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# Winter Wonderland Wonderfulness



Above: Families waited excitedly for the Winter Wonderland Parade of lights to begin! Pictured left to right: Karma Oliverrez, Ava Coté, Gianna Coté and Alicia Oliverrez. Right: Grandma got some help from her favorite grandsons, passing out candy to parade goers. Pictured left to right: Daniel Kent, Nicki Llerenas, Nickolas Kent. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - With a flurry of snow, song and twinkling lights, Gridley welcomed the holiday season last Wednesday, December 4th.

There was some concern about the two events getting rained out, but as fortune would have it, the weather cleared, and the evening temperatures drew what seemed to be a larger than ever crowd of townsfolk out to pack the streets.

Quite a large gathering congregated in front of Orchard Hospital to hear from performers and persons of import before the tree lighting. Musical numbers were provided by the Gridley High School Choir

and melodies were sung by Elsa and Anna from Disney's Frozen. The queens and princesses of the Miss Butte County Scholarship program shined brightly front and center, while members of the Chamber of Commerce, Kari Wheeler and Orchard Hospital's CEO Steve Stark addressed the public.

Overall, many thanks went out to those in attendance, especially regarding the community and its organization's stellar efforts to welcome and

aid the FEMA survivors, now part of our town. Not to mention Orchard's amazing dietary staff that provided the beautifully decorated sugar

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# Fast Food Dinners Nearly Taken-Out

By Seti Long and  
Anna Quimpo Maguire

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - An out of control vehicle nearly missed Customers at Gridley's historic Ice Burgie last Friday afternoon, December 6th.

At just after 2:00 pm, Driver Andrew Sisk, was headed south-bound on Hwy 99 when a driver in a gold Ford Thunderbird attempted to make a left hand turn in front of Sisk's vehicle. Sisk, who was traveling at high-ways speeds, slammed on his brakes and swerved to avoid colliding with the Thunderbird. Long black skid marks were left behind as his vehicle was forced off the road -coming to a stop when it slammed into the barrier poles outside the Burgie, just feet away from



The path of the vehicle clearly visible in the form of black tread marks and wreckage strewn across Hwy 99. GBPD ensures the safety of those involved by keeping traffic at bay. Photo by Seti Long

innocent bystanders.

Owner of the business, Jayne Barrow said, "I heard a loud boom and I looked out and saw this

car. I thought what is he doing, he can't park there!" but she quickly realized that the vehicle had been involved in an accident.

Barrow says she ran out and saw Sisk sitting behind the wheel, his face "white as a ghost" noticing

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## Live Oak's New Mayor Gets Down to Business

By Seti Long

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - Under the direction of new Mayor Bob Woten, Live Oak City Council began their meeting addressing a three item consent agenda, including a budget amendment of a contract with West Yost for Well 7.

Live Oak City Council was alerted in April of 2018 that the potential cost of overruns for the project, which fell behind schedule, was estimated to be near the \$300,000 mark. The Well 7 project is crucial to the City because the loss/removal of Well 5 in 2009 created a 1,500 gal/min deficit in the required maximum day demand. The completion of the Well 7 project will replace 1,000 gallons per/min. In good news, the City was awarded an additional \$4,500,000 grant from the Community Development Block Grant Program to begin the Well 8 project, which cannot proceed without the completion of Well 7. The City is in danger of losing those funds if the Well 7 project is not completed.

City staff has suggested that the additional \$350,000 need to amend the budget of Well 7 and complete the project be borrowed from the sewer enterprise with a two-year time period to repay the funds back at a 2% interest. With the budget amended, the expected completion date for Well 7 is June 2020. Much discussion on the topic held up the vote, which ended up carrying in favor of the amendment, 3 to 2.

Other agenda items concerned the Sutter County Sheriff's Departments, which the City of Live Oak contracts with for law enforcement services, asking the City to help pay for new dispatch software. The SCSO has determined that 23 percent of the calls handled by County Dispatch are service calls out of the City of Live Oak, and thus, is asking for the City to pay 23 percent of the total of the new software which is expected to cost \$364,665. Live Oak's share would be \$83,873. The SCSO has also pointed out that the current software used by Live Oak is outdated and that it would behoove Live Oak to be a part of the new software purchase. Future maintenance and operational costs will be handled by the Sheriff's Department. After a presentation from the Sheriff's department, the council voted to approve the measure.

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# The New Pi-Line



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

As part of my military training, I was fortunate to attend the Jesuit University of San Francisco to study Theology. I had the privilege of having Father Dan Kendall (SJ) as my first Professor. Father Kendall was at the age in life where (after decades of study and human service) wisdom had settled in and flowed easily from his soul to those who cared to listen. One of his short lessons has been on my mind a lot; lately, it was his view of how life plays out. While describing the teachings of the Apostle Paul, he opined, “Every day the common culture of the world finds ways to conflict with the teachings of Christ and the Church, it has always been this way. It is in this tension or conflict that we must exert effort to find the truth and push back on the culture of the day.”

December is always the month of the year when this conflict is most evident. Christmas, as a religious concept, is always being pulled

and pushed and twisted by the (usually declining toward violence, death, and regrettable hairstyles) culture. The common or popular culture really loves the money spending, the time off, overeating, and the economic energy of Christmas. Their side loves to market, hype, and aggrandize “the season” or “the Holidays” while actively and aggressively messaging in a way that pushes the “Christ” message off to the side.

