



# HAWK TALK

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## National Women's History Month

By: Cassie Donaghey

The first Women's History Day was held in 1909. The day became Women's History Week in 1978 and in 1987 became Women's History Month. The president declared that every March would be Women's History Month. Every Women's History Month has its own theme. When the 19th amendment gave women the right to vote, it didn't give all women the right to vote. Women's History Month gave women a voice and commemorated them for their hard work and accomplishments. More women get college degrees than men and women live a longer life than men.

## National Bee in Disney World



8th grader, Kyrsten Thompson won the Regional Spelling Bee at LSUS on March 6th. She will now participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee at Walt Disney World in July for a grand prize of \$50,000. We are so proud of her and wish her luck in Orlando this summer!



## National Book Challenge



Congratulations to Herndon's 4th Grade classes for being named semi-finalists for the National Book Challenge. Finalists will be announced on June 15, 2021. Way to go 4th Grade!

## Mrs. Ouzts' New Baby!

By: Anna Farmer

Mrs. Ouzts, one of our first grade teachers, just had a new baby boy!! Her baby weighed 8 pounds and was 20 inches long. His name is Isaac Edison!

Mrs. Ouzts said that Isaac had to stay in the hospital a little longer because the doctors were having a hard



time clearing his lungs after he was born. But it didn't take long and baby Isaac Edison was ready to go home and meet his big brother Gideon. Mrs. Ouzts said that it was a rollercoaster, but the doctors were amazing! The Ouzts family is all together at home now adjusting to life with two baby boys.

## SOCCER

By: Cooper Jennings

Monday, March 4th, the Herndon soccer girls team went against Rusheon Junior High. The Lady Hawks beat Rusheon 6-0 in an amazing game.

This was a great win for the Herndon team and was an incredibly interesting



# Ms. Wiley

By: Josey Slack

Ms. Wiley is the new 7th grade math teacher at Herndon. She taught at BPCC for 6 years. Her favorite things about Herndon are the family environment and building a relationship with all the kids. A fun fact about her is she loves to fish and she likes the smell of skunk. When she was a student she attended Herndon and also played basketball. This year she helped coach the girls basketball team.



# March Madness

By: Kerasia Alford

To all of the colleges and universities across the nation, March Madness is very important because it is another stage for school, and athletic programs. The event is during the month of March when the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) basketball tournament is going on. The NCAA single-elimination basketball tournament is each spring in the U.S. Also, the NCAA Division men's I basketball tournament is a single-elimination tournament of sixty-eight teams. The penultimate round is known as the Final Four, in which four teams are left. "March Madness," describes the excitement around Illinois state high school basketball tournaments. In order to qualify for March Madness, a Division I college basketball team must either win its conference tournament or receive an "at-large" bid from the NCAA tournament selection committee.'



## END of BASKETBALL

By: Savannah Jester

March 4th ended this year's season of both boy's and girl's basketball. Eighth grader, Jaxon Bentzler said, "We learned to become better teammates and work together. We also look forward to using the skills we learned from Coach Bobby in high school." The boy's team played against five other teams; Evangel, Calvary, Force, CMM, and P. C. A, and won a total of three games. The girls' team played CMM. There are 18 boys and 7 girls playing basketball with eleven eighth graders making up the teams. Next season the eighth graders will move on to high school and Herndon's boy and girl's Basketball team will be looking for new players! Eighth grader, Daniel Atkins said, "Basketball is a lot of fun and a good experience--we encourage the 6th and 7th graders to join the basketball team." The season was good even with the bad weather and COVID-19 issues in rescheduling games. Though this took a toll on the season, the players continued to work hard. 8th grader,



Christian Blackmon said this season was good except he never got his dunk! Coach Smith said it is important to have the training in middle school to be great in high school.



## Dr. Seuss Week

By: Sophia Smith

The first week of March was Dr. Seuss week where the whole school was able to participate in the different activities each day. Monday, students wore any kind of hat, on Tuesday they could wear a mustache. Wacky Wednesday they could wear wacky clothes and mismatched socks. Thursday was crazy sock day many students wore fun socks. Friday people accessorized with green of all kinds. All of A-wing had fun celebrations all week dressing up in costumes and doing fun activities. Even some middle schoolers and teachers participated in dressing up like wearing crazy socks and mustaches. Overall everyone had a fun time taking part in the daily activities.



## Herndon Golf

By: Cooper Jennings

Herndon's Golf team this year consists of: Hunter Jones, Cooper Jennings, Laundry Farr, and Parker Digilormo. The Golf team has played in 3 tournaments and has not won yet but it is soon to come. This years golf team has had a great time playing and are excited for next year's golf season.

## SPRING Break

By: Maddie Willis

From March 12th to March 22nd we took a relaxing break from school. Some people went on vacations and some just stayed home and enjoyed an interval of peace before coming back to school. Thanks to Covid restrictions being lifted in some states people are able to fly to vacation spots or to see family. The break can be a good opportunity to see things you have never seen before or want to see again. Spring break is meant to be a relaxing and fun time for students to take a break from school.