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## Merry Christmas!



### Everyone Loves Breakfast with Santa

By Connie Voss

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Close to 200 Gridley residents had a fun morning with Santa at the Gridley Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 14.

The annual Breakfast with Santa event was a huge success. Gridley Recreation Coordinator, Amanda Kaelin, was pleased with the turnout and said the youth enjoyed the craft activities and the gingerbread house contest.

A pancake and hot chocolate breakfast was prepared and served by Gridley Lions Club members. Santa and the Grinch were both there, represented by Edson Smith and Tressie Atkinson. Later, both were available for pictures with the children.

After getting full on pancakes, youth enjoyed the craft station. There were Grinch headbands to make and wooden ornaments to decorate.

Eighteen student volunteers from Sycamore Middle School and Gridley High School directed the activities, as well as helped with the event's set up and clean up.

The school volunteers also conducted the Gingerbread House Contest, which had more than 20 entries. The youth division winners were first-place decorator Reagan Rogers, while second-place went to Carle Rogers, both daughters of Weather and Jim Rogers, who won the adult division.

Jason and Emily Altheide of Gridley brought their family to the festivities. Their son, James, said that his favorite part of the day was the hot cocoa with marshmallows and sprinkles. He and his siblings also enjoyed posing with Santa for a picture.

If you missed this event, the Gridley Parks and Recreation Department has two more days coming up for Christmas activities at the Community Center.

The Gridley Community Center is located at 200 Spruce St. near the Gridley High School.

On Saturday, Dec. 21 and Monday, Dec. 23, youth ages 5 to 7 and youth ages 8 to 14 will be able to decorate cupcakes, make ornaments and other crafts, including

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## County Farm Bureaus Honored for Growth, Outreach, Policy Influence

### California Farm Bureau News Release

MONTEREY, CA (MPG) - Three California county Farm Bureaus were honored for excelling in membership recruitment, influencing policy and community education.

The awards for the County of the Year were presented at the 106th California Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Monterey.

For county Farm Bureaus with up to 300 agricultural members, Lake County Farm Bureau earned the County of the Year Award for its strong efforts to increase and engage membership. In February, the board set a goal to recruit 60 new members; in October, the organization reached it.

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Butte County Farm Bureau, represented by Executive Director Colleen Cecil and Blain Moffitt, receives the Class C County of the Year Award from the California Farm Bureau officer team. From left, Second Vice President Ron Peterson, President Shannon Douglass, Cecil and Moffitt. Photo courtesy of California Farm Bureau

# Everyone Loves Breakfast with Santa



James, Andrew and Maisy Altheide pose with Santa. Photo by Emily Altheide

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festive tea towels and holiday painting. Hours on both days are from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$30.

Call the Gridley Recreation Department at 530-846-3264 or check online at gridley.ca.us for more information. ★



Pictured here is one of the winners of the Gingerbread House Contest. Photo courtesy of Amanda Kaelin

# Teenage Boys Missing in Oroville



North State Diving Pontoon searches for the missing boys with divers in water. Photo courtesy of Will Sheffield

By Shamaya Sutton

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - Two brothers, Andruw Cornett, age 19, and Wesley Cornett, age 17, have been reported missing after a duck hunting trip in Oroville went awry.

Their parents, April Clark and Henry Combs, said the boys headed to Thermalito Afterbay on Dec. 14 early in the morning but never returned.

According to the Butte County Sheriff's Office, and posts made by Clark on social media, Wesley Cornett entered the water to retrieve a duck he had hunted that fell too far from shore for their 8-month-old labrador to retrieve.

While doing so, Wesley Cornett's kayak is said to have capsized, and his older brother, Andruw Cornett, saw that he was in distress.

Andruw Cornett called 911 but didn't feel that his brother had enough time to wait for emergency



As of press time, the search continues for Andruw and Wesley Cornett, two teenage brothers who went missing in Oroville on Dec. 14 during a duck hunting trip at the Thermalito Afterbay. Photo courtesy of April Clark

services to reach their location, according to his mother and also the Sheriff's Office. Andruw Cornett entered the water to try and assist Wesley Cornett and neither have been seen since. Their belongings, kayak and dog were found at the site.

According to the Butte County Sheriff's Office, search and rescue teams have been deployed to the Thermalito Afterbay area but as of press time Dec. 17, no sign of the boys has been found yet.

The California Rescue Dog Association (CARDAs), Yuba County Sheriff's Search and Rescue, Marine Unit and Dive Team members, San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, Nevada County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, California Department of Fish and Wildlife and CAL FIRE are all assisting in the search.

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# Arson Expected for Bidwell Mansion

By Shamaya Sutton

**CHICO, CA (MPG)** - At approximately 3 a.m. Dec. 11, a fire broke out at Bidwell Mansion State Historic Park in Chico that nearly burnt the entire structure to the ground.

“(The fire) severely damaged the mansions structure, Chico Fire Department responded and worked to save what remains of the historic building,” said Matt Teague, California State Parks District Superintendent, during a Dec. 11 press conference.

At that time, the incident was still under investigation and there was no damage reported to any of the surrounding structures. Bystanders who noted the scaffolding were informed that the mansion itself had been undergoing a very large exterior renovation.

“We were doing major restoration to the roof, the exterior stucco and the balconies,” said Teague. “Unfortunately, the timing of this fire, we were about two thirds complete into the project.”

According to Teague, this was the first major renovation project on the building in 30 years. He added that he was shocked, especially considering how closely involved he had been on the restoration project. Following restorations, organizers expected to reopen the mansion to the public next year in the spring; however, that timeline is now null.

As for the interior collections, Teague estimated that only 10 percent of the items in the mansion were original artifacts; the rest were replicas. Of that 10 percent, a portion had already been removed for safekeeping during the renovations, however, a piano and an original self-portrait painting that belonged to John and Annie Bidwell are among some of the most significant pieces that may have fallen victim to the fire.



The Chico Fire Department responds to the scene on Dec. 11. Photo courtesy California State Parks

On Dec. 17, another press conference was held to update the public on the mansion's current standing. There, Aaron Wright, chief of the Northern Butte District of California, said that investigators had “clear indicators of arson” and that they felt confident in classifying this as an intentional fire.

“It’s horrible,” said Wright. “I have a 9-year-old son who, because of all the disasters in Butte County, isn’t going to get to see the mansion. We’ve talked for years about taking him up to the tower to get to see this, where his dad works, and now he’ll never have that opportunity.”

Wright and his colleagues

gave no other information in regard to the ongoing investigation during the press conference. The investigation is still ongoing, and authorities have asked the public to submit any leads or reports of relevant information in regard to the fire to [calfire.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/bidwell](http://calfire.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/bidwell).

## History of Bidwell Mansion

The Bidwell Mansion, built between 1865 and 1868, served as the home of John Bidwell and his wife Annie Bidwell. The couple had significant cultural and political influence in California, including the

establishment of Rancho Chico, a successful agricultural operation that experimented with key crops and helped shape California’s agriculture industry. John Bidwell was an early settler who arrived in California with the first wagon trains in 1841 and Annie Bidwell was a leader in the women’s suffrage movement and a strong advocate for Native American rights and temperance.

The two were deeply committed to philanthropy and donated large parcels to be used by the local public for schools and recreation such as the establishment Bidwell Park. Their home, Bidwell Mansion, located at 525 Esplanade in Chico, hosted

many prominent guests during the 19th century, including President Rutherford B. Hayes, John Muir, Susan B. Anthony, and other national figures. This three-story Victorian-era structure was said to be ahead of its time and featured rare luxuries and innovations such as indoor plumbing, gas lighting and central heating.

In 1964, it became part of the California State Park system and since then preservation efforts have worked to ensure that the structure remains a vital resource for educating the public about early California history and the Bidwells’ contributions. The site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. ★

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# Juvenile Truck Thief in Court for Truck Owner Death

**Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release**

**MAGALIA, CA (MPG)** - A teenage boy was in Butte County Juvenile Court on Dec. 13 to hear the charges against him for causing the death of the Magalia owner of a truck he stole earlier in the week.

The 16-year-old appeared in court in a wheelchair for injuries he sustained in the crash that he allegedly caused after he allegedly stole a truck from the owner's driveway and later crashed the truck with the owner in the truck's bed.

The charges brought by the Butte County District Attorney included auto theft and gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated. It is alleged that the teenager was driving the stolen vehicle out of a Magalia driveway on Crescent Drive at approximately 2 a.m. Dec. 9 and the owner, Robert Etta, 50, ran out from his home and jumped in the truck's bed.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said Etta then used his cell phone to call 911 and connected with the Butte County Sheriff's emergency dispatch center. Etta told dispatchers he had jumped in the bed of the truck as a suspect was stealing it and he was still in the bed of the truck, afraid to stick his head out, as the suspect was driving



“like a maniac” through an unknown area.

Dispatchers immediately dispatched Sheriff and CHP units to the area while at the same time attempting to pinpoint Etta's cell phone location on their computers as it moved in the Magalia area. Dispatchers remained on the line with Etta as he described the truck skidding and swerving at a high rate of speed. The call lasted approximately six minutes until dispatchers heard a vehicle collision.

Within minutes, Sheriff's deputies located the collision site on Carnegie Road approximately three miles from Etta's home. The truck had crashed and flipped over on its side off the road.

At the site, deputies located Etta lying on the ground and unresponsive, as well as the juvenile suspect, who was conscious but

seriously injured and unable to walk. Deputies removed them from the immediate area as the truck caught fire.

Etta was later declared deceased by medical personnel, who responded to the scene.

The 16-year-old juvenile suspect was transported to Butte College, where he was then life-flighted to Enloe Hospital where he underwent surgery for a broken leg. He was released the following day and immediately booked into Butte County Juvenile Hall.

The juvenile suspect was ordered to be detained Dec. 13 in the Juvenile Hall until further order of the court. He will next appear before the court on Dec. 18, after press time, to set further hearings on his charges, which also include separate auto theft charges from last April in Chico. ★

MEMORIAL

**MARILYN WINTERSTEIN • 5/30/1938 - 11/15/2024**

Marilyn Winterstein of Chico, CA, passed away peacefully on November 15, 2024, at the age of 86, surrounded by her family. She was born on May 30, 1938, to Ralph and Etta Rouse in Iowa. In the early 1960s, Marilyn followed her older sisters from Iowa to California. While living in Sacramento, she met and married her husband of 48 years, Tom Winterstein. His career with Ford took them to Walnut Creek, and in 1971, Tom, Marilyn, and their young daughter moved to Gridley. They lived and worked there, becoming active members of the community for over 30 years.



In Gridley, Marilyn was involved in various service organizations, including the Children's Home Society and Rotary, and participated in many local events.

An avid golfer, Marilyn loved to compete and excelled in ladies' tournaments. She and Tom were fortunate to travel and play

at some of the most beautiful golf courses in the world. Locally, she was a member of Table Mountain Golf Course, Peach Tree Country Club, and Butte Creek Country Club.

Marilyn was predeceased in death by her parents, her brother Gary Rouse of Iowa, and her husband in 2014. She is survived by her daughter, Mary Kay Winterstein, and her three grandsons, Kyle, Eric, and Chad Ricketts, along with their father, Derk Ricketts. She is also survived by her sisters, Lois Sherrets and Joan Randa of California, Phyllis Egeland of Iowa, and her brother, Kenneth Rouse of Colorado.

Marilyn will be deeply missed. Her family and friends are planning to gather in the New Year to celebrate her life.

MEMORIAL

**BOBBY JACK "JACK" BEQUETTE • 11/7/1930 - 12/12/2024**

Jack was born on November 7, 1930, in Lowell Arkansas, a small town in the Ozarks. He spoke often of his childhood, where his family farmed with horses and mules. His mother and father passed away when he was a child, so he followed relatives to Gridley, where he enrolled at Gridley High School. When his caretakers decided to move when Jack was a sophomore, he decided to get a job and stay in Gridley. Having no family of his own, he embraced the community and made it his home for the rest of his life.



Jack married his high school sweetheart, Dorothy May Cassady, and their marriage was blessed with five children. Following her tragic death, he married Diane Linn,

who survives him. Jack and Diane were happily married for sixty years and added two children to the family. Jack was known for his friendly nature and sense of humor. He embraced the diverse ethnicities that moved

to the valley and learned some Spanish and Punjabi phrases to communicate with his friends. Later in life, he delighted in surprising his doctors and nurses with greetings in their native languages. Jack is survived by his wife, Diane, and children John (Linda), Darlene (Jeff), Todd (Helen), and Millie (Mike), 14 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. He is predeceased by his first wife Dorothy May, and daughters Jacqueline, Deborah and Jerilyn.

The family invites the community to attend the viewing at Block Funeral Chapel on Thursday December 19, 2024 from 4-6 and a Celebration of Life on Friday, December 20, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the Richvale Community Church.

