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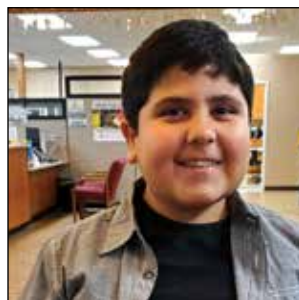
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Thank You Aaron Rodgers!



Gridley area children thank Green Bay Packers quarterback, Aaron Rodgers for his donation toward the playground project of Gridley's Vierra Park. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - In August of this year, Gridley City Council approved an expansion of Gridley's Vierra Park with the stipulation that Gridley Parks and Recreation Director, Trina Leishman acquire 50 percent of the project's total cost. The City would match her dollar for dollar.

At the time that the project was brought to the Council for consideration, Leishman had already secured a grant from the North Valley Community Foundation in the amount of \$25,000 towards the playground's total installation cost of \$180,954.56. Donations were also received from Orchard Hospital, Gridley Lions Club, Taco Bell, Butte Auto Parts, and personal donations from Margaret Hughes.

Even with those donations, the Gridley Parks and Rec portion of cost

was still far away from its share of \$90,000.

Recently, Leishman, Gridley, and the Vierra Park expansion project got a big win!

Chico native and Green Bay Packers quarterback, Aaron Rodgers, has donated \$50,000 towards the project – An extremely generous gesture for our community!

The grant comes from the Aaron Rodgers NorCal Fire Recovery Fund. According to the foundation's website, all grants are approved by the Aaron Rodgers Foundation committee and requests are taken out of the Camp Fire Relief Fund. The Aaron Rodgers NorCal Fire Recovery Fund has actively made grants to support children's programs, youth and high school sports and transitional and permanent housing. Rodger's foundation has granted over \$545,211.00 of his

planned Million-dollar total donation towards the Camp Fire recovery process, to Paradise, Chico and other north state communities.

On behalf of Gridley Parks & Rec, Leishman says, "The grant received by Aaron Rodger's and the Butte Strong Fund through the North Valley Community Foundation is incredibly generous and a game changer for the successful raising of funds needed for the new park equipment. Only \$5,500 is needed of the original 90k!"

The expansion project is already underway and will include more swings, a climbing zone, zip-line and more. It is hoped to be completed by spring of 2020.

Many thanks to Rodgers for his work to aid in the recovery process following the Camp Fire and for his generous donation to the children of Gridley. ★

Live Oak Lions Get New Pad

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - With a total of four items on the consent agenda, Live Oak City Council addressed 2 specific topics before moving on to business items.

The item of most discussion, or questioning, was that of the AB 1600 development fees and the annual report regarding them. The AB 1600 funds are generated from each new home and the monies are to be used for specified city buildings such as public works, public safety, community centers, etc.

City Finance Director, Joe Aguilar explained the item in question, which was to accept and file the required annual report with existing funds rolled over. He says, "Some of the funds have been sitting idle for more than five years. A small city like this, a lot of the money can't be used to build anything," due to the fact that total funds in the accounts would not be sufficient to complete any eligible projects. Thus, the motion.

Moving on to the main item of business, the City Council considered leasing the historic railroad depot building on Hwy 99 to the Live Oak Lions Club.

The Live Oak Lions have recently been given notice to find a new clubhouse from property owners of their current location – the Lions home since 1960. The depot building is ideal for their needs.

The proposed lease agreement with the City of Live Oak would be a 3-year agreement, terminating at the end of 2023. Lion Noel Grove addressed city council, hoping to extend the lease agreement until the year 2035. Grover cited that the building has remained empty for numerous years and that the Lions would be willing to make necessary repairs to the building, in return for rent-free occupancy. The City of Live Oak currently maintains the building, the landscaping and few utility costs. The Lions would take over those responsibilities as well and have offered to repair the deck if the city would absorb the cost of supplies.

The Lions and council compromised with an agreement to lease the building for a 5-year initial contract with options for a 5-year extension, for a 10-year

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Gridley's Little Angels

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - You might have observed a small band of do-gooders out and about in our community.

Founded in 2017, the non-profit group "Angels Who Care" serves the better part of Butte County, focusing on people who are financially stressed, elderly, in need and community service in general.

Many of the members, including the adult supervisors, have intellectual disabilities, such as ADHD. President Francean Kennedy said that the Angels program helps "keep the youth and (young) adults out of trouble." She said, "We give you something to do... When you don't have something to do, that's when you get into trouble."

It began at the family



Founding Angels. Left to Right: Vice President, Beverly Miles, landscaping manager Noah Kennedy, Matthew Larsen, Angelina Larsen and President Francean Kennedy. Photo by Seti Long

level. One day Kennedy noticed that her children and children's friends were not outside playing like she had thought. Instead, they were out helping an

elderly neighbor clean up their yard. She says that she called them in and sat them down, saying that it wasn't safe for them to be doing those things alone,

working with strangers. They expressed that they wanted to help people. "Angels" was officially formed so that they could

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The New Pi-Line



The new Pi-Line Honoring Publisher W.D. Burleson
By Josh F.W. Cook

Time to look back (and compare how history unfolded) on Mr. Burleson's original column as Live Oak/Gridley/Biggs turned the page on a new decade. Volume 110, No.40 of the Gridley Herald, January 2, 1991. The Pi- Line: Well, here it is, the second day of the new year, and the bills from 1990 are still rolling in, especially the taxes. We won't really get into the feel of the new year until about June. But, it is time to start gearing up, like writing the correct date on your checks. And, it is time to take down all the 1990 calendars

and put up new ones. Why do some suppliers deliver their calendars a month or two late? They should know that the first ones hanging on the wall arrived in November.

