 wall prototypes to see what would work best. The problem was that the bill precludes any funding of those wall designs. This leads to one question: If the bill excludes the design construction of a certain type of wall, what was the money he was given supposed to be use for instead? This question can be answered with two words: fencing and barriers.

The bill does not allow Trump use the money for the wall construction due to the high expenses for those designs. Instead, he is required to use it for the replacement and the addition to existing barriers and some new barriers along the border. On March 30, Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Ronald D. Vitiello, said the spending bill will fund about 100 miles of "border wall system." According to

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Trump in front of a wall prototype. GOOGLE IMAGE SEARCH

Grasping at Straws

BY: MADDIE PEEKS

In this day and age we live a life of luxury. Every day we use products that we don't necessarily need, but make our lives "easier". One example of these "commodities" is plastic straws. The flat out truth is that we don't

problem is we only see through our eyes, it's not only your one straw that is discarded per day; in fact over 500 million straws are used each day in America. Due to this, straws are one of the top 10 items found during beach



Plastic straws pollute our oceans.

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really need them; they are just a luxury item, worth only one use before they are tossed out forever. However, many people don't understand the environmental implications that result from that one small straw they so carelessly threw into the trash. That single straw, whether recycled or not, can slip through the cracks in garbage sorting, and many of them end up in our oceans due to storm drains. Don't forget, all storm drains lead to the ocean. The

cleanups, and once they enter the ocean, marine animals suffer.

When straws wind up in our ocean, the effect is detrimental to sea life. A straw fresh out of the storm drain is dangerous to animals like sea turtles, as straws are often found stuck in the noses and throats of marine life. In fact, in 2015 a horrifying video was released in which a sea turtle got a straw stuck up its nose. Blood streams from its nostril as scientists attempt to remove the straw,

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Sex Trafficking

BY: HAILEY GREEN

Many people don't know that sex trafficking has become an infamous world issue, and with it comes many misconceptions. Some examples of these are that sex trafficking isn't an issue here in Oregon, that the victim is always a girl, or that boys are never raped or sold for profit. In reality, sexual slavery can occur anywhere, and it can happen to anyone. Approximately 45% of all victims are boys and 55% are girls. The average age at which this happens is 11 to 13 years old, making these children helpless and naive.

Recently in Portland, a woman was running a massage business and was suspected to have been offering sex acts for money. The woman identified as the business owner was arrested for promoting prostitution. Investigators found condoms, cash wrapped in paper, a series of phones lined up in a row, and a bed in the same room as the massage tables. Four adults and three underage children were also found. The official charge was aiding and assisting in sex trafficking. For the past two years, police have been trying to target these underground facilities and find the victims to bring them home.

On April 7th 2018, the FBI shut down the biggest child sex-trafficking website in America. Lately, there have been increasing amounts of websites for these secret businesses, despite the FBI's efforts in tracking and shutting them down. Ironically, one of the ways that the FBI finds sex-

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Is Fascism Our Future?

BY: SARAH HEWITT

Lately, I have been hearing a lot of comparisons between President Donald Trump and Nazi leader Adolf Hitler. Although these analogies are mainly meant as humorous, many recognizable figures argue that these observations shouldn't be taken lightly. Noteworthy historians and film-makers introduce what they believe is an even more accurate comparison: the German public under Nazi rule and modern America under Trump.

I recently went to go see Michael Moore's new political documentary *Fahrenheit 11/9*, a retelling of the 2016 presidential election and its aftermath. I was intrigued and surprised by the points Moore highlighted in his film. He explained Trump's victory was attributed to none other than pop star Gwen Stefani, he highlighted the Flint water crisis, and he touched on youth activism in response to gun violence. He made the argument that Trump's election was the result of decades of the American public allowing corporations and the wealthy to dominate politics. Moore also pointed out

the alarming parallels between the Trump administration and the Nazi party. These include policies forcing the separation of children from their families, an event which Ben Ferencz, the last living Nuremberg prosecutor, called a crime against humanity. Ferencz was featured in this film because he is a witness to what happens when you allow fascism to become the way of life and he explained that Trump is leading America down a similar path. Moore explained that one of the inspirations for this film was a book called *Friendly Fascism* by Bertram Gross. In this book, Gross said that the fascism of the 21st century will not come with swastikas and concentration camps, but instead with a smiley face and a TV show. Moore noted that the Ameri-

can public is already brainwashed enough for fascism to run its course through the dumbing down of society by limiting the press, putting whistleblowers in jail, and telling people that they will be happier if they go the Trump way. But the most compelling analogy to me was how Moore compared the German public to America. He brought up a pressing question, "Are we going to be like the good Germans?"