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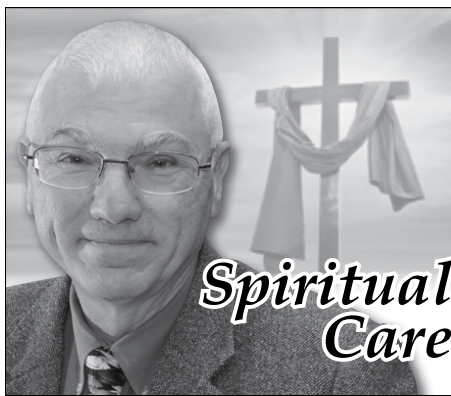
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## Definitely NOT the Best Christmas Ever



**BY NORRIS BURKES**

This is the time of year when writers like to recount their “Best Christmas ever.”

Their stories often include a video of a slobbering puppy leaping from a ribbon-covered box or a marriage proposal, or my favorite, a deployed soldier surprising her family with an early homecoming.

But if you've read my column long enough, you'll know that this columnist seeks to fill the holes of the unexpected. So, today, I recollect my very worst Christmas ever!

I was only 4 years old, but savvy enough to ask my parents why our Charlie Brown Christmas tree was so bare. I didn't understand why my father, a poor ministerial student, had nothing to place under the tree.

However, I became cautiously optimistic on Christmas Eve when my dad called us one-by-one into his study cubby.

My sister came away with a new doll. My brother followed holding a kinetic car, the kind you roll backwards to wind up the energy.

Score! Seeing that kind of haul, my kinetic energy was pushing full throttle.

I approached my dad's desk and climbed into his loving lap.

“I have something very important to tell you,” he said.

My little eyes reflected with the anticipatory joy of Tiny Tim.

“There is no such thing as Santa Claus,” he said. “We celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas, not Santa.”

My eyes blinked with tears. Could it get any worse for a preschooler than that?

Yes, actually, it could.

When I asked about my present, my dad told me that I'd be sharing the kinetic car with my brother.

“Does it get it any sadder?” you ask.

In fact, it did..

I joined my brother on the kitchen floor where we took turns sending the car careening back and forth like a game of catch.

Twenty minutes into the game, my 5-year-old brother began speculating on how the car mechanism worked.

“Let me take it apart,” my brother begged with screwdriver in hand. I was curious, too, but I would only agree if he promised to restore it to working condition.

He promised.

Ten minutes later, with wheels, chassis and motor spread on the kitchen table, the car was humpty-dumptyed.

Saddest, worst, most disappointing Christmas ever, right?

So, why would I write about a Christmas memory worthy of Debbie-downer?

As foul as it was, it still points toward some spiritual takeaways of Christmas.

First, Christmas needn't be all about materialism, about what we buy or what we consume. It might also be about sacrifice.

My sacrifice fed my brother's mechanical mind. He explored the workings of the tiny engine, gaining early insights into motion, potential energy and kinetic energy. He may have failed the car restoration business, but he became an electronics repairman and later started his own electronics business.

Second, my worst Christmas inspired me to share what we are given. Christian scripture reminds us, “To whom much is given, much shall be required.”

I didn't get much, but in sharing it, I perhaps inspired greater generosity. For years to come, my brother modified other gifts into things much more interesting.

One year he rigged a toy tank to burst from a record player box and shoot rubber bands. Another year, he removed the capacitor from an old radio to make an electric shock device capable of repelling the school bullies.

I've shared this sad story with my wife many times over the years. So, last week I told her I'd have my best Christmas ever if she'd give me a miniature Schnauzer puppy for Christmas.

At first she said no, but after reading this column, she assured me that our neighbor would likely “share” his new puppy.

So much for the worst Christmas ever. ★

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# Clothing and Toy Exchange a Hit



Throng of residents attended the Clothing and Toy Exchange. Photo by Connie Voss

By Connie Voss

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Dozens of tables of clothes and toys were donated and laid out for any and all visitors at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Wednesday, Dec. 11. The exchange began at 4 p.m. A line was waiting to enter. All items were free.

The event coordinator, Sofia Jacobsen, had a vision. "I have been to these (events) before in other towns I have lived in and they were amazing. I was thinking about doing this and one day, I had this really strong impression that I needed to do it now," Jacobsen said.

Jacobsen reached out to local family agencies and Facebook groups to help publicize the gathering.

Support was overwhelming. Hundreds of residents came to shop. Some brought donations with them that day, although most items were dropped off at the church on Dec. 10. However, it was not necessary to donate in order to shop. Shopping bags were donated by Trader Joe's.

Jessica Autrey came from Chico. She heard about the exchange through the Butte County Mamas Facebook page, and said it

was a "grand idea." Autrey found clothes for her herself, her children, including 3 ½ year old twins, and their grandmother, who was babysitting at the time.

Jacobsen plans to make the exchange an annual event.

"There's a lot of chaos right now (in the world) and disconnectedness. I feel like service is the most basic way to help everyone feel comfort and cohesion. Some people need to get rid of things and some need to get things, and some people are both! The community just made this happen," Jacobsen said. ★



The Clothing and Toy Exchange mastermind is Sofia Jacobsen. Photo by Connie Voss



Jessica Autrey from Chico is heavily laden with all of the goodies she found at the exchange. Photo by Cindy Scott

# Butte County Farmer Honored for Service



Jamie Johansson, shown with his family, receives the Distinguished Service Award from the California Farm Bureau officer team. From left, Second Vice-President Ron Peterson, First Vice-President Shaun Crook, Kate Johansson, Luke Johansson, President Shannon Douglass, Jamie Johansson, Jack Johansson and Nicole Johansson. Photo courtesy of California Farm Bureau

## California Farm Bureau News Release

**MONTEREY, CA (MPG)** - An olive and citrus fruit grower who served as president of the California Farm Bureau for six years is the recipient of the organization's Distinguished Service Award for his life-long contributions to agriculture.

The award for Jamie Johansson of Butte County was announced during the 106th California Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Monterey.

In addition, Sandy Nixon of Tulare County was honored with the California Farm Bureau's 2024 Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award.

Johansson is a first-generation farmer who grows olives and citrus fruit in Oroville and operates an olive oil company, Lodestar Farms.

Serving as a statewide California Farm Bureau officer for 14 years, Johansson was the 16th president from December 2017 to December 2023. He is a former chairman of the California Young Farmers & Ranchers State Committee and a former vice president of the Butte County Farm Bureau.

His other leadership roles include serving as an Oroville City Council member and vice mayor, co-founding the Sierra Oro Farm Trail Association and leading a Boy Scout troop.

Sandy Nixon is often called the "glue" of the Tulare County Farm Bureau. An employee for 53 years, Nixon currently

serves as the office manager, bookkeeper, archive manager, livestock yards secretary and historian.

She was hired in 1962 at age 19, left temporarily to raise a family and returned permanently in 1974. She's worked under 29 county presidents and has directly worked with and mentored about two dozen other employees. Colleagues said her institutional knowledge has been invaluable in advising the executive directors, the board and the members.

The award Nixon received is named in honor of Helen Roberti, who served as secretary/manager of the Plumas-Sierra County Farm Bureau for nearly 70 years. Roberti was hired as secretary in 1956 for \$25 per month and retired in 2014 but continued to carry on most of her duties as a volunteer until her death at age 89 on July 8, 2024.

That legacy of service, plus Roberti's dedication to agricultural education, led the California Farm Bureau to name her the first recipient of its Lifetime Service Award in 2013. Since then, the award has been known as the Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award. It recognizes dedicated service by a staff member of a county Farm Bureau in California or of the California Farm Bureau.

The California Farm Bureau works to protect family farms and ranches on behalf of more than 26,000 members statewide and as part of a nationwide network of 5.8 million Farm Bureau members. ★

# County Farm Bureaus Honored for Growth, Outreach, Policy Influence

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The Farm Bureau used several means to achieve its goal. It added new discounts for propane and purchases at a local agriculture-supply store, launched a weekly e-newsletter, hosted member workshops and a supervisor candidate forum, gave presentations about Farm Bureau to social service clubs and hosted community events.

It also reached out to youths by getting involved in agricultural education and hosting events, such as the "Punkin' Chunkin'" in which high school students build contraptions to hurl pumpkins hundreds of feet into the air.

Monterey County Farm Bureau received the County of the Year Award for Farm Bureaus with 300 to 700 members for membership recruitment and retention and for being politically active in its region.

The Farm Bureau was recognized for fostering relationships with elected officials at all levels of government and working with regulatory agencies. Board members are engaged on several issues, including

water, labor, land use and food safety.

The organization is involved in consumer education and provides volunteer and financial support for three annual Farm Day events that educate 6,000 third graders about food production and processing. It also partners with the community on issues such as housing, homelessness and illegal dumping.

Monterey County Farm Bureau is often a source used by the local media and has an active social media presence. The e-newsletters target three audiences: agricultural members, Young Farmers & Ranchers, and community leaders and business partners.

The County of the Year Award for Farm Bureaus with 700 or more members went to Butte County, which has comprehensive programs in membership, policy implementation, leadership, agriculture education, public relations and Young Farmers & Ranchers.

One component of its marketing is "Membership March," a membership drive that offers tangible

incentives.

Butte County Farm Bureau was honored for excelling in communication, publishing a bimonthly newspaper and an electronic newsletter sent monthly to more than 3,100 people, and emailing updates as news breaks. It also has active relationships with radio, TV and newspaper journalists and is recognized as the go-to source for local farm stories.

Active in the community, Butte County Farm Bureau holds its annual Junior Farm Bureau program for children ages 7 to 15 at their Summer Barbecue Fundraiser and is involved in a Farm City Celebration and agricultural education.

The county's Young Farmers & Ranchers members participated in the statewide YF&R Summer Leaders Meeting to further develop their skills.

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Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become increasingly beneficial to businesses and communities. However, very few business owners understand how to use AI to help them in their marketing and other business strategies. We will take a deep dive into using AI to develop marketing strategies, and contents, and will take a step-by-step approach to developing an AI generated marketing strategy for your business.

**Date:** Wednesday, January 8, 2025 | **Time:** 8:30am - 10:30am

**Cost:** Free | **Location:** Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

### Introduction to Digital/Online Marketing (Colusa)

This workshop will focus on discussing introductory methods of digital and online marketing. You will learn the basics about Search Engine Optimization (SEO), Search Engine Marketing (SEM), Social Media Marketing (SMM), as well as mobile, affiliate, and online Ad marketing. You will be provided real-world examples of which type of marketing best fit your marketing goals, as well as ideas for your future marketing needs. This training is perfect for individuals who are either first getting started in digital/online marketing, or those who would like a little more information on how to develop their current digital/online marketing.

**Date:** Thursday, January 9, 2025 | **Time:** 9:00am - 11:00am

**Cost:** Free | **Location:** Colusa City Hall, 425 Webster St, Colusa

### How to Use Facebook & Instagram Ads to Grow Your Business (Red Bluff)

In this 2-hour presentation, we will dig into what makes advertising profitable OR a money pit and how to best avoid the pitfalls that many businesses make. Training will include:

- The Do's and Don'ts about your Pricing Model, and how to use it for effective Ads
- The ONE THING that does not show up on Facebook or Instagram but is the secret to Profitable Ads
- The FOUR numbers you must track to make or break your profitability when advertising on Facebook and Instagram
- How to KNOW exactly how much money you are making from your Ads and avoid the guessing game.
- Understanding profit strategies for brick and mortar and service businesses
- Learning the types of business that SHOULD NOT be advertising online
- Sharing information on Ads and online copy that are leads and sales generators
- How to identify the correct target market for your Ads
- A step-by-step planner for orderly planning to ensure your online campaign has the biggest chance for success

**Date:** Thursday, January 16, 2025 | **Time:** 9:00am - 11:00am

**Cost:** Free | **Location:** Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 2810 Main St., Red Bluff

### Delivering Outstanding Customer Service in a Retail Business (Red Bluff)

Excellent customer service is critical for increasing sales and profit, employee and customer retention, and sustaining any type of business success. Understanding the nuances of customer service that result in outstanding customer experience is a strategy for success in any business. You will learn the tools to a properly trained team and or staff, improve your customer's experience, and create a more pleasant environment for everyone. Training topics include: Advantages of outstanding customer service (i.e., increase sales, customer retention, theft reduction, client expectations); How to create outstanding customer service (i.e., phone, in-person, virtually); Understanding your customers' wants and expectations; How Outstanding Customer Service leads to improved business bottom line, and Examples of Modeling Practices & Behaviors (i.e., scripts, observation, feedback, reward), and more.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 | **Time:** 9:00am - 11:00am

**Cost:** Free | **Location:** Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 2810 Main St., Red Bluff

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## Finding the Handle to Inflation Reduction

I am often asked how I would solve the inflation problem. I pen a lot of articles about inflation, why the government will likely never solve it and that I had little hope of the president elect solving it. No matter who was elected, I held the belief inflation isn't going away and the reason is simple.

After about 5 decades of government overspending, inflation is likely baked into the proverbial cake.

We COULD solve it, or at least mitigate the worst of it, but HOW it could be solved would cause untold misery on many Americans.

When a government spends by borrowing or printing money, both are debt based spending. And when you spend using debt, you are pulling forward consumption. The problem is the cost of that consumption must be paid back at some point in the future.