It is fascinating to watch how many ways marketers can talk about Christmas while avoiding the central point that it is a celebration of the Birth of Jesus Christ. Take a listen in the next few weeks; it should amaze you how many ways the people who are paid to craft words can cram their culture of consumerism into the Celebration of a religious Holy Day.

The Knights of Columbus have led the “Keep Christ in Christmas” media and messaging program since the early 1960s. It was initially organized by the Christian Mothers of Milwaukee to push back against the (now mostly failed) pop culture marketing plan of forcing everyone to use the word X-MAS. X-MAS, to most Christians, is so offensive it causes us not to buy things from stores that use the term. These retailers literally X out the identity and culture of an entire people, but still want their

money. You will see less and less XMAS as the ad men and women have moved on to more creative phraseologies.

Hopefully, you will see a Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas billboard this month, advocating for the continuation of religious devotion as part of Christmas. Last year, the Knights public service announcements reached more than 60 million people, while that is a notable accomplishment, in the dollar for dollar world of advertising, their message is being drowned out by a score of about a \$36 million to one. But the Knights keep plugging along, pushing back on a culture that is pushing in on theirs. In 1995 they won a U.S. Supreme Court case that stopped the removal of religious symbols in public (a crèche). So thank you, Knights, keep it up.

One last thought from the Bill Burleson Lazy Boy Recliner - Having served for several years with a Jewish Rabbi Captain, I also am mindful to not “XMAS” Hanukkah, the Jewish Celebration that occurs in December. If you encounter a Jewish person this time of year, forego the “Happy Holidays? And say, Happy Hanukkah. The best way to foster peace and joy is to celebrate with people and acknowledge their traditions.

So Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and have a great weekend. ★

# K-9 Kilo Fundraiser

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Animal Control Officer Samantha Stopplemore didn’t mean to cause such a stir with her handmade Christmas ornaments. The Gridley-Biggs Police Department first advertised the glass collector’s ornaments Tuesday on Facebook – some featuring the “thin blue line” logo in honor and support of law enforcement or the “K-9 Pawprint” in honor of Gridley’s loveable K-9 officer, Kilo. They were sold out by Thursday.

Officer Stopplemore says, “We did not anticipate it.” She says, “We were brainstorming fundraising ideas.” She thought, “Well let’s get people to come into the lobby. We got a tree out there, let’s make some ornaments.”

The ornaments were an instant hit and achieved a dual-purpose goal – raising funds and inviting the public in to see what the department and K-9 program was all about. The lobby was “full of the cutest kids with the biggest smiles,” as they came to meet the loveable, drug-sniffing, yellow lab, Kilo,



**Kilo and his handler, Officer Jared Cooley, got to interact with kids and people for the holiday fundraiser.** Photo by Seti Long

says dispatcher Chandra Wroten. Some people bought ornaments, some just came in to donate to the program and say hello.

Officer Stopplemore says, “To get kilo in the first place (Officer) Jared Cooley had worked on grant funding and donations and that’s how we got it all started. Now we have to continue with that fundraising effort so that it’s an annual effort because he (Kilo) does do continued

training.” The GBPD hopes to make the ornaments a tradition, selling them each year to maintain Kilo’s position and training with the department.

This year the first batch of 26 of the 2019 ornaments sold-out in 2 days. Sunday, the tree was restocked with a total of 50 available – all for just \$10 each. Supply is limited and won’t last long. Visit the GBPD lobby to get yours before they are all gone. ★

# There are Mayflower Descendants Among Us

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Each year around the Thanksgiving Holiday, we are reminded of the first settlers that arrived to the New World via ship in 1620.

The legend of the famous Thanksgiving Dinner the new settlers shared with the natives of this land may be a bit different than what most think. According to the National Geographic book, “1621 A New Look at Thanksgiving” the dinner was held between 90 members of the Wampanoag Nation and 52 surviving settlers out of the original 101 carried by the Mayflower just less than a year earlier. Interestingly enough, a local family has traced their roots back to two brave souls that participated in that legendary feast.

John Alden and Priscilla (Mullins) Alden came to the New World independently where they met and married. 14 generations later, their posterity continues on and has a foothold here in the Gridley community. The Davis family, which branches into the Sannar family, are direct descendants of the pair.

Jean (Davis) Dorhofer shares that it was through genealogy the family learned of their famous ancestors. Her excitement is contagious as she explains how she and family members traveled back to



**Pictured here, Jean (Davis) Dorhofer, 12th generation descendant from Mayflower passengers.** Photo by Seti Long

the Plymouth Plantation and visited the museum there to get a glimpse of how their forefathers lived. There actors dressed and spoke the part, showing that life in the New World was incredibly difficult and not for the faint of heart. Dorhoffer says, “It’s truly a glimpse into our family history.”

How unique a thing it must be to sit around the Thanksgiving table each year knowing that your family has been doing so for 399 years. ★

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# A Fair Evening for a Christmas Faire



Out jumps good old Santa Claus! Santa waves down to the crowd as he descends from the rooftop of the Hotel Colonia. Photo provided by Marci Shadd

By Seti Long

**BIGGS, CA (MPG)** - It turned out to be a great night for the Biggs Christmas Street Faire and Tree Lighting.

The annual holiday celebration is held each year in downtown Biggs, which community volunteers and Project Biggs members traditionally go all out decorating. Saturday's extreme weather put a damper on decorating the park and downtown area and left planners scrambling to get everything done Sunday morning for the evening event.

There must have been a little magic in the air, because the clouds cleared and once again, the street faire and tree lighting turned out to be a hit.