The German government was one of the most cultured, civilized, and liberal democracies on the planet. So why would they allow Hitler to take control? When the German Parliament, the Reichstag, burned down, Hitler blamed it on the communists. The Nazi party was then given the opportunity to become the majority after eliminating the Communist party. Hitler held a plebiscite, a direct vote of all

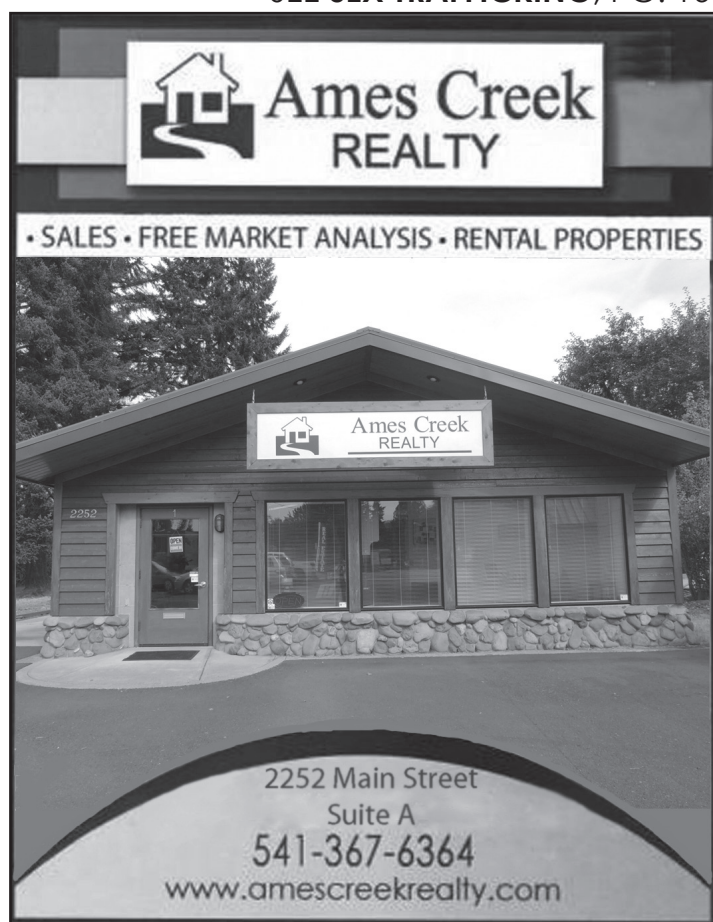
the members of an electorate, where he asked the German people if they would be okay with allowing the Nazi party to be in control by having Hitler become both president and chancellor.

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The majority of the Germans voted yes to this idea. Social Democrats and Jewish Germans were terrified of this, but the media comforted them by saying their constitution would protect them.

Michael Moore stated that, "Democracy has no self-correcting mechanism; it's a piece of paper, the constitution... It's the human beings in each era that decide exactly what's going to go on the constitution, which part we're going to listen to and which part we're not. And if we go too close to the edge where we've given up too many of our rights, where we've allowed the democracy to be whittled down, where we've made voting a most difficult thing to do for people who have the right to vote

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and should be voting. If we do all of that, it could easily fall off that cliff. Before you know it, it could be gone.” The constitution only has as much power as we choose to give it.

