

The HORNET BUZZ

NEW HIRES



NEW TEACHER - KRAIG PUTNAM

By Andrew Bail '18

Kraig Putnam is a new teacher this year and fits in very well with our school. He is very easy to get along with and is fairly young for a teacher. Kraig is 23 and he just got out of college a couple of years ago. Many students enjoy his classes because of his straightforward attitude towards teaching. He is a sociable person so he would not mind chatting (unless he is busy teaching).

Kraig graduated with the class of 2012 which he remarked as the best class ever. He got his first teaching job at Concord Middle School as an Art teacher which was last year. This year he is teaching science as a replacement for Mr. Robare due to his retirement. Kraig commented that he is happy to teach alongside with his old teachers. The classes Kraig teaches are Biology, Physical Science, and Anatomy and Physiology.

Kraig is a good teacher and it is safe to say that he is staying here. "Our school is my pride and I don't think I will be leaving anytime soon", Kraig commented. His wife got a great job opportunity at Gier which is another reason that he will stay.

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NEW TEACHER - SARAH WALWORTH

By Katelynn Britton '20

Mrs. Sarah Walworth joins our staff after spending two years at Will Carleton Academy. She is a 2008 graduate of Hillsdale High School and a graduate of Adrian College. One of her college professors influenced her to become a teacher. Mrs. Walworth earned a bachelor's degree of fine arts and is licensed to teach kindergarten through 12th grades. Sarah loves working with students and is excited to see each different individual personality. She enjoys seeing students find their inner selves in each piece of artwork. She likes to teach art, because she gets to see many personalities in art. Sarah doesn't always have time to work on her art in the evenings so she likes to teach art at school instead.

Mrs Sarah Walworth has two daughters, Emery and Brylee, that she loves spending time with. She also has a step-son who is 16 years old. She got

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NEW TEACHER - JESSICA LADD

By Hanna Korn '18

Jessica Ladd is graduate of Western Michigan University and is a new teacher at Hillsdale High School. Miss Ladd has been a teacher for two full years and is starting her third year of teaching year here at Hillsdale High School. She taught special needs students for two years at Litchfield High School. Miss Ladd enjoys teaching the grade levels that she is currently teaching, but is still exploring her favorite grade level

to teach.

The biggest transition to overcome and adjust to from Litchfield High School to Hillsdale High School was definitely the size.

Miss Ladd found her passion and interest in teaching special needs students when she was in high school. Her brothers were her inspiration to teach special needs students. Miss Ladd lives at home with her two dogs, whom she loves very much. Miss Ladd is an eager and excited new teacher. As a new teacher and in a new school there are a lot of adjustments to overcome and adjust to but she feels she is handling them well. She is looking forward to her future in teaching at Hillsdale High School and hopes to explore different levels of education in her teaching career.

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married in August the weekend before the school year started.

In her spare time, she likes to work in her garden, painting different things things and take pictures and spending time with her family. She is excited to be working and teaching at the Hillsdale High School and to be a part of the the hornet team.

GOLDSMITH TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2017

By Nate Erts '19

Today I had the honor of interviewing the Spanish/English teacher Mrs. Goldsmith about winning the 2017 teacher of the year award. I asked her how it felt, winning the award, and she responded, "It is a great honor, and I am especially honored to be a part of Hillsdale High School teachers that have won this award."

Next, I asked her if she thinks she will win it again, and this is where I learned that last year she won TWO teacher of the year awards! One is called the Stanton Teacher of the Year award, and to win this you are evaluated by an outside board of members. The second award was selected by the students.

Mrs. Goldsmith is definitely a deserving teacher for this award. She goes above and beyond to help her students and is always there if you need help with work. She takes time out of her day to help a student that may have fallen behind, and that is why I think she earned this award.

