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Rebuilding Memories



Volunteer photographers with Highlights & Shadows help families rebuild their photo albums after losing all their belongings, including family pictures, to the flames of northern California wildfires. Photo provided by Kristina Claudio

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A nonprofit group is helping the victims of California wildfires by addressing some unmet needs of our neighbors as they rebuild.

Highlights & Shadows, out of the Vacaville area, documents and publicizes other nonprofit organizations by offering free photography and videography services. Kristina Claudio, founder and photographer with Highlights & Shadows, says that with

the upheaval of 2020, her group was called on by the SF Zion Church to something positive and uplifting for those in need that may not be immediate or obvious, such as clothing, food or shelter. We were challenged, “to do something, in a creative manner, to be able to shine the light to other people,” says Claudio, and the group desired to focus on something meaningful, “something that will last forever”.

Therefore, the volunteer photographers of Highlights & Shadows have

reached out to families affected by fire, including Camp Fire and Bear Fire survivors, offering free family photos and videography session to replace photos lost to the flames.

The response has been pure gratefulness from the five families that they have been able to help so far. Claudio says that some have expressed that “this is the most thoughtful thing that someone has ever done for them...because those are lost memories that they can’t

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Council Welcomes Newest Members

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On Monday, December 7th, a historic evening, Gridley City Council welcomed three new members to the dais.

Gridley’s new council members Mike Farr, J. Angel Calderon and Catalina Sanchez were sworn into service and officially took their place on the council. This is the first time that two Latinos, elected by the public, have represented Gridley’s large Hispanic community and joined the council at the same time. Each of the 3 councilmembers recited an oath to uphold the constitution, swore their allegiance to the United States and to faithfully discharge their duties for city and country, after which they signed the said oath.

Farr, Calderon and Sanchez replaced outgoing councilmembers Raymond Borges, Chris Williams and Quinten Crye. City Attorney Tony Galyean presented awards from the California State legislature recognizing Williams’ 4 years and Borges’ 6 years of unwavering service to the citizens of Gridley. Mayor Bruce Johnson welcomed the new members and thanked the outgoing councilmembers saying “it’s an honor to have worked with Ray and Chris” and thanked them for their hard work. Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce President Lynne Spencer also took the opportunity to present an award to Mayor Johnson and outgoing councilmembers for their partnership with and continued support of the chamber.

Farr, Calderon and Sanchez were then invited to take their rightful place on the council. The transition took place to applause and the new members were given the opportunity to make statements, in which they thanked their families and friends in attendance, supporters and constituents.

Immediately after, the council turned to the business of voting in a Mayor and Vice Mayor. Sanchez nominated Farr for position of Mayor, which Farr respectfully declined. Nominated for Vice Mayor was councilmember Zach Torres and Mike Farr. Ultimately, Bruce Johnson was installed again as Mayor and Mike Farr assumed the role of Vice Mayor.

Sue Hilderbrand, Political Science professor at Butte College who

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Great Shopping: Gift Stores and More



Manzanita Markets Jan Silva and grandson Charlie Elrich can help you put together a custom Christmas Gift Basket for those on your list this year. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - In the time of Coronavirus, when our daily lives and actions are constantly changing due to new mandates, one thing remains consistent and more important than ever - our local family owned and small businesses need our support!

Hazel Street Vintage & CO.- This pop-up boutique, started 7 years ago by owner Nelda Andes, features unique finds and gifts. There is something for every taste beautifully displayed in booths maintained by multiple vendors. A trip inside

will reveal one-of-a-kind antique pieces, reclaimed and refinished furniture, art, vintage-vibes, fresh décor and more. Hazel St. Vintage and Co., is open the first weekend of every month, and occasionally has “bonus days” the following Tuesday for those that may have missed the sale. This holiday season, they will reopen on December 15th from 3:00-6:00 pm for those who may have missed their show earlier in the month. Visit them on Facebook to see their next scheduled show.

The Station Craft Fair - After the overwhelming response to The

Station’s Fall Event, local crafters and vendors have returned to the venue for more! Located on the corner of Larkin and E. Evans Reimer roads, Gridley, The Station, a large lot zoned for Ag uses has found itself doubling as an outdoor craft fair. Vendors pop their tables and booths Saturdays between 10-2 pm. The next large pre-holiday shopping and craft show event is planned for the weekend of December 12th and will feature gifts from homemade goods, crafts, purses and more!

Christmas and Kinder - Visit

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The New Pi-Line



**The new Pi-Line
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W.D. Bureson
By Josh F.W. Cook**

Everyone on Hazel Street needs to put up Christmas lights. That is what we are doing this year.

The Masonic Order is feeling the pinch of COVID. The entire concept of masonry is a bunch of guys who get together, so global no get together pandemics of a health-related nature are a real burden. Membership is down 75% to 1.7 million. There are 48,196 masons in California. In 1959, about 4.5% of all American men were Freemasons. Like many other things that we're having a decline in, the virus is steepening the decline curve and speeding up trends.

Cindy's Country and More has moved to 860 Hazel Street in Gridley and changed her business name to Cindy's & Company, just in time for Christmas shopping.

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, it is time to present the annual reminder to resist efforts (pervasive subversive) of anti-traditionalists seeking

to replace Christmas with X-Mas or Happy Holidays. This from the Knights guidebook *"In an effort to keep Christ in Christmas, we must incorporate celebrations and engage in dialogue that honor his birth. Jesus Christ is the greatest gift to mankind, as he was brought here on earth as our Savior, to redeem us from our sinful ways. The Knights of Columbus offers a number of programs dedicated to bringing back the true spirit of Christmas, reminding families in your community that the season is about more than Santa Claus and presents."*

There used to be a sports page and a reporter dedicated to local sports. To create some sports conversation, I note that the Los Angeles Rams are in a position to win the Super Bowl, perhaps. If this happens, Los Angeles will have a World Series, NBA basketball championship, and a Super Bowl in the same year. There you have it, enough sports news to converse with a friend. If you're a 49ers and Giants fan, this will probably be all it takes to get the mind off COVID and onto sports. Los Angeles can be useful as a distraction.

It may be time for some vigilante community neighborhood watch justice. The historic Bungalow Bar (which is both infamous and famous at the same time) was vandalized, and the OPEN sign which was placed on the

roof as part of Christmas lighting decorations was stolen. If anyone sees a neon open sign, please return it to the Bungalow. Gridley and Live Oak ordinances do not allow many rooftop signs - this was a "Christmas seasonal sign," so it was not a municipal code violation. The Bungalow is one of the reasons bars are no longer permitted next to the railroad tracks; proven to be a bad idea.

It is clear that great educators come from Gridley. We went to Weaverville to hunt Bear last week, hosted by Gridley High Alumni Bobby Cunningham. Bobby teaches and coaches various sports at Trinity High School in Weaverville. Great place to live if you like to kill what you eat. They have bears, elk, deer, antelope, bobcats, and other animals in the school parking lot every day. The school lunch program is high in protein. Bobby is the son of an educator, Bob Sr. and he seems to know everyone in Weaverville just like he and his Dad know everyone in Gridley. It is nice to have Gridley transplants all over the western United States. A few months back, we stayed with Gridley local boy Curtis Quist at an undisclosed secure location in Utah. So if you are thinking of leaving to move to a low tax state or looking for better hunting, don't worry; your friends from around here will still visit.

Josh F.W. Cook is an educator and public administrator. ★

Needed Blood Donations Can Be Made Locally

**By Carolyn Nelson,
AAUW**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The First Presbyterian Church will be open on Wednesday, December 30th, from noon to 4 p.m. to assist Vitalant in providing a safe and convenience location for making much-needed blood donations. The church is located at the

corner of Kentucky and Sycamore Sts., Gridley.

Face masks/coverings are required to donate and a photo ID is requested. To assist with social distancing, it is helpful to make an appointment by going to donors.vitalant.org & enter Blood Drive Code SMFR473 or call Vitalant at 530.893.5433.

As a show of appreciation,

blood donors will receive a Vitalant T-shirt or 2000 Bonus Reward Points, redeemable via email. Donors will also be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Casa Lupe gift card.

It is recommended that donors eat well and drink plenty of water before donating. Snacks and drinks are available following donations. ★

No Sign-Up Needed for Gridley Christmas Light Contest

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Judging for the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce Christmas Light Contest is coming up this weekend!

Many have been asking the question, "How do I sign up for the Gridley Christmas light contest?" There are no signups for the contest this year. With the original contest restricting entries to just Hazel Street, there was no need for a sign-up form. Since the extension of the contest to the rest of the city was announced, the Chamber of Commerce is asking those who are actively participating in the contest

and are concerned about being counted to call the chamber and notify them of their address. Especially if located outside the immediate city limits (for example: West of Randolph Ave., Larkin Rd., Sheldon Ave., Macedo Rd., Losser Ave., W. Liberty Rd.)

Judging will occur on the evening of December 12th as Chamber members drive through town in order to name a winner. To participate, it is not necessary to do anything more than decorate and show your holiday spirit. Please feel free to call (530) 846-3142 or message the Chamber on Facebook to notify them of your participation and address. ★

Dahle's Statement on Being Sworn In as Representative for First Assembly District

By Eric Brahms

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Assemblywoman Megan Dahle (R-Bieber) issued the following statement upon being sworn in as the state representative for Assembly District 1:

"Today marks our swearing-in for the 2021-22 legislative session and I could not be more proud to once again be representing California's First Assembly District. As we begin another legislative year, it is imperative that our focus today and every day remain on prioritizing the work of the people we serve, which means enough executive orders and living under Governor Newsom's one-man rule.

"Our job in the California State Legislature is to be the voice of the

constituents we represent. This means fighting for our students to have access to a quality education, putting an end to corrupt bureaucracy, helping the sick, fighting for our small businesses, and allowing local government to participate in the process of public governance.

"Californians are fed up, frustrated, and tired. Now is the time for us to come together to work on meaningful policy and ensure all Californians are given a seat at the table."

Assemblywoman Megan Dahle represents the 1st Assembly District in the California Legislature, which includes portions of Butte and Placer counties, along with Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, and Siskiyou counties. ★

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MEMORIAL NOTICE

John Arnold Bonslett
July 23, 1928 to November 22, 2020

On the evening of November 22, 2020, long established rice producer, John Arnold Bonslett departed at his residence. He was born July 23, 1928 in Sutter County, California to William Arnold Bonslett and Mary Elizabeth Myers.

In the mid 1930's John, who was often referred to as "Jack", spent his beginning years assisting his family with their farm and crops, which he later grew up to inherit, reside at, and manage until the early 2000's. In his middle-aged years, he had a passion for traveling, deer hunting, fishing, camping, and regularly improving his matured harvesting equipment.

The Bonslett's were one of the initial families that came from the mid-west with the Gridley's when the town was originally founded back in 1870 by George W. Gridley.

Making Jack's grandfather, Arnold Bonslett one of the first local landowners. With over 150 years of agricultural experiences in the family, and 72 years of farming rice himself, there was no question about the extravagant fondness he had for his land or providing for his community.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Eleanor Macey.

Jack is survived by his wife of 29 years, Judith Bonslett and his 2 stepdaughters, Cheryl Helm and Carol Helm, his grandson Jason Anguiano, his granddaughter Cheyenne Wilhite, and his great-granddaughter Violette Starr. Jack is also survived by his three daughters from a previous marriage, Jackie, Patty and Peggy Bonslett.

Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Bertie Stohman
December 15, 1929 to November 30, 2020

The family of Bertie Stohman of Gridley is deeply saddened by her passing. She passed away on November 30, 2020 at Hovlid Community Care Center. She was 90 years old. A lifelong Gridley resident, Bertie was born at home on December 15, 1929.

During her years at Gridley High School, she was elected head cheerleader by her fellow students. Shortly after her graduation in 1947, Bertie married Bill Stohman. They were married for 49 years, until Bill passed away on September 30, 1996. Bertie was a homemaker and mother, a member of Thursday Circle for over 30 years, a member of the Gridley Presbyterian Church, a 4-H and Cub Scout leader, and a room mother.

She was a dedicated and loving mother

to her two children, Bill Stohman Jr. (Kris) and Sharon Wadsworth, both of Gridley, and an equally caring and cherished grandmother to her three grandchildren, Ethan (Jessica) and Michael Stohman of Gridley and Heidi Larson (Greg) of Sacramento, and her great-granddaughter Sage Stohman. She never missed her grandsons' Little League games when they were growing up. She is also survived by her beloved brother, Frank Stenzel (Shirley) of Gridley, and her very special nephew, Michael Riley (Mona) of San Rafael.

Bertie was a devoted, giving, and warm woman with a great sense of humor. She made friends wherever she went, and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

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The AAUW, Gridley Branch Presents the 2020 Tech Trek Girls



Diana Guerrero
2020 Tech Trek Girl

By Tracy Howell

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Since 1998, AAUW Tech Trek camps have provided STEM exploration and learning for girls. Tech Trek is a week-long



Amberlee Gruber
2020 Tech Trek Girl

science, technology, engineering, and math summer camp designed to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in young women who are

entering the eighth grade. Girls attend Tech Trek camps hosted by AAUW California on scholarships provided by AAUW members, generous individuals, and community organizations.

From participating middle schools in our area, seventh grade science and/or math teachers recommend camper candidates



Crystal Paredes
2020 Tech Trek Girl

who must pass through an extensive qualification process that includes an application, an essay, and a personal interview.

Since 1881, AAUW has been the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Tech Trek began in 1998 and is being expanded across the U.S.

Unfortunately, this year's



Yamileth Martinez
2020 Tech Trek Girl

camp at UC Davis was canceled due to COVID-19 and the girls were unable to attend. It is hoped that some virtual events will be available for the girls. AAUW Gridley Branch provided a box of books about women inventors, women in science, women and the right to vote, and a journal to each 2020 Tech Trek Girl. ★



Madeline Bole
2020 Tech Trek Girl

Rebuilding Memories



This Paradise family takes the opportunity to make memories and replace photos lost to the Camp Fire with new ones, courtesy of the volunteers at Highlights & Shadows. Photo provided by Kristina Claudio

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really bring back... But this is a way where they are able to start anew and start new memories as well."

