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Live Oak FFA Students Gain National Exposure



Local FFA Students Orrin Jones, Abby Davis and Cassidy Davis earned great experience at the national event. Photo courtesy Live Oak FFA.

**By Dan Johnson,
Live Oak FFA Advisor**

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Live Oak FFA is proud to report that we had students compete and receive honors at this year's National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis Indiana. Abby Davis achieved a degree that less than 1% of FFA members achieve. She was awarded her American FFA Degree. Abby is only one of a couple members to have ever received their American FFA Degree from the Live Oak FFA.

Abby has put in a tremendous amount of time and effort into her

FFA project over her time with the Live Oak FFA. Abby has a breeding sheep project in addition to other SAE projects. She was also a very active student in various CDE contests including speaking contests. She was a state qualifier in Extemporaneous Speaking and a member of the Ag Sales High Team at the Shasta College Field Day.

Live Oak FFA also was fortunate to have a member compete at the National FFA Convention. Orrin Jones, the current State FFA Sentinel, served as a California FFA delegate at the National Convention. This position allowed him to be an integral

part of the National Convention business. Orrin placed first in the state last year in Extemporaneous Speaking, which qualified him to compete at the National Contest. Orrin also put in a lot of time preparing for the contest. In spite of not making the finals, Orrin did a great job at the National Contest.

After the National Convention Orrin will continue to serve as this year's State FFA Sentinel. Both Abby and Orrin made the Live Oak FFA very proud. Also in attendance was Cassidy Davis, also from the Live Oak FFA, in support of her sister. ★

"Hope Heals" Relief for Camp Fire Survivors

By Ting Fan

CHICO, CA, (MPG) - The Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation, also known as Tzu Chi USA, will hold ongoing disaster relief distributions for those impacted by the Camp Fire throughout the week until Sunday, December 9th.

After the violent wildfire left a trail of pain and destruction, Tzu Chi volunteers quickly mobilized to provide 3,674 cash cards to impacted families, totaling \$2,017,950 in direct financial assistance. As of December 3rd, 8,456 individuals have benefited from our aid.

As part of our Hope Heals campaign, we have made it our goal to provide immediate cash relief to families affected by the Camp Fire by raising donations from 10,000 people, which will directly fund cash cards for 10,000 Camp Fire survivors before Christmas.

Registration to receive our emergency financial assistance for this weekend's distribution is still open. Paradise homeowners whose homes have been damaged or who have been displaced by the Camp Fire may receive on-the-spot financial aid from Tzu Chi USA at the Disaster Recovery Center at the Chico Mall (1950 E 20th St) on Saturday, Dec. 8th, if they are west of Clark Rd, and Sunday, Dec. 9th, if they are east of Clark Rd. Magalia, Concow, and Yankee Hills homeowners are also welcome. For faster service, all applicants are encouraged to pre-register at www.tzuchi.us.

Thank you for taking this journey to recovery with us. We strive to leave no one behind and hope to help as many people as we can on their road to recovery.

To reach our goal of gathering 10,000 donors, Tzu Chi USA is currently accepting donations

Online at www.tzuchi.us.★

Bulldogs' Carr Finds His Niche in Gridley

Story by David Vantress

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - When one door closes, others usually open.

That old saying has special meaning for Gridley teacher and coach Ron Carr.

Carr, who grew up in Biggs and graduated from Biggs High School in 1986, poured his heart and soul into coaching in Biggs for a number of years.

And when his contract as Biggs' head football coach was not renewed following the 2015 season, that closed door led to others opening.

Carr spent a year working at Live Oak High School, student teaching and as an assistant coach for the Lion JV and continuing to work on his teaching credential.

And when a new head coach took over at Gridley High School with the 2017 season, another door opened.

Carr went to high school with former Gridley principal Joey Adame, and it was through that connection that the move to Gridley came about.

Matt Kemmis was fortunate to have the entire previous staff stick around for him, and he was even more fortunate to find someone of Carr's experience and caliber to run the Bulldog JV.

"It's great to have someone like Ron around," Kemmis said last season.

Carr completed his teaching credential at Grand Canyon University at age 51 and, after subbing for a few years, got an opportunity to move into a full-time teaching position. He also took over as the head JV football coach, leading the team to a 9-1 record in his first year along with assistant coach and friend Rob Hall.

Carr is teaching sixth and

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Gridley High School JV football coach Ron Carr talks to his team during the 2018 season. Carr got his teaching credential and has been a teacher and assistant coach at Gridley the past two seasons.

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The New Pi-Line



Commentary
By Josh FW. Cook

If you are planning on doing your Christmas shopping you need to get moving. By the way, on behalf of the Gridley Chamber of Commerce, we remind you to shop locally. If that is not enough to get you to stay in town, beware that Sacramento sales tax is a solid percentage point higher than Butte and Sutter Counties. Grass Valley is a whopping 8%. Gridley -Biggs - Live Oak is 7.25 percent.

Gridley - Biggs - Live Oak is hard to say, another reason they renamed the Hospital; in case you were wondering, or you are still upset. Can you imagine trying to say Gridley - Biggs - Live Oak in a health crisis emergency? Better to just gasp "take me to Orchard" before you pass out. The The 911 operator will know what to do.

The Biggs-Gridley, Gridley-Biggs joint police and electrical departments should consider renaming themselves as well, or at least make half the vehicle

doors say Gridley-Biggs, and the other half of the vehicles say Biggs-Gridley. Seems fair. Live Oak gets their Police from their Sheriff, but the Live Oak City Council made the Sheriff put Live Oak on all the cars as part of the contract.

By the way, Grass Valley and Nevada City have higher sales taxes because they won't combine their public services like we do. Both cities are too proud to paint the other city name on their vehicles. Long history there, the miners lived in one town, the management in another. Goes back to the California gold rush.

I have to admit there are few movies this Holiday Season at the box office that match the entertainment you can find at the Oroville Super Wal*Mart. If you are a college sociologist or just a people watcher, the cast of characters at this time of the year are truly amazing and fun to watch. I love Wal*Mart, and the greatest Wal*Mart in the world is the one in Oroville.

Store gift cards - I love them (hint). Some people find them offensive. As it was explained to me, you are supposed to give the gift more thought, and make the gift more personalized and reflective of something you know about the other person; like kitchen stuff for people who like to cook, a book for an avid reader, fishing gear for an angler. So take that point of view into your shopping plan.

Gift cards don't work for everyone.

No matter where you land on the Gift Card giving issue there is one undisputable Christmas operating ethic; e-mails do not count as a Christmas Card, even if the Holiday graphics are animated like a cartoon.

On behalf of the original real authentic Gridley Herald (since 1888), it is good to buy a subscription to the local (Orchard communities) newspaper for your family members who have moved away. Also, every time I use a semi-colon in the column I wonder if it is used properly. I see the faces of Marny Harris, Debbie Graves, Darrell Stewart, and Margret Hughes everytime I press that key, and I get nervous. So I always double check for the sake of the great educators in our community who may read this. Debbie Graves, whoa, she schooled me. I proof-read everything with visions of Ms. Graves in my mind - imagining that she will track me down, make me circle my errors and rewrite the column 6 times. That woman solved attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder before the entire scientific community and pharmacy industry completed the research to decide what ADHD is, and how to treat it.