NEW PRINCIPAL - GOLDSMITH

We are pleased to announce that AMY GOLDSMITH has been named Interim Principal at Hillsdale High School for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year. Amy has 27 years of experience in education and was named the 2017 Hillsdale County Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Goldsmith was born and raised a HORNET is very excited about this opportunity to serve our district in a new role.



NEW DEAN OF STUDENTS - ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Introducing Mr. Dave Pratt who will be our Hillsdale High School "Dean of Students" and our "Athletic Director." Mr. Pratt joins us after spending the last 11 years teaching special education and coaching wrestling in Springport. He has a BA in History and Sociology from Olivet College, a MA in special education from Spring Arbor University, and an MA in Coaching and Athletic Administration from Concordia Univer-

sity (Irving, CA). Mr. Pratt and his wife Jamie have three beautiful daughters: Raelee, Abi, and Sophie. He is excited about joining our district.

WE WON'T BE SILENT

By: MaCayla Bisher '18

The Hillsdale County Community Foundation YOUTH Board has collaborated with the Jackson Foundation to create a campaign promoting the effects of youth suicide. Every school in Hillsdale County is invited to the kick off event being held at Hillsdale College on October 12th. This kick off event will present a video made by the YOUTH board at the foundation and a speaker, Mike Veny, who is famous for talking about topics like this. Mike is known as America's Leading Mental Health Speaker. Since the youth are pairing up with Jackson Foundation, the campaign will be using the slogans #wewontbesilent and #iwontbesilent. These phrases will be incorporated into the presentation and explained.

Each school that is deciding to participate in this campaign and follow through with this challenge will be given a team within their school. This team will include students ninth through twelfth grade. These students will be responsible for acting as leaders and taking a stand against bullying. Each student that is

chosen to be on a team will go through a mandatory training that will prepare them to recognize the signs of suicide or self harm and how to deal with it. The YOUTH hopes that as the seniors graduate the remaining grades can train the incoming freshmen and make this an ongoing commitment in schools.

The Foundation YOUTH are using this campaign as their awareness project for the year. Every three years they go into their schools and take a survey of needs and issues of their peers. One of the biggest issues that came out of the most recent one was bullying and the pressure to succeed. When they saw these results they discussed this has been an issue for a long time now. With all of the creative minds sitting around the table the board created this campaign. They feel this has the ability to change the environment in schools and save lives.

S U I C I D E P R E V E N T I O N - #IWON'TBESILENT

By Makenna Pann '18

In the year of 2016, one million children were harassed, threatened or subjected to other forms of cyberbullying on facebook, only 7% of parents are concerned about their child being cyberbullied: yet 33% of teenagers have been victims of cyberbullying according to NVEEE. Social media is one of the most common ways to bully avoiding human-to-human contact which also avoids the bully from being confronted by other students or teachers. Although cyberbullying does stay quiet from parents, there are ways to know if your child is being bullied.

If you see your child swaying away from their phones more than usual, that may mean that they have deleted the social media account where the bullying occurred. If a phone rings and are hesitant to answer, or if they do answer and seem upset then this also may be a sign of bullying. My parents previously and continue to monitor my sister's cell phone usage due to her episode in June regarding bullying. My sister is cur-

rently allowed only thirty minutes on her phone per hour to prevent bullying. Personally, I never was aware that my sister was being semi-bullied because she showed no emotion other than snapping at family events and steering away from conversation. It isn't exactly easy trying to pin who and if your child is being bullied depending on if they are trying to hide it, but it is possible.

Approximately 1.26 million victims deal with cyberbullying on a daily basis in school and online. Here are some things to do when you spot a bully interacting with your child. As a parent, do not respond to threats or any other bullying behavior, save the message or document and report to the police and block the number. If your child still seems to be struggling, my family would suggest a counselor, coming from personal experience. It is comforting seeing my sister doing well finally and no longer having issues with any bullying of any kind. Bullying can be prevented.