The group of photographers have traveled to locations throughout the north state in order to meet and schedule shoots with interested families. The resulting photos from

the photo sessions have proved to be a cathartic experience for the survivors. "When you are able to help people, it changes your perspective on how much one small thing can actually change someone's life in a bigger way. And, how it could actually inspire them to continue to move forward. This is just

one of the many lights that we were able to shine," says Claudio.

Highlights & Shadows is seeking more fire survivors and families interested in taking part in the photo sessions. For more information, please visit highlightsnshadows.com, on Instagram, Facebook and twitter. ★

Great Shopping: Gift Stores and More

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the Christmas and Kinder booth at Mac's Market for that special gift. Open year round, Christmas and Kinder features nostalgic children's toys, hundreds of Old World and Inge glass ornaments, vintage style décor, candles, books and more. They even have something for the man in your life, with football team ornaments, fishing and hunting inspired pieces. Visit them at 550 E. Gridley Rd., Gridley Mon-Friday.

Manzanita Market - Not only does this place keep grab and go goodies in stock, but country chic gifts, artisan seasonings, rubs and sauces, and housewares. Need something custom? Owner Jan Silva can help you with that. Popular during the holidays are Manzanita Markets gift baskets. Gifters can hand pick their items or let the professionals put together a beautifully wrapped, personalized basket for your loved one. To order yours, call Jan at (530) 846- 6030. You might just end up taking home some of Jose Acensio's amazing BBQ for dinner while you are at it!

Stained Glass Junction - Handmade stained glass art pieces, home and garden décor, stained glass supplies, classes and more! Visit the store at 1563 Hwy 99, Gridley or call (530) 846-4375.

The Wishing Corner - Holiday and everyday floral arrangements, Sutter Buttes Olive Oils and Dipping Sauces, Melissa & Doug children's toys, infant boutique, western style purses, country chic décor and more! Delivery and Curb-Side services available. Located at 611 Magnolia St., Gridley. Call (530) 846-0869.

The Lavender Ranch - From stress relief to seasoning tonight's dinner, the Lavender Ranch has an array of organic products to pamper your loved ones this holiday season. Visit them online at Lavenderranch.com to send the gift of luxury this season.

Wheeler's Ranch & Feed - Find the perfect treat for your four legged friends and something for you too at this beloved family-owned store and boutique. From pet supplies and toys to stylish clothing for men and women, boots and jewelry from the boutique, a gift or gift certificate



These sisters love shopping at Hazel St. Vintage and Co. "It's amazing, right?" says regular Kris Wasser "And they just do such a beautiful job presenting it!" Pictured left to right: Kim Wasser, Kim Jennings and Katy O'Donohoe. Photo by Seti Long

from Wheelers is sure to please. This year, Wheelers can even help you find the perfect tree! Visit them at 3247 Smith Ave, Biggs or call at (530) 868-1717.

Cindy's and CO. -Now open at their new location at 860 Hazel Street, the colorful boutique featuring clothing, accessories and salon services has everything you need to treat your secret Santa this year. Pick up a gift certificate for salon, massage, and aesthetician services or call (530) 846 - 0920.

Harshbarger Ace Hardware - Tools, BBQ's and supplies, guns, rods, ammo, coolers, Carhart and hunting gear - ACE has everything you need to outfit the sportsman in your life. Don't forget high-end house wares, artisan kitchen soaps, aprons, dish towels and décor for the ladies and John Deere tractor toys for the little ones. Curbside delivery available when you buy online! Call (530) 846-3625

The Gift of Grub: Don't forget, Gift Certificates are available at your favorite local restaurants. Gridley: Gridley Grill and Crab Shack - 530-846-5171; Rail House Pub and Grill - 530-797-9384; Casa Lupe Restaurant - 530-846-5152; Live Oak: Esteban's Tacos, Burgers and Brews- 530-617-5015; Betty's Mexican Restaurant - 530-695-3535; The Omelette House - 530-695-6957; Pizza Factory - 530-695-3232; Biggs: Big Momma's BBQ - 530-868-1500; Pizza Roundup - 530-868-5500. ★

Butte County Certifies Election Results

By Brandy B. Wright,
Butte County Clerk-Recorder/Elections

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Butte County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters, Candace J. Grubbs, released the Final Official Election Results for the November

3, 2020 Presidential General Election.

With a voter turnout of 82.87%, this marks the highest turnout for a Butte County Election ever! A total of 103,635 votes were counted.

The certified final results are posted on the website at www.ButteVotes.net. ★

Council Welcomes Newest Members



Left to right: Former city councilmember Raymond Borges, councilmember Zach Torres, Mayor Bruce Johnson and Gridley Chamber of Commerce President Lynne Spencer presenting an award to Mayor and outgoing councilmembers. Photo by Seti Long

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turned out to support the transition said, "I think it's exciting that two Latinos were elected to the City Council for the first time. It shows that the community is changing, and the council represents the diversity of Gridley."

In other city business, Police Chief Rodney Harr was installed as acting City Administrator effective immediately. Council voted on and approved the resolution amending the housing rehabilitation program guidelines and the first-time homebuyers program guidelines. ★

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Anthony Bernard Rocha

June 18, 1924 to December 2, 2020

Anthony Rocha, 96, of Gridley, California passed away on December 2, 2020.

Tony was born in Stevinson, California on June 18, 1924 to Frank and Emilia Rocha. He married Betty Ann Henry in 1942 and they had 4 children. Betty Ann passed away in 1960. He met the second love of his life, Betty Jean, and they were married on May 20, 1961. The two families blended together as one. Tony and Jean had two children, bringing the family total to eight children.

Tony was preceded in death by both his wives, his parents, three sisters, three brothers, his daughter Shirley, his son Richard and his grandson Anthony Paul.

He is survived by his son Gary (Lynn); daughter Laura (Jim); daughter Emily



(Jim); daughter Judy (Jerry); Daughter Kimberley (Terry); and son Michael (Andrea). Thirteen grandchildren, Jimmy, Angie, Terri, Staci, Scott, Brett, Jennifer, Jarrett, Anthony, Josh, Katie, Jamie and James; 16 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-granddaughters.

Tony was a devoted husband and father. He was the patriarch of the family and had a lifelong passion for his career as a truck driver.

A private rosary will be held for the family only, as well as a private burial at the

Gridley Biggs Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hovlid Community Care Center, 246 Spruce St, Gridley or online.

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California State Parks Experience Goes Virtual for K-12 Students

California State Parks Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The school field trip to California State Parks is being reimagined thanks to a new partnership between California State Parks, Parks California, and Computer-Using Educators (CUE). California is home to some of the country's most unique and precious cultural, natural, and historic resources, and a new passPORTS online adventure will help make it possible for students from across the state to experience them.

The new pilot program, passPORTS, will use a blended access approach that combines quality teaching practices with the latest technology to reduce barriers to park access. Using videoconference technology and web resources, the Parks Online Resources for Teachers and Students (PORTS) program introduces K-12 students to live State Park Interpreters, allowing them to connect their classroom studies within the context of California's state park system. "We are excited to embark on a new partnership with Parks California and CUE to provide deep and meaningful digital learning experiences for K12 students and invite them for an in-person class visit to our parks, recreation areas, natural reserves, and culturally important places when the time is right for schools," Brad Krey, PORTS Program Manager said. Geoff Kish, Vice President of Programs at Parks California said, "passPORTS is an exceptional opportunity for kids to connect with and learn about California's State Parks from the comfort of their home. Programs like this play an important role in making state parks accessible for all people, regardless of where they live."

This enhanced initiative builds on 15 years of successful PORTS programs with a new combination of digital instructional materials for use in the classroom, as well as in-park use, and provides funding to school districts to cover bus and transportation costs, giving students their passPORTS to the Parks. "We believe parks provide deep and meaningful interdisciplinary learning experiences for students regardless of physical, social, cultural, economic circumstance, or ability," said Scott Shepherd, Parks Access Coordinator, California State Parks. "Our work will not only increase equitable access to parks for all California citizens, but

in turn mobilize a new generation to play, learn, serve, and share in California State Parks."

The goal of the passPORTS program is to provide more students with access to California State Parks through a blended access approach, using both online learning adventures now and in-person field trips once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. "The Parks offer interdisciplinary learning opportunities which afford schools a wide variety of curriculum engagement. California State Parks encourages students to learn more about nature, science, and history," said Scott Shepherd. "These experiences not only support learning but also build respect for the natural environment and our diverse history and helps students to develop their understanding of California's unique resources."

Shepherd says, "Naturally, we want students, as well as their teachers and parents, to discover that our parks are learning laboratories, as well as places for environmental awareness, advocacy, and stewardship. But, we also want them to discover that these are places to enjoy the wonder of our state. Through collaboration with California State Parks and the K12 community, we aim to develop both sustainable and equitable access for the next generation of park visitors and champions."

For more information about passPORTS please visit our website at www.ports-ca.us.

The partner organizations involved are CUE, California State Parks, and Parks California.

The Parks Online Resources for Teachers and Students (PORTS) Program is a long-standing and award-winning K-12 distance learning program that has provided over 650,000 students with real-time digital access to California State Parks content experts. Please visit ports-ca.us to learn more.

As statutory partner to California State Parks, Parks California has a simple mission – to help strengthen parks and inspire all to experience these extraordinary places. From redwood groves and desert springs to urban parks and lighthouses, the organization works with partners to steward these natural wonders and make California's parks more welcoming, accessible, and relevant to all visitors. For more information, please visit parkscaifornia.org. ★

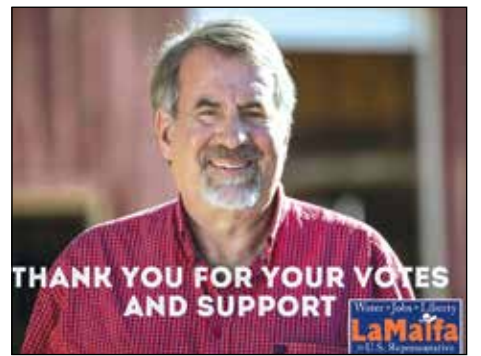
LaMalfa Election Victory

By Doug LaMalfa

RICHVALE, CA (MPG) - As California certifies its 2020 General Election results and the last votes are finally counted, Rep. Doug LaMalfa has seen his election margin steadily increase. The final vote shows LaMalfa winning 57%-43% and by over 50,000 votes. This is an increase of over two percentage points from 2018, during a historically high turn-out election.

LaMalfa faced a well-funded opponent who spent an unprecedented amount, nearly \$2.5 million in the 2020 cycle. In the last three years his opponent has spent over \$3.6 million, almost entirely on negative attacks.

"After years of relentless attack ads and false accusations that were amplified by millions of dollars it's very gratifying to have my numbers actually go up, and



"I'm grateful for the continued confidence and support." Concluded Congressman LaMalfa.

to be re-elected by such a strong margin. The voters were able to see through it all and rallied around the common sense message of limited government, individual freedom and rebuilding the North State. I'm grateful for the continued confidence and support," concluded Congressman LaMalfa. ★

CHP Focused on Eliminating Distracted Driving

By Fran Clader,
California Highway Patrol

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Distracted driving can be a life-changing choice resulting in crashes and the deaths of thousands of people every year in the United States. Driven to make a difference, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) has implemented a yearlong *Adult Distracted Drivers* grant designed to keep California roads safe through education and enforcement.

CHP officers throughout the state will host in-person presentations and use Web-based or virtual platforms to conduct distracted driving traffic safety presentations. In addition, the CHP will conduct several distracted driving enforcement operations through September 30, 2021.

"Distracted driving continues to be a serious issue on our roadway, and it is entirely avoidable," CHP Commissioner Warren Stanley said. "With the support of this grant, we can implement life-saving efforts throughout California that will raise awareness and hopefully

change dangerous behavior behind the wheel."

Multitasking behind the wheel places extra demands on the driver, which can have tragic consequences.

On average, there are more than 20,000 drivers in California involved in a crash every year where inattention is a factor. "These statistics are likely much higher and are often under-reported to law enforcement since motorists do not always admit to driving distracted," Commissioner Stanley added.

While there are many forms of inattention, cell phones continue to be the main source of diversion. Using a handheld cell phone while driving is not only a violation of the vehicle code, it is also an unsafe activity behind the wheel. Drivers should only use a phone when necessary and in a hands-free mode.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The mission of the CHP is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security. ★

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A Christmas Tree for Fish

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Biggs 4-H is rolling out one of their socially-distanced fundraisers just in time for Christmas: The Christmas Tree Recycling & Fish Habitat Improvement project.

Biggs 4-H group has grown from a small group to 40+ members and has become incredibly active in the Biggs community. Brian Harrison, Biggs 4-H leader says that his group participated in this fundraiser last year and that the experience is “a really good thing for the kids”. Biggs 4-H members will collect Christmas trees from those who register with the group and transport them to their new underwater homes at Lake Oroville or the Thermalito Afterbay.

This 4-H project is in cooperation with

the Department of Water Resources at Lake Oroville and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. The trees are submerged in the waters to become new habitats for baby fish, resulting in the growth of periphyton slime that acts as a start off to the food chain and results in more, larger fish, better fishing and a healthy lake environment. Trees must be live trees and have no tinsel, ornaments, flocking etc.

The Biggs 4-H is asking for a donation of \$10-\$35 for the tree pick up as the donations support their 4-H chapter’s ongoing education in agriculture, leadership, community, art and more. To register for 4-H tree pick-ups, sign-up forms will be available at Harshbarger Ace Hardware, Wheeler Ranch and Feed, Mac’s Market, the UPS Store and the Post Offices of Gridley and Biggs. ★

Who will have Priority for COVID Vaccine?



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

There’s nothing new about political jousting over shares of a limited but valuable resource.

