



ALL THAT WILDCATS

WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST FEAR?



"My mom."

Fields, Song 6th



"Death and Bugs."

Spalty Olivia, 7th



"Spiders."

Vasquez Madison, 7th



"Drowning."

Church, Demario 8th

March Events

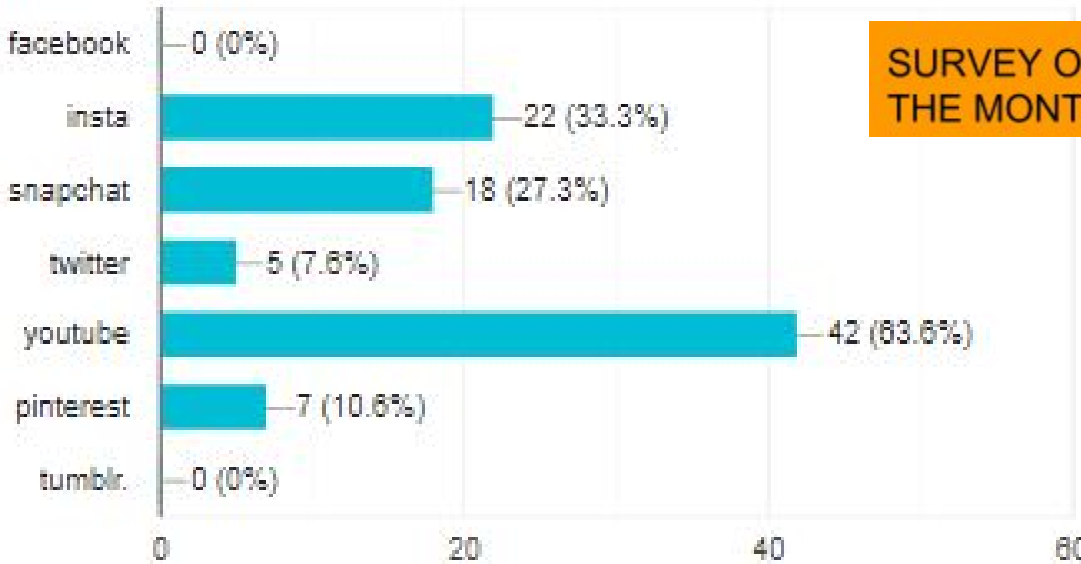
- SOCCER TRYOUTS**
Thursday, Friday, February 28 & 29
Monday, March 4
- Basketball Playoff Game**
Tuesday, March 5
- Choir & Band Spring Concert**
Thursday, March 7
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Thursday, March 14th

Military & Civilian Spouses' Club Spring Fundraiser
Wednesday, March 6 5:30PM-8:30PM

YEARBOOK SALE
Online orders at
memorybook.com/online-pay/parent-pay/
Enter school code **177165**
Register as a 'new user'

*SUBSCRIBE to 'Fort Irwin Middle School' to watch What's Poppin @FIMS

What are your favorite social media platforms?



SURVEY OF THE MONTH

Bring All UNWANTED BOOKS to the library to help build our selection of books.

Mystery of the Month: I'm the last to leave of the teachers, and help you learn to cook.

*Come to Mr. Natividad's E2 with the correct answer to enter into a drawing to receive a \$5 gift card from Subway

Last Month's Answer: Mr. Cox
Last Month's Winner: Sasha Comer

Support the NEW CLUB
The FIMS Booster Club!
By: Jessica Lee

As some of you may know, Coach Bates is sponsoring a new club to earn money for new sports teams and equipment. It is called the "FIMS Booster Club" and will hopefully start within the next month. To earn money, members of the club would take admission money from sports games, sell t-shirts and hoodies, and much more. Coach Bates will be selecting the members of the club throughout the month, so make sure to listen closely to the announcements for more information!