Christopher Browning, a well-known and respected historian of the Holocaust, agrees with Moore’s observations. However, Browning adds another point to the argument: Senate Majority leader Mitch McConnell. Allow me to explain. Hitler did not act alone in taking control of Germany; Paul Von Hindenburg, President of Germany in 1930 was given emergency powers by the Weimar Constitution

to protect the German democracy if it was in danger. But instead of defending it, he abused his powers by breaking down the very ideals of the German democracy and becoming allies with the Nazis. He began exercising the emergency powers by appointing a series of chancellors who made laws without obtaining the parliamentary majority. The German democracy was weakening with every authoritarian leader Hindenburg installed and was slowly turning into an autocracy. However, Hindenburg wanted to revise the constitution and make it more authoritarian. He was wary that the old right wouldn’t have enough support to carry this out, so he installed Hitler as chancellor. Browning explains:

“Thinking that they could ultimately control Hitler while enjoying the benefits of his popular support, the conservatives were initially gratified by the fulfillment of their agenda: intensified rearmament, the outlawing of the Communist Party, the suspension first of freedom of speech, the press, and assembly and then of parliamentary government itself, a purge of the civil service, and the abolition of independent labor unions.”

Of course, Hitler and the Nazis had other ideas which they didn’t share with their conservative allies. They then proceeded to initiate one of the most horrific series of events the world has ever seen.

Browning argues that Mitch McConnell is doing something similar to Hindenburg, by weakening democratic protections such as the senate filibuster and eliminating the requirement for super majority votes for



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judicial appointments. Browning worries that Republicans have grown too comfortable manipulating the rules of the government to their advantage, with voter ID laws and gerrymandering, and that they might go even further even after Trump is gone:

“No matter how and when the Trump presidency ends, the specter of illiberalism will continue to haunt American politics. A highly politicized judiciary will remain, in which close Supreme Court decisions will be viewed by many as of dubious legitimacy, and future judicial appointments will be fiercely contested. The racial division, cultural conflict, and political polarization Trump has encouraged and intensified will be difficult to heal. Gerrymandering, voter suppression, and uncontrolled campaign spending will continue to result in elections skewed in an unrepresentative and undemocratic direction. Growing income disparity will be extremely difficult to halt, much less reverse.”

We can observe this kind of modern authoritarianism to-

day in Hungary. Browning warns us that the threat to the United States isn’t so much Trump alone as it is the breakdown in the practice of American democracy, and the extreme tactics employed by those in pursuit of

their policy goals, in particular the Republicans. Let us take these lessons from history and modern historians to heart and stand up for our democratic institutions and methods to preserve our freedom and our constitution. The ultimate responsibility lies with the public who by engaging in civic duties, must enforce the system of checks and balances and uphold the

principles of our democracy. We must not become the “good Germans”, but rather find it in our hearts to become vigilant Americans.



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Wall or Fence?

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Vitiello, the government has been building 35 new gates along a 55-mile stretch of existing border fencing in the Rio Grande Valley. The Department of Homeland Security will replace 47 miles of dilapidated border fencing with a new border wall system in various locations along the southwest border. “All of this is made possible by the funding in the 2018 spending bill.” Vitiello explained. In conclusion, this will all come to only a little more than 40 miles of new fencing where there wasn’t any before. But President Trump would like to have a 1,000 miles of new fencing and barriers. There is currently 654 miles of fencing. Overall, the border itself is 1,954 miles long. So the bill leaves the president very short on his goal.

Now that we’ve analyzed what has actually occurred, Trump has been saying otherwise. Around June of this year, Trump again stressed that he was proposing a wall, not a fence, as he made very clear in a tweet attacking Republican primary opponent Jeb Bush, who criticized Trump’s plan for a border “fence” by saying “It’s not a fence, Jeb, It’s a WALL, and there’s a BIG difference!” If we dig deeper, Trump has stated that the wall needs to have “see through features”. As he explained to reporters on July 14, Trump said, “One of the things with the wall is you need transparency. ... You have to

be able to see through it. In other words, if you can’t see through that wall — so it could be a steel wall with openings, but you have to have openings because you have to see what’s on the other side of the wall.” Is Trump referring the walls or to barriers? If that’s the case, Trump hasn’t made himself clear on what he is doing for America.