For instance, Californians have been squabbling for decades over divvying up water supplies among agricultural interests, municipal consumers and the natural environment. The conflict never goes away but increases in intensity every time the state experiences one of its periodic droughts – and this so-far dry autumn may be a harbinger of another such dry spell.

The annual business of writing a new state budget is always an exercise in political rationing. Even in times of prosperity, when the state treasury is awash in tax money, there’s never quite enough to satisfy all of the demands and expressions of urgent need. More for schools, more for health care, more for colleges, more for childcare or more for prisons?

Those who hire the most and best lobbyists, shower legislators with campaign contributions and wage lavish media campaigns tend over time to fare the best when Capitol politicians decide who gets how much cash.

The allocations of water

and money obvious have serious impacts on the contending parties, but usually they are not all-or-nothing situations. Even the losers generally wind up with something, even if they see it as not enough.

A new political free-for-all is just beginning and this time it is all-or-nothing, potentially with life-or-death consequences – who gets the very limited initial supply of vaccine against the potentially deadly coronavirus.

Gov. Gavin Newsom said last week that he expects California to receive an initial allocation of 327,000 doses of vaccine in mid-December. His administration wants to prioritize vaccinations of health care workers who are most in danger of being infected with the virus.

Few would argue with that intent, but the initial vaccine supply doesn’t come close to covering everyone who falls into that general category. California has more than two million health care workers, and even within that group, there’s a certain level of competition.

Organizations representing local-term care facilities, otherwise known as nursing homes, are pressing for first-tier priority, contending that their elderly clients are being disproportionately infected, often with fatal consequences.

However, another argument is being made for nurses, doctors and others who are directly caring for COVID-19 victims in hospitals.

Expanding vaccinations beyond health care workers will be even more

daunting because no one knows when and how many additional doses of vaccine will be coming, other than sometime next year. After the implicit demand from health care workers is met, who’s next?

Two state legislators are pressing for teachers to be placed near the top of the prioritization list, citing the sharp decline in educational achievement while students are confined at home and the urgent need for resuming classroom instruction.

Assemblymembers Jordan Cunningham, a San Luis Obispo Republican, and Patrick O’Donnell, a Long Beach Democrat, said in a letter to state health officials, “Interim reports from across the state show increasing rates of failure among students, especially those in lower-income neighborhoods. ... Our state’s children cannot afford to wait.”

A recent national study estimated that lower levels of education among students forced to attend classes via the Internet could result in shorter life spans. Several recent articles, including one in CalMatters.org, have detailed how absenteeism has increased and learning has decreased, especially among poor students.

This is heavy-duty stuff. Deciding who gets – and who doesn’t get – the vaccine in the earliest stages of the vaccination effort could be deciding who lives and who dies.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★

Live Oak Love Lights a Tree

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - A tradition of the Live Oak Lions Club, “Love Lights a Tree”, will be held virtually this year due to COVID19.

On Monday, December 14th, live on the Live Oak Lions Facebook Page, the club will be holding its

annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. The tree will be lit in honor of those who are and have fought the battle with cancer.

The Lions are asking the public to donate a Christmas ornament for the tree in memory of a loved one currently living and fighting with cancer,

or lost to it. They are also taking monetary donations. To contribute, please visit Live Oak City Hall and pick up an envelope, or mail a check to LO Lions Club, PO Box 325, Live Oak, CA, 95953. Please include your loved ones name. For more information, please contact Kathy Grove at 530-713-2983. ★

BCSO Announces Arrests Related to Shooting Investigation

Butte County Sheriff’s Office

PALERMO, CA (MPG) - On December 3, the Butte County Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) responded to a report of a shooting in the area of Louis Avenue and Citrus Avenue, Palermo. Deputies arrived and determined a 20-year-old victim had been shot. The 20-year-old victim was transported to a local hospital and is currently in stable condition.

Deputies and detectives immediately began conducting an investigation. During the investigation detectives located evidence that a group of juveniles conspired to rob the 20-year-old victim. Detectives determined the victim was shot during the robbery. On the evening of December 3, deputies and detectives served a search

warrant at a residence in Palermo. During the subsequent investigation detectives recovered the firearm used in the shooting and evidence related to the shooting. Based on evidence located during the investigation, detectives placed three juveniles under arrest on the evening of December 3. The three juveniles were booked into the Butte County Juvenile Hall on felony charges related to the shooting.

Based on the fact this is an ongoing investigation involving juvenile suspects, the Sheriff’s Office is not releasing further details about the investigation at this time. The Sheriff’s Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detectives Vaj Thao or Tristan Harper at 530-538-7671. ★

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Agents Raid Home in Maricopa County in Voter-Data Theft Investigation –Confiscate 8 Hard Drives, 3 Computers and a Bag of USB sticks | 06 Dec 2020 | On the morning of November 5, Arizona federal officials raided a home in the Fountain Hills area in Maricopa County. The agents confiscated eight hard drives, three computers, and a bag of USB sticks. The house belongs to 56-year-old Elliot Kerwin. The agents were looking for evidence of a cyberattack on an unnamed organization and stolen voter data.

Michigan GOP: Secretary of State Trying to Delete Election Data Amid Audit Calls | 04 Dec 2020 | The Michigan GOP on Friday raised concerns about a memo sent by Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson that “is pushing for the mass deletion of election data,” although a spokesperson for the secretary’s office later said the process is routine. The GOP said Benson’s office told clerks in Michigan counties to “delete Electronic Poll Book software and associated files” amid calls to audit the election while flagging it was concerning. They were likely referring to a Dec. 1 memo from the Michigan Bureau of Elections, which is overseen by Benson’s office, that states “[Electronic Poll Book] software and associated files must be deleted from all devices by the seventh calendar day following the final canvass and certification of the election (November 30, 2020) unless a petition for recount has been filed and the recount has not been completed, a post-election audit is planned but has not yet been completed, or the deletion of the data has been stayed by an order of the court or the Secretary of State.”

Arizona Legislature Calls for Immediate 'Forensic Audit' of Dominion Voting Machines | 04 Dec 2020 | The Arizona House and Senate have called for an audit of the Maricopa County election software and equipment following allegations of fraud and other irregularities presented by President Donald Trump’s team earlier this week. In a news release Friday, GOP leaders of the Republican-controlled legislature sought an independent audit of Dominion Voting Systems software – used in Maricopa County – called for the audit. State Sen. Michelle Ugenti-Rita, a Republican said that Maricopa County’s Board of Supervisors “is supportive of conducting an independent audit of their voting software and equipment,” adding: “It is important we maintain all of the voting public’s confidence in our elections, and this is a positive step.” House Majority Leader Warren Petersen, a Republican, said that “a significant number of voters believe that fraud occurred,” citing “the number of irregularities” that allegedly occurred in Maricopa County and elsewhere in the state.

Voting Machine USB Drives Had Totals Altered Overnight, Witness in Nevada Election Contest Alleges | 03 Dec 2020 | A witness brought forward by the Trump campaign in its election contest in Nevada alleged that the memory disks used to store vote totals from election machines during the early vote period had the vote tallies unexplainably changed overnight, according to a presentation at an evidentiary hearing in Carson City on Dec. 3. According to Jesse Binnall, who presented the evidence on behalf of the Trump campaign, the witness, whose name is shielded by a protective order, said that the vote tallies were collected from the machine at the end of every voting day and stored on Universal Serial Bus (USB) drives overnight. “What they would do is they would log these disks in and out. Good practice. And the disks had a serial number on them. And numerous times that disk would be logged out with one vote total on it and logged back in the next morning during the early vote period with a different number on it. Sometimes more, sometimes less,” Binnall said. “What that means is that literally in the dead of night, votes were appearing, and books are disappearing on these machines.” ★



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Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report November 29th - December 6th

- 11-29-20:** At 7:04 pm on the 200 block of C St., Biggs CA, Debra Louise Kunicki, 58, was arrested for public intoxication (647 (f) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.
- 12-4-20:** At 12:29 am on Gilstrap and Archer Avenues, Gridley CA, Jaime Javier Perez, 41, was cited for a local misdemeanor bench warrant and for possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S).
- 12-4-20:** At 1:45 am on Cherry and Haskell Streets, Gridley CA, Robert Anthony LaForm, 48, was arrested for evading police/disregard of safety (2800.2 VC), hit and run with property damage (20002 (b) VC), driving under the influence of drugs (23152 (f) VC), violating a protective order (273.6 (a) PC), possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), and resisting arrest (148 (a)(1) PC). Subject was booked into Butte County Jail.
- 12-6-20:** At 3:02 pm on W. Liberty Rd and Dewsnup Ave., Gridley CA, Dawn Elizabeth Devries, 45, was cited on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant.

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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

We are heading toward the Winter Solstice. That part of the cycle of the year when the nights are the longest and the days are the shortest. After the solstice we are officially heading for spring when the days start to become longer and the night shorter. Amazing that this happens when winter

starts. Another amazing part of winter is the amount of life that goes on below the soil. Not only do insects and worms have an underground winter life but so do the seeds and the roots of plants. We see them as asleep and dormant. In reality this is a time where the work goes on unseen. The roots are spreading and multiplying. It may be slow but the process is happening all winter in our region where we get very little freezing and no deep freezing of the soil.

How often have you seen bulbs come up “early” in your garden? I know my narcissus leaves are up and the blooms will happen in this warmer weather within a couple of weeks. No waiting for January for them when the weather is

relatively warm.

I am concerned about a drought. I’m hoping it starts raining regularly soon. We are watering some plants regularly. Even though the Japanese maples are leafless if it does not rain, they will need water. So will many other decorative plants you may have, roses being one of them.

I’ve put the sweet peas in and I’m looking forward to them coming up in their bright glory. The hellebores will start blooming in a few weeks. I have a white one and a mauvish one. In Berry Creek I once had one called stinking hellebore that had green flowers. I really liked that plant and it bloomed all winter. Everyone, do whatever you do to ask for rain and soon. ★

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal



Do you believe, really believe? Do you believe in a man in a red suit that drops down a chimney or enters through the front door to deliver surprises and gifts? Children are taught to act better so Santa will come. Even an elf on a shelf spies on the household to deliver messages to the North Pole.

How many of us as children watched the night skies to see if we could spot the red nose of a reindeer called Rudolph? We stayed up as late as possible to see if we could catch the jolly old man in the act.

The truth is there was a man named Nicholas who

became St. Nicholas for the good deeds he did for his community. In all cultures there is a character that embodies joy, happiness, and giving, but only by other names. We all want to believe in Father Christmas, Papa Noel, or St. Nick.

Well guess what? We have a Father, a saint, a Papa to believe in. Without this person, Christmas would never have become a celebrated holiday or time of love, joy, and peace.

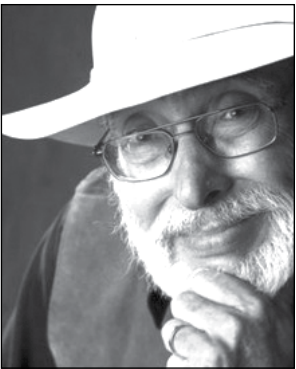
I could suppose this Father never anticipated the celebrations we humans have created out of the events. He coordinated over 2,000 years ago. No Christmas trees! No big fancy parties and gatherings! No rush to cook for people we have invited to our houses! No stress for a lack of time, money, or

ideas to make this year’s celebrations bigger and better than last years.

No, to believe in this “reason for the season” called Christmas, requires we must believe in our hearts and minds that a powerful, glorified God pieced together a plan from the beginning of time, told prophets, priests, and kings, that the most important and precious gift ever given would make its appearance in a small town, in an animal stall, and celebrated by angels of heaven and shepherds on earth. No palaces! No fancy outfits or delicate foods!

In the midst, of a clear beautiful night a baby’s cry broke the silence and the world was changed forever! Do you believe? Seek – search – find the gift offered freely to all mankind! ★

Slim Randles’ HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

Saw this ad t’other day in my outdoors magazine, Campin’ ‘n Fishin.’ Oh, hi there, Alphonse Wilson doin’ the talkin’ don’t you see. Call me Windy. Sneaked in here again when Slim weren’t lookin.’ But I gotta tell ya not to believe ever dang thing you read. Yessir, they had this little-bitty sleeping bag made out of space materials, I guess so you can stay warm on Mars or somethin’ and it weighed just about nothin’ and a half.

Just how stupid do they

*If you can carry it,
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think we are, anyhow? I mean, you gotta surround yourself with good stuff to sleep right or you’re just flippity squidglin’ around all night. Like a inch bug or somethin’ ... well, somethin’ that’s cold and has an agrelation of sleeplessness.

You give me a good ol’ cowboy bedroll every day! Yessir. Now if you ain’t up to slump on what a bedroll is, I’ll just clue you in. You take a great big ol’ tarp and inside it you put your blankets and a pillar and such. How many a-them blankets do you use? Wellsir, how cold is it going to plunge down to tonight? You see, it’s adjustable and you can thicken it if it’s cold or skinny it down if it’s a warm night.

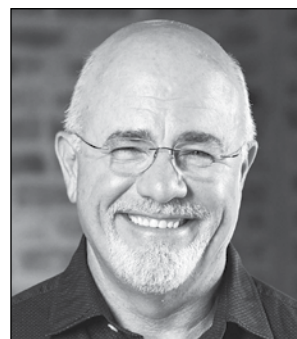
Now what a good smart cowboy will do is build

hissself a bedroll so thick he can go dog mushin’ on the Idiot Road race up in Alaska. Yessir! Then, he can take out half the blankets if it ain’t gonna be cold enough to hang meat tonight. You see? ‘Course now, a real cowboy bedroll ain’t easy to haul around. You ain’t goin’ far with it on your back. Nossir. But that’s why them early cowboys invented pack mules and pickup trucks.

There’s a rule of thumb tacks here, and you’re getting it straight from the horse’s mouth ... if you can carry it, It ... Ain’t ... A ... Bedroll.

And you can tell ‘em I said so.