Hey FIMS!!!! This article is about Black History Month in America. One black american leader that ended segregation was Martin Luther King Jr. Martin Luther King was born in 1929 and died in 1968. MLK was best known for being a nonviolence warrior. He did endless protesting causing black Americans and minorities to have more freedom in the USA. One of the most famous boxers is the one and only Muhammad Ali. Ali was not only best known for his boxing, but he said that he was going to be the greatest of all time and now he is. I interviewed a couple close by people as well. Jesse Leslie told me, "I think they deserve recognition because they helped black people get their freedom". Stephen Crawford said "It's cool because some of my favorite role models are black". Myra Conception said "I think it's a good way to remember all our civil rights leaders because they fought for justice and black people". These 3 students all are thinking alike. You know the quote, "Great Minds Think Alike".

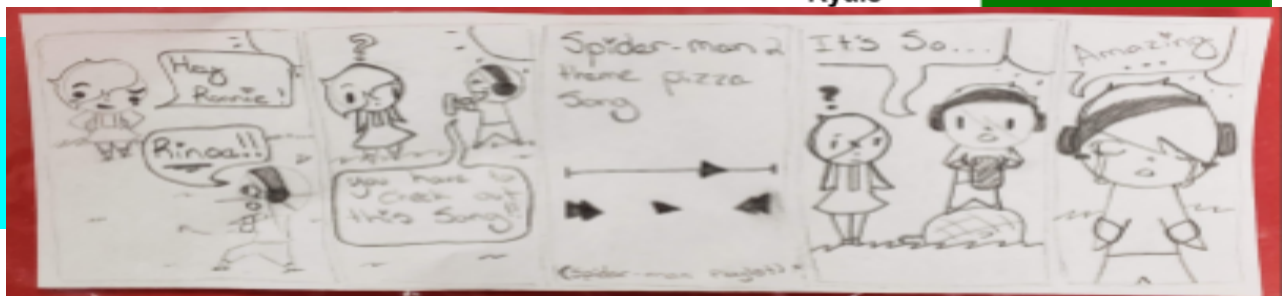
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BLACK HISTORY Month

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Writers' Corner

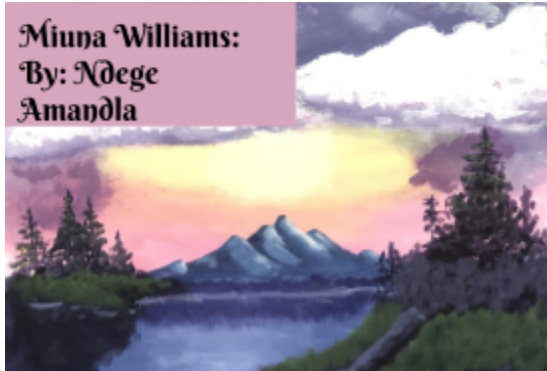
Comic By Rinoa Gonzales



Art

Miuna Williams:

**By: Ndege
Amanda**



"Booga Ooga!"

Skilled with a paintbrush, and an outstanding cartoon drawer; this artist was selected by a teacher to be featured in this month's article! Miuna Williams was born on September 3rd, 2004 in New York. Her artistic skills started at the age of 2, and continued to grow ever since. Although she doesn't have a favorite preference for drawing and painting; Miuna enjoys painting landscapes, such as the image above! She also likes drawing characters. Want to know what this artist's daily motivation is? "To improve and get better as time goes on". "She's shy, but a great friend" 8th grader Jade explains to describe her close friend. Although she may be soft-spoken, Miuna's art speaks for itself proudly, and shows just how far she's come as an artist. When you see this artistic 8th grader in the quad, don't be afraid to ask to see her art!