Santa announced his presence from the roof top of the historic Colonia Hotel in a burst of snow flurries, which children happily played and danced through in the street below. Santa also made himself available for selfie pictures (or parents snapping shots with their cell phones) atop his sleigh.

New and one of the highlights of this year's celebration was the Ugly Sweater Contest. Contestants showcased their most-heinous holiday garb while the crowd cheered and clapped for their favorites. First, second and third place took home gift baskets and the adoration of the crowd.



Winners of the Ugly Christmas Sweater contest happily show off their cringe-worthy, yet festively fun sweaters and costumes. Left to right: Grayson from Gridley High School, Todd Kimmelshue and The Grinch – name withheld due to being a minor. Photo provided by Marci Shadd

The lighting of the tree finished up the planned festivities for the evening, leaving the attendees to enjoy the vendors, food, and holiday charm of historic downtown Biggs.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

**William Henry Callaway**   
January 30, 1942 to December 8, 2019

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday December 22 at 3 p.m. at the Christian Life Church in Gridley for William Henry Callaway, 77 of Biggs. Bill passed away on Sunday December 8, 2019 in Biggs. He was born on January 30, 1942 in Gridley, one of seven children born to Earl and Vivian Callaway.

He was a lifelong resident of Butte County, having owned and operated Feather River Concrete. He was a graduate of Biggs High School, class of 1960. Bill was a devoted husband and father, and loved watching his kids and grandkids play sports.

He was preceded in death by his parents Earl and Vivian, three brothers, Dick, Dan and Donald

Callaway, and one sister Patricia Harrison.

Bill is survived by his loving wife Janelle Callaway of Biggs; three sons Bill Jr. (Connie) Callaway of Coos Bay, OR, Buster (Clara) Callaway of Biggs, Mike (Katarina) Callaway of Turlock, CA; two daughters Debbie Kidd of Chico, and Cindi Van Quick of Biggs; two brothers Bob Callaway of Woodland, and Tom Callaway of Las Vegas, NV; 19 grand-children and 12 great-grandchildren.

Private burial will be in the Gridley Biggs Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.

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# Winter Wonderland Wonderfulness



The Grinch caught a free ride on the Manzanita 4-H float. Photo by Seti Long

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cookies for the crowd to munch on. Annette Boone, Person of the Year, whose humanitarian efforts have gone above and beyond as she has organized help for survivors and other community members in need, was asked to speak and light this year's tree. She invited all that had helped Camp Fire survivors to join her at the switch, herself and our community lighting the tree as one.

From there most made their way to downtown, joining the large crowd that had already begun to gather. By 6:30 the streets were packed with hundreds of revelers and overjoyed children as they played in the snow falling from the windows of Santa's Workshop (the Gridley Museum), took pictures with Disney Princesses and Olaf, and waited excitedly for the parade of lights to begin.

The parade kicked off with the honor guard and from there on out, float-after-brilliantly-lit float came rolling down



Santa showed his serious side before bursting into laughter as children tried to finagle more candy from him. Photo by Seti Long

Hazel St., many throwing candies and some even billowing snow. Announcer Brian Basset kept the pace of the parade going, while a panel of judges ultimately decided who would take home the winning prize. This year's 1st place went to A-Z preschool for its "Frozen" float featuring princess Elsa, 2nd place to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for its live nativity scene and 3rd

to Nachos Electric, with Ignacio's truck and trailer lit to the max.

After the parade folks continued to enjoy the food vendors, get the opportunity to get pictures with Santa, take the little ones to Santa's workshop inside the Gridley Museum and otherwise enjoy the pleasant evening and allow our small-town holiday spirit to sink in for the season.

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# Live Oak's New Mayor Gets Down to Business

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In other actions, council looked at reappointing Jeramy Chapdelaine current Chairman of the Planning Commission, to another 4-year term as Chairman and new applicant, Shane Bridges, to fill a vacancy on the commission

To finish up City

business, council looked at the reclassification of budgeted city positions. Reduction in city staff years ago put a strain on the parks and rec department, which is struggling to meet maintenance needs. This agenda item moved to upgrade the temporary parks maintenance worker to a full-time position to

help with that strain, while also upgrading the administrative assistant position to Recreation Supervisor for more oversight and flexibility within the department. Finally, an upgrade to management analyst from administrative assistant would assist the entire city with human resources and risk management. ★

## Butte County Sheriff's Office Announces Arrest of Six Individuals

### Butte County Sheriff's Office Press Release

**OROVILLE, CA (MPG)** - The Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) announced the arrest of six individuals. The arrests are the culmination of an investigation that began in November 2019. On November 19, BCSO responded to a residential burglary in the Oroville area. Deputies were able to obtain video surveillance of the suspects committing the burglary. BCSO Deputies identified the suspects as Jason Sylva of Oroville, age 39, and Chelsey Sylva of Oroville, age 25. Detectives and Deputies were familiar with Jason and Chelsey from previous contacts.

Detectives obtained arrest warrants for Jason and Chelsey, and a search warrant for their residence on La Cresenta Drive, Oroville.

On December 4, Detectives, Designated Area Deputies, and members of the Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force (BINTF) served the search warrant. During the service of the search warrant, Chelsey was contacted and placed under arrest. Jason was located at a neighbor's residence and placed under arrest. Five additional individuals were

contacted at the La Cresenta residence during the service of the search warrant. Detectives located numerous items of stolen property and methamphetamine at the La Cresenta residence. Jason admitted to participating in the November 19 burglary.