Brought to you by “A Cowboy’s Guide to Packing the Backyard Horse,” by Slim Randles. Available at www.amazon.com. ★



*Don’t Let Money
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Dear Dave,

My husband and I usually have a few disagreements around the holidays when it comes to Christmas spending. Do you have any advice for eliminating this kind of thing, and making the financial side of Christmas a little less stressful?

– Kellie

Dear Kellie,

I imagine every couple has a few disagreements over Christmas spending. The trick is in how you handle them, and come to a compromise you each feel is fair, smart, and affordable.

One of the keys is to start talking before you start shopping. Being on the same page – and creating a plan and sticking to it – are great ways to bring peace and togetherness into the picture. Honestly, Christmas spending can be part of your monthly

Dave Ramsey Says

cash flow plan the whole year. Get the picture? I’m talking about living on a written, monthly budget. You know Christmas is December 25th every, single, year, so why not set aside a little each month leading up to the holidays?

If you haven’t planned ahead, now is a great time to become a unified team. Huddle up, not only to talk about Christmas priorities, but devise a game plan moving forward so that this doesn’t happen again next year. Together, figure all your regular monthly income and expenses into a budget. If you’ve saved anything at all for Christmas, include that, as well. We’ve all got necessities, so take of those first. Then, make a general list of everything you’d like to spend money on for Christmas – I’m talking about the things we often overlook like food, cards, party expenses, and decorations. Now, make a gift list. Write a dollar amount beside each name or expense on your lists, and if the grand total is the same as – or less than – your Christmas budget total, you’re ready to roll!

If you can’t agree, or the numbers don’t work,

run through things again. This doesn’t mean to repeat your positions until you get what you want. It means both of you acting like mature, responsible adults, finding some middle ground, and making sacrifices. If you really want to show your commitment, you and your spouse can sign your new budget. Signing your name is a simple, psychological signal that means you’re committed to your agreement. Then, post it somewhere you’ll both see it regularly.

Give it a try, Kellie. It just might help reinforce your commitment to the budget – and each other – when the shopping frenzy sets in!

– Dave

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Business Community Demands New Strategies to Deal with COVID Surges

By Brooke Armour,
California Business Roundtable

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As the state today announced more counties are moving back in its colored tier structure and as Los Angeles County public health officials announced that all restaurants must stop in-person dining, a coalition of state and regional business organizations today issued the following statement:

“Surges like the one we are in right now will continue for the foreseeable future, even as hope of a vaccine is on the horizon. The restrictions imposed by the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, while well-intentioned, are not sustainable for the duration of this pandemic. It is time to meet with industry leaders, review the data and new knowledge gained since March and create a more strategic and surgical approach to stop the

spread of the virus without destroying jobs, the economy and the California Dream for generations of families. California can choose to advance both good health and a strong economy.

“Our government leaders should pay attention to actions taken by the National Retail Federation and California Restaurant Association, which are demanding critically important contact tracing data that will help lead a science-based discussion on ways to keep our economy open and providing jobs and paychecks for millions of working men and women, especially during the upcoming holiday season.”

The coalition includes the California Business Roundtable, California Retailers Association, California Business Properties Association, Los Angeles Business Federation (BizFed) and the Orange County Business Council. ★



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Traveling for the Holidays? Be Prepared

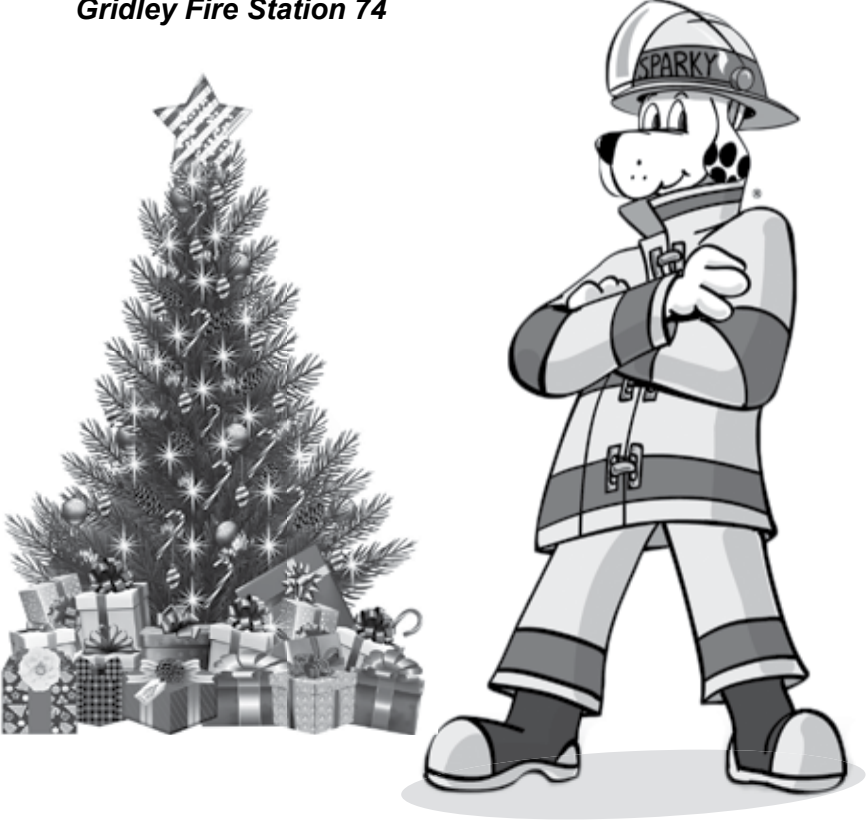
Many people choose to travel during the holidays by automobile, with the highest fatality rate of any major form of transportation the Gridley Fire Department asks that you be extra careful while traveling this time of year.

- Use a designated driver to ensure guests make it home safely after a holiday party; alcohol, over-the-counter or illegal drugs all cause impairment
- Make sure every person in the vehicle is properly buckled up no matter how long or short the distance traveled
- Put that cell phone away; many distractions can occur while driving, but cell phones are the main culprit
- Properly maintain the vehicle and keep an emergency kit with you.
- Be prepared for heavy traffic, and possibly inclement weather.

Thank You, and Happy Holidays!!

Sparky the Dog

Gridley Fire Station 74



Dear Dietitian

Dairy and Heart Disease



Commentary
by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

I typically drink skim milk, but I love the rich taste of whole milk. A friend recently said dairy fat is good for us and doesn't clog the arteries like the fat in meat. Is this true?

Thank you, Laura

Dear Laura,

A rich, creamy glass of milk is soothing, satisfying, and nutritious. Dairy products, such as milk, cheese, and yogurt, are excellent sources of calcium, which we need for healthy teeth and bones. Around the age of twenty-five, our bodies no longer build bone, where most of our calcium is stored. To preserve bone mass, it is vital to consume calcium in our diets. It is especially important for post-menopausal women to consume a consistent source of calcium, since estrogen levels are lower. In women, estrogen plays an essential role in preventing bone loss.

Of course, there are vegetarian sources of calcium, such as fortified soy milk and broccoli. Surprisingly, shrimp is a good source of calcium. However, the majority of Americans get their calcium from dairy products. According to the USDA, in 2019, the average American consumed 20 pounds of ice cream, 148 pounds of fluid milk, and 40 pounds of cheese (1).

As part of a heart healthy diet, the Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend low-fat dairy over whole-fat. Recent studies have challenged this position, with some research revealing that dairy fat may have a protective effect against heart disease.

In the Prospective Urban Rural Epidemiology (PURE) study, over 136,000 people documented dairy intake using food frequency questionnaires. Dairy products recorded were milk,

yogurt, and cheese. After fifteen years, those with a higher intake of dairy (more than two servings per day) compared with no intake had fewer deaths from heart disease, as well as fewer major heart attacks and strokes (2).

Other studies have associated dairy intake with decreased rates of Type 2 diabetes. Randomized, controlled trials (RCTs) are considered the gold standard of research, and few exist on this topic. The RCTs available suggest no effect or a moderate positive relationship between dairy intake and type 2 diabetes.

It is important to note that the vast majority of studies on dairy consumption do not show an advantage of whole-fat over low-fat when it comes to preventing heart disease. Furthermore, many studies (excluding the PURE study) that tout the health benefits of dairy fat are funded by the dairy industry. When an industry finances research on its own product, there is a risk of bias in favor of the product.

What is one to do? We mustn't look at just one nutrient or one food when deciding on a healthy diet. We need to have an overall attitude towards healthy eating. Research has consistently shown that replacing saturated fat with unsaturated fat lowers cholesterol and the risk of heart disease. That said, a healthy diet has to be livable. You will find low-fat yogurt and 1% milk in my refrigerator but not low-fat cheese because, well, it just isn't cheese.

Until next time, be healthy!

Dear Dietitian

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30. Detected

35. Burden of proof

37. Ness' domain

39. Vernacular

40. Poker amount

41. Divvy up

43. U.S. freshwater invader

44. Relating to nose

46. Golfer's warning

47. "The Three Musketeers" dueling sword

48. Isaac of science fiction fame

50. **"The Princess Diaries" leading actress

52. Pigpen

53. Candle burner

55. Greek letters on campus

57. *Remy's idol Auguste

61. *Pongo's mate

65. Radio sign

66. J. Edgar Hoover's org.

68. Was dishonest with, two words

69. *Iago and Kevin

70. *Scar to Simba, e.g.

71. At the point of death, archaic

72. Command to Fido

73. Seed alternative, to a landscaper

74. Loses color

DOWN

1. Fraud

2. Famous Amos

3. Before long, to Shakespeare

4. Alef and Bet follower

5. *Like a Haunted Mansion visitor

6. California valley

7. *Aladdin's sidekick

8. What football and baseball have in common, pl.

9. *Frasier" actress Gilpin

10. Homesteader's measure

11. *Shere Khan's cry

12. Highland tongue

15. Woman in trouble?

20. Actress Davis

22. Package delivery service

24. Reveal the true nature

25. **"How Far I'll Go" performer

26. *_____ of Arendelle, pl.

27. Hutu's opponents, 1994

29. *Raksha or Rama

31. Cote d'Azur locale

32. Ginger cookies

33. Kind of heron

34. *Beardless dwarf

36. Clothing line

38. Honker

42. It may be perfect

45. Moves down

Crossword Puzzle Solutions on Page 7

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

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Crossword Puzzle on Page 7

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KAREN ROENE WING DUNCAN
CASE No. 20PR00391
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Karen Roene Wing Duncan, deceased
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Brett W Duncan, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Brett W Duncan, be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows
January 19, 2021 9:00 a.m. in Dept Civil at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.
IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-

ing of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is:
Brett W Duncan
2109 Fort Jones Road
Yreka, CA 96097
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001132

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000990

The following persons are doing business as: HOUSE OF REDEEMING LOVE, YOUTH WITH A MISSION HOUSE OF REDEEMING LOVE, HOUSE OF REDEEMING LOVE YWAM, HRL
14857 Masterson Way Magalia, CA 95954
House of Redeeming Love, 14857 Masterson Way Magalia, CA 95954
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #20CV01862

1. Petitioner Rosalie Roberta Leaird filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name Rosalie Roberta Leaird	Proposed name Rosalie Roberta Harland
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2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing January 13, 2021 9:00 a.m. Department TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Publish: December 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000678

The following persons are doing business as: J AND J ELECTRIC
777 Ohio Street Gridley, CA 95948
Jason Owens Crandall, 777 Ohio Street Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: July 6, 2020
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 4/12/2010
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001187

The following persons are doing business as: NORCAL READING SOLUTIONS
845 Justeson Avenue Gridley, CA 95948
Julie Lynn Crandall, 845 Justeson Avenue Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: December 1, 2020
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001123

The following persons are doing business as: TNT REAL ESTATE
1341 Lincoln Street Oroville, CA 95966
Don F Miller, 55 Millow Court Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: November 9, 2020
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 7/15/2011
This Business is Conducted by: Individual
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000990

The following persons are doing business as: PARTY TOWN CHICO
1937 E 20th Street, Suite B6, Chico, CA 95928
Priscilla Corbitt, 630 Oasis Drive, Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: November 9, 2020
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001178

The following persons are doing business as: THE MANE PARLOR
330 W. 3rd Street Chico, CA 95928
Lauren Backer, 577 El Reno Drive Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: November 30, 2020
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001163

The following persons are doing business as: RIDGE FINANCIAL PLANNING
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Heidi Elick, 4618 Round Valley Ranch Road Paradise, CA 95969
Date Filed in Butte County: November 24, 2020
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME- STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2017-0001193

The following persons have abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name: INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS
9 Hollis Lane Gridley, CA 95948
John Kurt Neiswanger, 9 Hollis Lane Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: September 5, 2017
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OF PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL FACILITIES FEES AS AUTHORIZED BY EDUCATION CODE SECTION S 17620 AND GOVERNMENT CODES 65995

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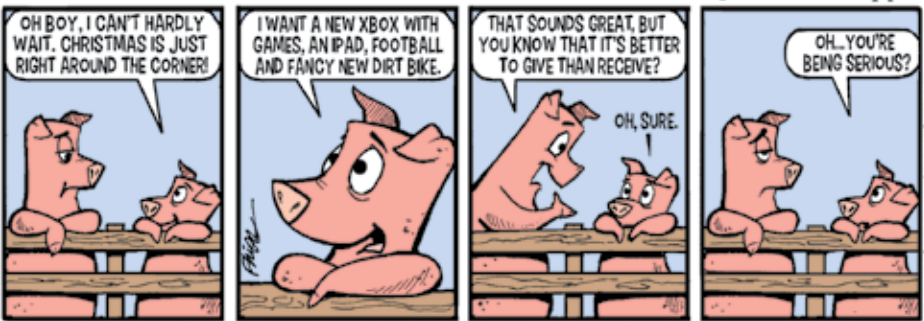