In conclusion, the construction of the wall between the U.S. and Mexican border is not being built, but fencing and barriers are. Again, the funding in the Omnibus bill precludes construction of the prototype designs that Trump wanted. The bill funds about 100 miles of border barrier in various places. That’s far less than what Trump said he ultimately intends to build. Much of that is replacement for existing fencing around the border. The spending bill funds nearly \$1.6 billion worth of what it refers to as “fencing,” but Trump now calls it a “wall.” This has caused confusion around the U.S. because not too many citizens know what is happening. One of the possible reasons why Trump hasn’t made himself clear on building a fence is because he doesn’t want Americans to get angry if he can’t keep one of his main promises as to building a concrete wall. No matter what happens, there will still be some type of obstacle blocking the border, it just won’t be the one Trump promised.



Existing border fence.

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Grasping at Straws

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and the animal struggles, in pain and fearful. In addition to this, straws break down into microplastics, which pose great threats to marine life. When these microplastics are ingested by sea animals, there is a 50% mortality rate, and an estimated 71% of seabirds and 30% of sea turtles have been found with said microplastics in their stomachs. Even worse, these straws may take up to 1000 years to decompose! In fact, the UN estimates that by 2050 there will be more plastic (straws or otherwise) in our oceans than fish.

You, however, can make a change! Simply ask for no straw with your drink next time you go out. In those cases where you really need a straw, use a reusable straw or a paper straw instead. You can even sign petitions to support the change from plastic to paper straws in restaurants, fast food places, and coffee shops. Diana Lofflin, the founder of StrawFree.org says it best; “Straws are something anyone can give up easily without having it affect their lifestyle... It’s a small step anyone can take to make a global impact.”

All in all, straws are just a small part of the plastic problem. However, if we learn to handle them properly and reduce the amount that wind up in oceans, we are opening the doors to a wider fight against single-use plastics and ocean pollution. As Christine Figgenger, a marine biologist says, “I hope this is a first step.”

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traffickers is through their websites, so by shutting them down, they may be losing potential leads. Although this may slow down the trafficking and save some children from abuse, the criminals seem to quickly find other ways to continue their crimes; either by creating new websites or going on the Dark Web.

The sick, sorry excuses for human beings that lure these children in and sell them for money choose children at a very young age so they'll cooperate easier. They also prefer younger kids because they don't fully understand the concept of predators and to be careful when talking to strangers. Therefore, there are many more younger victims than older ones. Usually what happens is a person waits for a child to get out of school and tries to talk to them. Once they do, they offer things that would sound interesting, such as candy, or going to see a movie, or telling them that they are a friends of their parents who have been sent to pick them up. Once they get them into their car, the predator then kidnaps them and takes them back to the business. About 300,000 children are kidnapped and sold for prostitution a year, and there are over 100,000 websites that support this

heinous practice. Unfortunately, this is the fastest growing online industry in the U.S.

There are ways to prevent sex trafficking. One way is education. Children need to be taught of these horrific tales and learn that they should never take offerings from a

lar belief, sex trafficking and prostitution is also an issue here in Oregon. In 2012 there were 45 reported cases and 155 calls reporting human trafficking. As compared to last year there were 79 reported cases and 294 calls to report suspicions on the issue. De-

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stranger or go anywhere with strangers. If you see a child being spoken to by some odd man or woman, report it immediately. Children aren't the only ones who need to be educated. Parents, educators, and all adults need to be aware of this issue and recognize that it is a worldwide crisis. All of us need to be aware of our surroundings, and pay particular attention to any unaccompanied child.

In conclusion, sex trafficking is a huge issue all around the world. Despite popu-

