



# German Shepherd Drive

## Hands 4 Hope Community Drive



by Andrea Jiminez

This year, the Herbert Green Hands 4 Hope, a youth club led by 8th grader Raquel Beas, organized a donation drive for German Shepherds. This idea is a yearly service project that was brought about by all of the club members. The drive started on February 15th and was held in front of Herbert Green. The drive was created to raise money for the EDCGSR (Eldorado County German Shepherd Rescue), an animal shelter and welfare organization. It lasted for 4 days, those being February 15th, 17th, 22nd, and the 24th. The Hands 4 Hope Herbert Green club has so far saved up about \$550 from the drive, all of which are going towards buying dog kennels and sponsoring a dog surgery. President Raquel Beas said, "This was an enjoyable event for all of the club members," and, "In my opinion, the drive was pretty successful." The members of Hands 4 Hope plan on doing more projects similar to this in the future, to keep benefiting the community, and making a change.



## PTO Movie Night



by Alexis Cortes and Cole Sampson

On Friday, February 25, Herbert Green's PTO held a movie night after school for students. They played *The Sandlot* and had a snack bar with many snacks available. At the snack bar, they were also selling shirts and sweatshirts. They had a cart in the middle of the gymnasium with the projector projecting the movie onto the wall above the bleachers, so everyone could see. People sat along the walls and floor in the back of the gym. Some people brought their own food and shared it with all of their friends. It was a good movie and everyone was having a great time.

## Valentine's Day Dance

by Felix Ray and Sofia Mercado

On the 11th of February, Herbert Green's Leadership students helped host a special Valentine's Day dance for everyone after school! Like the previous school dance, you were required to have no Fs, 80 or more merits, and \$5 to be able to get your ticket to the dance. Not everyone was able to be there, but everyone who did go had a great time regardless!

The songs that played, according to leadership, were most of the songs that we usually hear during Fridays at lunch. Party in the USA, Cha-Cha Slide, and many others were played that day. Leadership did shake things up with the occasional slow song. There was plenty of food, water, and snacks available at the dance! Soft drinks, chips, and as well as pizza were parts of the few choices, thanks to leadership! Planning this event wouldn't have been possible without them, and it was definitely difficult to get together.

Thank you leadership for putting together such an amazing event for the school!

## New Herbert Green Sign

by Marcos Aguilar and Felix Ray

Have you noticed anything new? Well, you should! A little while ago, Leadership put together a sign in the fence in the front entrance of the school with our iconic Herbert Green logo! It was told that it was a very painful and long process to get the sign up all on their own, and the instructions they were given did not help make the task any easier for them. They worked very, very hard to give us this sign. It is extremely impressive and creative!

There was a small celebration held during connections on Friday, February 25th to help bring attention to Leadership's hard work on the sign thank PTO for funding the project, and help boost school spirit! All the Connections classes gathered and watched the flag be raised. One by one, each class got to walk around and get a great, first-hand look at the brand new Herbert Green Miners sign inside of the fence! Once the classes made it to the end, each student received a cookie! It was definitely a worthwhile celebration, even if it was very short.

Make sure to check out the sign outside in the entrance after school hours if you haven't already!

## Spring is in the Air

by Marco Aguilar

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## Dodgeball Tournament



by Alexis Cortes, Cole Sampson, and Parker Taylor

On March 18, 2022 Herbert Green Middle School hosted an after school dodgeball tournament. Herbert Green Leadership students and PTO parents organized the event. 7th and 8th grade students created multiple teams and the teachers created one. The teams duked it out to see who was the best. Unfortunately, the teachers lost in the first round to the Super Troopers 8th grade team. Students, Herbert Green staff members, and parents watched on as team after team played. During the tournament, spectators had the opportunity to purchase snacks and drinks from the snack back.

In the end, the Super Troopers pulled out the big win and the team was celebrated on March 25th, during the school wide celebration for the new sign at the front of the school.



## Return of the Book Fair!



by Keelyn Cummings and Felix Ray  
Have you been looking for a book recently? Well, the book fair might have exactly what you're looking for! The book fair was a week-long event that was held inside of the school library, and took place during the last week of March. The dates were from March 28th to April 1st, and it was extremely popular!

Inside of the book fair, surprisingly there were more than just books available for students to purchase. There were all sorts of cool fun items and decorations students could buy, such as posters, pens, secret pens, erasers, bookmarks, pencil sharpeners, and lots of other interesting

items! Something else interesting, was that if you spent at least \$20 during the bookfair on any items, you would be entered into a special raffle. Every \$20 = one raffle ticket. All the items together are said to be worth at least \$100!