When you spend without working, which is what debt spending is, at some point you must work without spending. In other words, you must work for essentially no benefit.

In an economy, this equates to reducing government spending without reducing government income. By doing that, you reverse the inflationary process and revert to a deflationary environment (prices drop).

You cut government cost by eliminating wasteful spending and reducing the size of government. Reducing the size of government means laying off people.

All this cutting adds up to a reduction in economic output, an increase in unemployment and unfortunately, pushing some under the bus of poverty, which is why I mentioned that governments will likely never get a handle on inflation.

Unfortunately it is the only way to extinguish the fires of inflation. I know the calls to tax the rich and collar those greedy corporations will fill the households of some readers, but the math of inflation and regulation just won't do the trick.

The overspending has been so egregious and gone on for so long, the amounts are just too large.

Enter the new administration's DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency). To be run by Elon Musk, Vivek Ramaswami and Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, R-Ga. The goal of DOGE is to audit as many governmental departments as possible. The DOGE plan so far is to reduce the number of government employees and address the wasteful and frivolous spending like the proverbial \$500 hammer.

Ramaswami proposed reducing government employees by 75%. An eye-popping percentage to say the least. Other details other than a broad brush-stroke of goals are yet to be seen, but to many, the commission's proposed

actions sounds ominous.

And they will be.

The challenges are many. There are an untold number of government departments. Some with names and goals so ridiculous you wonder how they ever got the go ahead in the first place.

Firing a million plus government workers will also have many roadblocks. Spiking unemployment will only be one of them. One can imagine the public protests as they bring out the axe.

Reducing wasteful spending will also take the wind out of some corporate financial sails and no doubt reduce economic output and probably by a significant amount.

All told, the actions of DOGE could well mean a recession, if not worse.

Unpalatable is an understatement. But we have only ourselves and our elected officials to blame. Doing some quick math, a good portion of everything we see around us like roads, buildings, projects, and whatever else the government spent its money on was accomplished by debt laced spending. Nice while it lasted. Spending by borrowing always is.

But if DOGE has its way, the yucky part is next.

We must now work without spending. In government terms that means the knife for cutting and the axe for firing.

And for some, that will mean finding a new job, getting some benefits cut, and shuttering some departments and programs many might think are worthwhile and necessary.

But the damage has already been done. The cancer of inflation is engrained and infecting the body. Unmanaged, the fires of inflation could very well keep burning hot, incinerating family after family and business after business in its path.

It is way past time to administer the medicine in order for a brighter tomorrow. But it won't be pleasant. Not until at least, we kill the beast of rising prices and return to a healthy, vibrant and stable economy. But first we have to get the scalpel out and start cutting.

Either that or let the cancer keep growing. And we all know the end game of something like that.

*"Watching the markets so you don't have to"*

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## Holiday Gift Guide from Harper Collins Publishing

The Holiday gift-giving guide returns with an exciting new array of Children's books. This year, our favorite publishers have curated their top picks for the holiday season, promising delightful discoveries for you and your little ones. So, if you are looking for the perfect gift or one that will bring holiday cheer or hours of entertainment, remember that the joy of discovering a new book is timeless.

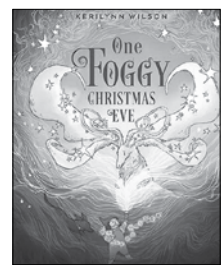


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 by Kerilynn Wilson

It's Christmas Eve, and the fog is getting thicker and thicker, but nothing will stop a little girl from getting to her Nana and Papa's house. She finds her



**Merry Christmas, Splat**  
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way through the fog with a flashlight in hand, twinkling lights, and some holiday magic. A beautifully illustrated story that will show how stories can light the way and bring everyone together.

**Merry Christmas, Splat**  
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When Splat writes a letter to Santa, he worries that he might not have been a good enough cat for a big present. So, this year, Splat decided to give his mom extra help, but he messes everything up. Will Spat be able to stay up to meet Santa to explain, or will everything be ruined? Splat the cat returns just in time for Christmas, along with over 30 fun stickers.

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**A City Full of Santas**  
 by Joanna Ho and Thai My Phuong

A little girl has always dreamed of staying awake long enough to meet Santa. This year, her mama is



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## How California Can Fix Its School Crisis. Two Projects Point the Way



**By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org**

When the state Department of Education released academic test scores of California's public school students in October, it cast them in positive terms.

"Overall," the department said, "the percentages of California students meeting or exceeding standards (demonstrating proficient or advanced grade-level knowledge and skills) in (English language arts), mathematics, and science increased, from 46.7% to 47% percent in (English language arts), from 34.6% to 35.5% in math, and from 30.2% to 30% in science."

What the department didn't say is that those minuscule increases from the previous year meant that California remains one of the states where academic achievements are still below what they were prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As CalMatters' account of the test scores notes, "both English language arts and math scores are 4 percentage points below their 2018-19 levels, which were among the highest scores for California students since the state began administering the Smarter Balanced test in 2014-15."

Alix Gallagher, director of strategic partnerships at the education research non-profit Policy Analysis for California Education, told the San Jose Mercury News

that the slow recovery from the pandemic indicates that the massive federal and state funds given schools to cope with the pandemic failed to prevent declines.

"What we would want to see is that with those additional funds, we had a really strong recovery. Instead, what we saw were really modest gains," Gallagher said.

The department's obfuscation continued a month later when it released its "dashboard" of public education markers that trumpeted nonacademic factors, such as increases in attendance and decreases in student suspensions, but ignored California's subpar academic outcomes, which should be the most important.

That's not surprising, given that the state's education bureaucrats consciously developed the multipoint dashboard to conceal the chronic lack of academic achievement.

A state-by-state report on school system transparency of academic test results issued by the Center for Reinventing Public Education, based at Arizona State University, gives California a "D" for its lack of clarity.

"I have a Ph.D. in education policy and I can barely navigate these sites," Morgan Polikoff, a USC professor who worked on the report, told CalMatters. "How do we expect a typical parent to access this information and make sense of it?"

Are California's stubborn failings in teaching basic subjects such as math and reading, which the educational establishment hopes no one will notice, fixable?

Two recent projects to improve academic skills indicate that learning can be improved with sustained effort that uses proven techniques and shuns trendy short-term

fixes that school systems often adopt in their desperate efforts to raise test scores.

Policy Analysis for Public Education, a think tank jointly operated by several major universities that studies California schools, cites the math project in Lake Tahoe Unified School District's Sierra House Elementary School and a reading program in Grass Valley School District as successful examples.

In both, California Education Partners, a school reform organization staffed by academic experts, provided three years of hands-on help to improve instruction, and PACE evaluators found significantly positive results. "The Sierra House model serves as a blueprint for building adult capacity and fostering instructional coherence," they said, while Grass Valley's phonics-based reading program was adopted district-wide and "improved student outcomes."

California's educational crisis is palpable. Not only do California schools fare very poorly vis-a-vis other states in federal academic testing — seventh from the bottom — but there's a yawning "achievement gap" between low income and English learner students and their more privileged classmates that widened during the pandemic.

Rather than hide the problem with gimmicks such as the school dashboard, California should own up to it and embrace successful examples such as those in Tahoe and Grass Valley.

Dan Walters is one of most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. ★

## Couple Arraigned for Child Abuse

**Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release**

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - A Palermo couple was in Butte County Superior Court on Dec. 13 and arraigned for multiple counts of child abuse.

Zar Cha, 41, and Jenny Vang, 32, of Palermo, were arraigned on charges of physical child abuse with special allegations of great bodily injury. Cha was additionally charged with a count of assault with a firearm.

Both Cha and Vang were also charged with attempting to dissuade the victims from reporting the abuse to law enforcement.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said there are two named victims. Cha is charged with fracturing his 14-year-old nephew's rib and knocking his 8-year-old daughter unconscious after punching her in the face. It was also alleged that he pointed a firearm at the boy while threatening to kill him. Cha is facing up to 29 years in prison on his charges.

Ramsey said Vang broke the boy's tooth using a metal spoon. On a different date,

she burned him with a spatula, leaving a mark on his body. Vang is facing up to 14 years on her charges.

Ramsey said Cha had previously been convicted of felony child abuse in Yuba County in 2004.

At the request of the District Attorney's Office on Dec. 13 in court, both were ordered held in Butte County Jail on no-bail status pending their next arraignment date on Dec. 19, after press time. ★




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## Gallagher Makes Statement on Bidwell Mansion Fire

**Office of Assemblyman James Gallagher News Release**

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - Assemblyman James Gallagher released the following statement on the destruction of the historic Bidwell Mansion in a fire.

“For generations, this historic landmark has been an essential part of Chico’s identity and heritage. While the investigation into the cause of the fire is still underway, it’s clear that this beloved site will be deeply missed. My

heart goes out to everyone who holds this place dear, and I know our community will come together in this difficult time to support one another. Thank you to our first responders for their tireless efforts. We will work to ensure that the legacy of Bidwell Mansion is preserved for future generations.”

*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.* ★

**Assembly Republicans News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher condemned the lame-duck Biden administration’s decision to approve Gov. Newsom’s radical gas-powered car ban.

“Never mind that the technology isn’t

## Gallagher Condemns Approval of Newsom’s Gas Car Ban

there and the charging infrastructure is falling apart. Never mind that this isn’t practical in rural areas or that people can’t afford to pay even higher up-front costs for cars,” said Gallagher. “Newsom and his Democrat allies are all in on making life harder and more expensive for working Californians. Looks like the governor’s

tour of red parts of California was just a publicity stunt, because Newsom clearly hasn’t learned anything from it.”

The gas car ban was unilaterally imposed by Newsom in an executive order after twice being rejected by the people’s representatives in the Legislature. On Dec. 18, with barely a month left before

leaving office, bureaucrats in the Biden administration granted a waiver to California, allowing the ban to proceed.

*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.* ★

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME - STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000861**  
The following person(s) have (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name: Shell Energy Solutions, 21 Waterway Avenue, Suite 450, The Woodlands, TX 77380  
MP2 Energy NE LLC, 909 Fannin Street, Suite 3500, Houston, TX 77010  
The Registrant began transacting business on: N/A. Business conducted by: A Limited Liability Partnership.  
Date Filed in Butte County: October 25, 2024.  
This statement was filed in the office of Keaton Denley, County Clerk of Butte County s/J. Ramirez, Deputy  
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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV03384  
Petitioner Ethyn Alek Mana Lincoln and Evangeline Martinez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Destiny Diane Auman to Leilani Kealoha Martinez-Lincoln.  
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 22, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on December 3, 2024  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court  
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### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LORI BENTON CASE NO. 24PR00464

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Lori Benton.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michael Benton, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Michael Benton be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: January 14, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept Probate. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner is: Michael Benton, 1 El Cerrito Drive, Chico, CA 95973; (916) 494-2899  
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APN: 104-430-025-000 TS No.: 24-08101CA TSG Order No.: 240362332 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED AUGUST 26, 2014. UNLESS YOU TAKE

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# Federal Disaster Tax Relief Act Signed into Law



**Doug LaMalfa**  
*Office of Congressman Doug LaMalfa News Release*

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG)** - On Dec. 12, President Biden signed H.R. 5863,

the Federal Disaster Tax Relief Act, into law. This legislation included Congressman Doug LaMalfa's (R-Richvale) bill, H.R. 4970, Protect Innocent Victims of Taxation After Fire Act, which exempts wildfire relief payments from federal income taxes. The legislation also streamlines the process for deducting losses from various natural disasters and includes provisions to exempt taxation on legal fees, emotional distress, lost wages, and

other expenses linked to wildfire losses. Taxpayers will now be able to claim refunds for any taxes paid on wildfire settlement funds since 2020 by filing an amended return or claiming the change in the next tax year. "After our visit with the president and Mrs. Biden at the White House Christmas Ball this week, I appreciate the President's timely signature after his recent return from Africa on our important disaster tax relief bill," said Congressman LaMalfa.

"I am thankful to all who have helped Congressman Thompson and I get this bill signed into law. I am hopeful that we can get refunds out to those who were needlessly forced to pay the tax in recent years. Our office stands ready to assist if needed with the IRS processing these refunds and reducing ongoing fire risk to all of our forested areas and neighbors." What This Means for Wildfire Survivors It allows amended tax returns to be filed, by

taxpayers who qualify for wildfire payment tax relief, up to a year after enactment - rather than being limited to three years after originally filing a tax return. It shields payment recipients from losing many of their benefits, such as Covered California premium subsidies, VA co-pay assistance, and FAFSA, because the government misinterpreted their disaster relief as an income windfall. An estimated \$512 million in taxes would be

returned to wildfire victims and survivors. It applies not just to the Fire Victim Trust claimants, but any wildfire payments received in 2020 - 2025 for Federal wildfire disasters which occurred after 2014. *Congressman Doug LaMalfa is a lifelong farmer representing California's First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties.* ★

## Initial State Water Project Allocation Announced

**California Department of Water Resources News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On Dec. 2, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) announced an initial State Water Project (SWP) allocation forecast of five percent of requested supplies for 2025.