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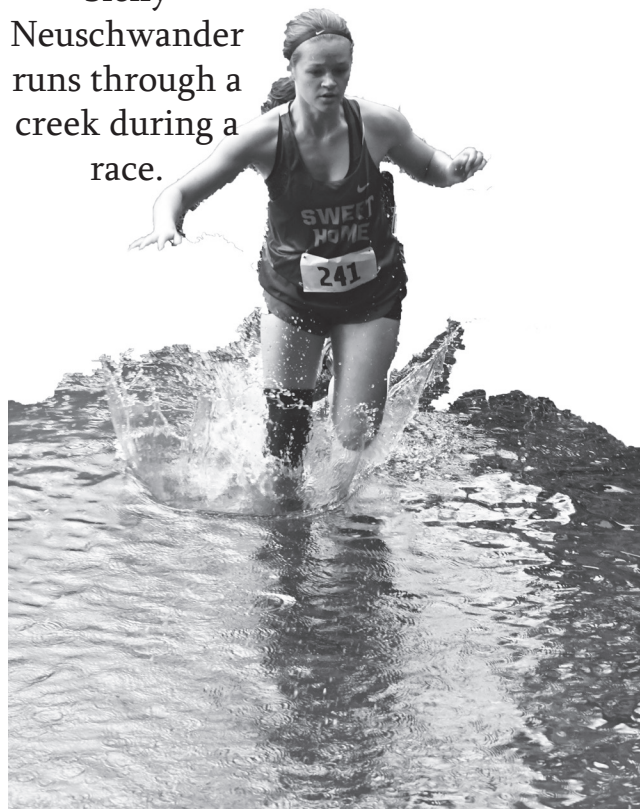
This year's Cross Country team is running off to a great start. Head Coach Kambria Schumacher believes that this year's Boys Cross Country team has a lot of potential in making it to State. The Girls team, being as small as it is, is also showing potential in making it to State. Kambria stated in an interview with the Huskian that, "We have a great group of guys out this year, which helps push each other... we have several that don't complain...and are natural leaders making it hard for others to slack off..." Despite only being two years on the job, Coach Kambria has done a great building team unity.

According to Coach Kambria the biggest threat to the team making it to State is the lack of time and resources. "It's been a challenge to get a Girls team put together, but the ones we do have out are great athletes and very hard workers. We have a handful of athletes that are dual sporting with soccer and this has made things difficult in that they have so many games during the week that they miss almost all of

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Sicily

Neuschwander runs through a creek during a race.



MADDIE PEEKS/ THE HUSKIAN

Volley Ball

BY: HAILEY GREEN

The Volleyball team has had with many of their victories being some major victories this season and come from behind wins. Though the girls have done great, their coaches still believe they should work a bit more on their teamwork skills. On a side note, the coaches have been extremely proud of how hard the team works as a whole and as individuals to better themselves and each other.



Senior Sunhee Bitter serves the ball.



MADDIE PEEKS/ THE HUSKIAN

As they say in the cooking world, "The proof is in the pudding." And these girls have certainly proved that they're cooking. Let's hope they can keep up the heat and continue their winning ways

all the way to a State Championship!



SARAH HEWITT/ THE HUSKIAN

The Volley ball team plays great and looks cute while doing it!

Here We Go Again

BY: AUSTIN OLIN

Another NFL season is underway which means we get an opportunity to see what new rules they had a chance to screw up in the offseason. As you already know, the NFL claims that safety is their top priority, so at the beginning of each season they always adjust and make new rules to protect players. Last year, they had the brilliant idea of making head to head contact a penalty on the defense, and if you can't tackle players high, you tackle them low. Consistently throughout the year I saw broken legs, ankles, torn tendons, and much more from defenders wrapping up and twisting players to the ground in an effort to avoid a penalty. Better yet, this rule didn't accomplish a lot for their concussion problem either! 281 concussions were reported throughout last year, regardless of the new rule.

This year, they figured out the perfect solution to this problem...or not. Instead of a slap on the hand and a penalty on the defense for leading with their head, they decided that this wasn't a one way problem because the offense is leading with their heads as well! The rule was then rewritten so players can't lower their helmet to initiate contact, or lead with their helmet against an opponent. They also needed to figure out a way to enforce this rule and deter the athletes from ignoring it. So, one day in the offseason, all the idiots that made the last terrible head to head contact rule got back together and thought of the perfect consequence for a new and improved masterpiece. Once again...or not. They decided that along with a 15 yard penalty, they

would fine them as well! Now, I understand that concussions are a big issue of the game, but come on guys, you're expecting that fining a millionaire is going to affect them any more than a 15 yard penalty? You're focusing on the enforcement of terrible rules, when in reality you should be focusing on the actual rules. These head to head contact rules have been causing problems since they were put in place, and in my opinion they need to get rid of it and find other ways to limit concussions. The NFL is forcing players to stand straight up and risk fractured ribs and broken legs when on offense, and those on defense have to take out legs and ankles or they will be penalized. This isn't the only brilliant idea that found its way into the rule book either.