This is the year that Chico San Division of Heinz becomes a full-fledged, independent Gridley business. The City agreed to subsidize the Chico San electric bill for five years in order to get the factory to move to town. The agreement to give the company a big break on its electricity bills will be fulfilled in April.

Heinz, one of the most profitable of the Fortune 500 companies, purchased Chico San and expanded its product line from big rice cakes to include little rice cakes. Then they installed clean-rooms with elaborate machinery to mix and package Heinz Weight Watchers products. They also warehouse and distribute products from the Gridley site and have plans to build a larger warehousing unit on the east side of the property.

Recently they installed more efficient rice cake machinery. It will be time for a party when Chico San shows how the City's gamble paid off for the City...and Heinz.

The Heinz Chico San Division is an example of a clean industry. It does not have or need an industrial sewer as all products are dry. The waste, mostly of broken rice cakes, is hauled off for cattle feed. When the molds that form the rice cakes are heated up for cleaning, they give off an odor like fresh-popped popcorn, which drifts with the wind. Some people say the smell makes them hungry. The City no longer has surplus power to use as an incentive to attract new, clean industries, so it is going to be a tough job to attract them in the face of competition from Chico, Oroville, and Yuba City, where they offer free land to industry.

Tri- Valley Cannery is continuing to expand its production capacities and is a bright spot in the 1991 economic picture. ★

The Ring

By Anna Quimpo Maguire

GRIDLEY, CA (MGP) -During mid-November in the pouring rain of Lower Paradise, Michael E. Maguire returned home with no other intentions but to find his wife's wedding ring amongst the rubble of his former house.

Paradise residents flooded into town once the fire ended to recover what was in the ashes. Arriving into city limits, everyone had to present their identification card to grant them to pass and return back home.

The traffic was gridlocked. After what seemed like thirty minutes from the outskirts of town, which was usually a few moments' drive, Maguire and his daughter finally saw what had happened to their home for the first time since they escaped the flames.

The two expected for the structure to be demolished because most of middle Neal Road was hit quite hard, and their suspicions were confirmed. They had brought gallons of water from Oroville to sift the clumpy ashes and find family heirlooms and meaningful jewelry.

Twenty-Six years of marriage with his wife Barbra Quimpo Maguire motivated this hunt for her lost ring.

Four long hours of work by the father and daughter resulted in discovering



The rescued wedding ring of Barbra Quimpo Maguire is reunited with the ring of Michael E. Maguire. Photo provided by Maguire family.

the wedding band that was completely black from burning. After the tedious job of sifting, the two overjoyed ring searchers realized a fire cannot break a family.

One man had enough love for his wife to dangerously search for the memories held inside the home that they built their family in.

One daughter felt the need to come along and close the gap of when the fire tore their family apart by coming along to help her father find something that means so much to her

mother.

The Maguire family bond stays strong a year after the fire—no matter where they are in the area. Even though the trauma was supposed to break them, it made them stronger.

Later on, the ring was cleaned off by a jeweler and from now on Barbra Quimpo Maguire never takes off her wedding ring, a symbol of love, family and eternity.

The day of returning to Paradise after the fire was over, and the treasure was returned to the Maguire household. ★

Fatal Collision with Semi Truck Closes Hwy 99

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Monday morning December 30th, a semitruck took on a pickup truck in a fatal head – on collision.

The stretch of Hwy 99 between Paseo Rd and Clark Rd was closed for over four hours as Yuba-Sutter Division CHP, Caltrans and emergency responders addressed wreckage.

According to CHP, the accident occurred shortly after 8:45 am near McDonald Avenue when the driver of a 2000 GMC truck north-bound on 99 crossed over into oncoming traffic. The driver of the pick-up, a 40-year-old Live Oak man, collided with a 2014

Peterbilt semitruck allegedly carrying 76,000 pounds of manure, resulting in his death. The cargo of the semi was spilled onto the highway, requiring additional clean up.

Authorities have identified the driver of the Peterbilt as 51-year old Thomas L. Pacheco, Jr. of Turlock. He sustained facial lacerations but was otherwise unharmed, declining transport to the hospital. The identity of driver killed in the accident is being withheld until notification of next-of-kin.

Alcohol is suspected to be a factor in the deadly collision and the investigation into the accident remains ongoing at this time. ★

Gridley's Little Angels

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continue their work.

Kennedy says that the children are the masterminds behind all the service events. "They create the events, say what they want to do, we write down how they say things and we (adults) run their event." Events include free Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners which are prepared and served by the children (with adult supervision of course), toy and coat drives, educational camp outs, city park clean-up days, helping seniors with laundry, housework and more.

Angels Who Care helps reinforce that even those with disabilities can be a major force for good in their communities. "A lot of people think that intellectually disabled people can't do much - they just think we sit at home being disabled," say Kennedy, "but we are actually out in the community proving that we can make a difference." ★



Little Angels with just some of the items the group collected for Camp Fire Survivors. Photo provided by Francean Kennedy



A group of some of the youngest "Angels" with friends at their rummage sale fundraiser. Proceeds go to help support service events like this year's Thanksgiving Dinner and Coat Drive. Photo provided by Francean Kennedy

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Cabrera is Live Oak’s Holiday Hero

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Mayor of Live Oak, Bob Woten, had the opportunity to recognize one exemplary young man’s efforts.

At just 8 years of age, Cooper Cabrera decided that he needed to do something to help his fellow children in need. It was then, in 2018, that he founded his do-good project, Saving Silver Coins. He saved all the money he earned performing chores, helping family members and collecting donations, resulting in a total of \$200 dollars raised. With that money, he purchased toys which he donated to the Live Oak Head Start Children.