The State Water Project provides water to 29 public water agencies that serve 27-million Californians.

The December initial water supply forecast is the first allocation of the new water year and is based on current reservoir storage and conservative assumptions for precipitation to come. For comparison, the initial allocation for Water Year 2024 was 10 percent of requested supplies and it eventually increased to 40 percent by the end of the season.

The initial allocation forecast announced Dec. 2 does not take into account the series of strong storms that brought precipitation to above average across Northern California in the last two weeks of November. These storms will be taken into account, along with other variables, for future allocation updates. Prior to these storms, the start of the water year had been dry and warm.

"Based on long-range forecasts and the possibility of a La Niña year, the State Water Project is

planning for a dry 2025 punctuated by extreme storms like we've seen in late November," said the Department of Water Resources Director Karla Nemeth. "We need to prepare for any scenario, and this early in the season, we need to take a conservative approach to managing our water supply. Our wettest months of the season are still to come."

"What we do know is that we started the water year following record heat this summer and in early October that parched the landscape. We must account for dry soils in our State Water Project allocation planning and our runoff forecasts for the spring," Nemeth said.

Soil moisture is critical to the success of California's water years. If the soil is too dry, snowpack runoff in the spring will absorb into the ground instead of providing water supply to the state's reservoirs. The ability to incorporate soil moisture into runoff forecasts is one of many recent improvements for State Water Project operations. Investments in Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO) and improved data collection through the Department of Water Resources' \$7-million California Stream Gage Improvement Program will also help the Department of Water Resources and other

agencies to incorporate the best available science and data into water management decisions.

Also new this season, the State Water Project has revised its operating permit to allow for new tools and resources to better manage the water supply for endangered fish species and millions of Californians. Earlier this month, the State Water Project received a new Incidental Take Permit from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife that covers five species protected under the California Endangered Species Act: Delta smelt, longfin smelt, white sturgeon, winter-run Chinook salmon and spring-run Chinook salmon. The new permit went into effect on Nov. 4.

Each year, the Department of Water Resources provides the initial State Water Project allocation based on available water storage, projected water supply and water demands. Allocations are updated monthly as snowpack, rainfall and runoff information is assessed, with a final allocation typically determined in May or June. As the winter progresses, if California sees an increase in rain and snowfall, the allocation forecast might increase.

Historical data on State Water Project allocations is available at [water.ca.gov](http://water.ca.gov). ★

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- Weak batteries may have enough charge to cause a fire. Some fires have started in trash when 9-volt batteries were thrown away with other metal items.

**STORING 9-VOLT BATTERIES:**

- Keep batteries in original packaging until you are ready to use them. If loose, keep the posts covered with masking, duct, or electrical tape. Prevent the posts from coming in contact with metal objects.
- Keep them someplace safe where they won't be tossed around.
- Store batteries standing up:
- 9-volt batteries should not be stored loose in a drawer.
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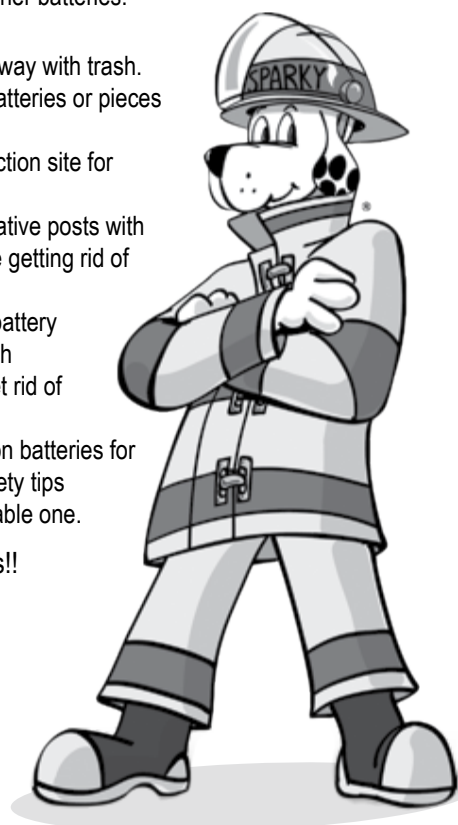
**DISPOSAL:**

- 9-volt batteries should not be thrown away with trash. They can come in contact with other batteries or pieces of metal.
- 9-volt batteries can be taken to a collection site for household hazardous waste.
- To be safe, cover the positive and negative posts with masking, duct, or electrical tape before getting rid of batteries.
- Some states do not allow any type of battery to be disposed of with trash. Check with your city or town for the best way to get rid of batteries.

So, when you are preparing to stock up on batteries for the holidays, remember these simple safety tips to keep your holidays a safe and memorable one.

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## Riley Reviews

“DAY OF THE JACKAL” A RIVETING, WELL-EXECUTED THRILLER SERIES

**A Film and TV Review**  
by Tim Riley

### “THE DAY OF THE JACKAL” ON PEACOCK

Historical events can lead to interesting entertainment, whether in books, cinema, and even television. British author Frederick Forsyth got the ball rolling, so to speak, when as a journalist in the early Sixties he covered French affairs and the assassination attempt on Charles de Gaulle.

During World War II, De Gaulle became a general in the French army, and later a leader in the resistance during Nazi Germany's occupation of France. Until his death in 1970, the General would remain a consequential leader, even serving as President for a decade.

General de Gaulle was the subject of a deadly plot by the paramilitary group OAS, comprised of military members filled with bitter resentment that France allowed Algeria to become an independent nation.

While several attempts were made on his life, the most famous effort occurred on August 22, 1962. Barely escaping death in a hail of machine gun fire, De Gaulle's ordeal formed the basis of Forsyth's first novel.

“The Day of the Jackal” was the result of Forsyth's maiden step to a career of thriller novelist that included the works of “The Odessa File,” “The Dogs of War,” and “The Fourth Protocol,” all of which were adapted into films.

Forsyth's “The Day of the Jackal” was first adapted into the 1973 film of the same title, starring British actor Edward Fox as the Jackal, a professional assassin hired to kill then-President of France Charles de Gaulle in the summer of 1962.

The Peacock ten-episode series “The Day of the Jackal” is set in modern-day Europe, so it can hardly be considered a remake of a classic film other than the central premise of shrouding mystery around an elusive professional killer.

British actor Eddie Redmayne's Jackal, a masterful chameleon and known to his family as Charles, works as a lone assassin for the highest bidder where his contact with an employer is through the dark web.

A master of disguise, the Jackal is first seen impersonating an old janitor to infiltrate an office building of a media empire belonging to Manfred Fest (Burghart Kloubner), a candidate aspiring to become Germany's chancellor.

Why then does the Jackal intentionally shoot Fest's son in the leg? Is this a veiled threat? That does not seem to be the case because the Jackal's next assignment is to eliminate the hopeful political figure.

The set-up is a diversion intended to draw Fest to a place where the assassin could exterminate his target with a high-powered specially-made sniper rifle at a distance that would seem wildly unattainable.

The Jackal's planning and execution of the contract is flawless. Quickly escaping from a high-rise building, he leaves behind no detectable trace of his identity by initiating a series of explosions destroying any evidence.

Meanwhile, MI6 agent Bianca Pullman (Lashana Lynch) hears about the shooting while at home with her husband and daughter, realizing that it's probably only a matter of time before intelligence sources pool their resources.

The very next day at the MI6 headquarters in London, high-level persons at the agency are meeting with a German intelligence figure, and Bianca invites herself into the gathering because she's a gun expert and has thoughts about how an assassin could pull off an evidently impossible job.

Bianca is not exactly popular with her superior, but she does impress the director, Isabel Kirby (Lia Williams), with her tenacity and obsession that takes her to Northern Ireland in a hunt for special weapons maker.

An equally interesting side of the Jackal is his personal life at his beautiful mansion on the Spanish coastal city of Cadiz with his wife Nuria (Ursula Corbero) and young child.

Yet, marital discord festers as Nuria grows increasingly curious about his secretive business trips. You would think she might wonder what line of work would result in a lavish lifestyle.

The complex and driven natures of both the Jackal and the dogged MI6 agent heighten the suspense at every turn. The less said about where their journeys lead the better, lest any spoilers be given away.

Nominated for a Golden Globe Award for Best Television series (Drama) and star Eddie Redmayne for Best Performance by an Actor in Television Series (Drama), Peacock's “The Day of the Jackal” will be exposed to a wider audience when NBC airs the first episode on Monday, December 30th.

The accolades don't stop with Hollywood's foreign press. The Critics Choice Awards nominated “The Day of the Jackal” for Best Drama Series and Eddie Redmayne for Best Actor in a Drama Series.

Whether the show gets nominated in Emmy Awards categories may be a matter of eager anticipation, but there is enough cat-and-mouse tension throughout every episode of this thriller that there's no need to wait for the Television Academy to weigh in with a verdict.

The bottom line is that “The Day of the Jackal” is an immensely suspenseful, intriguing, and captivating thriller that one should be very much tempted to binge-watch, all for the reason that Eddie Redmayne and Lashana Lynch are such compelling adversaries. ★

himself relegated to the bench the very next game with no explanation except for the dreaded, coaches' decision.

The Kings can keep scouring the league for another trade/acquisition, or just look at their own bench, and perhaps realize that there is more talent already on this team than they are giving them credit for.

I for one believe that Alex Len has a big upside, but it takes a coach and staff that are willing to build a player's confidence if you want to see the desired result.

So far, I'm giving this staff a failing grade as it relates to evaluating talent, and you need to look no further than the inexplicable trade of Davion Mitchell to qualify my comments.

The Kings are still feeling the void left in Mitchell's absence, and all he is doing in Toronto is making Canadian fans fall in love with him. From the Kings bench to the Raptor's starting point guard, Davion is making the Toronto GM look like a basketball wizard.

The Kings cannot afford to continue undervaluing talent, or simply not see the forest for the trees. Let's get everything out of the team currently constituted, and that means starting with consistency as it relates to players coming off the bench. If Huerter is the 6th man, who is #7, 8, and 9? At this point no one but coach Brown knows, and he doesn't know until just before gametime.

Here's the good news! At 13-13 it's time to hit the reset button. Yes, the Kings are at 500, and now is the time to start making a run that can propel this team to the playoffs.

The starting five of, Fox, Monk, DeRozan, Murray, and Sabonis are a formidable group to guard, and I look forward to watching this team come out of the blocks on all 8 cylinders every night.

So, take heart Kings fans, because the best is yet to come, and that's without a trade or an acquisition.

Merry Christmas to one and all and go Kings!

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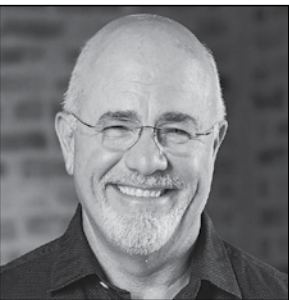
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You've already mentioned getting \$1,000 in the bank for a starter emergency fund. That's Baby Step 1. After that comes your debt snowball, which is Baby Step 2. Here, you'll pay off all your debts from smallest to largest—except your home. Attack the first balance on your list by paying as much as you can each month, while making minimum payments on the other debts. When you've paid off the first one, add what you were paying on it to the payment on your next debt and start attacking it. As the snowball continues to roll over, you're picking up more and more money to apply to your debts.

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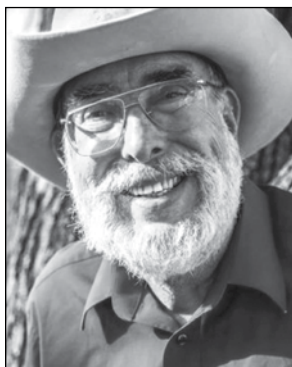
But Baby Step 7 is the real deal. Now, you start building wealth and giving with outrageous generosity. When you've completed all the other Baby Steps, and are able to do these two things, you've achieved the pinnacle of smart money management. Or in other words, you've reached the point of financial peace.

Make it happen, Miles. You can do this!!

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is a national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions. ★*

## Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

### Strange, isn't it, our love affair with a fireplace?

It's natural to mumble nasty things about the cold weather. We all do it from time to time. But even the cold has its merits.

One big plus is that it makes fireplaces a reasonable addition to our lives. In cold weather, we can build a fire in our home with a clear conscience. This is something that doesn't translate well to summer heat, but when it's cold, here comes the fire. Strange, isn't it, our love affair with a fireplace? Makes absolutely no sense.

Today, we can make houses so impervious to cold that every time we light a candle, the temperature goes up ten degrees. So what do we do? We cut a hole in this sealed anti-cold unit so we can sit and look at the flames, the way our ancestors have done since they learned to walk upright and invented kindling.

But we don't care. We'll spend a lot of extra money to buy a house with a fireplace, and not think a thing about it. Because this fireplace is the spiritual center of a home, as it's always been. It's the gathering place. It's the place to read, to learn, to meet and tell stories. It's the core of our universe. The fireplace — and those waiting for us there — is what we dream

about when we're miles from home in the woods or desert. It warms us, inside and out, cooks our food, and answers our questions.