Next on "Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader," we go into the new quarterback rule! It's not actually a new rule, but it's what the NFL likes to call, "a new point of emphasis". It used to be that if you were unnecessarily rough with a quarterback after he threw the ball and you landed directly on the passer, it would be a 15 yard penalty for roughing the passer. Now instead of having to be rough, and land on the passer, it changed to you can't be rough, or land on a passer. This new point of emphasis has recently been called a lot in the first few weeks, and it doesn't just apply to the inside of the pocket. If a defender tackles a quarterback inside or outside of the pocket when the quarterback is in a defenseless position, it's roughing the passer. NFL referee Pete Mo-

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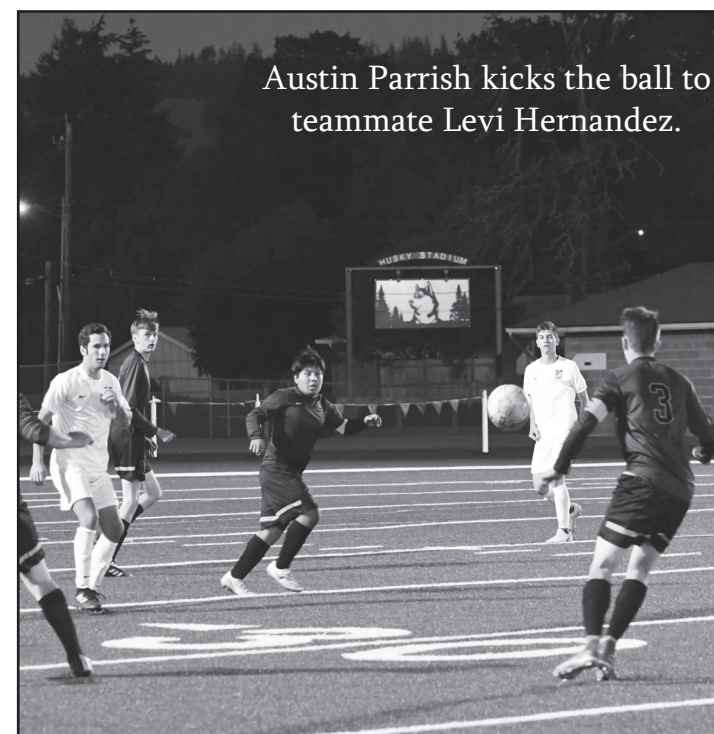
This is a penalty?

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Boys Soccer

BY: EVAN DAVIS

The Boys Soccer team is off to a rough start this year; losing all of their games so far, and with only one goal scored in the entirety of the season. This year seems to be a complete one-eighty from the soccer team of two years ago, the reason being the decay of the team. Over the last couple of years, most of our boys' soccer team has graduated. This severe bleeding of numbers has crippled our program as stated by head coach Erik Stutzer, "...much of the team is new to the sport so it will be very difficult to complete the season..." Another paralyzing factor is the league that the Boys Soc-



Austin Parrish kicks the ball to teammate Levi Hernandez.

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cer team is placed in. In previous years, the soccer league was far more compatible. This year we've been placed in a much stronger league. Coach Stutzer stated his view about this problem, "The talent in our league we are facing is the top in the state..." The talent Coach Stutzer mentioned is Woodburn and Stayton. Both are recurring state champions. Compounding that problem is trying to get relatively new players up to speed. "...sixty-percent of the team is first year players. This is tough when we are playing teams who grew up playing together. We will need to learn the basics skills while trying to implement high school level tactical play." Coach Stutzer stated. Despite all of these challenges the Boys Soccer team has faced this adversity with courage and honor. Coach Stutzer perfectly captures this attitude when asked how his team has continued in such a harsh climate. "Do what you enjoy and never let adversity steal your passion." Let's support our Huskies with the same enthusiasm they give during their games.

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Jessy Hart is on track to go to state.