The following individuals were arrested on December 4 during the service of the search warrant:

Jason Sylva of Oroville, age 39 was arrested for residential burglary.

Chelsey Sylva of Oroville, age 25 was arrested for residential burglary.

Britney Flores of Oroville, age 32, was arrested for possession of methamphetamine.

Joshua Scarbrough of Oroville, age 35 was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and an arrest warrant.

Joshua Payan of Durham, age 30 was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, and for a violation of probation.

Chelsie Oleary of Oroville, age 34 was arrested for an arrest warrant.

It is possible Jason and Chelsey were involved in other burglaries. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with information about this investigation to contact Detective Joe Hooks at 530-538-7671. ★

## Butte County Sheriff's Office Announces Additional Arrest Related to Canada Murder Suspect

### Butte County Sheriff's Office Press Release

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - On December 1, 2019, the Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) began conducting follow-up regarding the arrest of Brandon Teixeira. Detectives suspected Sam Koh of Gridley, age 40 had been harboring Teixeira prior to his arrest on December 1. Detectives also received information Koh was possibly assisting Teixeira with the illegal distribution of narcotics and

marijuana. On December 6, 2019, Detectives and other law enforcement personnel served search warrants at two of Koh's residences. One residence was located in the 500 block of Macedo Road, Gridley, and the second residence was located in Loma Rica.

During the service of the search warrants, additional evidence items were located to include multiple firearms and additional marijuana. Evidence of illegal marijuana cultivation and sales was also located. After the search warrants

were served, Detectives located Koh in the Sacramento area. Koh was placed under arrest without incident. Koh was interviewed and later booked into the Butte County Jail for the following charges: maintaining residences for illegally selling narcotics and marijuana, harboring a wanted fugitive, illegal cultivation of marijuana, and possession of marijuana for sale. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information to contact Detective Vaj Thao at 530-538-7671. ★

## Thoughts to Ponder



Merry Christmas! Feliz Navidad! In a few days, Christmas will open its eyes again to the world! As you greet the day, what do you expect? Gifts, paper all over from opened presents, smells of sweets and treats, family and friends gathered around a log fire, and sounds of carols throughout the house?

Or do you greet the day aware of what the first family of the Lord's house did over 2,000 years ago – with a stall filled with animals, the smell of hay, a group of strangers parading by and the sounds of angels echoing the news of a glorious birth to the entire world?

We each make Christmas a special celebration as we bring our family traditions handed down from generation to generation to our homes. We put up trees and decorate them with ornaments given year after year by special people. We bake cookies, decorate cakes, pour the punch, brew the coffee,

and add spices to the treats of the season.

We wrap gifts as an expression of thanks and love. We wait impatiently for the visitor in the jolly red suit. This year, the waiting should be added for a babe so wonderful that it took prophets thousands of years to convey the story and millions of books to keep the records of His life.

Without, the birth of this babe, we would be like the characters of, "It's A Wonderful Life", the world as we know it would be changed: lives would be removed from the face of the earth, nothing in accordance to the promises given by the Lord God of Hosts would have any meaning, and an end to sin would not exist.

Just picture it – No Christmas! No trees! No Santa Claus! No bills for gifts we had to buy! No TV specials! No Sales! No carols to sing! No Christ! However unlike the characters in "It's A Wonderful Life", we don't have to experience a dream to find that Christmas really does exist, and that Christ

was born, lived, and died to change a world wrapped in sin.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Christ!", and He waits for you, not in a stable, laying in a manger or nailed to a cross on a hillside. He stands ready to greet us everyday of our lives as he holds out His hands to welcome all of us into His kingdom. This Christmas reach out and touch the "reason for the season" and let Him change your heart, mind, and soul. This is one present that won't have to be returned

for incorrect size, color, or it is a duplicate. It's perfect – on size fits all.

Merry Christmas and may God's peace fill your home and heart. Come join the Gridley United Methodist Church in finding the real reason for Christmas. We meet every Sunday at 10 am, located at the corner of Magnolia and Haskell Streets. We will have a Christmas Eve service at 6:30 pm. Also join us for our free Breakfast on Saturday the 14 th from 8:30-10:00 am. ★

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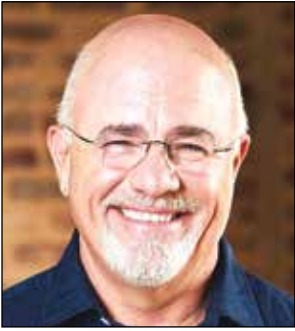
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How Can I Help My Mom?

Dear Dave,

What’s the best way to talk to a parent, and tell them their career or financial choices aren’t working out? My mom and dad divorced a few years ago, and now my mom is having money problems. She bought some rental properties after the divorce with the idea becoming a landlord and generating income that way. Since then, she has lost the properties to foreclosure and isn’t making a lot of money in her new job. I’m worried about her, but I just graduated from college, and I’m afraid she won’t listen to me.

– Renee

Dear Renee,  
You’ve got a great

Dave Ramsey Says

heart, and I’m glad you love your mom enough to want to help her. **Divorce** is never an easy thing for anyone involved.

I’m guessing you’ve heard sayings at some point in your life about how winners never quit, and quitters never win. Those statements aren’t always completely true. Successful people quit doing things that aren’t working all the time. This doesn’t have to mean you give up on a dream. It might mean you change the processes and methods you’re using—especially if what you’ve done in the past hasn’t worked out well.