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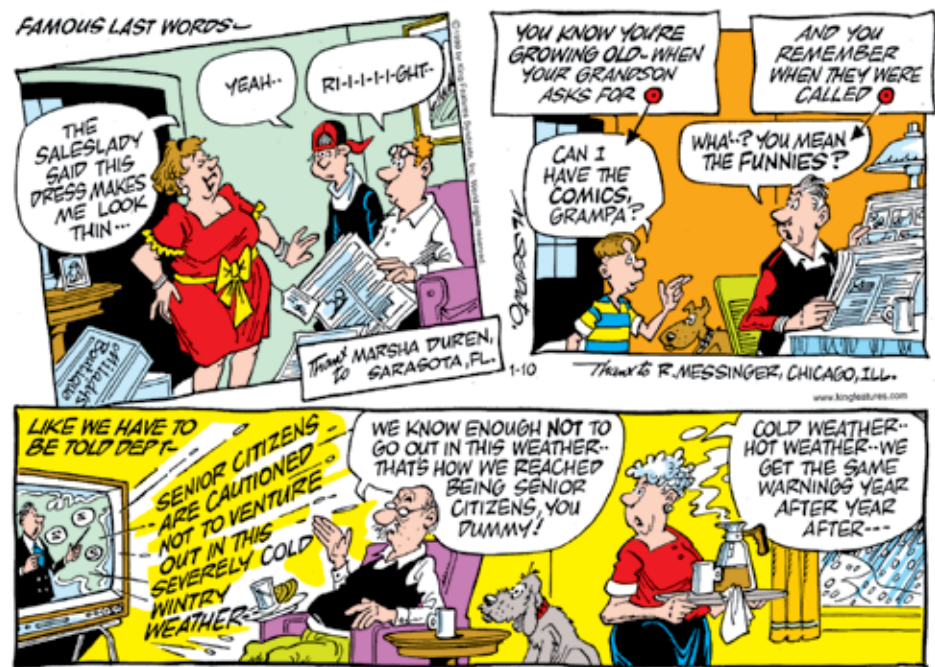
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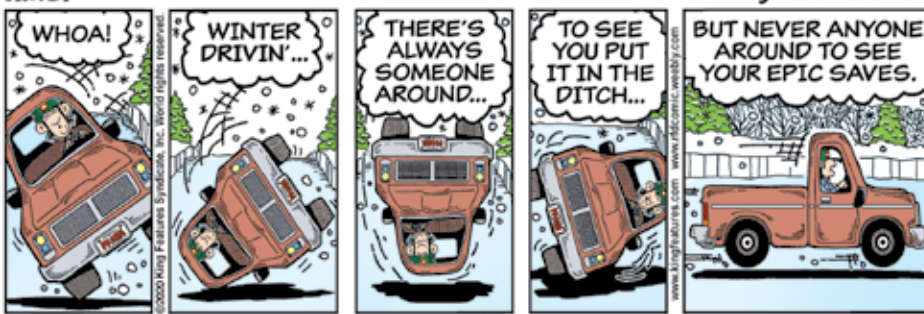
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PG&E to Contribute \$250,000 more in Wildfire Relief

By Brandi Merlo, PG&E

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (MPG) - As part of an ongoing commitment to supporting residents displaced and impacted by wildfires during this historic California wildfire season, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and The PG&E Corporation Foundation (The Foundation) will contribute \$250,000 to tribal communities and organizations assisting residents affected by recent wildfires. These charitable contributions are part of an overall pledge of \$1 million for wildfire relief and recovery efforts during this fire season.

This latest phase of funding will support seven tribal communities in Butte, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Madera and Siskiyou counties. The grants will be used for food distribution programs and general relief efforts.

“The Enterprise Rancheria Estom Yumeka Maidu Tribe was heavily impacted by the recent North Complex fires that swept through our communities. Our entire trust land in Butte County and surrounding ancestral homeland was completely burned over, in addition, we had nine tribal member homes destroyed, several dozen members evacuated for weeks and power is still disrupted to our housing community above Lake Oroville. The generous donation from PG&E is essential in assisting our tribal members with the necessities to start on the path to recovery from the devastation from losing their homes and in some cases, their livelihoods. We thank PG&E for their commitment to help our tribal community and truly uphold the value of ‘We

are better together.’” said Glenda Nelson, Tribal Chairwoman.

The contributions also will assist residents and communities recovering from recent wildfires in Napa, Sonoma and Shasta counties. This includes a total of \$150,000 to support initial relief and recovery efforts on the Glass Fire and Zogg Fire.

Included in the contributions announced, PG&E is providing \$25,000 to the American Red Cross to support emergency assistance to people impacted by wildfires, including a place to sleep, warm meals, clothing and counseling.

In August, provided \$100,000 in contributions to the American Red Cross’ California Wildfire Relief Fund for shelters and community support, and \$50,000 in grants to the California Association of Food Banks’ Rapid Response Fund to support food insecurity relief.

In September, contributed \$250,000 to 20 community organizations responding to food insecurity in vulnerable communities already impacted this wildfire season; local Community Foundations providing immediate relief to displaced and impacted residents; and volunteer fire departments.

Additionally, The Foundation has committed to matching up to \$50,000 in PG&E employee contributions to wildfire relief. The Foundation will match employee contributions to five featured charities supporting wildfire assistance. The employee contributions and 1:1 matching funds total up to \$100,000.

These charitable contributions come either from shareholder funds or The Foundation, not PG&E customers. ★

Poetry Out Loud and Scholastic Writing Awards Invite Students

By David Read, Yuba Sutter Arts

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - The literary arts are high on Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture’s list of priorities. Yuba Sutter Arts is once again inviting high school students to be a part of its annual Poetry Out Loud and Scholastic Writing Awards programs. Poetry Out Loud will be virtual this year, but all currently enrolled students in grades 9-12 are still eligible. Participating students are asked to submit a video of themselves reciting their poem. YSAC can assist with video recording if needed.

The program is as simple as students selecting a poem from the online list, memorizing it and then reciting it at the competition. Poems must be selected from the Poetry Out Loud online list of 1,000 poems at www.poetryoutloud.org. Only versions of poems from the website are eligible for use in the contest. Students are sometimes additionally motivated by teachers who offer extra credit for their participation or they accept Poetry Out Loud participation in lieu of an essay assignment.

Poetry Out Loud judging is based on Accuracy, Physical Presence, Voice and Articulation, Dramatic Appropriateness, Level of Complexity, Evidence of Understanding and Overall Performance. Students may not use props or wear costumes during their recitations. Poems must be memorized, and we will use the honor system to ensure compliance.

Sutter and Yuba County student video entries are



due no later than February 7, 2021. Our first-place winners for each county will receive \$150, second place winners will receive \$75 and third place winners, \$50 each. The California State winner will receive \$200 and an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. in April (hopefully!) to compete at the National Finals for college scholarship funds.

Yuba Sutter Arts is also now accepting submissions from local students for the 2020-21 Scholastic Writing Awards program. Students from 7th through 12th grades may enter work in various writing categories based on their own areas of interest and expertise. The winners in all categories will be announced January 31, 2021 then and go on for regional and national recognition including scholarships for top place finishers.

In order to enter their work for award consideration, interested students must create an online account at www.artand-writing.org. Follow the simple instructions to

submit written work in various categories including short story, poetry, critical essay, humor, journalism, science fiction and fantasy and others. The deadline for submissions is January 7, 2021.

Yuba Sutter Arts is the local affiliate for students interested in submitting for the writing awards and will manage the local judging process. The Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County is the local affiliate for the visual arts portion of the program. The program helps celebrate the accomplishments of creative students, extending opportunities for recognition, exhibition, publication, and scholarships to teenagers who demonstrate exceptional aptitude in writing and art.

Do not hesitate to contact us for assistance at any level: shawntay@yubasutterarts.org or call 530-742-ARTS.

About YSA: Yuba Sutter Arts is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance and service to artists, organizations and residents of Yuba and Sutter Counties. The official agency for Yuba and Sutter of the California Arts Council, its programs include the Yuba Sutter Youth Choir, the Women's Creative Circle, Shakespeare Readers' Theatre, Arts in Education, Very Special Arts Festival, Art Crawl, “Stand as 1” Open Mic Nights, Harvest the Arts, Arts in Corrections, Applause Kids!, Third Sunday Jazz Jam, Songwriter Slam, Art Everywhere and much, much more! ★




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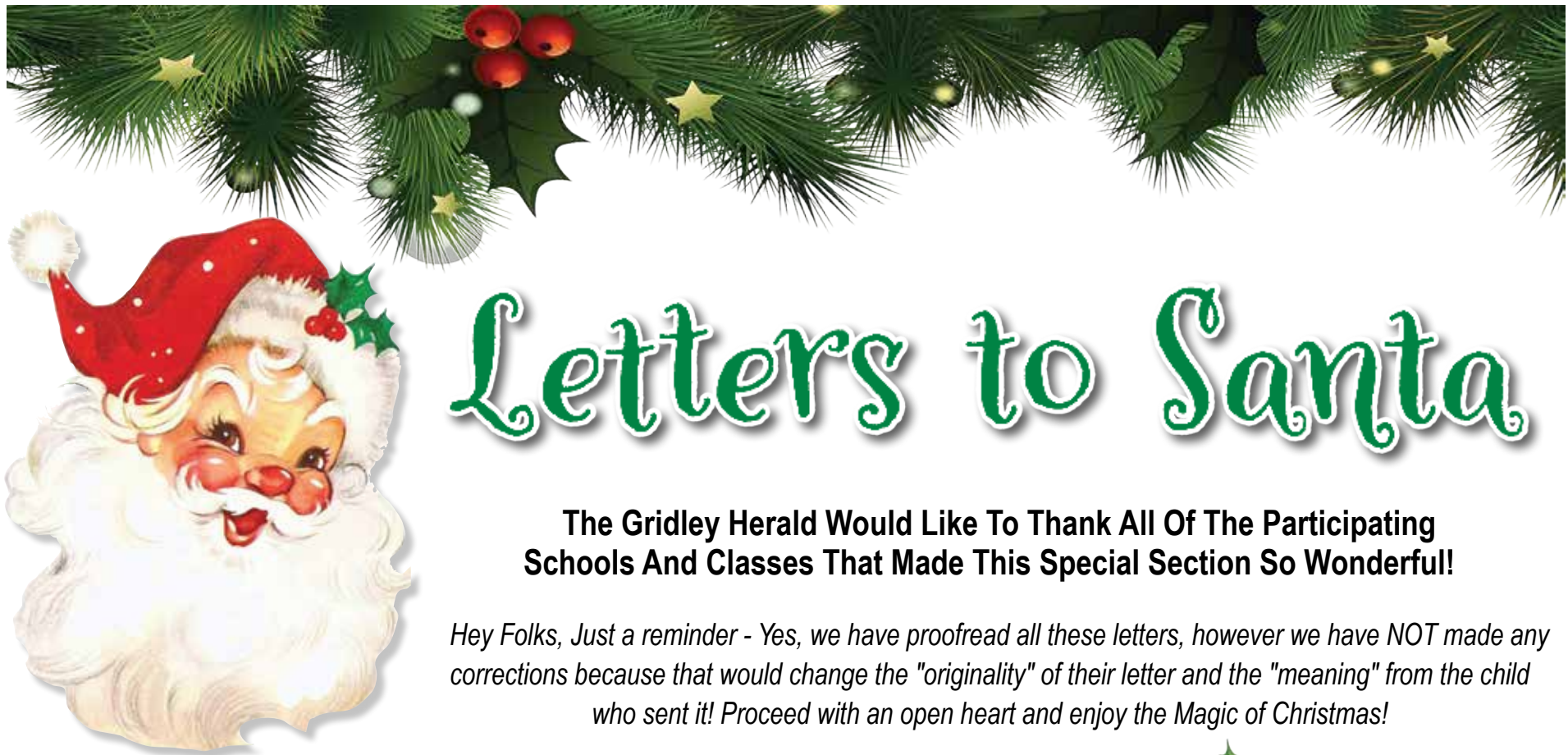
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Biggs Elementary School



Heath

Kindergarten Class

Dear Santa,
Can I have a lego box, two barbies, and an airplane.
Sincerely, Kali

Dear Santa,
Can I have a same dolls, barbies, a frozen toy?
Sincerely, Jurnie

Dear Santa,
Can I have a maritoys?
Sincerely, Reyso

Dear Santa,
Can I have a set of skates?
Sincerely, Ramona

Dear Santa,
Can I have a yoyo?
Sincerely, Hunter

Dear Santa,
Can I have a skateboard?
Sincerely, Malachi

Dear Santa,
Can I have a barbie clothes and makeup?
Sincerely,

Dear Santa,
Can I have a hoverboard, Nintendo, lol boy, boy doll, skateboard, helicopter drone?
Sincerely, Hector

Dear Santa,
Can I have a set of rainbow skates?
Sincerely, Vivian

Dear Santa,
Can I have a toy dinosaur named Donald Smith?
Sincerely, Lincoln

Dear Santa,
Can I have a fake gun?
Sincerely, Bladen

Dear Santa,
Can I have a \$1,000,000 and a frenchy as a puppy?
Sincerely, Lane

Mrs. D.
Kindergarten Class

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy for Christmas and a bike, scooter and a microphone.
Sincerely, Levi

Dear Santa,
I want a duck for Christmas and an alarm, a new bike, and a scooter.
Sincerely, Fernando

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a alarm clock.
Sincerely, Aarin

Dear Santa,
I would like a kitchen. Also I would frozen clothes. I love
Sincerely, Delilah

Dear Santa,
I want a dollhouse for Christmas.
Sincerely, Zaneera

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want a puppy. Also I want a Jumusic World RC car. Also I want a ncolodon.
Sincerely, Casen

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby wolf, a bike and a Barbie Dream

Camper and Dream House.
Sincerely, Brooklynn

Dear Santa,
I would like a Xbox also a nintendo switch and a new bike. High electrical car, and a puppy.
Sincerely, Henry

Dear Santa,
I would like a Q man victec game, spider man set and a spider man token.
Sincerely, Al