However, this wouldn't be an article on the book fair if we didn't talk about what kind of books they had available at the fair! There were plenty of different genres, types of books, as well as lots of amazing cover art to catch the reader's attention! Some more popular ones were books in the video game and horror genre, such as *The Lost Ones*, *The Illusion of Living*, *The Fourth Closet*, and even some notebooks were sold. Some of these books actually sold out around the first day or two of the bookfair.

Not a horror fan? Well, there were plenty of other kinds of books, such as handbooks and guides to different video games, like *Sonic The Hedgehog* and *Kingdom Hearts*.

Looking for fantasy? They had lots of different kinds of books available, so many in fact that its hard to list all of them without leaving out a good one!

Hopefully you were able to check out the bookfair while it was around, and be sure to thank all of the students and staff that helped out with the bookfair. If you were a student and you signed up ahead of time to help assist with the running and management of the bookfair, you would have to give up every lunch and break you would have had that week in order to help out at the library. It's a costly price to pay, but every student that helped out were able to win some of the left over items and posters that students didn't purchase. The librarian, Mrs. Robertson, said herself that she sees it as a way to reward her helpers for giving up their time to help her out with this event.

The bookfair was one of the most popular events the school has held in a while, and a lot of people were excited about it. Hopefully this article was helpful, and filled you in on it in case you weren't able to make it!





## Mitski



by America Arroyo and Ariella Portillo  
Mitski (Mitsuki Miyawaki) is a Japanese-American music artist. Born on September 27 1990 in New York City. She grew up with an American father and Japanese mother. She grew up in many different countries such as Turkey, China, Malaysia, the Czech Republic, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, before settling in the United States. She sang in a choir in high school and was 18 when she wrote her first song on the piano. The genre of music she makes is indie rock/alternative.

She released 6 different albums: Lush, Retired from Sad, New Career in Business, bury me at makeout creek, Puberty 2, Be the cowboy, and Laurel Hell. During her time at Purchase College, she recorded and self-released her piano-based first and second albums, Lush (2012) and Retired from Sad, New Career in Business (2013), as student projects. On December 22, 2015, Mitski signed with Dead Oceans, she released her fourth studio album, Puberty 2 on March 1 2016. On May 14th Mitski made her 5th album, Be the Cowboy. On October 29, 2020, it was announced that Mitski will provide the soundtrack to the graphic novel, This Is Where we Fall. On November 9, 2021, Mitski announced her 6th studio album.



On September 9th, 2019, Mitski announced that it would be her last show. Her fanbase was upset, and used social media to announce their distress. She intended to quit music for good. In February, 2022, Mitski released a new record Laurel Hell, returning to the music industry. Mitski said in an interview that she had an uneasy relationship with her fanbase. Mitski left social media around 2019 because she felt it was unhealthy for her self image. But her song went viral on tik tok getting over 2.5 million views and people are now listening to her songs.

## Golden State Warriors



by Parker Taylor

The Golden State Warriors have been together as a team since 1946, originally founded in Philadelphia. The Golden state Warriors were originally named the Philadelphia Warriors. The Golden State Warriors were founded by Peter A. Tyrell and Steven Kim. One of the best Warrior players is Steph Curry. In 2016, the Warriors broke the record for best record in a season, with 73 wins and only 9 losses. The former record was held by the 1966 Chicago Bulls, which is considered one of the best teams ever created. The Bulls record was 72 wins and 10 losses. The Warriors current coach is Steve Kerr, who was on that 1966 Bulls team. The Golden State Warriors have won 6 total championships, 1947, 1956, 1975, 2015, 2017, and 2018. After this current season Klay Thompson is back. I'm so excited to see what Curry and Klay can do(AKA The Splash Bros) for the rest of the season 2022.

## Video Game of the Month: Fortnite



by Jesse Coral, Gatti Noriega, and Isaiah Vasquez

Fortnite is a battle royale game where the last person alive wins. You have to run around and grab loot like healing items and weapons. You can also drive cars and pick people back up after they get downed. If someone on your team gets killed while there downed you can pick up their reboot card that lets them come back after death. There is something on the map called a llama and you have to destroy it or it will get away, if you do break it you can get high tier loot, ammo, and materials A.K.A mats Fortnite is a game made by epic games and people can fly, Fortnite came out July 21 2017, You can buy different skins to design your character and make you player look different from everyone else in the game. Epic games added bots to some lobbies in the game so it's a little easier for new players.