INTERACT CLUB

By Virginia Brown '18

Interact Club is a club full of inspirational students that work to benefit the community in a variety of ways. The club is composed of roughly twenty-five students that are passionate about helping other people. In the past, Interact Club has helped build the basketball and volleyball courts at Sandy Beach, as well as maintain the beach as a whole. Interact Club is led by president of the junior class, Sam Vondra. They have meetings every Tuesday.

Currently, they are fundraising for the backpack drive. The backpack drive is a wonderful opportunity to provide for kids in need. Drawstring bags are filled with non-perishable food items such as peanut butter, canned goods, crackers, etc. and are delivered to elementary kids for them to take home on Friday. Their fundraising efforts will go to the upcoming project which is the coat drive. The coat drive gives donated coats to kids during the Winter. To donate food or clothing, see Anders Moore.

Not only does Interact Club benefit the community, it benefits the students who participate. It creates humility and gives students a chance to give back to the community. Joining Interact Club is as easy as talking to one of the members and simply asking to be a part of it. The goal for this club is to help people in need. Interact Club also counts for NHS hours.

BE A H.E.R.O

By Emma Hammel '18

Power up! Welcome to FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) robotics, the ultimate Sport for the Mind™. Every year, this program conjures a new challenge for teams across the world to compete and test their skills in building, programming, and running a robot built from scratch by YOU. Yes, you! Here at Hillsdale High, the H.E.R.O.E.S will give you that very opportunity.

Do you like technology, building things in your spare time, taking photos or videos, and business-related skills? If so, robotics is the place for you! Members of the Hillsdale High H.E.R.O.E.S robotics team work together to create a functioning robot, as well as a website, and raise money for registration and parts for the robot. Kick-off is January 6th at U of M, which begins our 6 week season for constructing our competitor. After the build season is over, the team travels within Michigan to drive and put our 'bot to the test. After districts, states will be held at Saginaw University, and the championship will be in Detroit.

The FIRST Robotics organization is based around gracious- professionalism and teamwork founded by entrepreneur Dean Kamen: "First is more than robots. The robots are a vehicle for students to learn important life skills. Kids often come in not knowing what to expect- of the program nor of themselves. They leave, even

after the first season, with a vision, with confidence, and with a sense that they can create their own future." As a 3rd year H.E.R.O.E.S member, there is not a single person where that has not held true.

So, what are you waiting for? Join robotics now to gain invaluable real-world skills, friendships, and opportunities to places you cannot even imagine!

For more information, contact Mr. Tucker or visit firstinspires.org/robotics/frc

KEY CLUB

By Emily Pachoud '18

For those who don't know what Key Club is, it is an international organization dedicated to service, volunteering, and leadership. The Key Club here at Hillsdale has big plans for a successful and eventful year. Saturday, September 16 started the year of service off well. The Key Club volunteered at the Aktion Club (Kiwaniis program for adults with disabilities) district convention at Michindoh, where they helped with a service project, hay ride, hike, and dance. This experience inspired Janelle Mason, senior, to join Key Club after coming along to get some NHS hours. The dance was definitely the highlight; Key Clubbers danced for hours with the Aktion Clubbers. There was a photo booth during the dance too, where groups could take goofy pictures to help remember the night. Key Club bulletin editor Kortney Aube said, "My experience Saturday was something new. I've never helped out with adults with disabilities before and it was definitely something I recommend everyone to do. Getting to dance and take pictures with everyone was my favorite." Saturday was a perfect example of how much fun volunteering can really be.

Some service projects require funding, so the Key Club also holds various fundraisers throughout the year. In October during the two weeks before the week of Halloween, they will be having a fundraiser selling small bouquets of dum dums that look like ghosts. Buy

one, anonymously or not, for whoever you want, and they will be delivered to them at school on Halloween. In addition to this, every Friday morning before school, the Key Club will be selling donuts for \$1. The money made goes to service projects and donations, so you can feel good while also eating something good.