Dear Santa,
I want a squeaky dog for Christmas. I also want to LOL plane. I want a plush dog.
Sincerely, Sofia

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie car and a puppy, a Barbie Dream Camper and an electric bike.
Sincerely, Ralen

Dear Santa,
I want a camera for Christmas.
Sincerely, Mason

Mrs. Archie
First Grade Class

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a PS4, a bike and a drone.
Sincerely, Estevan

Dear Santa,
I want a PS4 and a blue Lamborghini for Christmas.
Sincerely, Eddie

Dear Santa,
Even though It is covid I still like Christmas. I would like a Baby Alive Rainbow Wildcat Doll and Once Upon a Baby Fairy Lily. Thank you!
Sincerely, Olivia

Dear Santa,
I would like smelly markers, not the gross ones, and a big Yoshi
Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I hope you and the elfs are doing good. I wish you a Merry Christmas! This year I would like a baby alive and Tamagotchi.
Sincerely, Adaleiya

Mrs. Hansen
Sixth Grade Class

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me some LOL dolls, a Barbie Dream House, and a little baby dog, like a real one! I want a little baby doll and some Barbies. I like a lot of presents! I want a big car for me, but not a real one.
Sincerely, Grace

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a new doll set with unicorns and a Playdough popsicle machine for Christmas. And then I want a new doctor set. And then I want some magnetic tiles, and a new desk for my home, and a Christmas shirt. I want

some rainbow paint & a big paint brush too.
Sincerely, Kaylee

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Barbie Dream House & a unicorn stuffy. I really would like Dr. Obotnik stuff for my sister. I want a Sonic drink cup, and then I want like a unicorn cup. I would like a Barbie, a tiny set of doll accesories, a Sonic tee shirt, a jump rope, and a hula hoop.
Sincerely, Nova

Dear Santa,
I want to give you a present. I want to give you some slime and Playdough. My mom already bought me a present.
Sincerely, Sefora

Dear Santa,
I wish you a happy Christmas! Thank you for sending me a Elf on the Shelf. I very, very like you, and I watched a movie about how you go out for Christmas and fly & The elf. I want a Barbie, A Minnie Mouse Kitchen, also I always wanted a Color Reveal Barbie. That's pretty much it.
Sincerely, Eileen

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Alive, some kitten pajamas, pajamas for my big dog, Barbie & a big kids

pajamas Christmas.
Sincerely, Andrea

Dear Santa,
I want a Lego set garbage truck, a tablet, a Playstation, so I can play Fortnite. So, I also want a calendar for my house, and then I want more masks because I'm running out of some. And I want some clothes because my grandma is running out of clothes for me. I need stuff for my grandma's tree and mine, to decorate it.
Sincerely, Cadogan

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas and I like presents! I saw the movie Elf on the Shelf on Netflix and I like it too! I want a Elf on the Shelf ring, a teddy bear, and I would like a tablet and a squishy.
Sincerely, Ethan

Dear Santa,
I would like you to give me the Barbie Dream House and some slime.
Sincerely, Liliana

Dear Santa,
I'm giving you a Llama Llama book and a cat.
Sincerely, Presley

Dear Santa,
I would like some toys. Blippy toys!
Sincerely, Matthew



Lessons Learned Pre-School

Kathryn Sheppard

Pre-K Class

Dear Santa,
I want a black get-uum spider with 2 legs please. I think I also want a glow in the dark thing that makes me be snug in my bed. Can you please leave me one of your raindeer to go with my elf on the shelf?
Sincerely, Brooks

Dear Santa,
I would like a purple tablet for Christmas please so I can play games. I want a blue scooter to ride at home too. I ride fast. I can use my pink helmet I already have. We have one elf her name is Sarah

she isn't naughty.
Sincerely, Vivian

Dear Santa,
I really really want a gun I can shoot bears and hunt with my papa with. My dad doesn't go hunting. That's all I want. I want a bow and arrow too please. I am not old enough to hunt yet. I have to turn 9 years old first.
Sincerely, Ryker

Dear Santa,
Scary toys are my favorite. Bring my brother a crab please. I like planets too. I hope you like chocolate and strawberry and blueberry cookies and milk too. I will leave crackers out for

the raindeer.
Sincerely, Jaxon

Dear Santa,
I would like one of those blue electric cars. Hudson and Vivian can just get whatever because they have lots of toys already. My RC car is at the hobby shop getting fixed.
Sincerely, Everett

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a green lawn mower that I can ride on so I can mow the lawn with dad. Mason wants a toy camera. I sat on Santa's lap already so why do I have to write a letter?
Sincerely, Maddux

Dear Santa,
Please bring me hot wheels. I Like all colors and kinds. Alina wants a doll. Brady wants army toys. Please bring the raindeer to my house with all the toys. What is your favorite cookie?
Sincerely, David

Dear Santa,
Please bring me lots of legos. That's all for me. My brother wants legos too. My mom and dad don't want legos. Nana doesn't want legos either. I want you to come to my house please.
Sincerely, Maddux

Dear Santa,
I really want a real airplane that flies. A blue one. I really want a lot of toys please. My brother already has a lot of toys so he you don't have to bring him anything. I said please.
Sincerely, Kyler

Dear Santa,
I would like a new police officer costume in a size 5 and a new Elsa cup for milk and water. Can you please get me some new playdoh because I mixed some of mine up? Santa, I love you. Please come to our Christmas celebration at my house.
Sincerely, Addison

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a sparkly toy, especially a puppy with sparkly ears. Please bring my nana a puppy with sparkly ears too, then we will match. I also would like a robot please. Please wear a mask.
Sincerely, Fallon

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me an Elsa doll that says "Let it go". I also want a giant surprise whale-purple if you have it. Casen wants a toy robot that goes "beep bop". I know you don't want me to see you.
Sincerely, Aliyah



Live Oak Child Development Center



Miss Louise

Preschool Class

Dear Santa,
I want Rainbow Dash My Little Pony, a real pony to feed apples to a unicorn toy.
Sincerely, Samantha

Dear Santa,
I want a dragon, robot and t-rex toys with movies. I will share with my sister.
Sincerely, Enzo

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie doctor, a baby with a

nursery and a baby alive that grows up.
Sincerely, Rylee

Dear Santa,
I want a tractor and dinosaur toy with a new big bike.
Sincerely, Xander

Dear Santa,
I would like a super Paw Patrol toy, all the Paw Patrol toys and please bring my sister a doctor ambulance.
Sincerely, Landon

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a toy rice harvester, a new drone and a baby Yoda that makes noise. Also, please bring my brother a toy rice harvester and

remote control helicopter.
Sincerely, Lawson

Dear Santa,
I want Ryan's World and Paw Patrol toys. Bring Archie Paw Patrol toys.
Sincerely, Thatcher





Live Oak Child Development Center (cont)



**Miss Louise
Preschool Class (Cont)**
Dear Santa,
I would like Paw Patrol toys. Ryan’s World toys, Star Wars with Darth Vader, Dino toys that light up. And bring my sister mini dolls.
Sincerely, Omar

**Miss Mirna
Pre-K Class**
Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me princess dresses.
Sincerely, Abigail

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a chicken, a puzzle, and a kitchen
Sincerely, Brayden

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a happy napper.
Sincerely, Alannah

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a unicorn journal.
Sincerely, Jensyn

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a racecar, and a police car.
Sincerely, Lizandro

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring a unicorn scooter for me.
Sincerely, Paisleigh

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a unicorn scooter.
Sincerely, Analisa

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a LOL doll, and a jojosivi pillow. Sincerely, Zoe

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a gumball machine and a pull back car.
Sincerely, Felix

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me an Elsa book, I also want more toys.
Sincerely, Giuliana

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me lightening McQueen toys,
Sincerely, Nicholas

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a phone, like my mommys phone.
Sincerely, Jocelyn

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me an Apple
Sincerely, Araiz

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me playdough, paw patrol toys, and puzzles.
Sincerely, Leonardo

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a blade blade toy.
Sincerely, Antonio

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a barbie.
Sincerely, Azaela

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a computer.
Sincerely, Juliette

Dear Santa,
I want Paw Patrol toys.
Sincerely, Ari

Dear Santa,
I want a Ben 10 toy.
Sincerely, Leonardo

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a unicorn scooter.
Sincerely, Remy

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a flamingo toy and a unicorn scooter.
Sincerely, Avery

**Mrs. Maria
Kindergarten Class**
Dear Santa,
I want tp have a toy and a book. And a snow globe, and a dog and a lol cat and toys and a bunny pet too. And a race car and a toy fox and a car and a watch and slime and a low.
Sincerely, Allie

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a yoyo, watch, and legos.
Sincerely, Daryan

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a xbox, call of duty and Manjago legos.
Sincerely, Manraf

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Nintendo switch, xbox and a yoyo and a watch.
Sincerely, Logan

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want present pops, ID pets and purple & pink Nintendo switch with a Mario game.
Sincerely, Athena

Dear Santa,
I want slime, unicorn for Christmas. I also want barbies. I also want a shopping cart with play food. Can I please have play make up too. Thank you Santa I have good all year.
Sincerely, Joselyn

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Nintendo switch, legos and a American girl and a LOL doll.
Sincerely, Athlehah

Dear Santa,
I want a lol pet. Also I want a lol doll. I also want a apple watch. Bunny pet too. Lol girl. I want a shopping cart toy. Snow globe, book, slime, toy unicorn.
Sincerely, Nathalie

Dear Santa,
I would like a dinosaur toy. Mincraft Nintendo switch, romote controller for live toy police car , ryans toys
Sincerely, Cohn

**Mrs. Maria
First Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
I want a fortnite toy and a new dog. You are the best Santa Clause
Sincerely, Alezander

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a baby fox, a new pool, and a new arts and craft stuff. Also want a new tool box.
Sincerely, Liam

Dear Santa,
Can I please have an

LOL toy and LOL pet. I also want a slime unicorn with a controller with a walking dog with a leash. I also want a toy bunny, with a cage . Can I also have legos and a LOL carrier. Thank you.
Sincerely, Esmeralda

Dear Santa,
I want a LOL pet and LOL girl. A dog and a box of dinosaurs and yoyo. I want mittens and a pet buny too. Thank you Santa.
Sincerely, Aloraakin

Dear Santa,
I want a pet pig and a karaoke machine for Christmas. I want a unicorn toy that is big and I can sit on. I want a JoJo clothes with JoJo shoes. Can I get bear ears headband. I also want an appled watch. Thank you Santa. I will have cookies for you.
Sincerely, Eveya

**Mrs. Maria
Second Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Eddie I would like a PS5 and the new spider man game and Xbox series and a bay blades and money and a gaming computer.
Sincerely, Eddie

Dear Santa,
Hi, I want a new iphone 11. I w ant a new new air pods. And I want a new apple watch. Rosegold

apple computer
Sincerely, Xanira

**Mrs Maria
Third Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
I want my dad out of jail. And a apple watch. . Rosegold Apple Computer.
Sincerely, Lexy

Dear Santa,
I want to thank you for all the thing you do for kids and I have a list of things for you. First I would like a orbie foot spa next I would like some mini brands and last but not least an LOL doll! I’m so sorry when I’m bad sometimes. I do not mean to be bad. Thank you
Sincerely, Avery

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa how are you, you are so nice. Can I please have a new wwe action figures and more games please . I will think about it what I want. Santa what is your favrite color, mine is red and I hope you like this letter.
Sincerely, Ayden

**Mrs Maria
Fourth Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
I believe that I have been a good person. Although, that is only my opnion. This year it wouldn’t really matter what I get for Christmas, but all I ask is please no girly dolls or anything like that. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas!
Sincerely, Aubrae



Manzanita Elementary School

**Mrs. Carstensen
First Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a puppy. Do you love your elves? What do you feed your reindeer?
Sincerely, Esabelle

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a phone. I love your reindeer, I love you too Santa.
Sincerely, Ady

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas, I would wish for a stuffed unicorn. How are your reindeer? I love you Santa.
Sincerely, Brynnly

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas, I would wish for a starwars set. Do you have elf on the shelf friends?
Sincerely, Cooper

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish to see Rudolf. I would love to have a watch.
Sincerely, Khloe

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a phone. I hope the elves wrap my gift.
Sincerely, Cali

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a life size Barbie airplane. How do you make a stuffed animal?
Sincerely, Annie

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for the biggest NASA Lego set on earth. How do you get the presents to everyone so fast?
Sincerely, Ciel

Dear Santa
If I could have have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a Ipod Air. How do you fly the sleigh?
Sincerely, Antonio

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a piano. Mrs. Clause oming to Manzanita again?
Sincerely, Esro

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift I would wish for a puppy. How are your reindeer doing?
Sincerely, Zeke

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a Lego Juggernaut. How many elves do you have?
Sincerely, Crash

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas,I would wish for a hatchimal.
Sincerely, Lilly

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a dog. Your elf is watching.
Sincerely, Jorge

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas, I would wish for all Legos I don’t have. Do you know how to do a backflip?
Sincerely, Armando

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a scar toy gun from Fortnite. I like you Santa.
Sincerely, Michael

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a star belly. Is it really cold at the North Pole?
Sincerely, Harper

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a Lego set called Gyrosphere. How does the sleigh fly with reindeer?
Sincerely, Anthonly

Dear Santa,
If I could have one special gift for Christmas I would wish for a I-phoneX. Thank you for giving people presents.
Sincerely, Esaias

Dear Santa
If I could have one special gift for Christmas, I would wish for a toy car. What do reindeer eat? Do you ever run out of candy canes? Sincerely, Diego

**Mrs. Cable
Second Grade Class**
Dear Santa,
The reason why I want these presents is because I’ve been nise. So can you gitt me a puppy and some wrestlers please and clothes and shoes please. Santa peles be safe on your trip. Thank you much Santa.
Sincerely, Vanden

Dear Santa,
I have been waiting for Christmas, also I wish you a Merry Christmas. I want a remote control monster truck, also a car set. For Christmas I want a bed tent and new art supplies. Be safe on the trip. I also want 3 other stuft anamul dogs.
Sincerely, Levi

Dear Santa,
I have been verey good this year. I hope you had a good day yesterday. For Christmas I would like a

doll and one of the robot dog, but a cat, don’t tell me I already have one. Merry Christmas Santa.
Sincerely, Tavi

Dear Santa,
This year I would like a PS4 and a mic I think I have been responsible this year to get these things. thank you for the gifts.
Sincerely, Ben

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas I want a holly wood hair. I’ve been great with school and I hope youv been good. My family has been good too. Merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Charlie

Dear Santa,
I wish to have my elf Chipea back from the North Pole. I hope you have a merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Kylee

Dear Santa,
Can you get me a dog but a real dog for Christmas. Santa Claus, I want a cute dog for Christmas, but real. Merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Valerie

Dear Santa,
I hope your having a really nice day. I really want a Blastoise Pokemon Lego set. I hope your going to be safe delivering all the presents. Also when are you going to deliver my elf to my house?
Sincerely, Vida

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa I want a phone and a lap top and a nerf gun a skate borde and a jacket. Thank you for the gifts last year. I wish you a marry Christmas
Sincerely, Mateo

Dear Santa,
My Crismas list is a nirf gun, A gas powered car for me and my Dad, A wupy cushion. Also thank you for the huver bord last year. I wish you a mery Crismas Santa.
Sincerely, Heath

Dear Santa,
How have you been? Can I ask how many elves you have? I would like my arm to not be broken anymore and out of the cast. I promise I will listen to mom next time and be safer. I wish you a Merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Francisco

Dear Santa,
Are you having a great day? If not I wish you a great day! Thank you for all the prestents every year! Ive been pretty good! I want punching gloves and punching bag also a phone!
Sincerely, Laura

Dear Santa,
I know you have a lot to go threw so 2 things I want from you is a tack tekl nerf gun and a pasinger airplane legos please. You have a



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Manzanita Elementary School (cont)



mary crismas and a happy new year.