Questions? Sure. When the fire's burning low, and you can just see the little blue lick flames curling around the glowing embers late at night, and when we've about talked out the day's adventures, we can look at those embers and find answers to questions we didn't even know we had. And we feel sorry for people who don't have these advantages.

*Please consider buying "A Cowboy's Guide to Growing Up Right." Good advice from an aging cowboy ... me. Available on Amazon.com, among others. ★*

Dear Dave,

A friend told me about your Baby Steps plan, and after years of living paycheck-to-paycheck and running up credit card bills, I'm ready to get control of my finances. I just have one question. Baby Step 1 is saving \$1,000 for a beginner emergency fund. Do you recommend getting current on past due bills before starting Baby Step 1?

— Miles

Dear Miles,

Congratulations! I'm glad to hear you're finally sick and tired of being financially sick and tired. This is the perfect question for someone in your situation, because it gives me a chance to walk you all the way through the Baby Steps. So, let's go!

First, make sure all your necessities are taken care of. By necessities, I'm talking about food, clothing, shelter, transportation and utilities. Then, get current on anything you owe, or make payment arrangements for past due bills. After you've done this, it's

## LaMalfa Statement on Biden-Harris EPA Approval of California Gas Car Ban



Doug LaMalfa

Office of Congressman  
Doug LaMalfa  
News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) issued the following statement after the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced it would be approving two waivers under the Clean Air Act that grant California permission to phase out gas cars in the state.

"The Biden-Harris EPA has just done exactly what they

promised they wouldn't—telling Americans what kind of cars we can drive. By approving California's plan to ban the sale of new gas and hybrid vehicles by 2035, they've pushed an agenda that will only hurt consumers," LaMalfa said. "This policy isn't just bad for Californians; it will raise costs and limit choices for families across the country. It's yet another example of Democrats forcing their radical agenda on the American people, all while undermining our energy independence and national security. These electric vehicles can't charge when the power is out from storm, wind, or wildfires — something we regularly face in California. An ice storm two years ago in Nevada County stranded everyone with an electric car in their homes because cold rapidly emptied batteries. This plan doesn't work in rural America. This is the kind of top-down decision that Americans rejected at the

polls, and it's clear why the EPA waited until after the election to make it happen."

The two approved waivers would give California unprecedented authority to enforce the nation's most aggressive electric vehicle mandates. The first waiver allows state officials to mandate that all new car sales transition to zero-emission vehicles within the next decade, setting a new national benchmark for strict environmental standards. The second waiver lays the groundwork for requiring 35% of new cars and light-duty truck sales to be zero-emission by 2026, with a dramatic 90% reduction in emissions by 2027.

*Congressman Doug LaMalfa is a lifelong farmer representing California's First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties. ★*

## Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The rich rain of golden leaves continues at number 6,290,467. Just think, I know this tree will continue at this rate for two more weeks and at least double that number. My sweet husband has been helping with the leaves. He turned to me one day and said, "This is a lot of leaves and it is taking

forever." He does not think poetically about the color, the crunch or the sheer beauty of the leaves. In the 12 years we've lived here, he has never had to rake, in his case blow a leaf. This has always been my delight and pain in the neck to do. I smiled at him and said, "It's all in how you look at it." He frowned. I don't think he liked that reply. He did however continue to get leaves blown into piles. This year the only place I need the leaves removed is in the front flowerbed that has baby plants. They will die if the oh so many leaves, are left on them. I've told him this piece of what I see as important information

several times. He is one who sees a job a certain way and will not take a short-cut. I think he thinks that by leaving leaves in other beds it is a short-cut. Therefore, his workload is big instead of relatively small and quick. He thinks the leaves look great on the tree and are a mess when they fall, no matter where they fall. I on the other hand, see them as golden bits of sunshine, crunchy and wonderful that can stay here and there. Goes to show that perspective makes a huge difference in life. No worries, at some future point all the leaves will be picked up and winter will reign. Happy Winter Solstice to you all. ★



### Douglass honor Farm Bureau Successes

California Farm Bureau President Shannon Douglass celebrated the organization's accomplishments this year in an address delivered Monday at the Farm Bureau's 106th Annual Meeting in Monterey. Douglass, speaking in her first annual address since being elected last year to lead the Farm Bureau, focused on local achievements and on the organization's strength in unity. "We can have extensive success as a state organization, but it doesn't matter if we don't have strong county Farm Bureaus," Douglass said. "Thank you for showing us what's possible when we put our mind to something."

### Young Farmers and Ranchers Urged to Engage, Be Involved


Young farmers and ranchers from across the state gathered at the 2024 California Young Farmers & Ranchers State Conference, where they reaffirmed the importance of collaboration within their communities to boost involvement and address key issues essential to the future of agriculture. The event brought together California YF&R members—farmers, ranchers and agricultural professionals ages 18 to 35—for workshops on critical issues, strategies to strengthen YF&R programs and celebrations of member achievements.

### Madera County Farm Dog Wins Farm Bureau Contest

Aussie, a hardworking pooch in Madera County, won the Grand Prize in the California Farm Bureau's fourth annual Farm Dog of the Year contest. With support from Nationwide and FieldClock, the contest asked Farm Bureau members to submit photos and a brief story about their beloved family member. The Grand Prize winner earned \$1,000, with First Runner-up receiving \$500, Second Runner-up, \$250 and Third Runner-up, \$100. "Aussie is our family's special dog," said Kaydence Erickson, 15. "There has been no other dog like her that we have ever owned."

### UC Master Gardener's 'Labor of Love' Improves Health of Older Adults

The Belden Village Apartments in Clairemont Mesa East of San Diego is home to a diverse population of older adults. Shital Parikh, a UC Master Gardener of San Diego County, took the initiative to build a garden that grows food and encourages residents to spend more time outdoors, getting their hands dirty alongside neighbors. "The Belden Community Garden is a labor of love," Parikh said. "One that has been made possible thanks to the knowledge and support gained from the UC Master Gardener Program and the invaluable support from Amy Zink from the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency." ★



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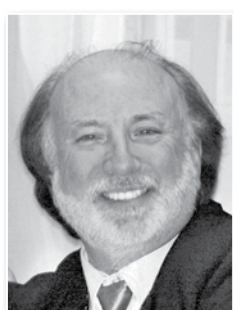
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# Orchestra Concert Celebrates 10 Years



Orchestra members showcase their talents.



The cello and bass section of the Sutter Buttes Family Orchestra perform.



Guest conductor John Paul Bowers leads the orchestra.

**Story by Connie Voss and photos by Cindy Scott**

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - A special Christmas concert honoring the Sutter Buttes Family Orchestra's 10th year of performance was held Friday, Dec. 13, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

The program consisted of all the orchestra members' favorite pieces, with narration by Norm and Dax Lessard and Nash Benson.

"How the Grinch Stole Christmas" was featured, complete with a visit from the Grinch himself. Mark Johnson, who played the Grinch, also served as choreographer. He has helped out for many years in various capacities, according to orchestra conductor Carol Brown, who added, "He is amazing."

Guest conductor John Paul Bowers led some of the songs. Bowers is a music major and composer, hoping for acceptance to San Diego State University.

Soloist Kari Wheeler sang "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year."

The "Nutcracker Medley" was accompanied by ballerinas Allie and Torah Christensen up on the stage, plus a life-size nutcracker.

The audience joined in for carols "The First Noel" and "Joy to the World," as well as the Hallelujah

Chorus from the Messiah at the very end.

Immediately thereafter, Santa and Mrs. Claus, played by Ron and Pat Scheyer, made a guest appearance. Children sat on Santa's lap and many pictures were taken.

"We have such amazing musicians, and they are all so talented. Everyone worked really hard," Brown said.

This will be the last performance for Brown for a while. She and her husband, Jim, are leaving in January for an 18-month mission to Orlando, Florida, for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Orchestra members Joanie Grover and Ethan Jacobsen will be in charge during Brown's absence.

Brown also praised the audience and community for their support. Orchestra pianist Heather Payne and Children's Hope did the decorations. Publicity was handled by Cindy Scott and Christy Brown. Monetary donations have completely covered the expenses for sheet music, according to Brown.

The orchestra welcomes new members, including those who have an instrument in the closet from high school days. Brown indicated that getting back into practice doesn't take long.

"I'll miss everybody and the music," Brown said. "It's really like a family." ★



Ballerinas Allie and Torah Christensen dance to "The Nutcracker."



Soloist Kari Wheeler performs "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year."



Sound Technician Ron Whitaker poses for a photo.



The Grinch, played by Mark Johnson, delighted the audience.



Norm Lessard and his son Dax were narrators.



French Horn player Ethan Jacobsen and trumpeter Jonathan Quine perform.



Christine Brown and Leah Jukes play the violin.



Pianist Heather Payne accompanies the orchestra.



Sound Technician Ron Whitaker poses for a photo.

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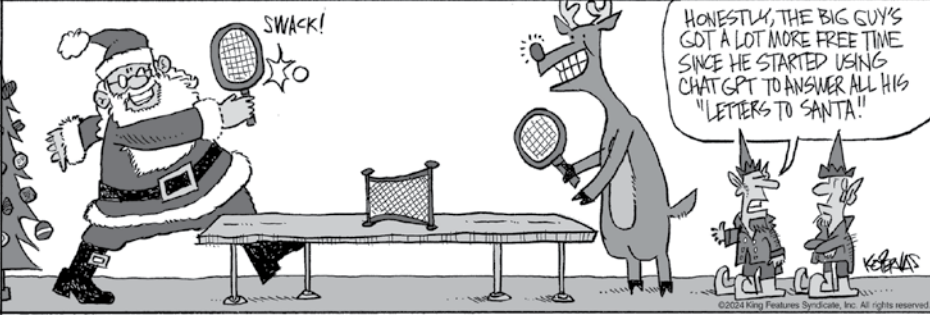
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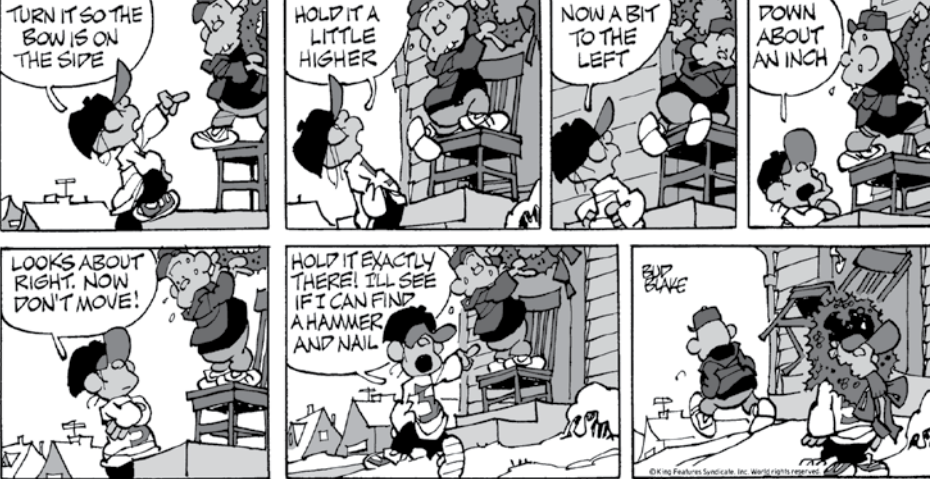
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# Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers Host Signing Ceremony at Historic Bryant Field

## High Wheelers News Release

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - The High Wheelers, 2024 Pioneer League Champions, announced they are moving to the Yuba-Sutter region next season. On Dec. 11, the team hosted a signing ceremony at the historic Bryant Field in Marysville where they will be playing.

The Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers aim to become the premium destination for family entertainment in the Yuba-Sutter region by setting a new standard for investment in player development, community engagement, and fan experience.

"We love baseball, and this is a first-class field here in our backyard to play it on! On behalf of the City of Marysville, I am thrilled to welcome the Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers. We've got such a deep and rich history with the sport and can't wait to carry on that tradition," said Dan Flores, Community Development Director, Marysville

Marysville, located two hours northeast of the Bay Area, is a deeply historic baseball community and offers an opportunity to re-integrate baseball into the economic and cultural fabric of the Yuba-Sutter region. The team will be playing at Bryant Field, a historic ballpark built from New Deal investments. In the past, the community has hosted baseball legends such as Babe Ruth, Lou



High Wheelers manager Billy Horton, at the Dec. 11 official signing ceremony in Marysville, the High Wheelers new home. Photo courtesy of the High Wheelers

Gehrig, and Jackie Robinson.

"I remember building bleachers at Bryant Field as an Eagle Scout when I was growing up in Marysville. It's an honor to be welcoming a professional baseball team to my hometown! I am excited to join the team officially as the newest co-owner. The team manager will be returning, and so will many of the championship team players setting us up for some great baseball in the spring. I am hopeful that the Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers will continue to build a championship culture - on and off the field," said Lon Hatamiya, Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers ownership group.