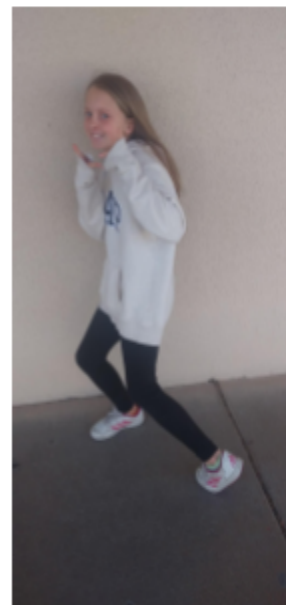
**Blaize-Azree Naputi
"The Dorky Doodler"
By: Jessica Lee**

As a foodie and a doodler, Blaize-Azree Naputi is a 7th grade student who describes herself with the words, "Dorky, funny, quiet, and kind." She was selected by Mrs. Holdridge (who teaches Tech-Art), to be in the newspaper and this is why. "Blaize has gone above and beyond in all her work. As well as learning all the programs we've gone through, and is a great helper as well." She was born on March 8th, 2006 in Germany and enjoys doodling. Her favorite class is Mandarin, taught by Mr. Brown. "This is my favorite class because it is very laid back and we get food." Her favorite food is ramen, and, pandas as her favorite animal. Her favorite color is also purple. One of her friends, Teresa Shepard says, "She's very kind, energetic and has a strong personality." Now you know more about Blaize-Azree Naputi!

Alexis Durkin

By: Emily Holly

Sometimes known as 'Lexi' or 'Lex'; Alexis Durkin is an outstanding Wildcat! She is in home economics and she enjoys this elective because "It teaches you things that you need to learn." She got asked that 'if people asked you to make something using your talents, How much would you charge them?'. Her response was, "One thousand million (a billion)." Her favorite food to cook in home economics is eggs. She also was asked, "Why is home economics important to society?", Alexis's response was "Home economics is important to society because it teaches people how to cook and stuff." If she had to change something in home economics it would be nothing since she believes it's perfect just the way it is. Many students consider Lexi very nice and sweet. An anonymous teacher said she is a great student and they are happy to have her in their class. An amazing student and a wonderful friend, Alexis Durkin is a bright 6th grader.



Sports

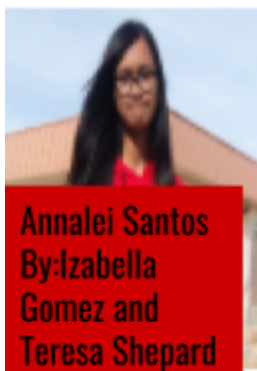
By: Stephen Crawford, Jamarion Ryals

Known for his height and size 8th grade Khalil Yarbo was chosen to be featured in this article! Khalil works hard to get good grades. He thinks he is the team captain because he is the oldest on the team. He likes Coach Crawford because he is humor and not too serious. Khalil really hopes we'll win a banner for the boys and girls basketball team, but for that to happen; they need to start playing more like a team. He enjoys when the basketball teams win, because it makes him happy.



**Khalil
Yarbo**

Standouts



**Annalei Santos
By: Izabella
Gomez and
Teresa Shepard**

Annalei Santos, also known as "Anna", was chosen as one of the best horror stories in Mrs. Talbot's Language Arts class. Her original idea for the storyboard was supposed to be a mix of "The Quiet Place" and "I am Legend". Annalei's story was called "The Fog". This story was about a zombie breakout on New Orleans, and the three main people in a sanctuary on Elm Street. Curious to know why she was chosen? Mrs. Talbot explained "Annalei's writing is very interesting and since Annalei is one of the shy students, she wanted to showcase Annalei." Mrs. Talbot also informed us that this was an assignment and they were were studying horror, and the students had to make a horror story to write. Annalei was chosen as one of the best in her class. One of Mrs. Talbot's quotes are "Anybody can write if you try".

NEWS STORIES



Healthy Food

Jessenia

Baked foods are healthier than fried foods for many reasons, starting from oils and much more that I will tell you more about. When frying starchy foods you use oils that are oxidized, this can cause many negative side effects such as: lungs, kidneys, and heart damage. When baking food it requires little or no oil. Fun fact is one tablespoon of oil adds 120 calories and 14 grams of fat to your food. Frying also adds on a lot of fat to your food in comparison to little or no fat with baked foods. Now I won't say baking is they best way to go because they both have cancer-causing chemical hazards associated with them but, it is better than frying. Now an opinion from our fellow student Myra Ceja-Concepcion, "I think it's healthy and my mom eats it when she is on a diet, and i like to eat it with her when she's dieting."