## National K9 Veterans Day

by Wyatt Sharp

March 13th is National K9 Day. National K9 Day celebrates all military and police K9s (dogs) who risk their lives to protect soldiers, police officers, and keep us safe. National K9 Day was started in 1942 by the US Army. Common breeds that serve alongside humans are Belgian Malinois, German Shepards, and Labrador Retrieves. National Today encourages people to adopt retired K9 officers on National K9 Day.



## TV Girl

By America Arroyo and Ariella Portillo

TV girl is a small group made in 2010. The band has three members, the names of the members are Brad Petering, Jason Wyman, and Wyatt Harmon. TV girl has eight albums: Summers over, Aestheticadelica, Maddie Acid's Purple Hearts Club Band, The Night in Question, Death of a Party Girl, Who Really Cares, and French Exit. They have about 55 songs made in all. TV Girl's most popular album is "French Exit". TV Girl's most popular song is "Not Allowed".

The band TV is from San Diego. TV Girl samples songs and media from the 1960's in their music. When their music went live many people started listening with over a million monthly listeners. TV girl makes indie pop music and their aesthetic is 90's hip hop psychedelic pop. TV girl's discography revolves around love and relationships.

TV girl became best known in 2020 when their song "Not Allowed" went trending on tiktok and other social media apps. TV girl actually does not have a girl in their band so people are confused on how they got their name. According to Google the band the idea of a TV Girl is referencing the ideal yet intangible woman. Currently, the band has over 4 million followers on Spotify and their music has been streamed on TikTok more than 100,000 times. TV Girl uses a guitar, electric guitar, a lo-fi bubblegum pop geared and waves in their songs.



## Movie Review: Tangled



by Keelyn Cummings

Over the weekend I rewatched Tangled, a Disney movie that I grew up watching. While watching it, I was thinking to myself "This would be a great movie to do an article review on!"

The movie is about a young princess named Rapunzel portrayed by brothers grimm. She's not any normal girl, though, when her mother was pregnant with her she got very ill. The castle had all the guards looking for a magical flower that would make the queen better. They found it and cured the queen, and this magical flower gave Rapunzel glowing magical hair that could heal wounds! One fateful day, Rapunzel was taken from her mom and dad by an old witch to a far away tower, because of her magical hair. With the help of a thief she breaks out.

I would give this movie an 8 out of 10, because it's an amazing movie. However, not everyone has the same tastes in movies. If you like action packed adventures, this is a must see. However, if fast moving adventures aren't your cup of tea, then maybe this movie will be a pass for you.

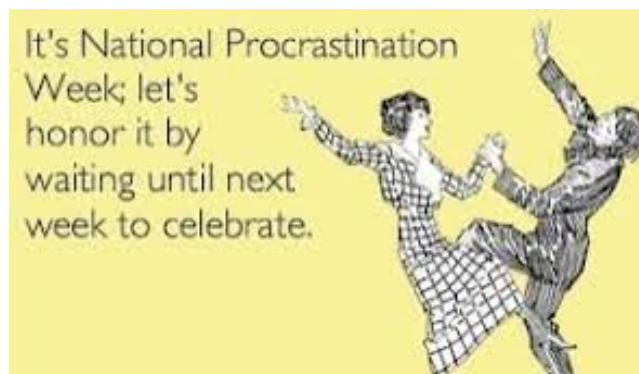
If this was not convincing enough I will share some cool facts that might help your decision! This Disney movie does not just have cool characters, they are also voiced by cool people! Including Zachary Levi, Mandy Moore, and Matthew Gray Gubler! This movie is amazing, and I really suggest watching it for maybe a family movie night

## National Procrastination Week

by Andrea Jiminez

Since 2008, a widespread holiday known as National Procrastination Week, has been celebrated every March. National procrastination week is a national holiday celebrated in the first two weeks of March, but the specific dates are unclear, as they change annually. The first celebration of this event dates back from March 9th to March 15th, 2008. It is a holiday that celebrates procrastination and putting-off important tasks. The founder of this holiday is Frenchman and author, David d'Equainville, who created it in France on March 25, 2010.

The inspiration for the holiday stems back from David's book, "Manifesto for a Day Put Off," a notion that promotes positive procrastination. The purpose for the holiday is to reflect on tasks, provide a mental or emotional break, or to complete leisurely activities that couldn't be completed. Some ways to celebrate is by doing something relaxing, joining the National Procrastination Club, or sharing how you celebrated on social media with the hashtag, "NationalProcrastinationWeek." Of course, there are many more activities you can do for National Procrastination Week, or maybe the week after.