The City of Marysville will invest in ballpark upgrades which will be used to make the field fit for professional players, including a professional clubhouse, padded walls, and a video scoreboard. The agreement is for a three-year lease and includes a number of community benefits including camps and clinics for junior players, support for local little leagues and free tickets for local non-profits.

"I grew up in a small town with one stoplight, and so being here has made me excited to be a part of this community. I'm looking forward to having my wife and kids here in Marysville

this summer to watch baseball from the dugout. The players are really hungry and ready to work hard. As a team, we focus heavily on preparation and execution, because when you prepare yourself mentally and physically, the results come. We were able to win a Pioneer League Championship last season, and we're planning to build on our success in the coming season," said Billy Horton, Manager of the Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers

Season tickets for the Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers are now on sale at [www.highwheelers.com](http://www.highwheelers.com). ★



Marysville Community Development Director Dan Flores officially welcomes the High Wheelers on Dec. 11. Photo courtesy of the High Wheelers



Marysville native and High Wheelers part owner Lon Hatamiya, speaking at historic Bryant Field. Photo courtesy of the High Wheelers

## The Bulldogs Struggle at 70th GIBT



### By Dillon Longmire

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - The annual Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament was played this past weekend. The tournament started on Thursday, Dec. 12 and ended on Saturday, Dec. 14.

This year marked the 70th year of the tournament and spans between three days with teams from across California. The teams who played this year consisted of Salseian (Richmond), Archbishop Riordan (San Francisco), Branson (Ross), Clayton Valley Charter (Concord), Clovis North (Fresno), Destiny Christian (Sacramento), and San Ramon Valley (Danville). All of these teams were champions in one way or another or made a deep run in the playoffs

last season so it was beyond safe to say that the Bulldogs would be testing themselves against high competition.

The Bulldogs would start the tournament against the Salesian College Preparatory Pride and not much would go right for the Bulldogs. Salesian would explode to start the game as they scored 24 points and held the Bulldogs to only 11 in the first quarter. Salesian would repeat that trend in the next two quarters as they scored 27 in the second, and 21 in the third while holding Gridley to just 14 points for the rest of the game. The final score would be 76-25 and the Bulldogs would start the tournament off with a loss.

On the second day, the Bulldogs played the Destiny Christian Academy Lions and

while they played a little better in this game, the Lions would still have their way against the Bulldogs. The Lions would pick apart the Bulldog zone defense specifically in the third quarter as they rained down open threes. While the offense got going better than the first game for the Bulldogs, it was not enough against the Lions as they won the game 59-36.

The Bulldogs would play in the 7th place game against the Branson Bulls and once again could not do much. The Bulls would consistently score while also holding the Bulldogs to under 10 points in each quarter. The Bulls would win the game 63-28 and the Bulldogs would take the 8th place spot in this year's tournament.

In front of a packed house, the championship game would be played between the Salesian Pride, and the Archbishop Riordan Crusaders. The game would be exciting to watch as each team traded baskets and stellar defensive plays. The Crusaders would end up winning the game in the final minutes 52-51.

The Bulldogs will look to put this tournament behind them as they play in the Colusa tournament starting on Thursday, Dec. 19 against the Williams Yellowjackets (after press time). ★

## Athletics Add Free Agent Pitching Ace

### By Daniel Canfield

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento region baseball fans rejoice. Major League Baseball's Athletics took a huge step toward the 2025 season by signing free agent pitcher Luis Severino.

According to a Dec. 6 report on the official MLB website, Severino signed a three-year, \$67 million deal that goes down as the largest guaranteed contract handed out by the Athletics in franchise history.

Severino will be joining the Athletics who will be playing their 2025 home games at Sutter Health Park in West Sacramento, while a new stadium is being built for the Athletics in Las Vegas. The AAA River Cats will also be playing their home games at Sutter Health Park in 2025.

The Athletics left Oakland at the conclusion of the 2024 season when the organization's lease agreement with the city for the Oakland Coliseum expired. The Athletics reported at the time, the club was unable to come to terms with Oakland on a new stadium to replace the outdated and dilapidated coliseum.

The Athletics had played in Oakland since the 1968 season after moving from Kansas City.

According to baseball-reference.com, Severino is currently thirty years old and was born in the Dominican Republic. The

6-foot, 3-inch-tall right hander started his major league baseball career with the New York Yankees in 2015. Severino pitched for the Yankees for eight seasons and was a Major League Baseball All-Star in 2017 and 2018.

In 2023, Severino played for the New York Mets. In the 2023 campaign he posted an 11-7 record with a 3.91 ERA in 182 innings.

Major League Baseball reported that Severino was in Sacramento on Dec. 6 for a press conference and took the opportunity to also visit Sutter Health Park which is undergoing renovations necessary for the stadium to host a major league baseball club.

At the press conference which was held at the ritzy Sawyer Hotel in downtown Sacramento, Severino summed up the moment succinctly and perfectly with this statement, "... excited to be here, excited to be part of this new team."

Athletics fans will be hoping that Severino returns to the All-Star form he exhibited with the Yankees in 2017 and 2018. It is most likely that Severino will be the Athletics starting pitcher on opening day, which for the Athletics is Thursday, Mar. 27, in Seattle against the Mariners. The Athletics home opener at Sutter Health Park will be on Monday, Mar. 31 against the iconic Chicago Cubs. ★

## Recreational Dungeness Crab Fishery Open in Northern California

### California Department of Fish and Wildlife News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The recreational fishery for Dungeness crab is open in the portion of northern California that was delayed due to a public health hazard. State health agencies determined that consuming the meat of Dungeness crab taken in waters from the California/Oregon border (42° 0.00' N latitude) to the southern boundary of the Reading Rock State Marine Reserve (41° 17.6' N latitude) no longer poses a significant threat for domoic acid exposure.

Following a recommendation from state health agencies, California



Dungeness crab season is open in the northern waters of California's Zone 1. Photo by Daderot via Wikimedia Commons.

Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Director Charlton H. Bonham

declared the recreational Dungeness crab fishery to be open in this area of

northern California. CDFW Director Bonham continued to delay the

northern California commercial Dungeness crab season for Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte counties until 12:01 a.m. Dec. 31, 2024, due to poor quality crab. Crab meat quality tests were not conducted due to continued high domoic acid concentrations at one of the northern sampling locations. Another round of testing is anticipated to occur around Dec. 15 to determine whether the fishery may open on Dec. 31, 2024, or be delayed an additional 15 days until Jan. 15, 2025.

A continued delay in the opening of the commercial Dungeness crab season in Fishing Zones 3-6 (From the Sonoma/Mendocino County line to the U.S./

Mexico International Border) also remains in place after entanglement risk was assessed under the Risk Assessment Mitigation Program.

The temporary crab trap restriction in the recreational crab fishery in Fishing Zones 3 and 4 (From the Sonoma/Mendocino County line to Lopez Point [36° N. latitude]), and a Fleet Advisory for the recreational fleet in all Fishing Zones will also continue.

The next scheduled risk assessment is expected to occur on or around Dec. 20, 2024. For more information, please visit CDFW's Whale Safe Fisheries webpage at <https://wildlife.ca.gov/conservation/marine/>. ★

# Christmas Light Viewing is Fun

By Shamaya Sutton

**BUTTE/YUBA/SUTTER COUNTIES, CA (MPG)** - There's still time to see some of the best decorated holiday homes throughout Butte, Yuba and Sutter counties. The following list has been compiled to help ensure your Christmas light hunting is a success!

**Butte County**  
The two listings on californiachristmaslights.com both rest under its most populous city, Chico. The first is "Songbird Lights," located at 4788 Songbird in Chico, described as a walking neighborhood with a light show and FM broadcasting. Next is Blow Mold Memories, a nativity scene located at 2410 Floral Ave. in Chico.

Songbird was heavily suggested on social media alongside Van Ness Way in Durham and Kiefer Road and Amber Grove in Chico. Those last few received countless reviews and engagements on a local Facebook page called Butte County Fires, Accidents, Crimes (BCFAC).

Also suggested was the Schouboe House Christmas Drive Thru Display located on Tyden Way in Paradise. This display is advertised to open at approximately 6 p.m. nightly until Dec. 31.

Last but certainly not least is Lights of Hope, a free, family-friendly holiday event featuring a stunning light walk and festive activities. This event, located at 3556 Oro Bangor Highway in Oroville, runs from 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday until Dec. 23.

**Yuba County**  
Those touring through



"Santa on 6th Street," located at 825 6th St. in Marysville, has one of the largest light displays in the region. Photo by Shamaya Sutton

Yuba County would be well advised to stop at the Dean family house, also known as "Santa on 6th Street," located at 825 6th St. in Marysville. If you're feeling more adventurous, check to see if the "Christmas Queen" Danielle Miners has lit up her Loma Rica kingdom, located at 5584 Fruitland Rd.

The second annual South Yuba Bright Light Battle, hosted by Yuba Sutter Real Estate, is still underway. Residents can vote for their favorite home online at tinyurl.com/42frcv7x up until Dec. 22.

Winners will be announced on Dec. 23. This free competition is meant for homes in Arboga, Marysville, Linda, Olivehurst, Plumas Lake and Wheatland. Last year, the winners were 1071 Lost Trail Dr. in Plumas Lake, 1146 Bob Hayes Dr. in Olivehurst, and 1624 Larry St. in Olivehurst.

This year's entries are as follows:  
1608 Tadpole Way, Marysville; 1581 Cress

Way, Olivehurst; 1626 Cornfield Way, Olivehurst; 3422 Plumas Arboga Road, Olivehurst; 1348 Ladyfern St, Plumas Lake; 1351 Ladyfern St, Plumas Lake; 1367 High Noon Dr, Plumas Lake; 2019 Roy Ranch Way, Plumas Lake; 116 McCurry St, Wheatland; 514 Carpenter Way, Wheatland; 702 Carpenter Way, Wheatland; and 1961 Spenceville Road #107, Wheatland.

**Sutter County**  
The El Margarita Estates in Yuba City is notorious for its holiday decor. Most houses seem to stick to the same themes each year making for a lovely community tradition. Holiday crowds venturing on foot can expect make-shift snack stands, fire pits, and plenty of photo opportunities especially on weekends.

Other addresses to consider visiting include 1639 Alicia Dr.; 429 S. Walton Ave.; 1121 El Margarita; 1426 Tradewind Ct.; 2106 Naura Ct.; 2298 Birmingham Dr.; and 1845 Oswald Road. ★

# Christian Life Program Celebrates Birth of Jesus

By Cindy Scott

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - The members of Christian Life Assembly will share a beautiful Christmas program to welcome the birth of the Savior. Everyone is invited to attend at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 at the church, located at 1526 Humble Ave., just off East Gridley Road. ★



Christian Life Assembly will present a Christmas program Sunday morning, Dec. 22. In the back row from left are Jake Ryan, Paisley Hutchison, Lexi Carmona and Kynzleigh and Madix Whitney. In the front row from left are Abby Carmona, Yareli Lopez, Christopher Lopez, Trevor and Bo Hutchison, Marlie and Macey Cummings, Dulcie McMartin, Emmy Carmona and Johnny Hutchison. Photo courtesy of Christian Life

# Gridley Christian Church to Host Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

**Gridley Christian Church News Release**

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley Christian Church will host a candlelight celebration of the birth of Jesus at 6:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

Traditional carols, communion and inspirational thoughts will all draw

attention to the reason for the season: Christ, who gives life and peace. Following the service is a time for finger food refreshments. Celebrate Christ's birth with us.

Gridley Christian Church is located at 580 Washington St. Call Pastor Ed at (530)-846-4002 for any concerns you may have. ★



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# Letters to Santa

## The Gridley Herald Would Like to Thank All of the Participating Schools and Classes That Made This Special Section so Wonderful!

Hey Folks, Just a reminder - Yes, we have proofread all these letters, however we have NOT made any corrections because that would change the "originality" of their letter and the "meaning" from the child who sent it! Proceed with an open heart and enjoy the Magic of Christmas!

### Lessons Learned Preschool

#### MRS. SHEPPARD – PRE SCHOOL

Dear Santa, I would like a barbie doll, a pair of rainbow rain boots. Some dresses and bell pants  
Sincerely, Stella L.