Sincerely, Hank

Dear Santa,

Can I have a Barbie Dremhouse, and a LOL set, Pete the cat books, and Alexa. and a dog I have been good this year. Thank you I have been working hard.

Sincerely, Elena

Dear Santa,

I would like a Hoverboard for christmas. I have been good, Have a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely, Collen

Dear Santa,

I would like a skateboard. I also want a Alexa. I also want a butterfly catcher and have a good Christmis.

Sincerely, Brooklyn

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas a Holle bag of bath bombs. I also want a camera. I have ben good all year. Have a good Christmas.

Sincerely, Kamryn

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. May I pleas have a Netendo Switch have a good flight on Christmas I will have a plate of cookies and milk waiting for you have a good almost christmas.

Sincerely, Makaylin

Dear Santa,

I want a dog, a girl dog. I also want a new face mask. I hope you have a great Christmas.

Sincerely, Brinkley

Dear Santa,

Of cors you know me

well. I want a LOL supris, omg house and a LOL surprise family set and I even want a Barbe dream closet. Thnk you santa I hop you have a muru crimis.

Sincerely, Layla

Dear Santa,

I wood like a huverbord and a electic car and a Rc car and a baby live. I have ben gode I should git the toys, I ben gode. You have a gode Christmas santa.

Sincerely, Haddy

Dear Santa,

I have workt hard this year. May I ples git a xbox for Christmas and 2 controllers. I wud like if I got it please. Thnok you I hop you have a grat Christmas.

Sincerely, Blyss

Dear Santa,

This year I have ben good and i would like a bike, a Apple wach, pjamas a (L & XL), phan, sweshert, hours, duble sade stikey tape, room dcooker, a pupey. I hope you have a good ride think you for gitting wate I want Santa marry chriamas santa.

Sincerely, Mackenzie

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the RC car last year. I tried really hard this year to be good. I would like an XBOX and two XBOX cuntroler. I wish you and your ELVES A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Sincerely, Maverick

*Mrs. Walther
Third Grade Class*

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? I would want some fuzzy boots for me and for

my two sisters, some perfume smells good. My brother, can you get him new shoes? For my parents my dad a hat. My mom P.J.'s, me a baby doll.

Sincerely, Joanna

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I'm really excited for this Christmas!! I've been wanting a Microsoft lap top. But maybe my sister would want a bike with lights. And could you get my parents new pj's (lol) And my baby a cute squishy stuffed animal.

Sincerely, Sawyer

Dear Santa,

I want some led lights, and a trampoline and an x box 1. Please get my mom a lot of candles.

Sincerely, Antonio

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? What I want for Christmas is American doll stuff. Next I want candy and a medium cat crate. to Santa.

Sincerely, Isabella

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I was thinking that you can get my brother Lucas The Biggest Lego set ever but Not bigger than our house! Can you maybe get me a Walmart gift card and a polaroid camera and the supplies for it.

Sincerely, Reece

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy this year and I would like a Honda 110 dirt bike. I would love a fishing pole

and tackle box for Canon, Will, Mason and Mateo with the tackle box full of fish baits.

Sincerely, Tristan

Dear Santa,

I look forward too xmas every year, can you give me and Millie a nice friendship bracelet? A pink one for her and purple and blue for me. Can my mom have some nice earrings? I miss you Santa.

Sincerely, Aeris

Dear Santa,

How are you Santa and Mrs Claus and my elf Holly? This is what I want: for my mom, a nice beautiful dress. What I want for Christmas is a gun, a hover board, also a girl toy elf. I will see you soon Santa, miss you.

Sincerely, Millie

Dear Santa,

I wish I had a dirt bike tire and dirt bike helmet and dirt bike goggles, and new black pen and 50\$ for me and my brother and dad and mom.

Sincerely, Alexander

Dear Santa,

I want Tristan to get a fishing pole. I want my uncles to get a new gun and fishing pole. I want a fly fishing pole and bass fishing shirt and a bb gun. I want pellet gun for Mateo.

Sincerely, Canon

Dear Santa,

Can you please show me Rudolph when you come to deliver presents? Please get the children that have nothing some nice warm socks and a warm blanket. And

for me a LOL house and a Omg Doll. Thank You!!!!!!

Sincerely, Niellie

Dear Santa,

My mom would like a necklace and a ring. My dad wants a tool box and a 49er jersey. I want a VR and also a rubux card. Please bring Tristan a dirt bike and a collar for his dog Chloe.

Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I want a Nintendo Switch or a fishing pole. My sister wants makeup. Max wants some thing. Benson wants some thing too. But the most thing I want is a dirt bike!

Sincerely, William

Dear Santa,

How have you been? Good I hope. For Christmas I would like a fishing pole for my dad please. Now, for me I would really, really like 10 Lego ww2 British soldiers. For my mom, a necklace. Myself, mother and father have been nice and good.

Sincerely, Ace

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope you are doing good. Can you get my dad wireless ear buds? And my mom a gift card from a cooking store? Can you get my brother a big lego set? And for me a lot of barbie food?

Sincerely, Rio

Dear Santa,

Can I have a hoverboard and a alexa? Oh, and can you get my sister an American Girl doll? please get my mom a new car and

my dad a new work truck.

Sincerely, Drew

Dear Santa,

I would love that you could give my mom a new pan for cooking and I would like a Nintendo switch. I have been really good this year.

Sincerely, Mateo

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? What I want for Christmas is toys for my baby brother. And a Peppa Pig toy for my sister, toys car for my brother, and some ice cream for my brother. I want an i Pad.

Sincerely, Nevaeh

Dear Santa,

Can you get my bunny some carrots this year And our dog dog food and for me a ps5 to play Spiderman game and to get my dad a truck and sister led lights?

Sincerely, Sebastian

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Can I have a new nerf gun that I don't have. Also can you give Manzanita more school supplies and money? Can you give Ace an Xbox one and say its from Tony please? and thank you.

Sincerely, Tony

Dear Santa,

How are you doing and Mrs. Claus? I want a bat and led lights. and I want a Hatchimal. Can I have a book that I can draw in and shoes?

Sincerely, America



McKinley Elementary School

*Mrs Bozzo
Kindergarten Class*

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my McKinley School Family. For Christmas, I want all my students past and present to have a healthy Christmas holiday.

Sincerely, Mrs. B

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for the Christmas spirit. I want a light wing.

Sincerely, Matthew

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for Santa. For Christmas I want a baby unicorn.

Sincerely, Loveya

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for the town. I want a big helicopter toy.

Sincerely, JD

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for Santa. I want sa scooter.

Sincerely, Kevin

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for you Santa. For Christmas I want a kids hjeep.

Sincerely, Roxy

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for Mrs B. For Christmas I want a nerf gun.

Sincerely, Nova

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my family. For Christmas, I want a dinosaur.

Sincerely, Edwin

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my school family. For Christmas I want a unicorn that changes colors.

Sincerely, Avery

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for God. For Christmas I want a megasaur that comes apart.

Sincerely, Jesica

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my family. For Christmas, I want to go to the snow with

my family.

Sincerely, Olivia

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my dad and mom. For Christmas I want a pink Nintendo Switch to play games.

Sincerely, Oliver

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my grandma and my popa. I want a slime shaped like a pony.

Sincerely, Athena

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my daddy, mommy and Tinsley. For Christmas I want a big turtle.

Sincerely, River

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for Santa. For Christmas I want a red R.C. car.

Sincerely, Giovanni

Dear Santa,

I am thankful for my family. For Christmas I want a blue toy car.

Sincerely, Xavier

*Mrs Cranfil
Kindergarten Class*

Dear Santa,

I want a real pet dog. I clean up y toys when I am done playing.

Sincerely, Ernesto

Dear Santa,

I want a magic fairy that you make fly with your

own hands. I help my mom make food and I am nie to my friends here at school.

Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa,

I want a big doll house. I helped my dad move the firewood.

Sincerely, Kora

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie house with a pool and a slide for my Barbie to go down. I was listening to my mom and I follow her directions. I do my homework when she says.

Sincerely, Jacqueline

Dear Santa,

I want a megladon

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monster truck you can drive in water and land. I do my Nana’s laundry, help my mom with a lot (but don’t care because I do it for her). I help my dad pick grapefruit and oranges.
Sincerely, Hayden

Dear Santa,
I want a bike with training wheels. I help my grandma. She has a hurt knee. When I go to sleep I kiss my grandma.
Sincerely, Mateo

Dear Santa,
I want a big Elsa Barbie. I’m good, I help doing the dishes.
Sincerely, Theresa

Dear Santa,
I want a flamingo and a puppy. I listen to my mom when she tells me to clean.
Sincerely, Annabella

Dear Santa,
I want a scooter with wheels that light up. I help my mom clean and do dishes.
Sincerely, Chloe

Dear Santa,
I want a unicorn. I am good. I help my mom.
Sincerely, Kenia

Dear Santa,
I want Legos. I help mom at home.
Sincerely, Emiliano

Dear Santa,
I want a unicorn. I want a big one. I am good at home.
Sincerely, Ava

Dear Santa,
I want a big plushy shark. I want to pet a real one. I am gentle to my mom and dad.
Sincerely, Hugo

Dear Santa,
I want a normal cat. I have been nice to my mom.
Sincerely, Nelson

Dear Santa,
I want a nerf gun with a scope to practice my aim. Santa’s elf said I was good.
Sincerely, Dillon

Dear Santa,
I want a real puppy. I was helping my mom put ornaments on the tree. She put the star; it was really high.
Sincerely, Ainslee

Dear Santa,
I want Bay Blades. I help with my little brother and mom and dad.
Sincerely, Alex

Dear Santa,
I want an ice cream shop. I have been helping my family.
Sincerely, Lupita

Dear Santa,
I want a real live unicorn. I always clean my bedroom.
Sincerely, Miltie

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy. I am a good girl. I help my mom and sister.
Sincerely, Mariah

**Mrs. Weagant
Kindergarten Class**

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car, socks, clothes and new shoes. Also a cat. I listen to my big brother, mom and dad.
Sincerely, Lionel

Dear Santa,
I want dinosaurs for Christmas. I have been a good boy this year.
Sincerely, Edwin

Dear Santa,
I will like a doll and a flower for my mom, because she is the best. I been helping my mom by cleaning my room and cooking.
Sincerely, Esther

Dear Santa,
I have been wanting this electric scooter. I love my family. I also would like a music box.
Sincerely, Maria

Dear Santa,
I want an airplane that flies in the air with a controller. I also want a new cover for my iPad and I want new magnets.
Sincerely, Xavier

Dear Santa,
I want a sharpener to sharpen my pencils. I feed the dog and be nice to friends and like to play.
Sincerely, Oscar

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a red camera? I play with Jemma while mom does the dishes.
Sincerely, Jazlynn

Dear Santa,
I want a red camera. I clear the house for my dad and my brothers and sister.
Sincerely, Marianna

Dear Santa,
I am good at home. Can I please have a Barbie?
Sincerely, Lola

Dear Santa,
I help out a lot. I help other people that need help/
Sincerely, Leah

Dear Santa,
I want to give my mom red roses. I help my mom clean my room.
Sincerely, Gaby

Dear Santa,
I want some toys. I always play nicely with the twins.
Sincerely, Aleyza

Dear Santa,
Am I on your list? I want a woody Christmas toy. I want you to know I know my a,b,c.
Sincerely, Maple Lilly

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Jurassic Park Lego set. My dog died. I’m a good boy. I was being nice to my family.
Sincerely, Ashton

Dear Santa,
I want a big snow globe for Christmas. I ben going to bed when my mom asked me to. I also want to say that I been taking care of my elf.
Sincerely, Ellie

Dear Santa,
I want a big buncy house for Christmas. I been sleeping when I’m asked.
Sincerely, Bronson

Dear Santa,
I want a rainbow camera, and Barbbie clothes. I been helping mom put clothes in the washer.
Sincerely, Alyssa

Dear Santa,
I want a Power Ranger legos. I been a good helper with my puppies.
Sincerely, Denton