Kortney Aube has been in Key Club for four years, and she says, "I love the volunteer work and working with the Kiwanis Club and the opportunities it gives me." For anyone interested in being a part of Key Club too, you can easily join. Meetings are held every Tuesday at lunch in Mr. Potter's room, so you can just show up to join. The sense of fulfillment and joy you get from helping others is so worth it. To anyone considering joining, Kortney encourages it, saying, "As high schoolers, Key Club is one of the best ways to get involved in your community."

VICTORY DAY

By Collin Brown '18

Victory day is a day where people of all ages who are disabled in a variety of ways are invited to go out on the football field and get to score a touchdown.



It was first started by a teacher and head Football coach of Trenton High School in 2010. Recently the Hornets of Hillsdale and the Rangers of Reading High school Varsity Football teams participated at the halftime of the Hillsdale College football game. The day before that they also got the pleasure to go out on the Hillsdale College football field and visit the college players

and do drills with them and get to connect with them and just have a fun experience that they don't get to have a once in a lifetime opportunity.

When asking people who attended the second day of it they said, "It was a great experience and they can't wait to do it again next year." When asking senior Shannon Petersen about the experience who actually got the opportunity to connect with one of the special needs kids he said, "It was an amazing opportunity to see the smiles on the kids faces who don't get to do this everyday and to give them that feeling that we get to have on a Friday night and just see them having fun out there on the field because they aren't as blessed as we are to play or do the things we love, so it was overall a fantastic experience definitely for me and the whole football team."

If you didn't know coach Lemarad coaches the Hillsdale High School varsity football team and he actually has a daughter that has a case of Down Syndrome and her name is Erica. So he had the pleasure of going through the experience with her. When asking him, "What was the experience like being having a daughter going to through the experience." He said, "It was a great experience for her and she really enjoyed it and having her buddy Terron was there and, she also liked going Friday and hanging out with her boyfriend Danny who is a member of the Hillsdale College Chargers."

The main purpose of Victory Day was to really give a chance for kids or even adults that have disabilities that aren't able to do the things we do in our day to day lives like say score a touchdown in front of a huge crowd. After they scored a touchdown we would run up to them and the whole team would give them high

fives and really egg them on for a job well done and so that was a great experience for all the guys. Victory Day was a special day for a lot of people. It really raised awareness for the men and women who aren't fortunate enough to do the things we do in our lives each day and it's hopefully a tradition that will carry on between these schools for years to come.

SPREAD TO FULL-HOUSE?

By Terrantino Grant '18

Yes, The 2018 football team has switched to full house but still with some spread. Hillsdale is not the only team to go full house; Hudson, Ida, and Onsted which are all in our league have gone to full house type offenses. For the past 15 years Hillsdale football has been spread. Coach Lem has taken tips and picked the Constantine coach's head, per say. The football team is handling the switch to full house with a balanced record of 2-2.

I asked Shannon Petersen what his thoughts were on the switch after playing two years of spread, "It's different but the plays are easy to pickup allowing our team to play hard smack mouth football.". Essentially full house is this, tough, one on one war for yards. Soft teams cannot play this. Players say the play hard mentality and small backs is what switched us to full house.

Coach Lemarad said, "We just have the personnel to run this kind of offense, our guys play hard so if we simplify both offense and defense and let them play instead of thinking, this year will be fun and we'll get somewhere. It was not a difficult decision." The personnel is huge to run full house, good receivers and a shifty back will pair with spread, big lugs for linemen and downhill running backs and subpar receivers is the personnel for full house. Full house may be the thing the Hillsdale football coaches stick with but we'll see how it works. So far it seems to be treating the football team okay. Hillsdale football will be dominant fullhouse or spread it doesn't matter. They will strive for greatness.