Good luck with your gift giving and receiving for 2019. Love your people, count your blessings and occasionally reminisce. ★

Gallagher Introduces Legislation to Help Camp Fire Recovery



By Curtis Grima, Office of James Gallagher

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Assemblyman James Gallagher (R-Yuba City) has introduced legislation to ensure that areas affected by the Camp Fire can continue operations as the recovery process begins. The Camp Fire, which started in Butte County in early November, is the deadliest and most destructive fire in California state history. The fire has destroyed more than 18,000 structures and killed at least 88 people. It decimated the communities of Paradise, Concow, and Magalia. Gallagher's legislation will help fund emergency response and local government operations as the long road to recovery begins.

"We have never seen anything like this. The town

of Paradise is gone, but the community remains. We will rebuild, and right now the priority is helping those impacted by the fire. This is a marathon, not a sprint," said Assemblyman Gallagher.

"The people of the North State and our regional economy are devastated by one of the worst disasters in our nation's history. It is imperative that the State of California tap into its nearly \$15 billion surplus to help in the recovery of our community," added Senator Nielsen, who is co-authoring the proposals.

Gallagher introduced two bills. AB 41 will provide more state funding for activities like debris removal, emergency work, and repair of public facilities damaged by the fire. Gallagher's other bill, AB 42, will help backfill revenues that will be lost as destroyed properties get reassessed.

"Our communities already had limited resources before the fire. This funding is critical to continue operations as we help people rebuild. We must ensure that we have sufficient funding for emergency response activities and to restore critical services and government functions

like education," said Butte County Supervisor Bill Connelly who represents the communities of Concow, Cherokee and Yankee Hill.

In Paradise, the fire destroyed about 95% of homes and businesses. 50,000 people are displaced from the town and surrounding communities. In addition to fiscal challenges, finding suitable housing to help keep people in the area will be a huge challenge in a state that already faces a housing crisis. Gallagher will also be working with stakeholders to provide regulatory relief and streamlining to increase access to interim housing.

"The people of Butte County have been devastated by the worst fire in State history. As a State we need to do everything in our power to get all the financial resources we can in order to put these communities and their residents back on their feet," said co-author Assemblyman Brian Dahle.

Assemblyman James Gallagher represents the 3rd Assembly District, which encompasses all of Glenn, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba counties as well as portions of Butte and Colusa counties. ★

Unity in Motion Dance Concert Presented December 14 and 15 in Harlen Adams Theatre

Story by Tashia Jones, School of the Arts

CHICO, CA (MPG) - CSU, Chico's School of the Arts presents the dance event, "Unity in Motion." The performance takes place Friday and Saturday, December 14 and 15 at 7:30 p.m. in Harlen Adams Theatre. Purchase tickets at the University Box Office, 530-898-6333.

"Unity in Motion" is a faculty choreographed dance showcase featuring a piece from Momentum (a student-run organization). It will include a variety of different styles such as: ballet, contemporary jazz, hip hop, modern and musical theatre dance.

Director Megan Glynn Zollinger (Department of Music and Theatre assistant professor of dance), Sherree Henning (Department of Music and Theatre faculty), Tyler Farmer (guest artist), and JaNae McLaughlin (kinesiology faculty), are responsible for this year's pieces and choreography.

Even though there was been a dance showcase in 2016 that featured faculty and student choreography, there has not been an all-faculty showcase at Chico State since 1991. This was due to the dance program being eliminated. Zollinger's goal is to make this showcase an annual event.



Juan Bolaños (right) and Cheyenne Courvoisier (left)

"I'm not necessarily reinventing the wheel, I'm just making it a faculty concert that I plan to continue in the future," Zollinger said.

Dancing and choreography has always been a huge part of Zollinger's career. She has had plenty of experience in creating, training and directing. Zollinger worked as a jazz dance director at Westlake School for the Performing Arts. A lot of her students went on to be featured on television shows such as "America's Best Dance Crew," "America's Got Talent" and "So you Think you Can Dance."

"Dance is a unique art-form in which we are able to communicate, entertain, discover, challenge, and heal

simply using the human body," added Zollinger. "This will be a representation of that passion, talent and community working together."

Tickets are priced at \$10 for adults and \$6 seniors, students and youth. They are available to purchase at the University Box Office or by calling 530-898-6333.

Harlen Adams Theatre is located in Room 144 of the Performing Arts Center. For those who need special seating accommodations, please call 530-898-6333. More information is available online at the School of the Arts website – www.csuchico.edu/soa - and Facebook page – www.facebook.com/ChicoStateSOA. ★

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USDA Provides Additional Food Disaster Assistance in Counties Hit by Wildfires

Special USDA Release

WASHINGTON, DC (MPG) - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced on November 30, 2018 that households in three California counties have been approved to receive Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) benefits. D-SNAP will be offered in parts of Los Angeles and Ventura counties due to the impact of the Woolsey and Hill wildfires, and Butte County in northern California due to the Camp Fire. Households in the affected areas may be eligible if they have qualifying disaster-related expenses and meet D-SNAP income limits.

“USDA continues to work closely with state and local officials to help victims deal with the widespread damage caused by these fires,” said USDA’s Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services Brandon Lipps. “We want to do everything we can to make the recovery easier. Helping people put food on the table is one vital way we can do that.”

If a household in the affected area qualifies for D-SNAP, they could receive one month of benefits to meet their food needs as they settle back home following the disaster. Households in certain zip

codes that already receive SNAP benefits will automatically receive disaster supplements, up to the maximum allotment for their household size, and are not eligible to apply for D-SNAP.

The timing and conditions of D-SNAP vary with the circumstances of each disaster, but the program always begins after access to retailers has been restored and families are able to purchase food to prepare at home. Before operating D-SNAP in an approved county, the state must ensure that conditions related to safety and readiness are in place.

Affected households should look for public information notices from the state regarding the application process, location of application sites, and dates of application in each county.

This is one of many tools that USDA has available to aid states as they recover from disasters. Today’s announcement is the latest of multiple actions taken to help California residents cope with the effects of recent wildfires:

- USDA provided assistance to an estimated 8,000 residents of Butte County and the surrounding area through the Disaster Household Food Distribution Program.
- The department recently approved California’s

request to issue mass replacement of SNAP benefits to affected beneficiaries in parts of Ventura, Los Angeles, Butte and Plumas Counties.

- Butte County schools will be allowed flexibility in providing lunch and breakfast meals due to food shortages caused by road closures and hazardous conditions.
- Butte County schools are also authorized to provide breakfast and lunch to students at no cost to them due to the large number of students left homeless by the wildfire.
- On Nov. 21, USDA announced a waiver allowing residents of 14 fire-affected counties to purchase hot foods with SNAP benefits.

USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) works to reduce food insecurity and promote nutritious diets among the American people. The agency administers 15 nutrition assistance programs that leverage America’s agricultural abundance to ensure children and low-income individuals and families have nutritious food to eat. FNS also co-develops the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, which provide science-based nutrition recommendations and serve as the cornerstone of federal nutrition policy. ★

Big Holiday Fun in Biggs



The sound of laughter filled the air as snow fell upon the heads of excited children at this year’s Biggs Holiday Street Fair. People of all ages were drawn to the flurries that blanketed the street in front of the Hotel Colonia in downtown Biggs. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The weather outside was not-so-frightful Sunday night in Biggs. In fact, to the delight of young and old, it was snowing! It’s become a beloved tradition of the Biggs Holiday Street Fair, for snow to fall from the roof tops of the historic Hotel Colonia.

This year’s event closed down B Street in the heart of Downtown Biggs with a myriad of vendors selling crafts and gifts, offering face painting, and sweet treats to eat in the form of kettle corn and hot cocoa. Downtowns “pocket park” was a-glow with hundreds of lights, a candy-cane arch and other cheerful holiday decorations, with

Biggs living Christmas Tree standing front and center.

At 6 p.m. the large crowd milling through the streets gathered round to watch the tree lighting ceremony. The festivities continued well into the evening, leaving all that visited the 3rd Annual Biggs Street Fair merry and bright. ★

Senator Nielsen Sworn in to Represent Citizens of the Fourth District

By Nghia Nguyen

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Respected for his leadership, experience and public service, Senator Jim Nielsen (R-Tehama) was sworn-in for a new four-year term in the State Senate. Senator Nielsen won the November election with 57 percent of the vote.

“Representing the citizens of the Fourth Senate District is an honor and a privilege of a lifetime,” said Senator Nielsen (R-Tehama), who is serving his final term in the State Senate. “On their behalf, I will continue to keep a watchful eye on the state budget and how

taxpayers’ monies are spent.”

Senator Nielsen added, “Today is a special day for me and the people of the North State. Students from schools in the Town of Paradise are returning to classrooms throughout Butte County for the first time since the Camp Fire forever changed their lives. It is a new beginning for us; the rebuilding of a great North State community.”

The Senate Rules Committee appointed Senator Nielsen to serve as Vice Chair of the Senate Budget & Fiscal Review and on the subcommittee to select the new Legislative Analyst.

Senator Nielsen grew up on a small farm in the San Joaquin Valley and graduated from Fresno State with a Bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Business. After college, Jim worked as a ranch foreman and operated the family cattle, field and row-crop ranch. He served for nearly 17 years as Chairman and member of the California Board of Prison Terms, the state’s parole authority.

Elected to the State Senate in January 2013, Senator Nielsen proudly represents the citizens of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties. ★

Governor Takes Action to Bolster Wildfire Recovery

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. today issued two executive orders to further assist communities recovering from devastating fires – one to help ensure students displaced by this month’s Camp, Woolsey and Hill fires are able to return to school as soon as possible and another to extend the state’s prohibition on price gouging during emergencies for counties recovering from July’s Mendocino Complex, Carr and Klamathon fires, as well as counties impacted by numerous wildfires last year, including the Tubbs, Nuns, Atlas and Thomas fires.

The order related to the Camp, Woolsey and Hill fires includes provisions to facilitate the use of temporary school facilities and waivers for requirements related to class size, outdoor physical education and school district residency.

The full text of the executive orders signed today can be found here and here.

Earlier this month, the Governor secured a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to bolster the statewide emergency response and issued an executive order to streamline

recovery efforts. Governor Brown also met with residents impacted by wildfire in Butte and Ventura counties, joined the President to discuss recovery efforts and survey Camp and Woolsey fire damage and held briefings on the ongoing response with top federal, state and local fire and emergency management officials at the Incident Command Post in Camarillo and Chico and at the State Operations Center in Mather.

A state of emergency has been declared in Los Angeles, Ventura and Butte counties and California secured direct federal assistance to further support the impacted communities – within 24 hours of making the request. Federal Disaster Unemployment Assistance benefits have also been made available for workers, business owners and self-employed individuals who lost jobs or had work hours substantially reduced due to the wildfires in Butte, Los Angeles and Ventura counties.

Information on the resources available to residents impacted by the fires can be found at <http://wildfirerecovery.org/>.

Source: Office of Gov. Brown ★

Aerial Imagery Maps of Some Burn Areas in Town of Paradise Now Available

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Detailed aerial imagery maps of damaged properties in most of the burn areas in the Town of Paradise are now available to view at www.ButteCountyRecovers.org/Maps.

Video surveys and 360 degree drone panoramas of all major roads in the Town of Paradise can also be accessed on this webpage.


The imagery was captured

by a multiagency task force of public safety drone teams at the request of the Butte County Sheriff’s Office. The agencies involved were authorized to fly in wildfire conditions under an emergency waiver from the Federal Aviation Administration.


The purpose of this imagery is to provide valuable information to the search and recovery teams on the

ground, multiple agencies coordinating response, and to the residents of the community impacted by the Camp Fire. While the teams tried to capture imagery for most property damage in the Town of Paradise burn areas, the map is not comprehensive.

Source: Butte County Joint Information Center (JIC) ★



MEMORIAL NOTICE



Loran Michael Hammond


July 22, 1954 to November 8, 2018

Mike was born at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina on July 22, 1954 and entered into rest on November 8, 2018.

After graduating from high school in Sacramento, CA. Mike joined the military. He was a Navy Seal and volunteered for Vietnam where he earned the Bronze Star for valor.

Mike met and married Elizabeth Womack, a native of the Biggs-Gridley area. Mike and Elizabeth were blessed with two daughters.

He supported his family working as a building inspector the for city of El Segundo.



Mike loved his family deeply and was a proud father and grandfather.

Mike is preceded in death by his parents, Neil and Sis Gallagher, his eldest sister, Sherry. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Elizabeth, his daughters Melissa (Brian) Van Corbach, Jaime (Anthony) Leon. His 11 grandchildren: Jessica (Taylor) Nelson, Sara Van Corbach, Kaleb, Joshua, Thomas, Nicolaus, Nehemiah, Leah, Isaac, Johanna and Justus Leon and his four sisters, Marsha Young, Brenda Mederios, Deana Fallen and Lisa Vogel.

Although everyone thought they were Mike’s favorite; one thing is for sure, he was everyone’s favorite.



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Reform California Blasts State Attorney General Over Another False Ballot Title on a Citizen Initiative

Commentary
by Dave McCulloch,
Reform California

In 1911, California voters secured a Constitutional right to use “Citizen Initiatives” to place items on the ballot to impose reform on their politicians. Today the state politicians have found a way to strip citizens of that precious right through pure deception.

For the second time in six months, State Attorney General Xavier Becerra has issued a false and misleading title for a proposed citizen initiative that he and fellow state politicians disagree with.