## Found: Atlanta Ship

by Christian Mancilla

Once thought to be lost forever, the 130-year-old wreckage of ship Atlanta has finally been discovered in the bottom of Lake Superior in Thunder Bay, Minnesota. The Atlanta ship was used for transportation across Lake Superior in 1891 owned by the Goodrich transportation company no one knew when it was made. On May 4, 1891 the ship sank. It was discovered last summer by researchers on Lake Superior that they used remote operating tools that scan the lake to locate the ship. It was located 35 miles off Deer Park and 650 ft below the water's surface. Aboard the ship 2-6 men were on the ship when it crashed. There were deadly winds hitting Lake Superior causing a storm.

## German Shepherds

by Alexis Cortes and Izaya Farley

The German Shepherd originated in Germany in the late 1800s. The German Shepherd is one of the most intelligent and obedient dog breeds in the world. The breed was developed by Max von Stephanitz by using traditional German herding dogs in 1899. The German Shepherd's life span can be up to 9 through 13 years of age. Male German Shepherds average weight is about 66-88 lb and a female German Shepherds average weight is about 49-71 lb. The German Shepherd was originally a dog for protecting and herding sheep. German shepherds don't make friends immediately but when they do they are very loyal with their family. When the German Shepherd feels threatened they can be strong and very protective. The German Shepherd's personality can be aloof or sometimes aggressive but over all the German Shepherd can be a very loving dog and a great family dog too.

## Leadership gets new Speakers

by Felix Ray

Haven't you heard? Leadership have recently gotten new speakers for their music and special events! They have been using them for the last week or so, as they got them pretty recently, and so far, they sound great!

Mr. Rich visited campus and helped set up the speakers, as he sometimes comes by every now and then to check up on the school and help out with tech. Since he now works at the High School for backstage stuff for the drama electives, he has gotten used to working with audio devices. Feel free to say hi to him the next time he comes by!

It is unknown at this time how much these speakers really cost, or where Leadership got them from exactly, but they are a lot better than the old ones that Leadership used to use for their musical events. It is also unknown what necessarily happened to the old speakers, or if they still have plans to use the old speakers in any way, however, so far these brand new speakers have been great!

Keep an eye, or ear, out for the next time they use them on Fridays at lunch! Maybe you could even suggest them to play a song for you! They are usually located at the wall at the blacktop, so, feel free to drop by and have a look at the new speakers, or maybe you could have a listen for yourself! Just don't get too close, as you don't wanna accidentally lose your hearing!



## Mitsuri

Mitsuri Kanroji is a fictional character from the animated series *Kimetsu No Yaiba* (Demon Slayer). Mitsuri's backstory is that as a child she has always had natural strength and a strange haircut and hair color. She was always seen as a freak all her life because of this. Mitsuri also got rejected because of her looks so she decided to dye her hair to fit in with the other women in her town. She was often judged by people, her own mother judged her and disliked her because she couldn't get married. Mitsuri meets a man named Kagaya Ubuyashiki who tells her to reject normalcy and embrace who she was as her strength was a gift. Because of this Mitsuri got inspired to join the Demon Slayer Corps. Then because of her gift and her strength she becomes a hashira. Mitsuri is the Love hashira. But the real reason why she wanted to join the Demon Slayer Corps is because she wanted a husband to be strong enough to protect her.

Mitsuri's outfit was a little revealing and when she went to go meet the hashiras she saw the insect hashira Kocho Shinobu. Mitsuri panicked because she felt like her uniform was too revealing. She asked Shinobu if it was too revealing and Shinobu said that they gave her the same one. But she burned it and Shinobu also buried Kanao and Aoi's uniforms because they were children. Soon Mitsuri meets Obanai who soon becomes her love interest, he gives her green striped socks to match with her hair and she loved them. Mitsuri's trainer was Rengoku Kyojuro. Rengoku is also a hashira, he is the flame hashira. Mitsuri is very cheerful and kind towards everyone.

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## Book Review

by Morgan Bishop

*The Ranger's Apprentice* is about a Ranger who is an assassin/bounty hunter and his apprentice saving the kingdom from evil warlords and thieves. The book is written by John Flanagan and takes place in the 1600s. I like this book because it has a great storyline and it is written very well. This book is difficult to read if it is below your grade level but the author provides good context clues and good definitions of words. There is really not a lot wrong with the book other than it is a pretty low book level so it is very easy to read if you are above the grade level and it is just a short book in general. Overall *The Ranger's Apprentice* is a great book to get lost in and it will provide you with many AR points.

