



Thanksgiving Edition



NHS Induction



(pictured from left to right) M. Myers, L. Myers, K. Mullin, and M. Stuckey as they are sworn in. Photo taken by Jeremiah Zehr-Stetzel

On November 4th the Hamilton National Honor Society welcomed four new members; juniors Krystalyn Mullin and Lexi Meyers and seniors Makenzi Meyers and Morgan Stuckey.

These members were chosen based on four qualities that they all demonstrate, leadership, service, scholarship (academic achievement), and character.

On the Impact Beat

/By Isabelle Sims/

Impact Institute is a program in which 11th and 12th grade students at Hamilton and other local schools spend half of their school day learning skills relevant to their future careers.

Impact's Culinary Arts program is designed to prepare students to enter the culinary workforce, or ready them to further their culinary education. The program presently has three of Hamilton's Seniors attending: Caleb Creager, Lilly Hill, and Isabelle Sims, as well as three of our Juniors: Kenny Schiek, Bryan Farver, and Camille Mathiak.

Caleb Creager is currently in his 2nd Year of the program and believes it has taught him skills he will continue to use in his job and everyday life. "Cooking is a pretty necessary skill to have considering everyone needs to eat," Creager said, "Impact's Culinary Arts program taught me basic cooking and baking skills and gave me a chance to earn a food safety certification that now allows me to make more money at my job."

Creager spoke about how he would like to eventually continue his culinary education, and one day maybe even open his own restaurant. His biggest piece of advice to someone entering or thinking about entering the program is just to listen. "There are many important things you may not hear or not know how to do if you are not paying attention when the chef is instructing us."

One of his favorite memories of the program was **(Continued on back)**

Around the World

/By Destiney Heffern/

Welcome, Parshant Kumar, all the way from Pakistan! Kumar is a senior, staying with the Grime family. He is very quiet, but is already diving into school by participating in newspaper, joining the basketball team, and is planing to play baseball as well. He is in both the Legos and Dungeon and Dragons club at Hamilton, but in Pakistan, "I was in the Gambit club, which was a club for board games, and in an event organizing club." He likes to stay busy! In his free time, Kumar says, "I like to play soccer and ping pong, and play for the school's soccer team. I am also fond of Cricket, a famous sport in my country, and which is similar to baseball. I also swim and play chess and scrabble, in which I have competed at a national level." He also says, "I am a fan of Marvel comics, and of Stephen King and Paulo Coelho Novels. I like to watch sitcoms like The Big Bang Theory, and my preferred movie genre is action thriller, and my favorite movie is the Mission Impossible sequel."

He had an idea of an American school,

Pakistan Fun Facts

- ◆ Over half of the world's soccer balls are produced in Sialkot, Pakistan.
- ◆ The youngest Noble Prizewinner ever, Malala Yousufzai, is from Pakistan.
- ◆ Pakistan is home to the only fertile desert

Sources: thefactfile.org and <https://theculturetrip.com/>



but still experienced some surprises, "I had no idea that there were many different subjects being offered, like Newspaper, which I enjoy. I perceived American schools to be tough and burdening, but after coming here, I found the subjects easy and fun to study, and there is not a lot of burden. I got the idea of American schools from tv shows, but my school in Pakistan is a private school." Kumar's school is way different compared to our school, and so is his culture. "We have a uniform, and there is more emphasis on studying from books. It is a bigger school, with about 1500 students. And in my country, some people dress similar to Americans, but, still, many choose to wear our national clothes, which is Shalwar Kameez. Teaching in my country is different from here as most

teachers there teach from books, and there is more emphasis on memorizing the information."

Everyday life and culture has been quite a transition as well, "Our national sport is Field Hockey, but the most popular sport is Cricket, a sport similar to baseball." Meals have been quite different too, "There is a variety of food here, but something I have noticed is that people here are not a big fan of rice and spicy food, things that are quite popular in my country. However, I love the many different desserts that American cuisine has to offer." Kumar has a lot of things to teach us about his country, and we have a lot to teach him. We welcome him to Hamilton for the 2021-2022 school year!

(Continued from front) the day the class made French onion soup and one of his classmates slipped and spilled his soup all over the floor. Creager enjoys the competitiveness of all of the fun challenges the class has with each other. He has also competed in the SkillsUSA culinary competition and plans to compete again this school year, though he hopes to place a little higher than last year.