In August the Attorney General changed the title on Prop 6 from the “Gas Tax Repeal Initiative” to “Eliminates Road Repair Funding.” Voters were so confused they voted against an initiative that the public polling showed was favored by a 2:1 margin.

In September Reform California filed a citizen initiative titled “Citizens’ Lockbox for Road Repairs and Infrastructure Improvements” that would



**Attorney General
Xavier Becerra**

dedicate 100% of the gas tax to road repairs and 100% of sales tax on cars to infrastructure improvements. The measure also cancels the High Speed Rail train project and deposits any savings into the Lockbox established under the initiative.

Instead of describing the initiative’s main purpose – to lockbox tax funds for roads and infrastructure – the AG falsely describes the initiative as “REMOVES RESPONSIBILITY AND FUNDING FOR STATE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE FROM STATE.”

“The Attorney General has shown again he’s willing to outright lie about the

contents of a citizen initiative – all in an attempt to defraud voters of an honest and fair election,” said Carl DeMaio, chairman of Reform California.

“In doing so, the Attorney General has shown he is unfit for office and that it is time we take away the power of politicians to manipulate the title of a citizen initiative and instead give the responsibility to a neutral and independent body,” DeMaio noted.

DeMaio offers an analogy to explain the problem with politicians being allowed to slap erroneous titles on citizen initiatives they disagree with: “Suppose you make a wonderful turkey sandwich with all the fixings and put a toothpick in the sandwich. When he’s asked to describe the item on a menu, the state Attorney General titles it ‘A Big Plank of Wood.’ No one would order that to eat, and the same is true of voters evaluating a ballot measure.”

Reform California is currently conferring with legal counsel on its next steps. ★



Short term planning

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are completely debt-free, and we’re saving up for our first house. We currently have about \$90,000 in savings, and we’d like to buy a home with cash in the next few years. Where should we put our money, so it will work for us while we save more?
-Aimee

Dear Aimee,
It’s a great feeling when you don’t have any debt hanging over your head, isn’t it? With the path you’re on now, just imagine how incredible it will be in a few years to have a new home and still be debt-free!

If I were in your shoes, and maybe looking at a three- to five-year window, I’d just park the cash in a good market account. You

Dave Ramsey Says

won’t make a lot off it, but your money will be safe. Besides, all you’re looking for is a wise place to stash it for a little while.

When it comes to *long-term* investing I’m a big fan of growth stock mutual funds. The problem with that in your situation would be the volatility of the market. By the time you’ve saved up more money, and spent time deciding on a house, the market may be down.

It sounds like you two are doing a fantastic job with your finances. Congratulations!

—Dave

Keep your emergency fund simple

One of my friends suggested that I put my emergency fund money into bonds. What do you think of this idea?

-Renee

Dear Renee,
Never put your emergency fund into things where volatility and risk are a concern. An emergency fund isn’t an investment; it’s three to

six months of expenses set aside to help protect you from the unexpected things life will throw at you. My advice is to keep your emergency fund in something simple—like a money market account where there’s no penalty for early withdrawal *and* check writing privileges for easy access.

Bond values and prices go down when long-term interest rates rise. Right now, long-term interest rates—a good example would be mortgage rates—are ticking up. So, as this happens, the value of bonds goes down.

We’re not looking to make money with an emergency fund, Renee. Think of it as a type of insurance. Just let it sit there, safe and sound, until it’s needed!

—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 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey. ★

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BY SETI LONG

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25 Years Ago (1993)

“Biggs-Gridley Cemetery in Financial Need”

Faced with deficits of \$125,850 a year and no palatable cost cutting alternatives, the Biggs-Gridley Cemetery District is asking property owners to help in the form of an annual parcel fee amounting to \$1.93 a month, or \$23.15 a year, assessed under the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972. If property owners refuse, the Districts Board of Trustees will have to let the cemetery “go to seed” or will be forced to raise burial costs, effectively doubling the current rate, making burial there simply unaffordable to many residents. It is estimated that the fees from the levy will generate around \$135,300.76 which will help with the current costs of operations, a total expected to grow to \$261,151.25 in the next year. The parcel fee can be levied by the Board of Trustees unless it is halted by written protests filed by property owners owning more than 50% of the area of assessable land within the proposed assessment district.

50 Years Ago (1968)

“Big Hike in Phone Rates.”

New telephone rates for the Gridley area, Yuba and Sutter counties went into effect on December 2nd and the rate was a big increase as far as Gridleyans are concerned. The new one party rate for local customers is now \$4.75 per month compared to the \$3.70 rate they had been paying. Live Oak, Wheatland, North Yuba, Meridian and Smartsville residents will also see their rates increase to \$4.75 a month. The two party rate is now \$3.65, while four party line users will pay \$2.95 and eight party line users, \$3.45. Business rates will jump from \$5.80 to \$9.00. The million dollar state-wide increase was the result of a rate application made two years ago to the California Public Utilities Commission by Pacific Telephone

75 Years Ago (1943)

“Fire Equipment of Butte County Ready for Wartime Emergencies.”

Butte County fire coordinator, E.P. Biggs, announced that Butte county is well prepared to co-operated with other northern California counties in the efficient utilization of fire equipment in the event of a war-time emergency. Biggs reported in a meeting of the Butte county defense council, that a complete inventory of all fire fighting machinery had been sent to the headquarters of the second defense region located in Redding.

100 Years Ago (1918)

“Officials Anxious - Influenza Threatens Another Outbreak”

It is reported that there are 65 new cases of influenza in the Gridley area, indicating a resurgence of the epidemic. It is the opinion of the Board of Health of the City of Gridley that everyone take precautions, staying away from crowds and wearing masks both at home and in the streets. So far, 123 students have been absent from the grammar school. Not all are sick - parents are keeping students at home in fear of the disease. An official summary of the results of the influenza epidemic in the army camps and military centers made public by the War Department recently shows that 17,000 service personnel have died due to influenza.

125 Years Ago (1893)

“Gridley Jail”

The Board of Supervisors have been requested to repair the Gridley jail, recently damaged by fire. It is suggested that the jail should be replaced by a small, solid brick building near the heart of town. ★

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Open Enrollment is Here

Don't go through the process alone

By Janet Trautwein

It's time to sign up for health insurance. Between November 1 and December 15, millions of Americans will head to Healthcare.gov or the online exchange in their state to shop for coverage for 2019.

Selecting the right health plan can be daunting. Patients have six weeks to evaluate dozens of plans, each with different networks, benefits, premiums, and deductibles. If they fail to purchase a plan during this open enrollment period, they risk forgoing insurance entirely next year.

Choosing wisely could save consumers thousands of dollars and guarantee they get the care they need. To ensure that they choose wisely, they should consider consulting free, expert resources -- particularly licensed, professional agents and brokers.