Part of being successful in life, and in **business**, is having the ability to recognize when something isn’t working and make changes. You sound like an intelligent, caring young woman. But honestly, there’s probably not much chance someone fresh-out-of-college will have a lot of influence with her mother when it comes to things like this.

It might be a good idea if she talked to one of her friends or relatives a little closer to her own age. I mean someone with a little **more life** experience. If she’s in a good church, she could even talk to her pastor. In the meantime, maybe you could talk to someone like this and explain what your mom is going through. Ask them to approach her, and see if she’ll listen and be willing to accept some new ideas.

You’re a good daughter, Renee. Show your mom all the love and support you can. It sounds like she needs it right now.

*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.* ★

Christmas with Angels

By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Angels Who Care, a non-profit based in Butte County, is having their first annual Vendor Fair and Toy Drive for children in need.

The fair and toy drive is planned for Saturday, Dec 14th from 11:00 -4:00 at the Little Chico Creek Elementary school’s cafeteria located at 2090 Amanda Way in Chico. The Angels invite you to come finish up some holiday shopping with gifts from vendors such as Mary Kay and Damsel in Distress, enjoy free snacks and entertainment. The main event will be a performance by magician-storyteller Danny Lord.

Of course, the goal of the vendor fair is to thank those for donating a new unwrapped toy and/or stuffed animals for children in need throughout Butte County. The Angels are currently registering families that are struggling with the hope to provide each child one gift accompanied with a stuffed animal for Christmas.

Needy families will gather on December 21st from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Chico Library for Christmas with Angels. There, the children will claim their gifts, enjoy free cookies and be treated to a movie.

The Angels are still in need of about 40 more presents and stuffed animals to fulfill each child’s Christmas wish. If you would like to donate and cannot attend the event this weekend, please contact Francine Kennedy, President, at angelswho-care18@yahoo.com or call/text at 707-655-9186. ★



After receiving a monetary donation, this little Angel picks out a toy for a less-fortunate child. Photo provided by Francine Kennedy



Magic-maker Danny Lord will treat those at the Toy Drive to a one-of-a-kind show! Photo provided by Danny Lord

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19-08411	12/2/2019 10:32	12/2/2019 10:32	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	MAGALIA
19-08436	12/2/2019	12/3/2019 09:54	Burglary/Burglary/Felony	MAGALIA
19-08414	12/2/2019	12/2/2019 10:28	Assault/ADW Not Firearm GBI Likely/Felony	CONCOW
19-08415	12/2/2019 12:34	12/2/2019 12:33	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
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19-08435	12/3/2019 08:45-09:30	12/3/2019 08:55	Assault/Battery On Person - Misd/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08446	12/3/2019 16:13	12/3/2019 16:13	Larceny Theft/Petty Theft Retail/Etc/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
19-08472	12/4/2019 15:59-17:01	12/4/2019 15:54	Stolen Vehicle/Stolen Vehicle - Felony/Felony	OROVILLE
19-08474	12/4/2019 20:30	12/4/2019 20:30	Assault/Battery Spouse/Ex-Spouse/Etc/Misdemeanor	OROVILLE
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19-08501	12/5/2019 20:53	12/5/2019 20:53	Assault/Battery Spouse/Ex-Spouse/Etc/Misdemeanor	CLIPPER MILLS
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# SPORTS

## Gridley Bulldogs Sweep Opponents in Annual Durham Tournament



Gridley High School boys varsity basketball player, Grant Tull (#4), goes up for the slam dunk against Corning in the Herb Jergentz Basketball Tournament in Durham on Friday, December 6, 2019. Photo Courtesy of Melanie Little

By Joshua Porcayo

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley High School boys varsity basketball team participated in the Herb Jergentz Basketball Tournament in Durham, CA last week.

On Thursday, December 5th, the Bulldogs tipped off against the Rancho Cotate Cougars from Rohnert Park, CA. Gridley jumped out to an early lead in the contest with some excellent plays from their starting five: Tull (6'6"), senior Colby Norton (6'4"), senior Cesar De La Torre (6'2"), junior Cameron Erickson (6'2"), and Murillo (5'8") that seems to give them a competitive edge. Murillo's speed helps energize the offense while the big guys use their height and wingspan to dominate the paint on offense and defense. After four quarters of play, the Bulldogs won in dominating fashion 74-45.

Strong play by the depth of the bench helped secure the first win of the tournament. Tull ended the contest with 33 points, 12 rebounds, 3 assists, and 4 steals with a monster dunk. Murillo contributed with 9 points, 4 rebounds, and 2 assists. Junior point guard, Anthony Hiestand, also contributed with 4 points, 2 rebounds, and 3 assists. This was a great overall team win for the Bulldogs.

In the second game of the tournament against Corning on Friday, December 6th, the Bulldogs once again showed their dominant strength in the first half. The defense really stepped up in this game, only allowing eight points in each of the first two quarters. At the end of the first half, the Bulldogs led by a score of 30-16. That dominating fashion continued into the third quarter when Gridley put up 19 points to Corning's 5 points. At the final buzzer, the Bulldogs pulled out the 65-29 dominating win over the

Cardinals. Tull led the team with 31 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists, and 1 steal. Murillo contributed with 5 points, 9 rebounds, 5 assists, and 3 steals. Erickson, who showed tremendous leadership on the court, put up 9 points, 5 rebounds, and 2 assists.