FOOTBALL COACHES OVERVIEW

By Bryce Drews '18

The Football team is led by head coach, Marc Lemerand. This will be Lemerand's 20th year coaching for Hillsdale High School football. Every one of those years, he has had coach Jerome Curby as his assistant on the field. Coach Kiesel has been a member of this special coaching crew for 15 years. Another veteran coach is Coach McCavit, who has been coaching for 8 years. On the offensive side of the ball, Lemerand coaches the quarterbacks, and running backs. Coach Kiesel is in charge of the tight ends and wide receivers. The large offensive line is taught by Coach McCavit, and Coach Curby. The Hornets are running the full house offense this year, which consists of five offensive linemen, two tight ends, three running backs, and a quarterback.

On the defensive side of the ball, Coach Curby is the one in charge of running the show. Specifically, he coaches the middle linebackers, whose job is to stop the inside run. In the backfield, the safeties and cornerbacks are coached by Coach Kiesel, their job is to cover pass plays. On the line are the defensive tackles and ends, who are coached by Coach McCavit. Most importantly, the outside linebacker's job is to stop the outside run, and the pass. They are coached by Coach Lemerand. The Hornets are looking to return to the playoffs after ending a 16 year playoff streak, last year.

BRYCE DREWS, THE RETURN TO FOOTBALL

By Joe Wilcox '18

Bryce Drews, a known athlete at Hillsdale High School, had been a lifelong football player before the start of high school. Freshman year of high school he played for the JV football team and ended up scoring the most touchdowns. Sophomore year he decided to play soccer, even after the coach told him he was going to be on varsity.

Bryce Drews is an all-state basketball player, so he believed that soccer

helped him to be more conditioned for the sport he truly cares about which is basketball. Junior year, he decided to repeat this and play soccer. It may have paid off however with Drews having a great Junior basketball season. Although he may have had a great basketball season, he admitted to missing the great sport of football. Finally, his senior year he decided to return to football.

Drews made an immediate impact on the football team, being a two way starter and scoring two touchdowns in the first game against rival Jonesville. In the third game of the season Drews dislocated his shoulder in the 2nd quarter making a block. He is going to be missed as he was an important part of the team. Although he got injured, he does not in any way regret his return to football. He hopes to be back if the hornet football team is able to make the playoffs.

SOCCER TEAM - OFF TO A GREAT START

By Ethan York '20

Hillsdale High School's soccer team is currently 9-0-1, If you been to any of the Varsity soccer games, you have seen this year they are hungry for a winning season. The team already has two mercy games under their belt. The players have all shown tremendous growth and improvement from where they were this time last season. Each player this year has shown commitment under the coaching of Aaron Tracy, and assistant coach Xavier York.

The Hillsdale Hornets faced an upsetting challenge at the beginning of the year with the loss of Nathan Giminez to a devastating torn ACL, leaving a critical hole of speed to fill in the midfield. Ethan York has racked up 24 goals, which is already higher than the 22 goals he had in the 2016 season. Ryan Wood has been a powerhouse in the goal, with well over 50 saves. Co-captains Taegan Hoffman and Braxten Boyd have shown leadership qualities getting the team into position and always keeping the game under control. The support the soccer team has re-

ceived from the student section is outrageous, giving the players the motivation they need.

When asked Ryan Kast what he thought of the high school soccer season so far he had to say the following, "The soccer team is way better than last year, we've strengthened as a unit, players from other sports including the freshman have helped a huge amount. Our goalie has improved massively helping us concede less goals, therefore giving us a better goal differential than most teams. Having a 9-0-8 record last season really gave us the motivation in trying to fix that win loss ratio. Taking the practices more serious has shown a massive increase in effort this season."



RETURNING TO GREATNESS!

By Sam Nash '18

During his 2017 track and field season Taegan Hoffman had a runner's worst nightmare. Taegan suffered a stress fracture in his shin and it changed everything. Instead of being able to train like a stud Teagan had to go through physical therapy. When asked how the recovery process he said "it was one of the worst 10 weeks of my life I hated not being to go out and run with my

team and get better.” Taegan had to sacrifice his whole track season to get recovered.