The plans available through the exchanges provide coverage for ten essential health benefits, including primary care visits, substance abuse treatment, and mental health care. Consumers with annual incomes below 400 percent of the

poverty level -- about \$48,000 for an individual or \$100,000 for a family of four -- can receive subsidies from the federal government to help pay for coverage through the exchanges. Nearly 10 million Americans claimed such subsidies this year.

Those who do not qualify for subsidies may find better deals on comprehensive coverage outside the exchanges.

Regardless of what type of policy they choose, it's critical that consumers choose something. Uninsured patients are twice as likely to struggle to pay their medical bills. And they're less likely to receive preventative care for chronic health conditions -- which is both dangerous and expensive. Lacking health insurance is also associated with higher mortality rates.

Picking through all those options can be difficult. Six in 10 Americans don't feel confident in their ability to pick the right plan. Just 14 percent of Americans have a "pretty good" understanding of how much health insurance actually costs.

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The job of an agent or broker doesn't end once they've helped a consumer find the right plan. Many serve as advocates for their clients, resolving billing issues or claims disputes. More than 7 in 10 agents spend "most" or "a lot of" their time explaining coverage to their clients.

Picking a health insurance plan can be among the most important decisions a person makes each year. Fortunately, consumers needn't make those decisions alone.

Janet Trautwein is CEO of the National Association of Health Underwriters. For more information, visit www.agent-finder.org. ★

Dear Dietician: E-coli

What's Up with that Romaine Lettuce?



Commentary by
Leanne McCrate

Recently, there was a recall of Romaine lettuce due to E. Coli 0157:H7 contamination believed to have originated in California. This strain of bacteria produces a Shiga toxin that can cause severe foodborne illness. Escherichia coli (E. Coli) is a type of bacteria found in the intestines of humans, cows, and other animals. It is usually harmless, but some strains may cause illness.

People become infected with E. Coli when they eat or drink something that is contaminated with the bacteria. Workers may handle equipment that has been tainted with manure, fail to wash their hands, then spread the bacteria to the food

they are handling. This food makes its way to the marketplace, is purchased by a consumer, taken home and eaten. The time it takes to feel ill from E. Coli is usually 3-4 days, but depending on the amount of the bacteria, it can be anywhere from 1-10 days.

Another source of contamination is irrigation water. In the California case, it is possible that canals were polluted by cow manure that contained E. Coli. Farmers draw water from these canals to irrigate their fields of Romaine lettuce, and the bacteria makes its way from the water to the plant. Even though the lettuce is washed before it gets to market, it is believed that the bacteria cling to the lettuce and is difficult to remove. These foods are eaten raw, so there is no way to kill the bacteria in the preparation process.

Those who are most vulnerable to an infection are people who are immunocompromised, like someone undergoing cancer treatment. These patients often do not have the ability to fight off the infection.

Young children, pregnant women, and older adults are also the most vulnerable to foodborne illness.

Efforts are being taken to prevent the contamination of food. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) plans to require mandatory testing of the water used to irrigate the ready-to-eat crops. If harmful levels of bacteria are found in the water samples, the food will not make it to market.

The best way to prevent any foodborne illness is to vigorously wash your hands with soap and warm water. It is important to wash your hands before eating, before preparing food, after using the bathroom, and after being around an animal, even if it's your pet. Be safe; be healthy.

Leanne McCrate, RD, LD, CNSC, is an award-winning dietitian with over fifteen years of clinical experience. She is registered with the Commission on Dietetic Registration. Have a nutrition question? Email it to DearDietitian411@gmail.com. ★

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Date Filed in Butte County: October 26, 2018

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #18CV03486

1. Petitioner Anna Canales filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name	Proposed name
Natalia Grace Christine Watkins-Long	Natalia Grace Christine Watkins-Long Flores

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 December 21, 2018 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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Antonio Soria, 88 Oakwood Lane Oroville, CA 95965

Date Filed in Butte County: November 9, 2018

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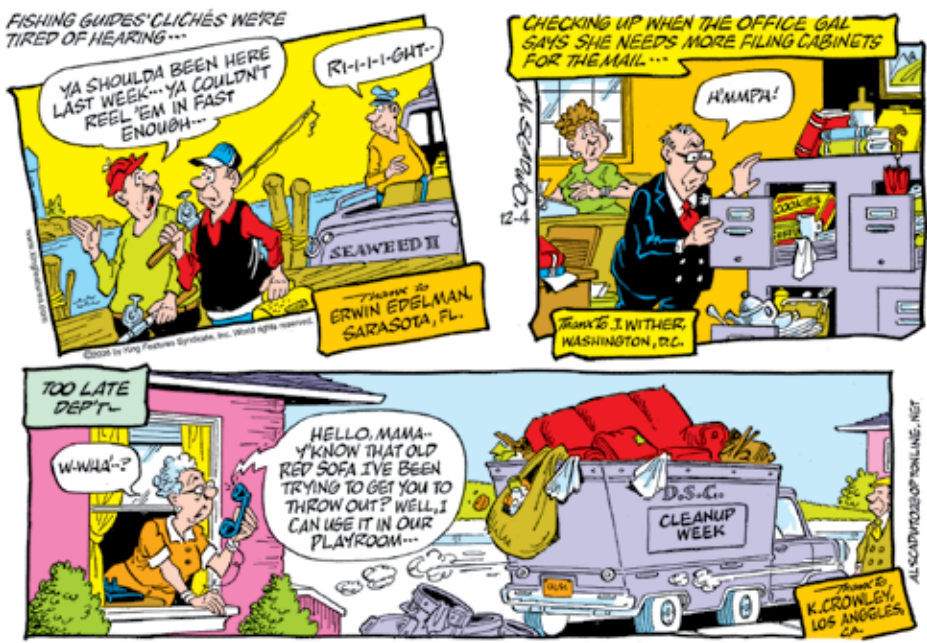
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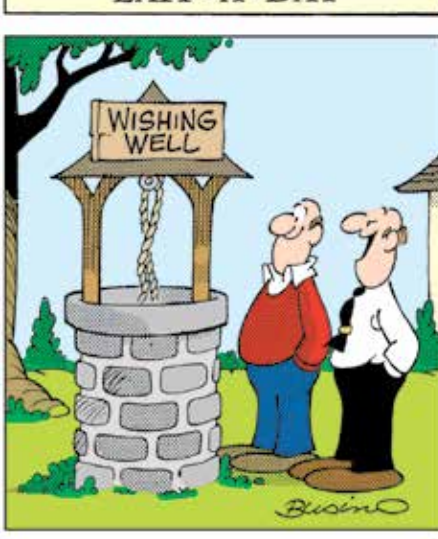
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Social Security Matters



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Upset About Wife's Reduced Social Security Benefits

Dear Rusty: My wife contributed to Social Security before and after working alongside her first husband in their business, but with no contributions during that period. In more recent years she taught public school for enough years to qualify for NV PERS. Social Security is telling us that when she starts her PERS at age 65 about 40 percent of her SS will be taken away. To us the two should be totally separate. Can you explain the logic of this reduction? Why should she be penalized for working a period of time outside of a SS profession? Thank you for your response in advance. **Signed: Upset Husband**

Dear Upset Husband: If your wife is eligible for Social Security on her own record, and she will also get a pension from Nevada's Public Employee Retirement System (PERS), then her Social Security benefit will, indeed, be affected by Social Security's Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) when she starts her PERS pension. The WEP provision was enacted by Congress in 1983 as part of a broader program to restore Social Security to solvency against looming financial issues.