This year, Cabrera got a head start on his project and was able to raise \$400 dollars, which was again used to purchase toys to donate to the Live Oak Head Start children.

Cabrera was honored December 18th, 2019, by the City Council of the City of Live Oak, with a proclamation in recognition of his hard work. It read, “Cooper represents the true meaning of the holidays by selflessly giving of his time and money... He is an example of selflessness and charity that all should emulate.”



Cooper Cabrera receiving an award from Live Oak City Mayor Woten for his work to help underprivileged children. Photo provided by Sandy Capel

As Cabrera accepted the award, he was given the floor. The 9-year-old said, “Well, the reason I started all of this was – I just wanted everybody not to be poor so I decided to collect enough money because if they did not have enough money, then they wouldn’t buy anything for themselves cause they would be poor forever. So I decided to collect as much money as I can to gather toys, clothes and food for them.”

He received a round of applause from the gallery, Council and City employees. Mayor Woten closed with a special congratulations to Cabrera. “We are so very proud of you,” he said, “You are an absolute amazing example for us, even as older folks, to get that spirit of giving during the holidays, cause sometimes we forget huh? So, you are a reminder of that spirit we should have at this time of the season.” ★

New Love From Out of The Ashes

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Last year at this time, Camp Fire survivors were still in shock after November 8th’s events, the holiday season not very “merry” for most. Many were uprooted, living in temporary housing, hotels, trailers and tents—some in the area and some hundreds of miles away.

As the one-year anniversary of the fire has come and gone, much about the disaster has been rehashed—reliving the terror of escape through documentaries, revisiting the tragedy, remembering the losses, the sadness of it all... But this isn’t a story about those things.

This is a love story.

Lucy Love, a spunky and colorful octogenarian, bought a home in Gridley after the fire. She pops into the Herald office to say hello almost every Tuesday on her way to volunteer at the Camp Fire Distribution Center. Recently, she shared some exciting news with the giddiness of a teenager.

Love was one of the many that lost her home in the Camp Fire blaze. Last year at this time, she found herself staying with family down in the Vallejo area. She recalls her cabin fever, endlessly watching



Two lovebirds share the holidays together. Pictured left to right: Bob and Lucy Love

TV, cooped up with no outlet after such a devastating event. Noting the strain, her family realized they needed to get Love’s mind off the fire and dragged her to a senior luncheon. It was there she met Bob.

At 84, Bob, who prefers to keep his last name private, shared that he fell in love with Love’s outgoing, energetic personality almost immediately. Although Love was hesitant at first, Bob slowly won her over to the idea of courting and after she moved to Gridley,

continued his pursuit through love letters. Some a little spicy!

Love couldn’t contain her excitement about the new romance. The two have made their partnership official and are overjoyed to have found each other. Love says that they never would have met if the fire hadn’t happened.

She shares that it just goes to show, you are never too old to fall in love and that good things can be born out of tragic events. “He is my happiness,” says Love. ★

Live Oak Lions Get New Pad

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total. Council agreed that the initial 30-day notice termination of the lease agreement held by the City was too short and extended it to a 90-day notice in the event that a business

with a beneficial economic proposal sought to make their home in the building.

With that, the Lions found their new home. Grove thanked the council saying, “You’ve been more than generous, and

I just really appreciate everything that you guys are doing. Because we do absolute tons of work for this community and we really do need a nice comfortable place we can sit down and call home to have our meetings.” ★

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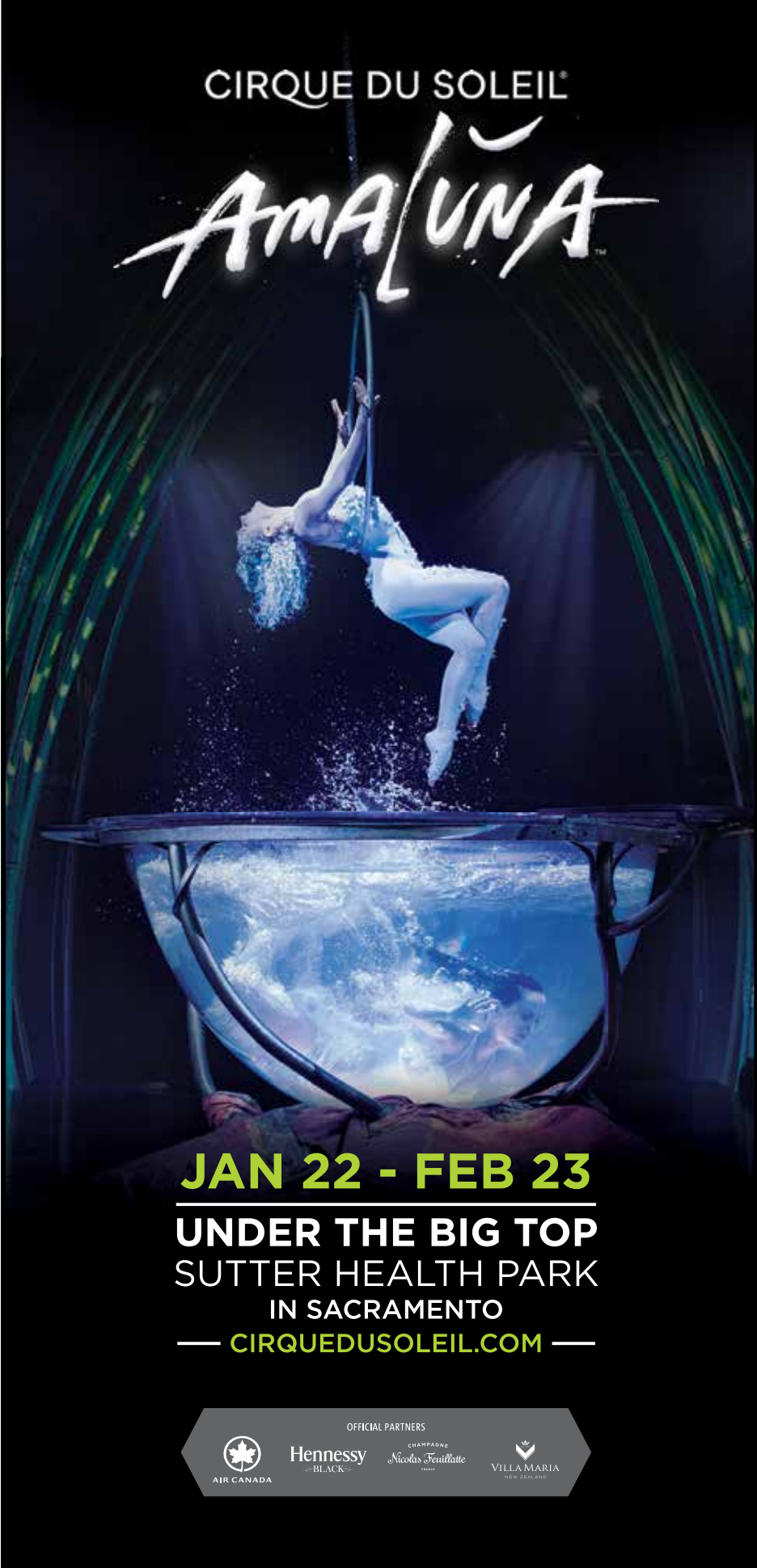
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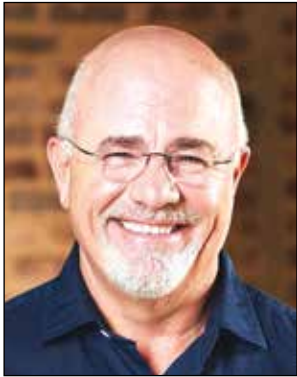
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Starting Off on the Right Path Together