On Saturday, December 7th, the Bulldogs matched up against tournament host, the Durham Trojans. Durham proved to be a more worthy opponent than the last two teams. The Trojans were able to exploit a few weaknesses in the Bulldogs to keep them on their toes, but in the end the Bulldogs pulled off the tournament sweep with a 54-41 victory. Tull once again led the team in scoring with 29 points, 6 rebounds, 3 steals and another posterizing dunk. Murillo put up 14 points this game with 6 rebounds, 3 assists, and 3 steals. De La Torre brought the defensive energy and hustle with 7 rebounds and 1 assist in the game. Erickson put up 6 points, 3 rebounds, and 1 assist.

Tull won tournament Most Valuable Player while Murillo and Erickson were awarded All Tourney awards. Overall, captains Tull and Murillo feel like the team chemistry is starting to click, but know they have a lot to keep working on. After their first few games of the season, both captains feel as if their defense is what needs to improve the most. The Bulldogs start the season 4-0. ★

## Lady Bulldogs Place 2nd in Annual Lady Bulldogs Holiday Classic



Gridley High School girls varsity basketball team poses for a picture after placing 2nd in the Lady Bulldog Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament on Saturday, December 7, 2019. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

By Joshua Porcayo

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - For the second year in a row the Lady Bulldogs varsity basketball team placed second in their annual Lady Bulldog Holiday Classic. And for the second year in a row, Willows High School repeated as Holiday Classic champions. This year was a bit more of a challenge for the young Lady Bulldogs team, with one team dropping out of the tournament last minute. That being the case, the Lady Bulldogs filled in for that team, forcing them to play two games on Friday, December 6th.

The first game came against the Vallejo Red Hawks who lost against Kelseyville High School on Thursday. The Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a 17-8 lead in the first quarter, led by junior captains, Kennedy Tull and Ally Mardesich. What the Lady Bulldogs lack in height this year, they make up for in speed. Starters Tull, Mardesich, and Isabelle Hernandez are juniors, while captain, Sierra Spears, and Haley Gustavsen are the only seniors on the team. And none of them are over 5'11", but there will be their strength. By halftime, the Lady Bulldogs were up 32-12 on the Lady Red Hawks. By the final buzzer, the Lady Bulldogs won their first game by a score of 60-25, with Tull scoring 15 points and Mardesich scoring 13 points.

In their second game of the day against Thursday's winner, Kelseyville High School, the Lady Bulldogs showed their strength of speed once again. At the end of the first quarter, the Lady Bulldogs had a 24-5 lead, led once again by captains Tull and Mardesich. With their quick rebounds and fast breaks, by halftime, the lead was

40-20. At the end of the fourth quarter, the Lady Bulldogs pulled off another victory 62-35. Tull led the scoring with 24 points, Mardesich had 13 points, and Gustavsen put up 11 points.

Winning on both sides of the bracket, the Lady Bulldogs played in the consolation championship game on Saturday, December 7th, against River Valley High School. Fatigue from playing two games the previous day showed in all five starters, but they all kept pressing onward. The quickness they had the day before was not the same, and River Valley took advantage going up 11-3 in the first quarter. The Lady Bulldogs showed grit and managed to come back at halftime only down by 1 point, 19-18. But River Valley ran away in the second half and took the consolation championship game by a score of 45-26. Tull led the team in scoring with 16 points.

In the championship game against Willows High School, the Lady Bulldogs continued to show fatigued and a number of injuries sidelined a few starters in the second half. The Honkers offense was swift and the defense was overbearing for the Lady Bulldogs in their fourth contest of the tournament. The Honkers went on to win the game 57-34.

Meghan Weinrich of Willows High School won Lady Bulldog Holiday Classic MVP, totaling 102 points in three games. Teammates Tayler Berens and Hanna Parisio won Lady Bulldog Holiday Classic All Tourney awards. Gridley's Kennedy Tull and Ally Mardesich also won Lady Bulldog Holiday Classic All Tourney awards. Tull ended up with 61 points in the tournament while Mardesich had 28 points. ★

## Lady Wolverines Take 4th Place in Annual McLaughlin Basketball Invitational Tournament

By Joshua Porcayo

**BIGGS, CA (MPG)** - Biggs High School Lady Wolverines hosted their annual Mel McLaughlin Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament this past week. The Lady Wolverines faced off against the Loyaltan Grizzlies on Thursday, December 5th, for their first matchup in the tournament. The entire game was a back and forth nail-biter from tip off. The Lady Wolverines press defense looked good early in the game. And the strong leadership from senior, Gracie Felkins, kept the offense and defense energized and playing tough. At halftime, the Lady Wolverines led by a score of 27-24 with strong play from Felkins, junior Megan Shelton, and senior Nikeishia Gilcrease. Each quarter in the second half was within a basket, and the Lady Wolverines won by a total of 47-42. Felkins put up 33 points with help from Shelton who had 8 points.

On Thursday, December 6th, the Lady Wolverines tipped off against the Etna Lions. From tip off things



Biggs High School girls varsity basketball team poses for a picture after their game during the Mel McLaughlin Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament in Biggs on Saturday, December 7, 2019. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

seemed to go the way for the Lions, who got out to a commanding 15-5 lead after the first quarter. Shooting Guard, Felkins, did all she could to keep her team in the game, but Etna proved to be stronger in the paint, scoring rebound after rebound over the Lady Wolverines. At halftime, Etna led by a score of 29-15 and continued the run in the second half. The Lady Wolverines saw their first loss in the tournament by a score of 55-36. Felkins again led the team in scoring with 27 points.