Taegan had to make a season changing decision when deciding to run or to sit out and recover in the best way possible. He had the option of running in some of the meets but to Taegan it was a no brainer to recover the smart and proper way. The biggest reason he wanted to save himself was for his senior soccer season after the summer break. “Soccer means a lot to me so does track but I had to make the best choice for me and my health.” Taegan not being able to run was a hard hit to the track team and if he had run he certainly would of been able to help the Hornets in the meets they struggled in. Taegan has almost recovered to full health and is back to being a stud. Taegan has had an amazing soccer season and leads the team in tackles and has 3 goals also! Taegan says he isn’t worried about his shin and is excited for the soccer and Track season. “My shin is not a factor anymore I’ve been playing so good I’d be shocked if I did not get all league.” Regarding Track and Field Taegan says he is ready to be the team’s best distance runner. “I have been training hard and when i’m back i will be the team’s best milers and with a sidekick like Anders Moore we can be good.” As a fan of Hornet sports I’m excited to see Taegan back in action and will be an athlete to watch this fall and spring.

TEE TIME

By McKenzie Firrone ‘18

The Hillsdale Hornet girls golf team has come a long way since the beginning of the season. The team consists of McKenzie Firrone ‘18, Emma Hammel ‘18, Kyra Lewis ‘20, Madisen Young ‘20, Grace Vondra ‘21, and Melanie Foust ‘21. For having a small and young team, the hornets keep being successful and showing what they got. The Hornets play every Wednesday and have some all day Invitationals during the week as well. I interviewed freshman, Melanie Foust on her first year playing golf.

Q: How has your first year of playing

golf been so far?

A: *It’s been super fun, I have really enjoyed!*

Q: What do you feel you need to improve on?

A: *Getting off the tee box, for sure.*

Q: What is your favorite part about golf?

A: *Getting to meet new people and challenging yourself each match!*

I also interviewed Senior Emma Hammel on her golf season so far.

Q: What has been your biggest accomplishment since freshman year to now?

A: *Being able to shave over 30 strokes off my game since freshman year, and just overall steady progress is the most rewarding.*

Q: What has been your favorite memory?

A: *All the car rides with coach and his words of wisdom! And when he threw a girl off a golf cart!*

Q: What is your goal for the rest of the season?

A: *I would love to break 100 at our league championship round of 18.*

The girls golf season is quickly coming to an end. The girls only have one more match in Hudson before the League match, and then off the regionals!

HILLSDALE TENNIS

By Brandon Torres ‘18

Since the retirement of Coach Scott Robare, recruitment for new players was tough for the team. Usually the team runs a summer tennis program, but without the help of Mr. Robare, it was a difficult task for the team to get word out about it. Previous years the team has had up to twenty-four players, allowing them to have a varsity and junior varsity team. This year the team is made up of sixteen individuals. That’s a full varsity team and four individuals as back-ups. Now since the school year has started, the players are attempting to talk kids into joining the tennis team. The team says it’s not too late to join!

This year’s tennis team has two new coaches, Scott Phillips and Richard Moore. They’re picking up where last year’s coach, Mr Robare left off. The Hillsdale tennis team is off to a great start with a record of three wins and one loss as a team. Unfortunately, they have had a couple cancelled matches due to bad weather, but rescheduling is in the process. The coaches are hoping to make it to states this year. The team was three points away from making it last year.

The captains for the team are Anders Moore and Jake Langston. Together they provide the team with great support, offering inspiring words before and after each match. In practices, they make sure everyone is going their hardest, testing their limits in order to become the best tennis player they can be. As captains, the players look for them for advice during practice since Anders and Jake fill the first two spots on the team. Jake being first singles and Anders at second singles. As of right now, the most intense match for the team happens to be when they faced Three Rivers. Three Rivers is a good, tough, and definitely worthy opponent in the game of tennis, just that the Hillsdale team worked harder for the win. The Hornets came out with a victory of 7-1. Winning for the hornets were first singles, second singles, fourth singles, and all the doubles teams. Two of the singles players went into a third set, meaning they had to play another six games at the least. They were only allowed a five minute break before their final set to decide the match between close opponents.