Dear Dave,

I'm getting married next summer. My fiancé and I are in agreement about how to handle money, and we both follow your plan. Do you recommend pre-marital counseling? If so, what do you feel are some of the important areas of agreement for couples before they get married?

– Allison

Dear Allison,

Congratulations! I'm glad you're both on the same page with your finances, too.

I've worked with thousands of couples and numerous marriage counselors over the years. In that time, I've learned fights over money – and the resulting problems

Dave Ramsey Says

from those disagreements – are probably the biggest cause of divorce in America. In my opinion, in-depth pre-marital counseling is an absolute must. The idea of entering into something that's supposed to be a lifelong commitment, without thoroughly addressing all the issues – and potential issues – is a really bad idea.

With that said, it's been my experience that couples have a high probability of a successful marriage if they agree on four things, in detail, before the big day – kids, money, religion, and in-laws. With kids, the big question is do you want them? If so, how many and when? Are you going to let them run wild, or are you going to provide structure and make them behave?

When it comes to money, something it sounds like you two are already in agreement on, get all your cards out on the table, and construct an intelligent game plan for your finances that you both agree on. Staying away from debt, living on

a written, monthly budget, and saving for the future are important parts of this.

Also, be in agreement on religion. Statistically speaking, two people from the same faith have a better chance of making a marriage work. And finally, when it comes to your future in-laws, you need to learn who they are and what you're getting into. What are they really like? What are the boundaries when it comes to their influence on your lives?

All these topics should be discussed at length, dealt with, and agreed upon before the rings are exchanged. God bless you two, Allison!

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 14 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

Oroville Man Sentenced to Life without Parole in Brutal Slaying

Butte County Superior Court Press Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The 42-year-old Oroville man accused of the murder of an elderly woman in her Oroville home, was sentenced in Butte County Superior Court to a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

Brian Scott Madding, an Oroville transient, had previously plead to a charge of first degree murder and admitted the murder was committed during the commission of a first degree burglary. District Attorney Mike Ramsey said he hoped justice would prevail and Madding would die behind bars.

Ramsey said Madding killed Greta Jayne Putnam, 86, during the late night of November 7, 2018 after he broke into her home in a senior mobile home park in 2300 block of 5th Avenue in Oroville. Her body was found in her bed the next morning by her caretaker who came to the home. Ramsey said the slaying was brutal as Madding stabbed Mrs. Putnam at least five times. Some of her wounds were

defensive, indicating she attempted to fight off her attacker as she woke up to find Madding in her bedroom. The fatal wound was a deep stab wound to her neck.

Ramsey said the state Department of Justice was able to find a fingerprint at the crime scene that matched Madding. Once that information was developed, a warrant was issued for Madding's arrest. During questioning by then Oroville Police detective sergeant Joe Deal (now chief of police) and detective Ray Stott, Madding admitted to killing Mrs. Putnam as she stirred in her bed during the course of his burglarizing her home for money or other items to trade for illegal drugs.

Ramsey praised the work of his senior supervising deputy district attorney Elizabeth Norton along with Deal and Stott in putting together a case that left Madding little choice other than to admit his guilt despite his earlier court attempts to feign legal insanity and to deny his guilt. Ramsey said Madding admitted his crime and plead no contest on the day a jury was being selected for his trial last month.

Gridley Woman Arrested for Sexual Acts with Minor

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A Butte County Sheriff's Department investigation has led to the arrest of 23 year-old Kari Croxton of Gridley.