According to the Social Security Administration, WEP was intended to create better equality in how benefits were computed for those who worked their entire career contributing to Social Security, and those who did not. The logic was that, since the Social Security benefit computation is intentionally weighted toward lower-earning workers, to compute benefits in the same way for those who did not contribute fully to Social Security was unfair because they also receive an enhanced pension in addition to Social Security. So, they changed the benefit calculation for anyone with a pension from employment which did not contribute to Social Security. That formula, which normally uses 90% of the first "bend point," or segment, of one's average indexed monthly earnings (AIME) over their lifetime, instead uses a 40% multiplier for those with a non-SS-Covered pension.

The "bend point" values change each year, but for 2018 the first bend point value is \$895, so someone affected by WEP applying for Social Security today would see their benefit contribution from the first bend point - the one which contributes the most to one's benefit amount - as \$358 instead of \$806. The WEP reduction is mitigated if someone has more than 20 years of substantial earnings from employment which contributed to Social Security, and WEP goes away if one has more than 30 years of substantial SS-covered earnings. There is also a maximum WEP reduction for each year, and the reduction cannot be more than 50% of the non-covered pension, so WEP can never completely eliminate one's Social Security retirement benefit.

But there's other bad news: when your wife is eligible for

Social Security spousal or survivor's benefits and her PERS pension has started, she will be affected by another provision called the Government Pension Offset (GPO). The GPO reduces spousal and/or survivor's benefits by 2/3rds of the amount of the non-covered pension, which can entirely eliminate the Social Security spousal or survivor benefit. And the rationale for GPO mirrors that for WEP. I know it will be small comfort, but you are hardly alone when it comes to being upset about your wife's Social Security benefit being reduced by WEP. I understand your contention that "the two should be totally separate" and there are many, including some members of Congress, who share that view. In fact, there is a bill before Congress now known as H.R. 1205 - The Social Security Fairness Act - which proposes to eliminate both WEP and GPO. Unfortunately, that bill has made little progress despite having about 188 bipartisan cosponsors, and little prospect for passage seems possible at this time. While I know this doesn't relieve your displeasure about WEP, I hope it at least somewhat clarifies why it was enacted and how it works.

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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - It's supposed to freeze and I have not put the frost cloth on the orchids or anything else. May everything live because I am coming down with a cold and I am not going outside to cover those that might not make it through the freeze. More than

likely everything will be fine. The cymbidiums are in a well-protected place against the house so they should be fine. If not there will be fewer plants for me to take care of during the winter. I am slowly letting go of plants maybe freezing them is a sure-fire method of simplification.

Most of the plants are cold hardy. There is one lavender that has frilly ferny leaves and I wonder if I need to mulch it...I guess I will know the answer in the morning. More than likely, if it gets nipped by frost, I will cut it back and mulch it and come spring it will grow back...or so I hope. I've been having a sense of letting go of

many things ever since the Camp Fire. It brought a new perspective about the things we gather in life. I'm seriously getting rid of some things and not being attached to the things I keep. I've already started getting rid of family mementos by passing them on to the younger generation. Now, I have to truly let go of those things by not passing judgement on how the younger generation cares for or does not care for mthose mementos.

Plants are the same to me. I will pass some on, others will die and still others will live on in my yard and someone else later down the road will either care for them or not. Earth abides. ★

Plant Suggestions for Your Rain Garden

Alicia Springer, UC Master Gardener of Butte County

Four weeks ago, in this column we ran an article on rain swales ("Slow it, Spread it, Sink it"-- Creating a Rain Garden," Nov. 2, 2018). A week after that, the Camp Fire made the idea of planning and planting a rain garden seem all too irrelevant. Now, with several full days of decent rain behind us, more rain in the forecast, and the Camp Fire declared 100% contained, we can start thinking again about how to practice effective water conservation in our own yards. Those of us who are fortunate enough to have gardens can make the most of the gift of rain.



A dry creek rain swale in a suburban garden landscape



A dry creek rain swale in a suburban garden landscape

- Fleabane daisies (Erigeron species)
- Yarrow (Achillea millefolium)
- Common monkeyflower/aka sticky-monkey (Mimulus aurantiacus)
- Yellow monkeyflower/aka seep mimulus (Mimulus guttatus)
- California coneflower (Rudbeckia californica)
- Hummingbird sage (Salvia spathacea) and other salvia species

Drought-tolerant ferns for shade

- Polypody fern (Polypodium californicum)
- Western sword fern (Polystichum munitum)
- Wood fern (Dryopteris arguta)



CA fuchsia & CA buckwheat, Eve Werner photo

Shrubs and small trees for banks

- Hybrid rockrose (Cistus skanbergii)
- Barberry (Berberis aka Mahonia pinnata)
- Toyon (Heteromeles arbutifolia)
- California coffeeberry (Rhamnus californica)
- Gooseberry (Ribes speciosum)
- Wood rose (Rosa gymnocarpa)
- St. Catherine's Lace (Eriogonum giganteum)
- Redbud (Cercis occidentalis)
- Mountain mahogany (Cercocarpus betuloides)
- Red twig dogwood (Cornus sericea)
- Ceanothus species
- Manzanitas (Arctostaphylos species)

For more information on gardening in our area, visit the Butte County Master Gardener web page at: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/bcmg/>. If you have a gardening question or problem, call our Hotline at (530) 538-7201. ★

- Deep-rooted, larger grasses to anchor:**
- Deer grass (Muhlenbergia patens)
 - Native fescues (Festuca californica, F. idahoensis, F. rubrica)
 - Creeping wildrye (Leymus triticoides)
- Perennials that tolerate winter moist, summer dry conditions:**
- Douglas iris (Iris douglasii)
 - California fuchsia (Epilobium canum)
 - Prostrate manzanita (Arctostaphylos uva-ursi)
 - Buckwheats (Eriogonum species)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Tree Lighting at Orchard Hospital

Wednesday December 5th from 5:30 - 6:00 pm 240 Spruce Street
Gridley Enjoy Hot Chocolate and Cookies to celebrate the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Have your picture taken with Frozen Disney Princess Elsa & Ana Community Song Musical Presentation by Disney Princess Elsa & Ana Auxiliary Basket Raffle Parade of lights in downtown Gridley to follow Tree lighting

Gridley Winter Wonderland and Parade of Lights

Wednesday December 5th at 6:00 pm Hazel Street in Downtown Gridley Musical group Hillcrest Avenue will be performing on the corner of Kentucky and Hazel Streets