#### Live Oak Child Care Center

#### MS. ESMERALDA – TODDLERS

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a lot of presents and lights. I want a barbie and a hair blower for my mommy and daddy.  
Sincerely, Autumn

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a Mickey Mouse car, a lot of dinosaurs, and cars. I want presents.  
Sincerely, Vincent

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want presents. I want Mini mouse car and dolls. I also want make up.  
Sincerely, Arya

#### MS. VALERIE AND MS. KAYLA – PRESCHOOL

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Minecraft Axe, a black shovel, a Christmas tree and a dumpster truck. I would also like another puppy.  
Sincerely, Isaiah

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Christmas tree, squishable toy, dinosaur toy a toy car. I also would like a cup so I can drink water.  
Sincerely, Talon

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Batman game, play doh and a Hulk toy.  
Sincerely, Luke

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a train set, toy cars and monster trucks. I would also like legos, play doh, spiderman and a prize.  
Sincerely, Elio

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like another baby doll, a yellow bike and a paw patrol toy.  
Sincerely, Reagan

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a spiderman toy and a batman game.  
Sincerely, Nico

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a baby doll and a fire truck.  
Sincerely, Victoria

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a unicorn, legos and a paw patrol toy.  
Sincerely, Olivia

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a toy car, play-doh and a tambourine.  
Sincerely, Victor

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a dinosaur toy, a drum and animal toys.  
Sincerely, Sukhman

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like Roblox, cookies and a fire truck toy.  
Sincerely, Jappreet

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like yummy candy and playdoh.  
Sincerely, Evelyn

Dear Santa, I would like a monkey toy and lights up.  
Sincerely, Millie

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like candy and all the toys.  
Sincerely, Zarah

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a puppy and a new monster truck.  
Sincerely, Kolton

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a cat stuffy.  
Sincerely, Madeline

#### MRS. MICHELLE AND MS. MAGGIE – PRESCHOOL

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like cars, rocket ships, Mickey mouse things, and garbage trucks please and thank you.  
Sincerely, Joseph

Dear Santa, I would like baby dolls, and a princess toy.  
Sincerely, Azalea

Dear Santa, I would like a paw patrol toy and shoes for Christmas. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Antonio

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a dinosaur toy, some orbis, and cars. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Jaxson

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want some new puzzles, a toy car, and a toy dinosaur. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Kai

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a remote control car, and some new shoes. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Mohkam

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a princess bag and toy. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Ximena

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like an Ipad, game, new shoes, pants and Mickey Mouse doll.  
Sincerely, Kinsley

#### MS. PAOLA – TK

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a Jesse doll, a poppy doll, a viva doll, a Gabby toy, and a pandi toy.  
Sincerely, Lisette.

Dear Santa, I want a nintendo switch, legos, sonic boots, santa costume, a real playground, markers, and a sonic coloring book with crayons. I also want paint because I'm really into art. I want a cellphone and a new sonic water bottle. I also want an Ipad and a mini refridgerator.  
Sincerely, Elyce

Dear Santa, I want a unicorn toy, a baby doll, a teacher toy, Coloring, and a barbie doll house. I also want a toy that looks like my friend Lisette. I want a Santa Claus toy and a real phone and a ducky stuffy and a ducky sweater. I want a squid toy.  
Sincerely, Ezlyn

Dear Santa, This Christmas a big toy truck with a trailer and a canoam. I also want a toy lamborghini and bigath.  
Sincerely, Santiago

Dear Santa, This Christmas I want a cat. I also want a Hot wheels car. I also want a pool. A circle Healy. I want a speaker and a toy rain deer. I also want a base ball bat and some soccer shoes.  
Sincerely, Elyjah

Dear Santa, This Christmas I want a little tiny real cat. I also want a toy dog so that I can name him Muzzy. I would also like a guitar to play music along with some drums. I also want a picture with Santa and Mrs. Klaus. I also want a red toy car.  
Sincerely, Athena

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a toy cupcake. I want a Minnie Mouse jacket. I want a ballerina toy and a baby doll so that I can dress her up. I also want new clothes because I am growing. I want a toy princess to add to my collection. I also want playdough.  
Sincerely, Fernanda

Dear Santa, I don't know what I want but I want something nice please and thank you.  
Sincerely, Mona

#### MS. SARAH & MS. MARIA D – PRE-K

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a new stuff animal. A water bottle, and a new jacket. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Madelynn C.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a spiderman toy. A sonic toy, and a hulk toy. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Ezekiel R.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a spiderman blanket, some rainboots, and a sonic toy. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Abigail C.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a spiderman toy, a spiderman cup, and some dinosaur toys. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Tae Von T.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a unicorn stuffy, a sonic toy and a barbie doll. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Maritza A. S.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want some sonic rain boots, a sonic blanket, and a sonic toy. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Mateo C.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a race car track, batman toys and batman boots. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Elias H.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a video game, a teapot toy set, and rain boots. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Jaanvi S.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a rain coat, a frozen ball, and some books. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Alessi S.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a ipad, a hulk toy and a spiderman toy. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Van Tae T.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want toy cars, pirate toys, and star wars toy! Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Harrison P.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a spiderman motorcycle, some spiderman crocks, and spiderman bedroom curtains. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Adriel R.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a Hellow kitty toy car, a hellow kitty water water bottle, and some hellow kitty clothes. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Amelia J.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a Santa hat, a batman toy, and a batman water bottle. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Mateo R.R.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a spider man toy, lighting Mcqueen, and spiderman pj's. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Dominic C.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a barbie, a toy unicorn, and a raincoat and some rain boots. Please and thank you!  
Sincerely, Madelyn S.

#### MS. PAOLA – KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, This Christmas I want games and a toy car. I want the roblox game and fortnite cards. I want a toy monster truck.  
Sincerely, Eliah

Dear Santa, I want a toy horsey that I can ride on and a toy car that I can ride in. I also want a donut floaty and a barbie car for my barbies. I want my own flashlight in case I get scared of the dark at night time. One more thing, I would like a new tooth brush. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Aria

Dear Santa, This Christmas I want lots of toys. I want toys from the toy story movie. I also want books to read. I want play dough and some note books and crayons. I also want new clothes because I am growing. I want a toy computer and some puzzles. I also want some toy blocks and toy numbers to count. I want a new water bottle for school. Please and thank you Santa.  
Sincerely, Kimberly

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a toy moose and toy t-rex. I also want all of the toys from the toy story movie. I also want a toy rhino and animal toys from the ocean like a whale and an octopus. I also want a woody jacket from toy story. I want toy kitchen set. I want some woody pencils. I also want a toy panda. I want a police car and a fire truck. Please and thank you Santa.  
Sincerely, Misael

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a pikachu stuffy and a pikachu toy! I also want 5 animal puzzles. I want a ninja turtle toy. I would also like an umbrella. I want a small Spiderman and captain America toy. I also want a goldfish. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Danny

#### MS. PAOLA – 1ST GRADE

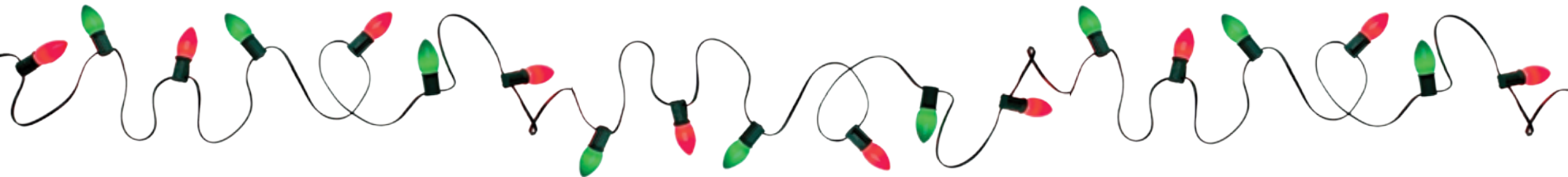
Dear Santa, new controller PS4.  
Sincerely, Adria

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**MS. PAOLA – 2ND GRADE**

Dear Santa, I want Robux and transformers.  
Sincerely, Ezekiel

Dear Santa, I love the elf you sent me I rily want Sports card merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Logan

Dear Santa, I rily want robux and a new little rainbow soccerball.  
Sincerely, Aiden

Dear Santa, All I want lego and a headset.  
Sincerely, Adriah

Dear Santa, I want a Hello kitty plushy and a stanley and a hair clip and a rain coat Hello kitty.  
Sincerely, Leslie

**MS. PAOLA – 3RD GRADE**

Dear Santa, Nothing!  
Sincerely, Avery

Dear Santa, I want a mimi fridge, a sticker book and Led lights. Phone, phone case, camera, Nikes, Hello kitty things, and, Hello kitty necklaces for me and Leslie.  
Sincerely, Analisa R.

**MS. PAOLA – 4TH GRADE**

Dear Santa, I want a new shoe, new clothes and new phone case.  
Sincerely, Christopher L. S.

Dear Santa, Can I please get a baby toy and baby clothes for my baby sister and toy for my brother please and a new house for me and family. Please and thank you.  
Sincerely, Grecia L. C.

Dear Santa, All I really want for Christmas is probably my own posca markers and a proper crochet set (including string). That's it, thank you!  
Sincerely, Ellie H.

Dear Santa, I want beads and string.  
Sincerely, Bella

**Luther Elementary**

**MISS HERBERT – 1ST GRADE**

Dear Santa, I want a barbie doll. And books and a note book and a nother book and a baby Live doll to.  
Sincerely, Rosie

Dear Santa, I want a noo-eye shato palit. Msod m sene. And a iPhone sixteen Proue. And jens. And to be loved. And babbey bracelits.  
Sincerely, Amber

Dear Santa, I want a PS5 and a tv.  
Sincerely, Matteo S.



Dear Santa, I want a pet cat and I want a yu toy hilocite and a tech set up.  
Sincerely, Siraya

Dear Santa, I want makeup I want a ring I wan eis I want a gim hasbig.  
Sincerely, Amayah

Dear Santa, I want cupor defof book Putal.  
Sincerely, Liliana

Dear Santa, I want a Gode bhy. I want a toy Pis5 and I want a toy nllk I want a tray hot dog.  
Sincerely, Sly

Dear Santa, I want dog lcoo ram cookies pancakes horse lion.  
Sincerely, Isqiah

Dear Santa, I want cpmotr I want a desk I want nes I want cos I want Nike.  
Sincerely, Avery

Dear Santa, I wot fo Chismis is spismmw. Posetr. PS5, Laoo. Duck toy. ISprisme. Red Mrkrs.  
Sincerely, Abel

Dear Santa, I wat a huw ps4 cchar.  
Sincerely, Adriah

Dear Santa, I want lol gowz ipad fan PiS fiv.  
Sincerely, Ismael

Dear Santa, cen I have a naw vr because I boy it ind grink.  
Sincerely, Roman

Dear Santa, I want a PS5.  
Sincerely, Kre

Dear Santa, I want broe. I want PS5. I want ten oseich. I want cense.  
Sincerely, Martin

Dear Santa, I want CP Lddr Des. Fon irs nekns Besles.  
Sincerely, Yahitza

Dear Santa, I want PS5 Posetr Paneye book catdog cookies horse doggy.  
Sincerely, Ezekiel

**MRS. DAVIS – 2ND GRADE**

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have electric scooter? I would also like a birt bike. Please bring german shepard Lamborghini! I would like any of these things Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Xander B.

Dear Santa, I am glad it's Christmas. May I have. A hoverboard please? I would also like new shoe please. Bring me a hot wheel set. I would like any of these things please have nice Christmas Santa Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Emmanuel R.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have Iphone twelf? I would also like a Joadon shows. Please bring me a Ronado shirt. Ronado backpack. I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas ho ho!  
Sincerely, Armaan G.

Dear Santa, I am happy for Christmas. Can I have a crazy cart? I would also a Roblox gift card. Please bring me a Jordan shoes in dark green please. Please bring me a new computer. Please a vr thanks. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Jovyn S.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. What I want for Christmas is clothes for my mom and dad. I would also like shoes for my mom and dad. Please bring me Legos and a Xbox also a electric scooter what I will like is a little toy for my dog I will like a big toy for my big dog any of these things Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Camila A.

Dear Santa, May I have a hoverboard? And I would also like a phone Please I will be so gratefl if you will giff me a lego set please. And Mermy Christmas.  
Sincerely, Abel G.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is almost Christmas. May I have a coloring book? I would also like artist markers. Please bring me a computer. I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Sofia T.

Dear Santa, We are grafte that you maer a lot about us so merry Christmas. May I have a iphone. I would also like a Stitch and Angel makup set. Please bring me a Fack Snugly cat and a stitch ang Angel back pack. I would like any of these things. And Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Cabela C.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas May I have Xbox 14 to New Yor? I would also like a Lego ples. I would like any of things. Merry Christmas!!  
Sincerely, Marco R.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have a tablet please? I would also like a lego please. I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Branka M.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have German shepard puppy. I would also like a Xbox. Please bring me sum Nike. I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Ezekiel B.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have a trip to Paris? I would also like some more books. Please bring a ne bakepake. I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Anayat K.

Dear Santa, I don't want much for Christmas. But I would have a caf? Sens my last cat coco my dad gave to someone I would also like a Apple watch. To. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Anaya A.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have a lego Ninjago lego set? I would also like a robot. Please bring me a hoverboard. Can I also have a baby puppy. I would like any of these things.  
Sincerely, George G.

Dear Santa, I hope you have a grate Christmas! May I have phone? I would also like a lego box. Please bring me a Rosalina toy and not a suffie Rosalina a toy please. I would like any of these things please. Merry Christmas Santa!  
Sincerely, Eileen M.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas May I have pphae eletrk? Xbox and a tablet oke.  
Sincerely, Logan K.