According to a press release from the BCOS,

Croxton was interviewed in November 2019 regarding her potential involvement of sexual contact with a minor.

During that interview, Croxton allegedly admitted to sending inappropriate messages to the minor in question and after her arrest

Monday, she admitted to the sexual acts.

Croxton has been booked into butte county jail, charged with two felony counts of sexual intercourse with a minor, one felony count of oral copulation on a minor and violation of probation.

Jury Returns 1st Degree Murder Verdict Against Parrish

Special Release, Butte County District Attorney

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At Butte County jury found an Oroville man guilty of 1st Degree Murder for an October 2017 shooting in Oroville on December 20, 2019.

District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the jury had heard evidence over the last two weeks, but only took a few hours to deliberate today before returning their guilty verdict against Jeffrey Parrish Jr., 32.

Ramsey said that on October 21, 2017, the victim Lorenzo Paz II, 21, of Oroville, was found dead in his Greenville Street home. It was determined Paz had been shot once in the head at close range.

After an extensive investigation by the Butte County Sheriff's Department it was determined Parrish told multiple witnesses Parrish was responsible for Paz's murder. Parrish also bragged about Paz's murder on social media.

The trial prosecutor, Supervising Deputy District Attorney Elizabeth Norton, told the jury Paz was killed because Parrish felt the victim owed Parrish money.

District Attorney Mike Ramsey said "this tragic case graphically demonstrates the utter senselessness of gun violence."

The trial judge, Judge Michael Deems, set a sentencing hearing for January 16, 2020 at 1:30. Parrish is facing 25 years to life. Parrish remains in custody pending his sentencing hearing.



The Victim - Lorenzo Paz



Jeffery Parrish - Mugshot

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Gridley's Camp Fire Distribution Center will be closed for the holiday season. The centers doors will close from December 10th, reopening on Tuesday, January 7th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring your photo ID and Fema paperwork to shop the center located at 893 Hazel Street in Gridley in the New Year.



Crime Reports

GRIDLEY-BIGGS POLICE

Gridley- Biggs Police Report

December 24th - 29th

12/24.2019: At 1:03 am on the 400 block of "G" St., Biggs, CA, Simon Michael Downey, 36, was arrested for battery (243(e)(1) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

12/26.2019: At 5:08 am on the 1500 block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Virginia Guadalupe C Barajas, 24, was arrested for DUI (23152 (a) CVC), having a blood alcohol level of .08% or higher (23152 (b) CVC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

12/26.2019: At 2:22 pm on the 1500 Block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Jessica Marie Parker, 38, was cited for possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S) and for drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S).

12/27.2019: At 66 Independence Way, Gridley, CA, Garrett John Womack, 23, was arrested on domestic violence charges (273.6 (a) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

12/29.2019: At 5:42 am on Reed Dr. and "A" St., Biggs, CA, Roger Levoy Parker, 48, was arrested for petty theft (488 PC), loitering on private property (647(h) PC) and driving with a suspended license. Subject was booked into Butte County Jail.

12/29.2019: At 5:42 am on Reed Dr and "A" St., Biggs, CA, Donald Ray Bayless, 43, was arrested for petty theft (488 PC), loitering on private property (647(h) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

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Butte County Sheriff Report

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF

December 21st - 28th

Case #	Date of Crime	Date Reported	Crime Type/Crime Classification	Location
19-08873	12/21/2019 19:33-19:49	12/21/2019 20:47	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	OROVILLE
19-08877	12/22/2019 01:19-01:19	12/22/2019 01:19	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	MAGALIA
19-08879	12/22/2019 03:00-10:21	12/22/2019 10:21	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08878	12/22/2019 10:23-10:50	12/22/2019 10:06	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	OROVILLE
19-08885	12/22/2019 12:00-15:00	12/22/2019 15:22	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	OROVILLE
19-08883	12/22/2019 15:08	12/22/2019 15:15	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	DURHAM
19-08899	12/22/2019 21:45-21:50	12/23/2019 08:18	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	MAGALIA
19-08915	12/1/2016 09:30	12/24/2019 09:30	Larceny Theft/Grand Theft: Money/Labor/Prop + \$950/Felony	DURHAM
19-08919	12/23/2019 12:10	12/24/2019 12:10	Larceny Theft/Commit Mail Theft/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08913	12/24/2019 05:35	12/24/2019 05:53	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08923	12/24/2019 16:30-18:30	12/24/2019 18:04	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08950	12/26/2019 15:10	12/26/2019 15:10	Larceny Theft/Petty Theft/Misdemeanor	CHICO
19-08967	12/27/2019 10:42	12/27/2019 10:42	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08986	12/28/2019 09:36-09:57	12/28/2019 09:26	Larceny Theft/Petty Theft/Misdemeanor	CHICO
19-08989	12/28/2019 01:00	12/28/2019 10:35	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	MAGALIA
19-08995	12/28/2019 19:00-19:28	12/28/2019 19:08	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE

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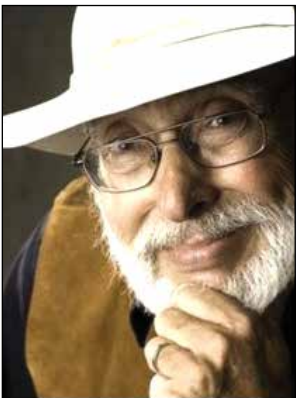
By Barbara Ott