## Pig Defeats Bear



by Cole Sampson and Parker Taylor  
On March 18, 2022, hometown pigs defending their homestead against a black bear in New Milford, Connecticut were captured live on Ring Video security cameras. Two pigs, Mary and Hammy, fought off a black bear that jumped into their pen. The bear jumped in, and was immediately confronted by Mary who charged the bear into the corner of the pen. Then Hammy charged out of the indoor section of the pen and held the bear in the corner of the pen until the bear jumped out. The owner of the pigs said this: "I am very proud of them because Hammy, the little one especially, he's afraid of his own shadow and the way he came charging out when he seen Mary tussling with the bear". These videos were released and seen by thousands on different media platforms. These pigs were given much praise by people all over Connecticut, even the whole United States.



## L.A. Rams



by Izaya Farley

The Rams began their football team in Cleveland and in 1937. They then did not play for a year in 1943 because of the player shortage in World War II. The Rams have won two NFL championships in 1945 and in 1951 and 2 Super Bowls in 2000-2022. The Rams began playing in 1936 as a member of the NFL. The Los Angeles Rams are a professional American football team. The Rams compete in the National Football League as a member of the National Football Conference West division. Dan Reeves, a businessman that had bought the team in 1941, decided to move the Rams to Los Angeles for the in season 1946. Dan Reeves signed first two African American athletes with an NFL contract in 1932.

## National Napping Day

by Christian Mancilla

National napping day was created to spread awareness of the most positive health benefits of taking a nap. A man named William Anthony and his wife Camille Anthony created this holiday on March 14, 2022 but was founded in 1999. It adds that napping between 30-20 mins intervals has been shown to improve an individual's awareness and energy. On this day you're supposed to be dozing, snoozing, and sleeping on the job. The entire point of this holiday is to allow people a few minutes of rest, especially for those who are struggling with DST transition. The benefits of sleep are relaxation, reduced fatigue, increased alertness, improved mood, improved performance.

## Music Party Fridays

by Andrea Jiminez

Here at Herbert Green, we celebrate something called Music Party Fridays. Music Party Fridays, as it sounds, is a day that 8th grade Leadership members, Johnathan Hack, Gavin Duncan, and Brody Lyons, commit to every Friday during lunch breaks by playing music for us on the blacktop. On Music Party Fridays, students are also allowed to select a song of their choice. So far, it seems that Friday by Rebecca Black, and Party in the U.S.A. by Miley Cyrus, are the most often requested and played songs.

I interviewed Johnathan, who spoke on behalf of Gavin and Brody as well, and asked him why they wanted to take on the job. Johnathan said, "We were the only ones who knew how to do anything." I also asked him if there was anything else he'd like us to know. Johnathan responded with, "We're teaching Dax and Aubrey to help us with the music." In other words, 7th grade Leadership members, presumably Dax Pucci and Aubrey Pyzer, are being taught to help as DJs during Music Party Fridays. So, in case you see Leadership's DJs, be free to request a song or thank them for their service!

## Joro Spider

by Sofia Mercado

The Joro Spider, an arachnid native to Japan, has invaded the eastern US. Invasive species are dangerous, even if they are a cute bunny. Because the Joro Spider was first spotted in Georgia. Scientists speculate that the *Trichionoephiphila clavata* - the scientific name for the Joro Spider - got to the US by using their golden web to get around. An interesting fact about the Joro Spider is that they gave golden webs, which they use to move from place to place. However, the Joro Spider is no Charlotte, this spider is aggressive and venomous. This spider has been known to have this ability to parachute. Don't worry though, these spiders are hard to miss, because they are 6 - 8 inches in size!

## Dr. Seuss Day



by Cole Sampson and Parker Taylor

Dr. Seuss day is Wednesday, March 2. Dr. Seuss day is the national Read Across America day. It is also his birthday and is celebrated nationally. This day is celebrated by many school systems and is taught to endorse the importance of reading. Some people celebrate this by making green eggs and ham, reading Dr. Seuss books, watching movies with family and friends, or dressing up in Dr. Seuss book themed items. Dr. Seuss was 87 years old when he died in 1991, and would be 118 years old this year. People started celebrating Dr. Seuss day to celebrate his life when he passed. Dr. Seuss was given the name Dr. Seuss, but he liked it because he said that he was saving his full name for a novel he would write one day. At Indian Creek, students and staff celebrated Dr. Seuss day by having a schoolwide week of vocabulary and reading. Kids also were given instruction to choose a word, and make a costume to describe and define that word's meaning. That Friday, they all dressed up in their costumes, and attended a schoolwide assembly. Parents were welcome to attend this, and each kid went and said their chosen word into the microphone, and defined it. Afterwards, they paraded around school in their costumes. On Dr. Seuss day specifically, some classes made hats, read Dr. Seuss books, and just had a great time. Dr. Seuss will continue to be remembered every year on March 2 by people all around the world.