There are many athletes at FIMS, but some of them are unable to play the sports they also love to play at their school. The Middle School only provides 4 sports; cross-country, volleyball, basketball, and soccer. Why do we only have four when other schools have more? Many wildcats want to include more sports in the school year that aren't included. 8th grade basketball player; Michaela Bosmans enjoys basketball, but also agrees that there should more sports available to us. Although she enjoys basketball, she enjoys participating in other sports as well. "If it were here, I'd definitely join track." she responded through the interview. Even though the likelihood of Wildcats having a football team seem so small, Michaela and many others would still love for the possibility to be real. Although the silver valley high school has multiple sport; such as baseball, track, softball, and even football; why do we only have a couple here? Mrs. McIntosh was able to answer what many of us have pondered on. To start off, with every sport; we have to have someone to compete against. "If none of the schools around us have; let's say a baseball or football team, we wouldn't have anybody to play if we fielded one." Although there's a huge interest in more sports on Ft. Irwin, if the school's in our league don't have the ones we play; we have no one to play us. So what would we do? Another reason, is that our school isn't big enough to field a team. "Our enrollments have declined quite a bit, from 370 to 270 kids." Mrs. McIntosh informed me. "I can use basketball as an example..as much as i'd love to have a varsity and JV team, not many schools have JV." Even if we started playing against bigger districts, they may have more players than we have ourselves. So there may not be a chance for our school to have more sports, but that door is never closed. "We would need to make sure there are enough students who are interested to make the team and schools we can actually play against" Maybe sometime in the future, both of these factors will come in place, and future Wildcats with have more of a variety of sports to play; but until then, FIMS will continue to have 4 sports.



More Sports At Fims? Ndege Amandla



Cheer and Pom Squad Teresa Shepard

As you know the cheer and pom squad members have been chosen and all of them cheered at the first home game for the Wildcats. I was in practice and I picked up from Mrs. Peacock that "We could have been louder". Madison Joiner said at practice "We were all in sync on the halftime show". The people on the Pom Squad are Lilly Dewitt, Chloe Flory, Izabella Gomez, Andrea Grande, Mckinze Ledford, Ya'lyssa Siler, Madison Vasquez, Sophia Peacock, Alexis Durkin, Erika Cruz, and Leah Fox. Then the Cheer Squad is Jayla Cardona, Liley Flanagan, Isziah Gary, Adianya James, Nasya Jenkins, Madison Joiner, Anela Lather, Vannara Liv, Skylar Lizama, Maiko Navarrete, Teresa Shepard, Harmony Shoemake, Alisa Simmonds, and Olivia Spalty. Rhianna Hunt (that was at the game) said: "I think that the halftime show was very cool but they need to look like they are having fun and to smile the whole time". Now you know who is on the squads and how the halftime show went.

Do you believe in global warming? Do you think it's a myth? Well, I wanted to tell you that global warming is certainly not! Global warming is a serious problem in the world. As some of you may know global warming melts the ice caps causing sea levels to rise. Cities that are on or below sea level will no longer be cities, they will go under water because sea levels are rising. I interviewed some people and they mostly all said the same thing. They said that they think global warming is bad and that many animals in the artic and antartic will become extinct. Global warming affects many people and it is a horrible crisis the world is going through! Take this article as a lesson about global warming and the problems it may cause in the future.



Global Warming

Emily Holly

According to the students this is what the perfect teacher is like. (Disclaimer, all the teachers are already perfect). Student's that I interviewed said that the teacher should be "chill" and others said that the should be "strict". But they should be fun at the right times. They say that they should know the right way to treat kids. Like giving them rewards for their good behavior in the classroom but if they are bad they need to be punished. That is what the students believe is the perfect teacher.



Battle Flanagan

Where have you lived? Come to Mr. Natividad's E2 classroom to let us know the places you have lived to be included in next month's issue. Write down your name and placed you live. Example: "Stephanie Martinez, Fort Lee Army Base, in Prince George, Virginia.