New Year, New Year, 2020. That number feels like the stuff of science fiction. When I was a teen reading the dystopian novel *1984*, that year seemed very far away. Now we will be thirty-six years beyond that infamous year. Many of the ideas presented in science fiction books have come to pass. Heinlein

proposed using “credits” as forms of exchange. “Credits” were cards that could be used to buy things. We’ve had ATM cards for years and now we have cell phones which like the personal computer were seldom imagined. Read old science fiction and see if you can find many references to hand held computers that can do what our phones do today. My car is paired with my phone and answers if it is running. One day as I turned on the car I could hear my husband talking to someone ... I could hear that someone also. Both speaking parties became confused because the car had taken away their ability to talk directly through the phone. I turned off the car and

their conversation resumed via phone. What we have seen with computers and cell phones is light years beyond what happened in the 20th century. The book *Future-shock* predicted the rapid speed society was taking on and how it would affect various levels of society. I am a part of the older group that is having trouble keeping up with the speed of modern life: cognitive dissonance is real. A new year with new seasons. Seasonal time I can understand. Winter will seem dead and cold while it holds the heat and energy of new growth out of sight, underground. The seasons follow the sun’s speed, steady over time. May the New Year be good to all of you. ★

Slim Randles’ HOME COUNTRY



Go Find Something you Enjoy Doing, and Do It

New Year’s resolutions is to figure out what to look forward to the first week of January. I mean ... now we have to start worrying about taxes and scoopin’ up all those receipts so the IRS can tell us we can’t use them. Right? And it’s January, so it’s cold, and it gets dark early. And I dare any of you to try to forget it’s winter by watching a football game played in the Midwest in two feet of snow.” Doc took a bite of sweet roll, being careful to get that pulverized white frosting gently misting down to his necktie. He took a couple of chews and swallowed. It was its usual great sweet roll and deserved a smile. “Steve,” said Doc, “you need a hobby. When the

outside world isn’t interesting enough to keep you optimistic, go find something you enjoy doing, and do it.” “Like what, Doc? I can’t play guitar or collect stamps. I just can’t.” “Then you make up your own hobby, Steve, like bull kicking.” “What?” “Sure. Walk out in the pasture and kick one of those old bulls in the butt.” “But he’ll chase me.” “Of course,” said Doc, “but you can use the exercise.” *Brought to you by our radio show, “Home Country with Slim Randles.” Let us know if you like it. I know you know how to find it. ★*

“The highlight of the week before New Year’s,” said Steve, semi solemnly, “is to be able to tell your pals ‘See you next year’.” “Really?” said Dud. “That’s it? How about now that we’re hip deep ... almost ... in the new year? What do you do now that is encouraging?” “Well,” Steve said, sipping his coffee and sending a jealous eye to Doc’s sweet roll, “one of my

Dear Dietitian

Resolutions 2020



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Readers, The New Year is upon us, and along with it, come those resolutions. There is room for improvement in all our lives, right? As many as 70% of Americans will resolve to eat healthier in 2020. Others will set a goal to exercise on a regular basis. And of course, many will seek to lose weight. Eating healthier is a lifestyle change; it’s as simple as that. There is no such thing as magic. There are no pills to melt fat away and no diets to trick your body into burning calories more efficiently. We have to change our habits and our thinking around food. Here are some recommendations to get you on the right track: **Eat a variety of foods.** Your plate should be half-filled with fruits and vegetables. Choose lean proteins, whole grains, and don’t forget low-fat dairy products to fulfill your calcium needs. Eliminate fast food, junk food, and snacking after the evening meal. Save dessert for a once-a-week treat.

Calories in, Calories out. If weight loss is your goal, you simply have to burn more calories than you consume. Keep it simple. A healthy weight loss calorie level for women is 1500-1800 calories per day; for men, 1800-2000 calories a day. These levels vary according to age, weight, and physical activity. **Create a food plan.** When you have a plan, you are less likely to grab something unhealthy when hunger pangs hit. Plan your meals ahead of time and write them down. Pack a lunch for work, and plan healthy snacks. A good snack consists of protein and carbohydrate, such as an apple with 1 oz. of cheese or 1 tablespoon of peanut butter, a low-sugar Greek yogurt, or ¼ cup nuts with raisins. Keep snacks to 100-200 calories each, and have 1-2 per day. **Don’t get too hungry.** This is perhaps the most important guideline. Many diets fail because they are too restrictive in calories or they eliminate an entire food group. In this case, you may feel deprived, overcompensate, and find yourself bingeing on a pint of ice cream or a family-size bag of chips. You may feel like you have failed, which makes it difficult to get back on track. **Journal.** Record your food intake; it just helps to see it in black and white. Journaling can also help you get in touch with your feelings

when you eat out of emotion instead of physical hunger. **Set realistic goals.** A realistic goal for weight loss is one pound per week. The diets that claim you will lose 5-7 pounds the first week do this by depleting glycogen stores in your body. Glycogen is an intermediate energy source made up of carbohydrates. When these storage fuels are depleted, water is released with them. **Find emotional support.** Have a buddy system or join a weight loss support group like TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Those who join a support group have greater success rates than those who go it alone. **Finally, be patient.** Habits are hard to change, and it takes time. If you follow the new health plan as best you can (not perfectly) for 30 days, you will be well on your way. By this time, you will start to see results, and that will give you the motivation to keep it up.

Until next time, be healthy!
Dear Dietitian
Leanne McCrate, RD, LD, CNSC, is an award-winning dietitian based in Missouri. Her mission is to educate consumers on sound, scientifically-based nutrition. Do you have a nutrition question? Email her today at deardietitian411@gmail.com. Dear Dietitian does not endorse any products, health programs, or diet plans. ★

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Christmas Trees

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The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) statistics indicate that nearly 40 percent of home fires that begin with Christmas trees occur in January. Although these fires are not common, they are much more likely to be serious when they do occur. On average, one of every 31 reported home structure Christmas tree fires resulted in a death. Compare that to an average of one death per 144 total reported home structure fires.