NEW TENNIS COACH

By Julissa Torres ‘18

This year, the tennis team has had the advantage of playing under a new coaching staff. The new coach is Scott Phillips, former assistant coach of the Hillsdale Tennis Team. Former head coach, Scott Robare, retired last year but Phillips stepped up without any hesitation. Although there have not been many tennis matches held at the high school, the team has made great progress with Phillip’s coaching.

I interviewed Scott Phillips to find out how he feels being the new head coach of such a successful tennis team.

My first question for Scott was asking him why he decided to be the new head coach. He responded, "I played tennis at Hillsdale High School and Hillsdale College and leagues after college. This sport gets in your blood and I want to teach the sport to my team and hopefully they will still be playing it when they are my age." I next asked how the tennis team was doing this season. He said, "I have a fantastic group of dedicated players this year, it showed from the first day of practice and through the season so far. We are now 3-1 on the season and a 4th place finish at a big 8 team tournament." My final question was asking if there were any changes he would consider making to the program. He replied, "I really want to get the junior high involved so they know there are more sports available to them and hope they can understand what a great sport it is."

The boys are really enjoying having Scott as their new head coach because he is familiar with their program. The techniques are the same and the team is still just as successful as last year. Each player has their own season record, most being winning ones, all thanks to Phillips. As the sister of one of the players, I look forward to seeing what the rest of the season has in store. Good luck to Scott Phillips and his Hornets in the rest of their season!

NO SUMMER REST- ATHLETES

By Katy Kempa '18

We all enjoy our summer vacation, right? Going out on the lake all day, laying on the beach and late night bonfires are just a few activities most students at Hillsdale High enjoy doing during their summer break. Not everybody's summer can be that glamorous though. A good handful of students from incoming freshmen to seniors work all summer long to become better athletes than they were the previous year. Common ways students at Hillsdale train during the summer are summer lifting, local summer sports leagues and even calling up teammates for pickup games.

I interviewed Abby Baxter '20 on her summer training. When asked, "Why did you choose to train in the summer and not just vacation?" her response was, "I can not just sit and do nothing. I feel lazy, that's why I train in the summer." Also when asked, "What is one con about training in the summer?" her response was, "You don't get as much free time as might want, but I still am able to hang with friends from time to time." Finally when asked, "Do you recommend others who don't train in the summer to start doing so?" her response was, "Yes! It will help immensely for upcoming seasons and it helps build your game and skill level."

The hornet athletic programs depend on students to put in the extra time other than just in-season practices. If looking for summer training help, summer lifting is available for any grade and any gender. There is a morning session starting at 8:00 and also an afternoon session starting at 5:00. You can also talk with your coach and/or teammates on available sports camps and leagues. The time to train is in the summer, so when your sport comes around you'll be ahead of your game.

BACKPACK VS. LOCKER

By Amber Smith '18

There is a huge debate on if we should be able to have our backpacks in class at Hillsdale High School. I believe we should be able to take our bags to class because an unprepared student might have a difficult time in class if their teacher does not allow hall passes. Unprepared students are more likely to fall behind during class leading to a lower grade.

Bags should be allowed to be carried throughout the school and classes because each class and each hour may require multiple different tools and items such as: calculators, colored pencils, binders, textbooks, and etc. If we could carry

all of our school supplies with us, there would be a lower demand for hall passes and it would take less time to travel between classes.

If HHS students were able to carry bags to class there would be an increase in quality of work, and a decrease in the amount of people in the halls getting supplies from their lockers. Students should also have the right to carry personal items with them at all times in case of an emergency. We should be able to backpack through school because it would make things a whole lot easier!