Live Oak's Small Town Christmas

Celebration and Tree Lighting Friday December 7th from 5:00 -10:00 pm Tree lighting at 6:15 pm by the Mayor Broadway Street in Downtown Live Oak Enjoy Pictures with Santa, Free hot coco, Live Oak Lions fire-pit Vendors, entertainment and more

BreakFast With Santa

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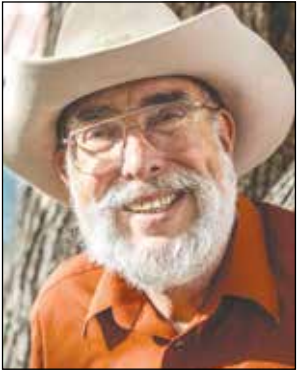
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Merry Grinchmas Breakfast

Saturday December 8th, 2018 at The Gridley Community Center, 200 E. Spruce Street, Gridley, CA. From 8:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. Join us for a Merry Grinchmas Breakfast! Includes: Hot pancake breakfast, Hot Chocolate Bar, Craft Activities, Christmas Store, Whoville Selfie Station, Visit from Santa! Bring your Gingerbread House from home and enter the Gingerbread House Contest. Categories are: "Most Creative" "Most Adorable" "Most Festive" Free for children 2 years and under. All others \$5.00 a person/plate at the door Hot Chocolate Bar \$1.00 per person/cup. (Santa will visit from 9-11 a.m.)



Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Boys, I think We Have a Poet Amongst Us

"Glad you asked, Dud. I thought I might lose 15 pounds, take sailing lessons and come up with a good recipe for beef kidneys. How about you, Dud?"

Dud took a sip of coffee. "Going to finish the rewrite of my book, I guess."

"The Duchess and the Truck Driver?" asked Doc.

"Well, Doc, it's actual title is 'Murder in the Soggy Bottoms.'"

Dud's struggle with the plot of this novel is well known to most of us in town.

Steve said, "For me, I think I'll lose some weight, too, and paint the inside walls of the turret up at the cabin."

"What color, Steve?"

"Burnt orange. You know, something like sunset in winter when the leaves are gone and the trees stand like lacy filigree against the sky."

"Boys, I think we have a

poet amongst us," said Doc.

"Aw Doc, come on," Steve said. "What about your resolutions for the coming year?"

Doc thought a minute.

"Fair enough. I have some.

In the coming year, I resolve to grow grapes and make some wine for my friends. Then I believe I'll put in a big effort to catch Ol' Lunker on a fly down in Lewis Creek. If I have the time, I'll try to keep my patients healthy, and I'll top it off with making a concerted effort to locate Chipper."

"Your imaginary squirrel?"

"Yep."

"But Doc," Herb said, "you already do those things now. Did you realize that?"

"Sure," Doc grinned.

"Really makes it easy to keep a resolution that way."

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Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

November 16th -November 23rd

11-12-2018: At 8:48 p.m. on Magnolia St., Gridley, CA, Edmund Lyle Gross, 61, was arrested on charges of battery and resisting arrest and was transported to Butte County Jail.

11-13-2018: At 8:57 a.m. on Locust St., Gridley, CA, Kyle Thomas Gmuca, 26 was arrest on warrant 18CM06329 and cited to appear in court.

11-13-2018: At 10:01 p.m. at W. Liberty Rd and French Ave., Gridley, CA, Joseph Eugene Mattos, 52, was arrested, cited and released on charges of driving under a suspended salience. At that same time Subtenant K. Johal, 34, was arrested, cited and released on BCSO warrant 16CM05052.

11-14-2018: At 6:27 p.m. on Ohio St., Gridley, CA, Ashley Bultema was arrested for driving under the influence.

11-15-2018: At 9:42 a.m. on Fairview Dr., Gridley, CA, Darell Dewayne Thomas, 54, was arrested and transported to Sutter County Jail on Sutter County warrant CRF160002190.

11-15-2018: At 1:38 p.m. at the City of Gridley on Kentucky St., Gridley, CA, Elizabeth Azucena Alvisor Rodriguez was arrested, cited and released on local misdemeanor warrant 17CM03884.

11-16-2018: At 7:12 a.m. on W. Liberty Rd., Gridley, CA, Hunter Douglas Estrada, 18, was arrested and transported to Butte County Jail on charges of being under the influence in a public place.

11-17-2018: At 12:47 p.m. on Washington St., Gridley, CA, Austin Mitchell Pate, 24, was arrested, cited and released on warrant 18CM01921.

11-17-2018: At 7:17 p.m. at 260 Ohio St., Gridley, CA, Deborah Leleonne Wirick, 49, was arrested, transported and booked into Butte County Jail on a OPD warrant, resisting arrest and possession of stolen property.

11-18-2018: At 12:20 p.m. at G&S Market on W. Biggs-Gridley Rd., Gridley, CA, Marc Aaron Duane Lopez, 47, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

11-18-2018: At 4:15 p.m. at Sycamore St. and W. Biggs-Gridley Rd., Gridley, CA, Rebecca Gwyn Davenport was arrested and transported to Butte County Jail on charges of public intoxication.

11-19-2018: At 12:22 p.m. on Ohio St., Gridley, CA, Glenda Louise Kennedy, 51, was arrested on charges of Disturbing the Peace.

11-20-2018: At 10:47 p.m. at Willey Rd. and Mead Rd., Biggs, CA, Harold George Pulley, 55, was arrested, cited and released on charges of driving under a suspended license, operating a vehicle without a function ignition interlock device, driving an unregistered vehicle, no proof of insurance for said vehicle, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

11-21-2018: At 8:04 a.m. at the City of Gridley on Kentucky St., Gridley, CA, Alex Escalante was arrest on warrant 18CM05045 and cited to appear in court.

11-21-2018: At 10:24 a.m. at 7-11 on E. Gridley Rd., Gridley, CA, Matthew John Landis, 49, was arrested and lodged at Butte County Jail on charges of resisting arrest.

11-21-2018: At 3:46 p.m. at the Butte County Fairgrounds in Gridley, CA, Tammy Jo Waller, 50, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and transported to Butte County Jail.

11-21-2018: At 4:18 p.m. at the Gridley Post Office on Sycamore St., Gridley, CA, Marc Aaron Duane Lopes, 47, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and transported to Butte County Jail.

11-22-2018: At 10:11 a.m. on Washington St., Gridley, CA, Paul Menchaca, 38, was arrested, cited and released on local misdemeanor warrant 18CM06492.

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SPORTS

Bulldog girls are off and running in 2018-19



Gridley's Kennedy Tull looks to pass the ball in to a teammate during the 2018-19 season opener last Tuesday night.