NFPA also offers tips on removing lighting and decorations from trees to ensure they are taken down safely this year and in the right condition for Christmas next year:

- Use the gripping area on the plug when unplugging electrical decorations. Never pull the cord to unplug any device from an electrical outlet, as this can harm the wire and insulation of the cord, increasing the risk for shock or electrical fire.
- As you pack up light strings, inspect each line for damage, throwing out any sets that have loose connections, broken sockets or cracked or bare wires.
- Wrap each set of lights and put them in individual plastic bags, or wrap them around a piece of cardboard.
- Store electrical decorations in a dry place away from children and pets where they will not be damaged by water or dampness.

Thanks You and Happy New Years!
Gridley
Fire Station 74

CHP Revamps Registration Violators Program

**By Jaime Coffee,
California Highway Patrol**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Highway Patrol (CHP) announced a new CHP Registration Enforcement and Guidance (CHP REG) program to reduce out-of-state registration violators. The CHP REG program replaces the Californians Help Eliminate All The Evasive Registration Scofflaws (CHEATERS) program.

Since the program's inception

in 2004, the CHP has recovered approximately \$26 million in registration fees. In 2018, the CHP surpassed \$3.2 million in recovered fees from residents avoiding California registration.

"California loses millions of dollars in revenue every year from vehicles being unlawfully registered in other states or countries," CHP Commissioner Warren Stanley said. "This program relies on the public's input to support our investigators in returning funding to the state.

Recovered registration fees are important to the California economy and are invested back into local communities."

The CHP REG program focuses on residents who register their vehicles out-of-state while living or working in California and operate those vehicles on California's roadways. The primary goal of the program is to obtain voluntary registration compliance through education, but, when necessary, enforcement action is taken.

California vehicle registration through the Department of Motor Vehicles is required within 20 days of establishing residency and for all vehicles primarily operated in the state.

The CHP encourages members of the public to report vehicles driven on a regular basis on California roadways with out-of-state registration to the CHP REG program Web site at [https://www.chp.ca.gov/Notify-CHP/CHP-REG-\(Out-of-State-Registration-Violators\)](https://www.chp.ca.gov/Notify-CHP/CHP-REG-(Out-of-State-Registration-Violators)).

When reporting a suspected violator, it is important to include: state of the plate, license plate number, date and time observed, where observed, make, model, vehicle color, and any additional identifying comments. In 2018, more than 24,000 tips were reported to the Web site, leading directly to cases investigated by CHP personnel and dedicated senior volunteers.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KENNETH S. KOJIMA CASE NO. 19PR00553
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Kenneth S. Kojima A Petition for Probate has been filed by Robert K. Kojima in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte. The Petition for Probate requests that Robert K.

Kojima be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very

important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or 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 on 01/14/2020 at 9:00 am located at 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928, North

Butte County Courthouse. If you object to the granting 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. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of

letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person 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. Attorney for Petitioner: Stanley T. Tomita, 1155 N. First St., Suite 104, San Jose, CA 95112, Telephone: (408) 286-3775 12/20, 12/27/19, 1/3/20 C N S - 3 3 2 4 5 6 9 # GRIDLEY HERALD 1-3-2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2019-0001357

The following persons are doing business as: **OUT WEST RESTAURANT GROUP**
1900 E. 20th Street Chico, CA 95928
Cerca Trova Steakhouse Inc, 7676 Hazard Center Drive Suite 1500 San Diego, CA 92108
Date Filed in Butte County: December 4, 2019
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Corporation

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2019-0001344

The following persons are doing business as: **POWER TRANS**
1020 Kentucky Street Gridley, CA 95948
Muhammad Shahbaz, 1020 Kentucky Street Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: November 27, 2019
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This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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The following persons are doing business as: **ARMANDOS HANDYMAN SERVICE**
1775 Hammon Avenue Oroville, CA 95966
Armando Diaz, 1775 Hammon Avenue Oroville, CA 95966
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The following persons are doing business as: **GUIDO'S RECYCLING**
1364 Highway 99 Unit B Gridley, CA 95948
Adrian Guido Penaloza, 1058 Sage Street Gridley, CA 95948 and Victor Hugo Guido Penaloza, 1058 Sage Street Gridley, CA 95948
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2019-0001413

The following persons are doing business as: **KLEMCO**
1115 E Ewald Court Suite C Paradise, CA 95969
Aaron Jayme Klemenok, 1115 E Ewald Court Suite C Paradise, CA 95969
Date Filed in Butte County: December 18, 2019
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This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2019-0001408

The following persons are doing business as: **OROVILLE SPORTS CLUB**
2600 ORO DAM BOULEVARD OROVILLE, CA 95966
Oroville Hospital, 2767 Olive Hwy Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: December 17, 2019

The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/1/2020
This Business is Conducted by: Corporation
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SPORTS

GHS JV Boys Basketball Places 2nd in Colusa Tournament

By Joshua Porcayo

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Gridley High School junior varsity boys basketball traveled to Colusa High School for a three day tournament from Thursday, December 19th to Saturday, December 21st. The Bulldogs started the tournament against the host team, Colusa Redhawks. 6' 5" sophomore power forward, Michael Sanchez, started the game off on a hot streak and ended with 17 points in the game. JV coach Mike Erickson said, "they really didn't have an answer for Michael inside," and that helped set the tone early in the game. Sophomore point guard, Shay Carr, had an excellent game shooting from the perimeter, scoring 15 points in the game, most of those coming on fast break points.