On Saturday, December 7th, the Lady Wolverines hit the court again and faced off against East Nicolaus. The Lady Spartans put the Lady Wolverines in a hole early and proved too much in the end. East Nicolaus went on to win the game by a score of 47-38. Felkins again led the team in scoring with 24 points. Shelton contributed with 6 points.

The Lady Wolverines finished in 4th place in the tournament. The Etna Lions swept the field and took the top spot as champions. ★

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## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #19CV03360

1. Petitioner Christoffer Michael Rogers filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

<b>Present name</b> Christoffer Michael Rogers	<b>Proposed name</b> Christoffer Michael O'Connor
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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 8, 2020 9:00 a.m. Department TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
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### COUNTY OF BUTTE

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# Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The secret life of trees has been on my mind. The wonder of leaf fall is always fresh every year. Abscission, the letting go of leaves by trees is a fascination that never goes away. While reading a novel that integrates the lives of trees and people called The Overstory, I’m gaining new insights into how trees

function. Thinking about trees in the wild, it makes sense that they are the center of a diverse self-sustaining ecosystem. Recent discoveries of trees helping one another by “messaging” insect attacks is mind boggling. The author of this book suggests that parks are zoos for trees. This has been filtering through my thought processes, I like Einstein’s idea of “thought experiments.”  
Now I live in the midst of orchards. I wonder and think about orchards. I have five fruit trees. Four of them I’ve planted. They are tended carefully and protected from disease and pests. They live well and produce food that we enjoy. At this time of year, we are orange and mandarin

wealthy. I always marvel at how much citrus falls to the ground and rots in Gridley. There is no way we can eat all the oranges our wonderful tree provides and we have pruned it to 12 feet tall, still too tall. Fortunately, we have family and friends who want the fruit. Ken Hodges of Hodges Nursery in Durham proposes that backyard gardener’s trees should be so short that a ladder is not needed for harvest. The professionals need high production, backyard gardeners need some seasonal fruit. As I contemplate the orchards, I realized that they are the feedlots of trees. Which must mean that my beloved fruit trees are the pets of trees. Spraying my pets soon. ★

# Slim Randles’ HOME COUNTRY



Mabel Adams was sitting in the day room at the Rest of Your Life retirement home when the children came in. She smiled and so did all the others in the room except for two who didn’t know what was going on.  
The old-timers in the home knew the kids were coming and had put up Christmas decorations around in the day room and on the doors of their own small apartments

## Sometimes it’s Just a Child’s Smile

and on themselves. Mabel had been reminded several times by the staff that morning that the kids were coming over, this being necessary as Mabel’s memory isn’t what it used to be. And she put a sprig of imitation holly in her hair and tied a red ribbon on the other side.  
The little girl smiled and walked over to Mabel.  
“Are you a grandma?” she asked.  
“Why, yes dear, I am.”  
“I brought you a present, Grandma,” she said, handing a box to Mabel. Mabel opened it and was delighted at the sandalwood-scented hankies inside.  
“Why thank you so much, Honey!” she said. “And what is your name?”

“I’m Candice. I’m four.”  
“Well, Candice, Merry Christmas to you. Have you been here before?”  
“Well ... no, I guess. Mom said this is where the grandmas are and we can have fun bringing presents to the grandmas.”  
“I see,” Mabel said. “Well, Candice, come over here, dear, and let me give you a hug. There!”  
Sometimes, it isn’t the cost of the hankies, or the fun wrapping them up.  
Sometimes it’s just a child’s smile and a small taste of love that makes us treasure Christmas.  
*Enjoy this column? Good. Give some money to a charity of your choice and wish them a Merry Christmas.* ★

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Dear Dietitian

Meatless Burger

Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

This past weekend, a friend encouraged me to try a meatless burger. I was pleasantly surprised to find that it was delicious and tasted like meat! Are these meatless substitutes healthier than meat?

Thanks, Josh

Dear Josh,

When it comes to consumer satisfaction, burgers made with meat substitutes taste like meat, look like meat, and have a similar texture. An increased number of consumers are switching to plant-based diets for many reasons, including protecting animals, preserving the environment, and general health concerns. The meatless substitute market earned about \$555 million in revenue in 2017 and it’s growing at around 6% per year, according to a report from Nielsen, the good Food Institutes, and the Plant Based Foods Association (1).

Many of these meat alternatives are made of soy which contains isoflavones, a plant estrogen. At one time, this was a concern for increased risk of breast cancer in women. However, research has

shown there are not enough isoflavones in whole soy products to increase the risk of breast cancer. Caution should be taken, however, when taking soy supplements or consuming processed soy products, which contain larger amounts of isoflavones (2).

One advantage of a plant-based diet is that it tends to be higher in fiber. A high fiber diet has been associated with lower rates of obesity, heart disease, type 2 diabetes, and possibly some types of cancer. One disadvantage of choosing meat substitutes is that they cost as much as three to four times more than meat (3). Consumers can dodge this price hike by choosing whole foods, such as beans, lentils, and soy as their protein sources. Another disadvantage is the lack of vitamin B12 in a diet free of meat and animal products. If you choose to go vegan, take a B12 supplement, as its function is vital in nerve function.

Are these meatless alternatives better for you? My mantra is “Keep it simple.” The same rules apply for meat substitutes as apply to meat when assessing nutritional value. Is it high in fat? What about saturated fat? What is the sodium level? Is it a good source of protein?