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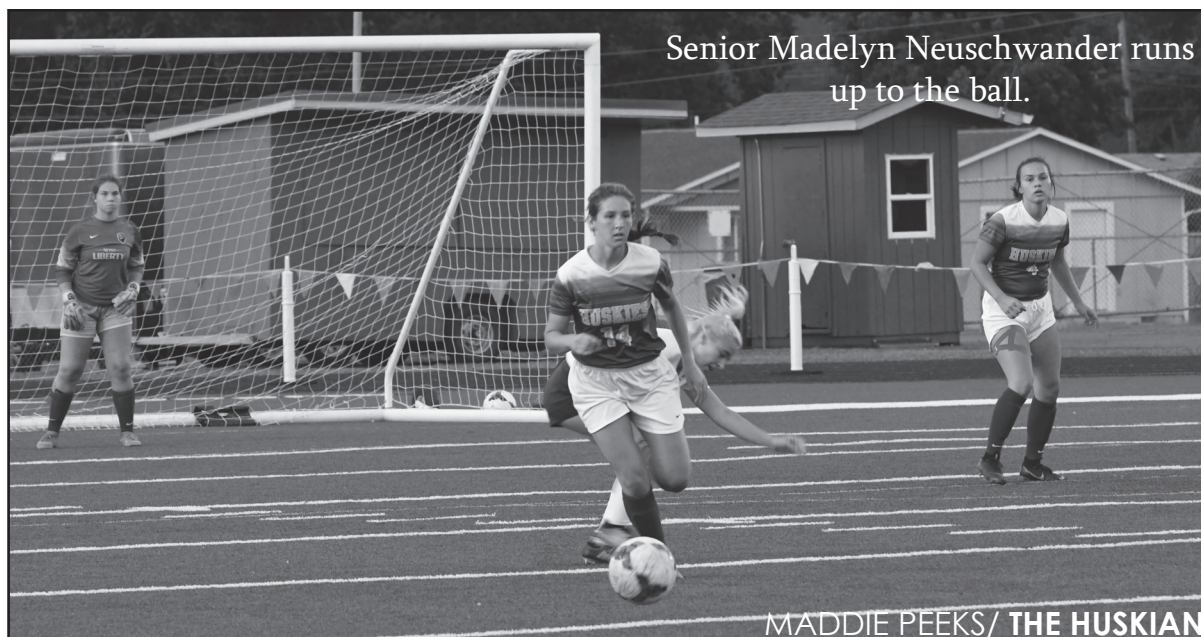
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our workouts.” Despite the troubles that this poses, Coach Kambria believes that the team will be successful in Districts. “I believe our Boys team has potential. They have made the realization that it is possible and have been working very hard towards it. If they don’t make it this year, I believe they can next year, since the core of our varsity team will be returning. I believe Jessy Hart will make it this year for the Girls.” This year’s Cross Country team is off and running towards State, with just a few hurdles to clear along the way. Let’s wish our Huskies the best of luck!

Girls Soccer

BY: SIDNEY HOOLEY

Girls Soccer this year has been focused on improving their communication and their discipline. This goal has been met in part due to the assistant coaching of Ms. Harris and keeping the unity that the team had last year. The loss of 10 experienced players last season left the team with a lot of youth, but under the senior guidance of Sydney Maurer, Madelyn Neuschwander, Kate Hawken, Ashley Farthing, and Kendall Soland, the team is learning valuable lessons and gaining more experience. While they may need to finesse their ball handling skills, decision making, and reaction time, the team has a sense of unity and the strength of their bond shows when they play. They also have fitness and endurance on their side, making them play stronger in the second half of all of their games. While State seems far away this year, the team looks forward to building on the foundation that they’re laying. Coach Santana had good things to say about every player on his team and it’s clear that the Girls Soccer team of 2018 is living up to their motto: “First to the ball, last to give up.”



Senior Madelyn Neuschwander runs up to the ball.

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SHHS Football

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Our Husky football team had some pretty big goals heading into League this season and so far they are right on track to reaching their biggest goal; becoming League Champions! The Huskies started out with a rough preseason, losing two out of three of their contests to perennial powerhouses Banks and Marist. However, it seems like they were able to put preseason behind them and focus on League, as they are currently undefeated. With only one game left in League against Newport, the Huskies are in a good spot to earn a bye week and claim the title.