FALL HOMECOMING PREVIEW

By Shaelyn Bautista '18

This year's homecoming is on October 13th. The theme for homecoming is cartoons. The seniors have Spongebob Squarepants, juniors have Looney Tunes, sophomores have Scooby-Doo, and the freshman have The Flintstones. In the weeks leading up to homecoming the classes will be working on floats for their cartoon that will be pulled in the parade Friday evening. The hallways will also be decorated during the week.

Events will be held all throughout the week starting with rocket volleyball and powderpuff football on Sunday night! Monday's dress up day is fake an injury day, the lunchtime game is freeze dance. Tie dye Tuesday is the next dress up day and the lunchtime game will be musical chairs. Wednesday will be wacky Wednesday with the lunchtime game as limbo. Thursday is tacky tourist day with a scavenger hunt game at lunch. Friday will be maize and blue day and the band will be performing at lunch! Dress up days and lunchtime games will count as points for each class.

Wednesday there will be an assembly to announce the homecoming court, the voting for king and queen will take place afterwards. The pep assembly will be Friday during 4th hour. It will consist of games put on by each class, announcing of sports teams, and

a teacher vs staff game! The parade will start at 5:30 with a tailgate at the high school afterwards. The Hornets will take on the Blue Streaks and kickoff is at 7:00. The theme for the game is a white out, the student section will be throwing powder at halftime. The powder will be sold for \$1 at the game. Following the game will be the homecoming court. Concluding homecoming will be the dance in the cafeteria which will be \$5 per person.

Fall Homecoming 2017

Wednesday, October 11th Homecoming Assembly – 12:45 PM

Representatives are presented to the student body. Students are expected to dress up for the assembly. No jeans, t-shirts, or tennis shoes. Parents are invited to attend and take pictures. Parents are encouraged to provide flowers for their female candidate. (No corsage's needed for male candidates.)

Friday, October 13th

Pep Assembly – 1:45 PM (students)

Homecoming Parade: Meet behind DMS @ 5:00, parade begins @ 5:30.

Homecoming Night:

7:00 PM – start of Varsity game.

Immediately following the game will be the crowning of our King & Queen.

Homecoming Dance: will follow the game in the cafeteria until 11:30 p.m.



COLLEGE FAIR

Monday, October 16, 2017 • 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Margot V. Biermann Athletic Center
Hillsdale College

FREE EVENT!

Speak with representatives from over 60 different colleges, universities, and the armed forces

THE COLLEGE FAIR

By Chloe Page '18

On October 16, 2017, the Future Corps teams of Hillsdale County, are hosting a college fair at Hillsdale College, which is located in the Biermann Center. This is an opportunity for juniors and seniors in high school to get information on colleges and universities around Michigan and surrounding states. Last year there was many schools there that are located around here that everyone can get information on. The college fair can be the first step into your search for the

perfect school after high school. Many great schools will be there so it would be a good idea for anyone interested in furthering their education to attend this event!

I interviewed MaCayla Bisher, a senior member of the Hillsdale High School Future Corps team, to get her thoughts on on the event.

What type of work have you and the Future Corps team put into hosting this event?

Each Future Corps team meets with the students in their schools and tells them about the college fair and on college fair night we go help set up and help keep things organized.

Do you know how many schools will be at the college fair?

More than 50 schools should be there.

Are there just going to be colleges and universities there or will there be branches of the military there as well?

Yes, there will be the Marines, Army, Navy, and Air Force.

There is a ton of information that will be available at the college fair this year with more than 50 schools attending along with several branches of the military. This information will allow students to decide whether they want to go visit the college's campuses. I would advise anyone to go to the college fair because it could be the first step into searching for the college you want to go to. The opportunities are endless here, as there are plenty of colleges, universities, and even military branches that will be there. Come check out the college fair on October 16, 2017 to get much information on many different schools!

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