When opting for a meat substitute, choose one made from whole foods. Read the label and look for items made from tofu, beans, vegetables, and quinoa. Choose a product that is seasoned with herbs and spices, and

beware of fillers, which add calories but little or no nutrition. A rule of thumb is if you can’t pronounce it or if it contains more than four syllables, it may be a filler. Another important practice is to choose a product that is low in saturated fat. The American Heart Association recommends limiting saturated fat to 13 grams per day. As always, keep sodium levels as low as possible, and protein should be comparable to meat, around 7 grams per ounce.

Finally, remember not all foods that claim to be healthy actually are. It’s the food manufacturer’s job to sell a product. It’s the consumer’s job to select a healthy product. That’s why education is the key.

Until next time, be healthy!

Dear Dietitian

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# Renowned G.I.B.T Turns 66

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** -Though some things may have changed since the first game of the tournament back in 1953, one thing has remained the same – Gridley’s pride in hosting the Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Then high school junior, Brud Soares, played guard on the varsity boys basketball team back in 1953, the year the Gridley Invitational Boys Tournament got its start. He shares that at that time “There wasn’t any tournaments in northern California – we didn’t have a state championship or nothing. No recognition for good basketball teams.” Soares told of how he and his teammates nagged and whined to Coach John Valentino about being able to play a tournament. On the way home from their season-ending game in Corning the coach let the cat out of the bag. According to Soares, Coach Valentino said, “listen we’re going to have one....but we could use some money.”

The players sprang into action, Soares telling how they immediately rallied the high school girls, cheerleaders and students, and organized a cake sale that ran all weekend in front of the old Safeway and Kilpatrick’s stores in downtown Gridley. Meanwhile, Coach Valentino, his wife Helen, and good friends and contributors to the first G.I.B.T., John and Carmelita Adams, had been persuading merchants to donate to the tournament. Between the profits from the cake sale and the donations from the community, the first G.I.B.T tournament was born.

Soares said that the



**Above:**The 1953 Gridley Bulldogs basketball team with Coach John Valentino at the foundation of the GIBT program tournament. Photo courtesy Gridley High School **Right:** On behalf and in honor of Brud Soares, FOCUS member Joan Brock presents a \$500 donation to GIBT committee member Chris McIntire. Brud and his teammates helped their coach, John Valentino, organize the first GIBT. Left to right: Joan Brock, Brud Soares, Chris McIntire. Photo submitted by Joan Brock

tournament was the first taste of serious ball-playing that Gridley had seen and that was one of the founding principles of the tournament. “I think we were one of the first ones to bring in Bay area teams,” he said, “so we could see what good basketball was.” He continues to share how no one on the team had ever seen anyone dunk a basketball and that the boys of Gridley learned a few things from the city boys. “Skills. Their skills were so far above ours...” he said.

In the same turn, there were some new experiences

for those highly skilled ball players from the bay area waiting in Gridley that persist to this day. In the tradition of the tournament, players are still housed by community members and many take the students out for a bit of country-fun. “Kids out of the city had never experienced duck hunting or shooting a .22 or riding a horse,” says Soares. Experiencing that he says, “it was a big deal for those kids.” The exchange allowed for social barriers to dissolve as people of different races and lifestyles come together for

the tournament.

G.I.B.T was and is still an 8 team, double elimination tournament. In 1953 Gridley took third place, with Grant high school securing the top spot after beating, Sacred Heart from Sacramento. Ultimately the tournament was moved from a post -season tournament as Championship games were added to the equation. It is believed by the G.I.B.T. Committee that the tournament is the longest running of its kind and still one of the most prestigious varsity basketball tournaments in the north state.



Over the years the level of talent has increased and continues to be impressive, challenging our Gridley athletes. Soares shares that many of the players that were part of the G.I.B.T have gone on to the pro level in other sports. “Bill Hardy from Sacred Heart went on to play for the 49’ers,” and Willie Stargell was inducted into the MLB Hall of Fame. Soares continues to support

the event he helped establish, continuing to help bring so much joy, pride and notoriety to the Gridley community. The 66th annual G.I.B.T tournament kicks off this weekend. Come join the legacy and watch as some amazing athletes leave it all on the Farmers Hall court. You never know, you might be watching someone destined for fame. ★

## Fast Food Diners Nearly Taken-Out

*Continued from page 1*

immediately that he seemed to be in shock. “He could hardly talk,” she said. Barrow instructed him to put the vehicle in park and stay where he was until help arrived. Luckily, Connie Fischer, LVN, was in the nearby parking lot and came running to provide medical aid if necessary.

GBPD officer Roberts responded quickly to the scene, assessing that there was no need for emergency responders as all parties involved in the accident were seemingly unharmed. Sisk’s mother, Lynaya Stoker, who arrived shortly after the accident, was visible shaken and incredibly concerned about her son’s welfare. “This is his first accident,” she said, clutching her hands and watching as Sisk tried to start his car and move it to a safer

location. “This road is so dangerous!” Stoker continued. Sisk was obviously distressed but declined to make a statement, disillusioned by the taking place of the event.

The driver of the vehicle responsible for the accident, known only as Matthew, and his passenger waited patiently as Officer Roberts and back-up Officers Cooley and Olsgard documented the incident, collected driver information and took witness accounts. Ultimately, the driver of the Thunderbird was cited for cause and both parties began the process of removing their damaged vehicles.

Luckily, all three walked away without a scratch - the drivers, passenger and patrons of the Ice Burgie avoiding what could have been a fatal disaster. ★



**Officer Olsgard surveys the damage to the vehicle that caused Friday’s accident.** Photo by Seti Long

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