The team was able to have a lot of upperclassman return this year, however there were a few crucial positions that were left empty in the absence of last year's seniors. It has

been challenging to fill three out of five offensive lineman positions and two defensive secondary positions, as well as getting these new starters up to game speed at the varsity level. With leadership from team captains and upperclassmen Hayden Nichol, Jake Swanson, and Nathan Virtue, along with the guidance of the dedicated coaching staff, they have done a tremendous job at filling these gaps with some hardworking athletes. Even though it started out rough, you can see consistent improvement in these players that have stepped up, along with the team as a whole.

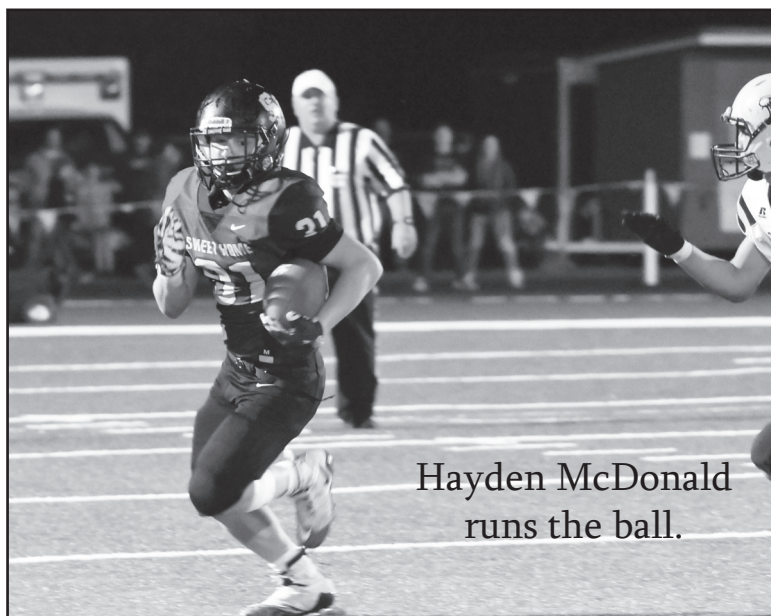
The main strengths the Huskies have

shown all year is their solid wide receiver core, along with their experienced backfield, led by returning starting quarterback Colton Smith. The players that scored 28 out of the 40 touchdowns from last year are still playing this year. Another strong aspect of this team has been the defensive line and the hard-hitting linebackers that have brought the pain to their opponents and made some big plays when they were called upon.

Hopefully we can see these strong performances carry on into the Newport game and the post season.

Something that makes this team stand out from other years is that it is composed of 19 seniors, 16 of which have been playing tackle football together since the 5th grade. This has made team chemistry easier

to maintain and has formed a strong brotherhood between all of the players, on and off of the field. Coach Nichol states, "We have a senior dominated group that is made up of not just good players, but good people. This year's seniors are supportive of the underclassmen and are all inclusive. All of the players are team oriented and there are no individual agendas." These hardworking athletes take a selfless approach to winning games and putting the team above all else. Hopefully we can see them continue their winning streak against Newport and plunge into the playoffs as League Champions. Go Huskies!



Hayden McDonald runs the ball.

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relli states, "Players will have to roll to the side when they make that tackle instead of plopping down on him." However, if the quarterback is running the ball, and isn't in a defenseless position, standard ball-carrier rules apply. I don't think this rule is too bad, and surprisingly I think it will accomplish the goal of fewer injuries, but it will make a lot of fans and players upset. When you put form tackling and this point of emphasis side by side, they directly contradict each other. How are you supposed to tackle a big quarterback like Cam Newton without putting your weight into it? Better yet, how are referees going to distinguish a hard tackle from a soft tackle? At this point they might as well implement a two hand touch rule so the players don't get their feelings hurt when they get hit while throwing the ball. I can already hear the glorious voices of all the angry fans who just witnessed their team lose in the final minutes due to a penalty on a perfectly executed tackle.

The moral of the story is that the NFL needs to be able to make the game as safe as possible without getting rid of the basic fundamentals of tackle football. Football is a contact sport; athletes are going to get injured. I have no problem making the game safer and preventing injuries, but when you force a defender to cuddle someone to the ground or they will be penalized and possibly ejected, that's when you cross the line. These guys are getting paid millions upon millions of dollars to play, and they knew the risks when they signed up. Let these athletes do what they have been doing all their lives, and play football how it was meant to be played.



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