On defense, Carr shut down the Redhawks' outside game, along with teammates David Jauregui and Erik Caudillo. Caudillo added 13 points of his own in the game. Every player for the Bulldogs was able to score in the contest. Sanchez (17 points), Carr (15 points), Caudillo (13 points), Jauregui, Jason Monarrez, Esteban Cruz, David Gonzalez, and Jaskaran Gakhal (2 points). The team effort led the Bulldogs to a 55-48 victory over the RedHawks.

On Friday, December 20th, the Bulldogs tipped off against a familiar opponent in the Corning Cardinals. The two teams met back on December 6th in Corning in what was a lopsided victory for the Bulldogs, 64-34. The Bulldogs once again



Gridley High School JV boys basketball players pose for a picture with their 2nd place plaque in the Colusa Basketball Tournament on Saturday, December 21, 2019. Photo provided by Cameron Erickson

started the game off with high tempo and scored buckets in transition. The Bulldogs offense was in high gear early on setting good screens with good ball movement for the open basket. "We are getting better with each game," coach Erickson said about his team. With Corning's defensive strategy to double, and oftentimes triple team Sanchez, Carr was able to drive the lane for the easy basket. Gonzalez and Caudillo put together a good offensive and defensive game, both scoring 11 points in the contest. For the second game in a row, all players got in on the scoring action. Carr (17 points), Gonzalez and Caudillo (11 points), Sanchez (10 points), Monarrez (6 points), Cruz (5 points), Jauregui (3 points), and Gakhal (2 points). Another team effort led to the 65-39 victory over the Cardinals.

On Saturday, December 21st, the Bulldogs faced the Yreka Miners in the championship game of the tournament. The Bulldogs opened up the scoring with a 6-0 run mainly due

to quick guard defense from Carr and Caudillo. The Miners took the same defensive approach as the Cardinals, double teaming the big man, Sanchez, which led to open looks by Carr. Down by 8 points at halftime, the Bulldogs had to get creative in order to stay in the game. When the Miners' leading scorer got into foul trouble, the Bulldogs took advantage and dwindled a 16 point deficit down to two points. Down two points with thirty seconds in the game, the Bulldogs had an open look, but the ball wouldn't fall, and the Bulldogs lost by a score of 67-65 to take second place in the tournament. Carr dropped 30 points in the game with 24 points by Sanchez. Caudillo led the team with 7 assists. Monarrez added 7 points in the game. Overall, another great team effort despite being down some players due to injury and the holiday season.

The JV Bulldogs are a young and athletic team with a great season ahead of them to do great things on the court. ★

Biggs High School Leads in Fall Sports All League Honors

By Joshua Porcayo

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Biggs High School football program had an incredible 2019 season. And as a result, varsity players were nominated as All League players by head coach, Tyler Rutledge, who was selected Cascade Valley League Coach of the Year. Rutledge and the Wolverines went 9-2 overall with a 7-1 league record.

All League junior running back, Shavon Gramps-Green, was selected Offensive Most Valuable Player. Gramps-Green accumulated 20 rushing touchdowns on 994 rushing yards on the season. With five games of over 100 yards, Gramps-Green averaged 124.3 yards per game on the ground. He also had two receptions for 88 yards and one touchdown. In total, Gramps-Green accumulated 1,673 all-purpose yards on the season.

Other Wolverines nominated to All League honors were junior quarterback, Gregg Slusser (588 passing yards and 10 touchdowns), sophomore running back, Camren Jackson (649 rushing yards, x2 100+ yard games, and 3 touchdowns), sophomore tight end, Cody Roles (7 receptions for 108 receiving yards, and 2 touchdowns), senior wide receiver, Blake McLean (4 receptions for 73 yards, and 3 touchdowns), senior running back/strong safety, Cheyden Jackson (12 solo tackles, 10 assists, 22 total tackles), senior defensive back, Tyler Job (40 solo tackles, 6 assists, 46 total tackles), senior offensive lineman, Jose Ramos, Junior center, Sean Castillo, and honorable mention to senior wide receiver and defensive back, Andrew Wylie.

In the Butte View League, Gridley High School's Max Nicolson, Chris Richins, Daniel Duran (senior offensive guard), and Roberto Monguia (senior offensive guard) were nominated All League honors. Nicolson, a senior wide receiver and free safety, had 45 receiving yards, 58 solo tackles, 25 assists for 83 total tackles. He averaged 8.3 tackles per game and had three fumble recoveries. Richins, a junior middle linebacker, averaged 8.6 tackles per game with 61 solo tackles, 25 assists for a total of 86 tackles.

For volleyball, Gridley High School senior Rubi Tena and junior Ally Mardesich were nominated Butte View League All League honors. Tena played all four years of volleyball at the varsity level. Mardesich is currently a two year player at the varsity level. For Biggs High School, sophomore Baylee Bowles, was nominated to the Mountain Valley League All League honors. ★



Two way players for Biggs High School varsity football, Camren Jackson (#8) and Cody Roles (#32) are pictured during a 2019 football game. Both players were awarded All League honors in the Cascade Valley League. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo



Biggs High School varsity football players head to midfield for the coin toss before a game during the 2019 football season. All four players were awarded All League honors in the Cascade Valley League. Pictured from left to right: Blake McLean (#10), Andrew Wylie (#80), Tyler Job (#7), and Jose Ramos (#74). Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo



Biggs High School running back, Shavon Gramps-Green, is pictured during a 2019 football game. Gramps-Green was awarded Cascade Valley League Offensive Most Valuable Player and All League honors. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo



Gridley High School volleyball players, Rubi Tena (#11) and Ally Mardesich (#7) play in a match during the 2019 season. Both Tena and Mardesich were awarded All League honors in the Butte View League. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo



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