Dear Santa,
I been good at home. I’ve been good fpr presents and love. I’ve been sleeping for a long time.
Sincerely, Bradley

Dear Santa,
I want a tablet for Christmas. I have been a really good girl, I hope I get my tablet.
Sincerely, Sofia

**McVicker
First Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing well. I want to ask you please, if you can bring me a barbie doll and a toy Minnie and mickey mouse. I also want a squish unicorn toy. I will also like a lamp of the virgen de Guadalupe. That’s all thank you!
Sincerely, Maria

Dear Santa,
I want a LOL doll for Christmas. Also a makeup box, a rocking chair and a pink carpet.
Sincerely, Kacylina

Dear Santa,
I would like to get a boy

Barbie. I have been good and I cant wait to see you.
Sincerely, Juliana

Dear Santa,
I want a robot dog, a plushie fox, a max car and a toy gun. I have been a good boy!
Sincerely, Paco

**Mrs. Olson
1st Grade**

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa, I love playing with my friends. How can you make it all the world in one night. I want a nerf gun.
Sincerely, Davis

Dear Santa,
I love you bkus you give presents. How can you make presents? I want a new game. Love Mihael.
Sincerely, Mihael

Dear Santa,
I am good at Hipolth, my freds an gramo to. How do the elves flie? Can I have a Xbox.
Sincerely, Riley

Dear Santa,
How do your elves fly back to the North Pole? I do my best in school with my work. For Christmas I want the omg rock band.
Sincerely, Savannah

Dear Santa,
Santa I am good at lego and my favort thing to do is hug you! Cood I git a scootr for Chrismis.
Sincerely,

Dear Santa,
I help my dad to fowld the londry. How can the reindeer fly? Could you bring me a LOL doll for Christmas. Thank you Santa!
Sincerely, Elin

Dear Santa,
I love your reindeer. I lost my top tpoth. How do elfs go to the north pole?
Sincerely, Rozlyn

Dear Santa,
How do you know about names Santa. I want a toy lego set. I luf Santa.
Sincerely, Carson

Dear Santa,
I be ruspeful and responsible at my gamas and the park. I want a cheker bord. Thanc you Santa.
Sincerely, Rhea

Dear Santa,
My name is Easton. I like to be a good friend. Santa how du Rudolpho fly? Will you bring me a nerf gun! I hope you have a

great Christmas.
Sincerely, Easton

Dear Santa,
I can do good at woshen the dishes. Please can you git me a I phone.
Sincerely, Peyton

Dear Santa.
Santa I want a switch for me. I help mi mom to pick up stuff.
Sincerely, Miguel

Dear Santa,
My name is Reed. I Luve helping pepIII. How do yr elfs get here and bak? Can you get me a pet lisrd? Thank you Santa.
Sincerely, Reed

Dear Santa,
I doing good at reading buks. How do the elfs git to the earth . Plse will you git me a big panda bar. Love Ruby
Sincerely, Ruby

Dear Santa,
I love doing dishes at my home. How dus the elfs flie? For Christmas can I have a hot peek bike? Thank you Santa.
Sincerely, Swayzee

Dear Santa,
How do you mac all the pezit and I want a raaseen god for my sitsr bcus I wot to giv it to her. I hep my gapa do the leaves.
Sincerely, Brady

Dear Santa,
I am helpful by helping people up. How do reindeer fly? I want a remote control car for Christmas.
Sincerely, Daniel

Dear Santa,
I can help my friends. Sant how do your reindeer fly? I wut a electric guitar.
Sincerely, Gavin

Dear Santa,
My name is Addison. I help my dad. I want is a dol you get to feed.
Sincerely, Addison

**Mr. Tuft
First Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want tazer tag, bow n arrow, pies. I help my famley.
Sincerely, Bentley

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want meloo momz tooled dad.
Sincerely, Francisco

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want lol and a doll. I do good.
Sincerely, Mya

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want

toys bekuz I work vere hrd.
Sincerely, Jairo

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want LOL doll. I want to hav it because I was good to my sis.
Sincerely, Jude

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a toy car becas I hepy fed my dog.
Sincerely, Joice

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Legos. Bcus I hlp mom clenup.
Sincerely, Christopher

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a baby tigr. I disrv it kucks I hel[my mom wit my baby butr.
Sincerely, Luna

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a rMock chair. I wut this I be good.
Sincerely, Dwight

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Jo HJo bcus I wrc hor and I love my mom and my dad.
Sincerely, Evelyn

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want the big lol boom box becaes I help my granpa give my dog water and food an I put my dog outside when he needs to go to the bathroom.
Sincerely, Kendall

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a gro Kit. I help my mom and dad.
Sincerely, Israel

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I mot a pop. Bkus I khs mi rom.
Sincerely, Brooklyn

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a dog. I sulpt up poop.
Sincerely, Loch

Dear Santa,
I want a dsdl. I mad a str for the amm.
Sincerely, Paige

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a lazr revishn. Becaz I clean me room.
Sincerely, Adrian

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a new puppey. Becus I think I drvit it.
Sincerely, Turner

year. For Christmas I would like a robot and a lego set. I hope you have a good vacation.
Sincerely, Jameson

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a drone, a laptop and a stunt shot. I hope you get a vacation.
Sincerely, Jase



Richvale Elementary School

**Mrs. Pearson
First Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a hatching dinosaur egg. I hope you have a good Christmas
Sincerely, Henry

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a stuffed puppy and a

Olaf toy that moves with a wand. I am going to leave you cookies and milk.
Sincerely, Ella

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a RC Cover RC snow blower, and a six wheeler RC on tracks. Have a merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Clay

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a lego set.
Sincerely, Olivia

**Mrs. Pearson
2nd Grade**

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year, For Christmas I would like a drone. Have a merry Christmas.
Sincerely, Randy

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like a teddy bear and a BTS plushy and a BRS blanket and a iPad and dolls just 2 though.
Sincerely, Love Michelle

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a basket ball hoop. I hope you have a

good Christmas.
Sincerely, Bently

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a fortnight shot gun and a dirt bike. I’d be happy with anything. Merry Christmas Santa. XOXO
Sincerely, Levi

Dear Santa,
I have been good this

year. For Christmas I would like a robot and a lego set. I hope you have a good vacation.
Sincerely, Jameson



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Richvale Elementary School (cont)

**Mrs Pearson
Third Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa My name is Knox. I want a dirt bike please. I would like some dirt bike gear please because I really like to ride dirt bikes . Bye Santa
Sincerely, Knox

Dear Santa,
Hi its me Hunter this year I don't want a lot but I do want a couple things. First thing is a hoverboard, next I want a new goggle phone and the last thing is arts and crafts. That's really all but give the rest of the preants to kids who need it.
Sincerely, Hunter

**Mrs. Hall
Fourth Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I don't really want anything for Christmas. All I want is a dog, a baby corgi and that's all I want is a baby corgi. I have never had a dog and I really want one so it would be nice.
Sincerely, Shay

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas Santa, I want a leopard gecko, ochlas2, PS5, and that's what I want for Christmas. A Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.
Sincerely, Jared

Dear Santa,
I really have been a good boy this year. I really want a pet bat for Christmas. I really want a real batsuit and corul from the dark knight. I also want my mom to have more money.
Sincerely, Kadya

Dear Santa,
I have been really good girl this year. I would like a smart TV, and a 3D pen for Christmas. I am excited for Christmas.
Sincerely, Sydnee

**Mrs. Hall
Fifth Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I would really like a new phone. And I know I broke a few in the past but I promise I wont break

it. I will keep it as long as Hunter has even longer. I would also like a new xbox so I don't get in to fights and if you get me an xbox, I'ss even share with Hunter and RJ. Thank you.
Sincerely, Austin

Dear Santa,
I want Donald J Trump to win. Biden should not. I know this is weird thing to ask for. Now I'll tell you another thing that I want. I want nothing but Trump to win the election. Thank you.
Sincerely, Arden

Dear Santa,
I would want a rc rock-etcrawler and arc buggy. I would also like a go pros for riding my rc car I already have. The next thing I would like is a Siberen Husky and these paint markers that are awesome. RC Baha Rey, red dead redeption , call of dutycold war. If I don't get what I want its fine.
Sincerely, Wyatt

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the presents and cheer you bring the world and for all the kind things for kids around the world. You have made a diferance in there lives.
Sincerely, Sofia

**Mrs. Hall
6th Grade**

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I realy want a dirt bike, I phone 7 and a puppy. Maybe a 2021 orange and blue bat for softball, and can you please get my brother quad stickers and some hot wheel monster trucks. I also want covid to end! And Trump to win.
Sincerely, Kaydenze

Dear Santa,
I don't know what I want so I want you to focus on other people. You're the best at your job and I hope you have a great time coming to peoples house and giving them their presents. Maybe one day I can help you?
Sincerely, Brittney

Dear Santa,
This year I don't want any new toys because I already have enough and because you need to travel all around the globe and even if I don't get anything I want my cousins, Peyton, Lucas, Alton, and all of the others to get the things that they really want this year. And without further ado I hope everyone has a jolly Christmas. P.S. Say hi to all of the elves and reindeer for me.
Sincerely, Kourtney

Dear Santa,
I would not like much for Christmas. Im going on a trip to Hawaii so I don't need a lot of presents. You can take some to other people who need it more. Also I would like you to help people in need of it. Happy Christmas.
Sincerely, Logan

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus doing? How are all the elves? Do you get presents for Christmas? Because I think

you deserve it more than anyone else. This Christmas I don't want a lot, just a few things really. I am just glad I get to spend it with family. One thing I do want is a new show whip for pigs. Merry Early Christmas!
Sincerely, Riley

Dear Santa,
Happy Holidays! How is 2020 for you? It's not so good for me. How's the reindeer and Elves? For Christmas I want a RC Car so I can drive it around at my house. Thank you for all the gifts. Happy Holidays !
Sincerely, Rhegan

Dear Santa,
This year I don't really want anything except a pair of some acid washed jeans. Don't waste your time on me, I have a lot already. If I may ask, how are you guys doing? Go help the needy, poor, and homeless but can you get my brother and sister what they want please?
Sincerely, Rosemary



Last Minute Letters

**McKinley
Preschool**

Dear Santa,
I've been ok but I don't remember what I want. I just want my family safe.
Sincerely, Charlie

**GHS
9th Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo Switch please and monkey ball. I've been good. Almost too good.
Sincerely, Natalie

**Wilson
5th Grade Class**

Dear Santa,
I have been good and I want to get a polly pocket toy. I also want my sister and brothers to get what they want.
Sincerely, Sophia

**Mrs Boyer Kindergarten
and First Grade Classes**

Dear Santa,
I have been nice this year. Could I please have a puppy and a skateboard? I also want a toy car and a house.
Sincerely, Zuleyka

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Could I have a sweater, a gumball machine and a little plushie? Also, could my little sister have a little toy? And my mom wants a nice bag. I love you Santa. Ho! Ho! Ho!
Sincerely, Marina

Dear Santa,
I have been sweet this year. Could I please have a LOL doll house, a tou princess car and a big

princess house?
Sincerely, Yaneli

Dear Santa,
I have been kind. Could I have a Barbie house and a play cell phone? I love you Santa.
Sincerely, Ireri

Dear Santa,
I want a Fortnite card for my PS4. I have been nice. I want a black panther mask. Thank you Santa you are the best.
Sincerely, Isaiah

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. All I want for Christmas is a remote control car. My dad wants a mug and my sister wants a barbie dream house.
Sincerely, Cash

Dear Santa,
I have been being good. Could I please have some jewelery like necklaces, bracelets and earrings?
Sincerely, Naryah

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa, I have been a good kid. Could I please have a kazoo and Bendy and the Ink Machine game? Thank you, Santa. How far away is the North Pole?
Sincerely, Colt

Dear Santa,
I have been good with my dad. Could I please have a RC car and Vbux for Fortnite so I can buy a nice skin? Nichole will make you some good cookies. I know where you live. It's at the North Pole.
Sincerely, Emmett

Dear Santa,
My mom says I am a god boy, I think I am good, sometimes. Could I have a monster truck and play set with swings for my front yard? Thank you Santa.
Sincerely, Ethan

Dear Santa,
I have been very kind this year. I would like to ask for a Barbie house and a new Barbie. I go to a nice school and have a lot of friends. Please wear a mask so you don't get sick.
Sincerely, Journii

Dear Santa,
I have been pretty good this year. I would like a hoverboard for Christmas. I will be very careful on it. Could you bring a Barbie dreamhouse for y sister? And my brother wants an electric scooter. Thank you, Santa. I will leave you cookies and chocolate milk.
Sincerely, Francisco
P.S. Don't get the Corona virus.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl at school and at home. I would lie a toy horse to play with. I also need a new horse rope. Is Rudolph being a good reindeer?
Sincerely, Sage

Dear Santa,
I have been a really good, good boy, even better than my brother and sisters. Can you give my sisters a cat and my brother a puppy? I would like robux so I can buy stuff on Roblox. Thank you Santa!
Sincerely, Siaoisi

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year long. I would like a babby doll for Christmas. Do you think a kitty would be okay to get for Christmas? Please wear a mask and be safe.
Sincerely, Khloe

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like some Lego sets, a Harry Potter Lego set, and a hidden mystery Lego set. I would also like some pokeman cards and creeper sweat-shirt that zips up over your face. Thank you, Santa.
Sincerely, Rush

From Lupita Vasquez
Hola Querido Santa
Como Estas? Es pero que bien.
Yo estoy bien gracias. A dios sabes diosito me acudado mucho I yo tambien me estoy cuidando casino salgo. Alas tiemdes por cuidar me este ano solo quiero pedirte unas cuantas cosas si puedes traerme las por favor y sino puedes traer me los con las que puedes estaba, quiero unos jugetes de mini y mickey maus y un juguete de unicornio, y unos scushis juguete unicornios. Es todo muchas gracias y cuidate mucho que dios te bendiga att Lupita





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