Story and photos by David Vantress

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - It was a good first week for the Gridley girls basketball team as the 2018-19 high school basketball season got into full swing across the area. The Gridley girls hosted their annual tournament, but they had to move to a rival's turf to do it, due to their usual home at Farmer's Hall being used as an evacuation center for Camp Fire victims. The Bulldogs' tournament was

moved to Sutter. But before hosting the annual tournament, the Bulldog girls got the 2018-19 season started on a winning note with a convincing 53-14 win over Marysville on the road. Sophomore Kennedy Tull and senior Maddysen Tull had 18 points apiece to lead Gridley. In tournament action at Sutter, the Bulldog girls opened play on Thursday with a 70-38 win over River City. Kennedy Tull led the way with 34 points. Maddysen Tull

added 17 and Emma Little rounded out a trio of Bulldogs in double figures with 11. On Friday, the Bulldogs took on Chico in the semifinals. Maddysen Tull led the way with 28 points and Kennedy Tull had 21. Gridley fell to Willows, 54-34 in the title game Saturday night. The Gridley boys, meanwhile, opened their season as part of

a doubleheader with the girls at Marysville last Tuesday night. The Bulldog boys fell to Marysville, 81-49. Sophomore Grant Tull led the Bulldogs with 15 points. Gridley then traveled to the Herb Jergentz Tournament at Durham, where they lost to Rancho Cotate, 75-61. The Live Oak boys are off to a 1-4 start. They bested Biggs, 44-40 to start the 2018-19 season last Monday night. They dropped a close 49-45 decision to Durham on Tuesday, then dropped three straight games at the Pierce Tournament. Live Oak lost to Williams, 54-25; fell to Colusa, 53-45; and was defeated by orland, 54-40. The Lion girls, meanwhile, are 2-2 on the young 2018-19 season under new coach Nick Roberts. They dropped a 46-30 score to Biggs last Monday night, then traveled to the Lois Langford Tournament in Yuba City. Live Oak fell to Yuba City in its tournament opener, 31-16 on Wednesday. The Lions received a forfeit from North Tahoe in their second game before falling to Marysville, 33-24 to close out tournament play on Friday night. Biggs' boys are off to a 1-3 start so far in 2018-19. The Wolverines

fell to Live Oak, 44-40 last Monday night to open the season. The Wolverines traveled to the Los Molinos tournament late in the week, opening tournament play on Wednesday with a 59-32 win over CORE Butte. Biggs lost to Mercy, 77-62 on Thursday before closing out the tournament with a 65-40 loss to Los Molinos on Saturday. The Biggs girls, finally, are off to a 1-0 start after defeating Live Oak, 46-30 last Monday night. Megan Collins led the way for the Wolverines with 20 points. Grace Felkins and Emonye Jones added 10 points apiece for the Wolverines. ★



Gridley's Grant Tull looks to drive on a pair of Marysville defenders last Tuesday night.

The Skinny: Local athletes take schedule disruption in stride



David Vantress
Gridley Herald
Sports Reporter

Commentary by David Vantress

In the department store of life, as those of us who toil in the sports world often tell ourselves, sports is the toy department. Nothing has driven that truism home these past few weeks than the Camp Fire and the devastation it's brought to Butte County. Way down the list of the fire's effects on the people of our area ... and I mean WAY down ... is the disruption caused to local prep

sports teams. Especially football, which was just getting into the playoffs. Games were postponed, moved, cancelled again ... and teams had to find alternative places to practice. Most teams were forced indoors. But everyone I talked to took it in stride, keeping things in perspective. Compared to what fire victims were going through, the general refrain seemed to go, having to move a practice or two, or a game or two, seemed like small potatoes. And that's just the right attitude to have. Now that basketball season is here, there will be more challenges – especially for the Gridley High School basketball teams, which play at Farmer's Hall. The Butte County Fairgrounds – of which Farmer's Hall is a big part – have been ground zero for the response to the Camp Fire, including serving as an evacuation center. So the Bulldogs have been practicing where they can. This week's GIBT – a big deal here in town – was moved to Yuba City High School, which will give the tournament a different vibe, I'm sure. But at its core, the GIBT is about more than basketball games: It's about giving kids from different areas a taste of small-town life, and I'm sure that will endure no matter where the games are played. Kids these days are pretty resilient, to be sure. And it's been heartening to see them get out there and help with the Camp Fire response, go about their business – and work their sports in when and where they can. They're being taught the right things – both in school, and at home. Contact Gridley Herald freelance sports reporter David Vantress at david-vantress@gmail.com. Follow him on Twitter at @sportsguydave66. ★

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Temporary Childcare for Camp Fire Victims Now Available

By Amber Vieira

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Temporary child care services now available will be at no cost to those impacted by the Camp Fire. e Center Head Start will be providing temporary childcare for Camp Fire Victims. This service will be at no cost to those impacted by the Camp Fire.

This project has been generously funded by North Valley Community

Foundation Camp Fire Relief Fund. Services will be provided for children ages 0-5. Services are available between December 4 and December 31. The hours of care are between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The location is Gridley East Site, 1567 Booth Drive, Gridley, CA 95948. Some transportation may be made available on a limited basis. Applicants can apply online at link provided below, at www.eccenter.org, or by calling: 866-417-4255. ★

Health Officer Issues Warning Against Habitation of Destroyed Property

Lisa Almaguer, PIO for Butte County Public Health

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Dr. Andy Miller, Butte County Health Officer, has issued a hazard advisory strongly suggesting no habitation of destroyed property until property is declared clear of hazardous waste and structural ash and debris by Butte County Environmental Health. There is evidence from recent fires in California that homes and property destroyed by fire contain high and concerning levels of heavy metals,

lead, mercury, dioxin, arsenic, and other carcinogens. Some property may have the presence of radio-active materials. Exposure to hazardous substances may lead to acute and chronic health effects, and may cause long-term public health and environmental impacts. As areas affected by the fire with destroyed homes and property are opened to residents, residents will have limited access to visit property to collect recognizable belongings and mementoes that may have survived the fire. Residents should review the Health and Safety Precaution for


Re-entry packet, which will be distributed at controlled re-entry checkpoints. The County is working with State and Federal partners who will assess each property for hazardous waste and remove those materials from each property. This process will take time. There is no estimate as to how long it will take to assess and remove hazardous materials from each property at this time. After the property has been cleared of hazardous waste, the property owner can sign-up for a State debris removal program at no cost to the property owner. ★

Bulldogs' Carr Finds His Niche in Gridley

Bulldogs' Carr From PAGE 1 seventh grade history at Sycamore Middle School. And in his spare time, he's helping wife Tammy coach the Gridley girls JV basketball team. In January, Carr will coach the Sycamore boys team. It makes for long nights and a hectic schedule, but Carr wouldn't have it any other way. And he's very grateful to the Gridley administration for giving him the opportunity to both put that teaching

credential to good use, and coach. "Everyone in the administration has been great," Carr said. He's gotten to coach his nephew, Cameron, who quarterbacked the JV Bulldogs last season as a sophomore and should challenge for the varsity starting job next season. And he should get to coach his son Shay next season. "I'll always have a soft spot in my heart for Biggs," Carr said. "But with what's opened up here, I'm truly blessed. For me, it's always about the kids." ★

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