Lilly Hill is another one of the seniors in the program, although she is only in her first year of Impact. "The program is a little overwhelming at times, but amazing and it teaches you so much," She said when asked about her first impressions of the program. "It's very challenging, but so much fun."

She is really enjoying the baking side of the program and plans on using the skills she's learning now to eventually open her own bakery. Her favorite memory so far is when she spilled egg yolk all over one of her friends in the class. Hill's advice to anyone joining the program is to not stress over what you are doing in class, "Just relax and do your best, it's never as bad as you think and stressing will only make it worse. Listen to what the instructors are saying and you'll be fine!"



Caleb Creagar (left) with some of his classmates



Kenny Schiek (left) and Lilly Hill measure out ingredients

Hall Pass

/By Meghyn McMullen and Genesis Gordon/

What's your opinion on pumpkin pie?



I don't like pumpkin pie unless it's loaded with whipped cream. Like a ton and ton of whipped cream, a little bit of pumpkin but mostly whipped cream.
-Destiney Heffern



It's good. Well, specifically, Costco pumpkin pie is good.
-Mr. Shafer



It's pretty good. I like the taste.
-Zane Dull

I'd throw it in people's faces.
-Shaye Turley

It's not very good, I'd rather throw it at my brothers.
-Brenna Mercer

It's ok, but I'd throw it in Jaggar's face.
-Bo Hurraw

I love it, especially the whipped cream on top. I mean, I like the pie, but it's like the pumpkin pie is the vehicle for the whipped cream.
-Mrs. Wallace



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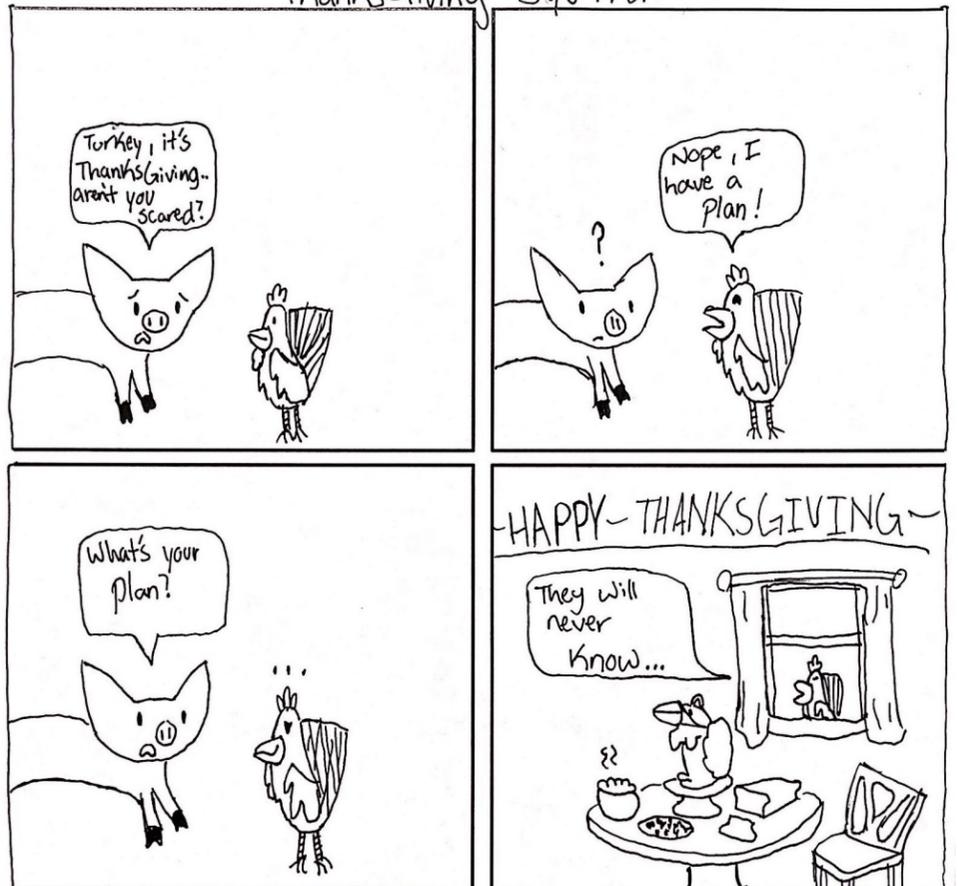
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Thanksgiving Squirrel

by Bryan Farver



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