Dear Santa, Thank you for Christmas May I have a Barbie? All the States be safe. And a iPhone form Xfinity for my sister. Pleases bring me a baby chick. And my own puppy. I would like any of this. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Esi L C.

Dear Santa, I am glad for Christmas. May I have a PS5? I would also lik a dirtbike please bring me a electric scooter Santa you are the best and I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Demarpoh S.

Dear Santa, I am glad for it is Christmas. May I have a iPad? I would also like a Second of Shen. May I have a PS5 controller. Please bring me a trrid thing. May you bring me a phone and arpod. I would like a Lego. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Juan Y.

Dear Santa, der Santa I am very happy Towrrow is Christmas. I hope you like cooked m milk May I have a digital pet? I would also like a trip to New York. Pleas bring me a iPad I would like any of these things. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Avery A.

Dear Santa, I am glad it is Christmas. May I have electric bike? I would also like a robot cat. Please bring me a stupht amm-nol horse. Can I please get all those thinks. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Olivia K.

**MS. HENRIQUEZ – 2ND GRADE**

Dear Santa, Have a good time at Christmas. Santa I want for christmas is a wakey takey. I wish you have a great time at Christmas. Marry Christm Santa.  
Sincerely, Prabhjot

Dear Santa, I been beging my mom to get me a barbie dream house and a Aumereco doll and a Kichin set.  
Sincerely, Alishah

Dear Santa, I want a Moana toy and I want a slime for me and my brother.  
Sincerely, Janelle

Dear Santa, I have been a good doy I want a PS5 and one hundred dollers and a com-puoder oen Kay robax and a toy brawl star.  
Sincerely, Alex

Dear Santa, I want a gocart and a iPhoe 14 and shoes and a messi jersey.  
Sincerely, Giovanni

Dear Santa, I want a go cart because I like tao cant because I'm a good.  
Sincerely, Bikrameel G.

Dear Santa, please can I a nerf gun an a ps5 and a car for my mom can I also have a eff in side here are packes of toys and slime and the 2 lass gifts are foftnite characters and I would lake 6 robux cards thank you Santa.  
Sincerely, Anthony

Dear Santa, hi santa I have been good I promiss. I want a go cart I hope you have a good Christmas by by.  
Sincerely, Isaac

Dear Santa, I wish to get a lot as mune and two fins and a capor and a piosfive. Santa, I bin a nis girl Santa I wish you a happy Krismin.  
Sincerely, Canila A

**MRS. SCHAAL – 2ND GRADE**

Dear Santa, My name is Tegh G. I have been a very good boy and I am 8 years old and I live in Live Oak. One thing that I would love this year is legos please? Some other things I would like is a crayon box please? Some books I would like to read are magic treehouse. I would like Chrismus wishes to com true for my family because they are very nice to me.  
Sincerely, Tegh G.

Dear Santa, My name is Elizabeth. I am 8 years old I live in Live Oak. This year I would like an art set. Another thing I would like is some markers. A book I would like is Junie B. Jones. I would also like Chrismus wishes to come true for my family.  
Sincerely, Elizabeth E.

Dear Santa, My name is Aria O. I'm 8 years old. I live in live Oak. I would like a axlotlonsi. I;v been a good girl. Can I also have a axolotl slushi please? Some books I want are cute chapter books. I would like Chrismus wishes to come true for my famly because they are nice and kind.  
Sincerely, Aria O.

My name is Zion I been a good boy this year. I am 7 years old and live in Live Oak. One thing that. I would love this year is a book some other thing. I would like is a cat. Some books I would like to read is the pig the Elf I would like Christmas to come true for my mom.  
Sincerely, Zion M.

Dear Santa, My name is Ricky I am 8 years old and live in Live Oak. One thing I would like is a nerf gun. Some books I would like to read are fortnight book I would lik Chrismus wishes to come true for my mom because I love her.  
Sincerely, Ricky M.

Dear Santa, Hello I been a fantastic girl this year. I love santa. My name is Elaina Y M I am 7 years old I would like a new pare of markers (little Big) sides 100 pack. My dad has my Christmas list you can see it!  
Sincerely, Elaina Y.M.

Dear Santa, My name is Brayden. I am 8 years old and live in Yuba City. The one thing that I would love is a gaming chaier. Some other thing I would like A new controller some books. I would like to read Are the elf on the shelf.  
Sincerely, Brayden H.

Dear Santa, My name is Jogvir J. I have been a good girl this year. One thing are a iPhone 16 Pro Max. Some other things are Joroden shoes some books I would lik is 6 Harry Pottry Books.  
Sincerely, Jogvir J.

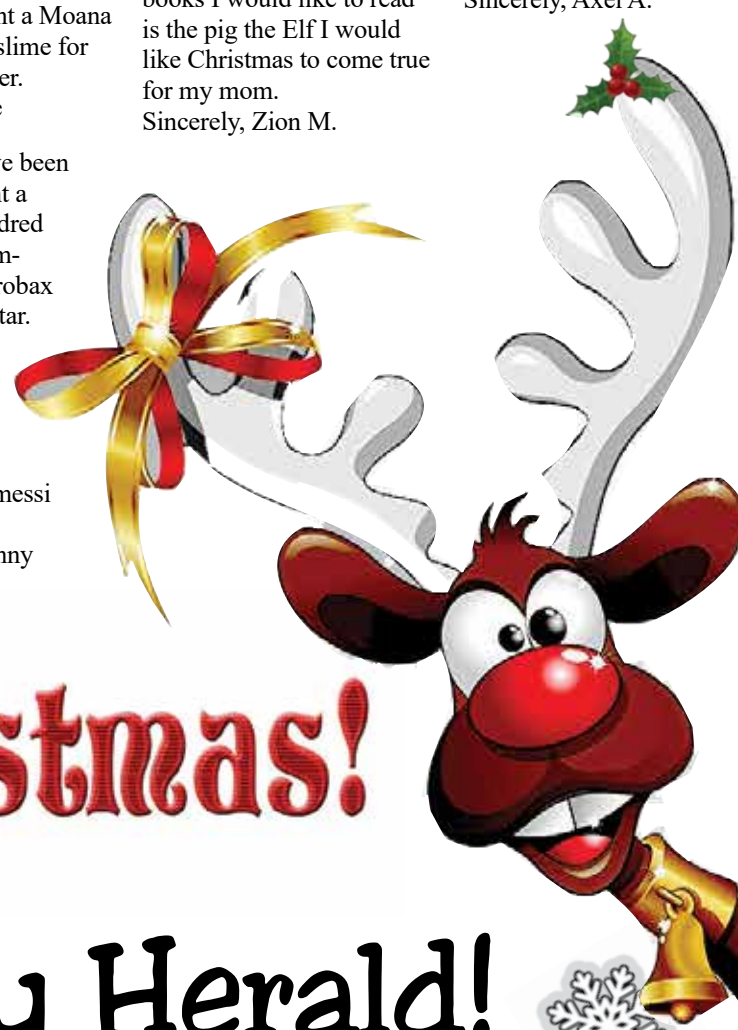
Dear Santa, My name is Ylexia I am 8 years old and I live in Gridley. One thing that I would love this year is a toy cat. Some other thing I would like is a taylor swift blanket. Some books I would like to read are Stitch. I would like Chrismus wishes to come true for my mom because she is nice.  
Sincerely, Ylexia A.

Dear Santa, My name is Hazel S. I am 8 years old and. I live in Live Oak. I have bine a good girl. One thing that I would love this year is a toy cat.  
Sincerely, Hazel S.

Dear Santa, My name is Zak. I am 8 years old and I Live Oak. I been a good boy this year. One thing that I would love this year is a ps5. Sincerely, Zak  
Dear Santa, My name is Axel. I have been a good boy. I am 8 years old and I love in Live Oak. One thing I would love is a capybara plushies. Some other things are a PS5 some booxs I would like are dogman. That I have best and I love my mom and dad.  
Sincerely, Axel A.



**Merry Christmas!**  
From  
**The Gridley Herald!**



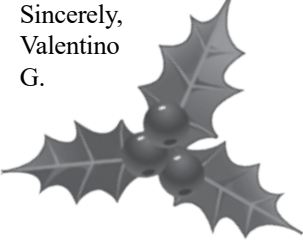




Dear Santa, I want a copybara plushie and squishy and a tiger squishy.  
Sincerely, Ibrahim K.

Dear Santa, My name is Kendall and I have been a Good girl this year. And for Christmas I want a toy cat and dog. And for my book I want is pig the pug.  
Sincerely, Kendall O.

Dear Santa, My name is Valentino G I ben a good boy One thing I wood like is a puppy and erpods and a ifone 16 and some books at diyar av the Winie kid I am 7 years old tha you Santa.  
Sincerely, Valentino G.



Dear Santa, My name is Brianna. I am 7 years old and live in Yuba City. One thing that I would love this year is I want new markers. Some other things I would like I want a new Bag. Some books I would like to read are Joke Books. I would like Christmas wishes to come true my dad wishes to come true.  
Sincerely, Brianna G. L.

Dear Santa, My name is Leighton. I am 8 years old and live in Live Oak. One thing that I would like amost hinyg doll. Some other things I would like a tv. Some books I would like to read are the Elf on the Shelf mom.  
Sincerely, Leighton B.

Dear Santa, My name is Nova. I have been a good girl. I live in Live Oak. My age is 7.  
Sincerely, Nova C.

Dear Santa, My name is Ivy. I ben cwit a good grle ves yer for Christmas. I want a bayby and a lol. sueris. and lol barbies. And for echles braset cete hent ol how tablet cas. Hest amayceh gile doll.  
Sincerely, Ivy Z.

Dear Santa, My name is Aurora I have been a good girl. This year. One thing that I would love this year is A puppy and can it be Gold.  
Sincerely, Aurora H.

Dear Santa, My nan is Zaira V. I am 7 years old. I am good thes years I want a reindeer a real wun and I want lots uv toys.  
Sincerely, Zaira

Dear Santa, My name is Thomas. I have been a great boy.  
Sincerely, Thomas P.

Dear Santa, My name is Santana I am 7 years old I ara I been a good boy and I want ice roller and June 6 jones book. I am a boy.  
Sincerely, Santana J.R.

Dear Santa, My name is Moises I what a Nintendo for Christmas.  
Sincerely, Moises R.

## Manzanita Elementary

### McCULLEN AND MRS. BOWLING – TK

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie house and I also want chocolate thank you.  
Sincerely, Vicky

Dear Santa, I want chocolates thank you.  
Sincerely, Eli

### MRS. BOYER – KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, Shoe Santa Sonic I want Sonic car Ssonic piggy bank I want a Iron Manhe lman helmet whonmmnmahnelnie + I I want Sonic carpet. A Sonic noomc. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Esaul

Dear Santa, I want a little Iphone a barbie house I want a toy baby, a nihts, pants I want a witen and chocolate play grenhd toy grinch adaphmau Thank you. Sincerely, Giovanna Dear Santa, I want a Barbie dream house I want aaph-maa kitty I want a pink bean bag for Christmas. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Evelyn

### MRS. CARSTENSEN – KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, I want a checkers game set I want colorful markers I want a big whale toy I want a cute squid toy I want a nintendo Switch. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Hudson

### MRS. CABLE – 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa, How are you? This year I have been good everywhere. I would like a Nerf gun and PS5. I want you to get cookies and have fun.  
Sincerely, Mason C.

Dear Santa, How is the elves? This year I have? Bear good at home? I want a PS5. I would like a family razor. Don't eat too much cookies.  
Sincerely, Gunnar B.

Dear Santa, How are you? How is the North Pole? This year I have been good and bad at home. I would like a motorcycle a go cart. Have a good flight.  
Sincerely, Quinten H.

Dear Santa, Is everyone working hard? How are the reinder? This year I have been kind at school. I would like real makeop and a barbie dollhouse. Enjoy your cookies and milk.  
Sincerely, Emma

Dear Santa, How are you? This year I have been nice everywhere I would like pink roller skates and a barbie house. I hope you like our cookies.  
Sincerely, Valeria V. Dear Santa, How are you? This year I have been good everywhere. I would like 100\$ vbucks card and fortnite nerf guns. Fly safe.  
Sincerely, Porter W.

Dear Santa, How is the North Pole? This year I have good and bad at home. I would like a motorcycle. Be careful on your Sleigh.  
Sincerely, Logan F.

Dear Santa, How are you? This year I have been good at home and school. I would like Barbies. Have fun at the north pole.  
Sincerely, Francesca M.

Dear Santa, How are the reinddee? This year I have been good at school Can I have a PS5 with the new College 25. Don't eat too many cookies.  
Sincerely, Connor T.

Dear Santa, How are you? Is everyone working hard? This year I have been good at home and school. I would like an Xbox to play games with my brother. Drive safe.  
Sincerely, Luis

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? This year I have been good at school and home. I want a toy cat. I wish you don't fall off a roof.  
Sincerely, Sohan

Dear Santa, how are you? How are the elves. This year I have been a motorcycle and great, good, awesome at home and school. I would like a plane. Fly home safe.  
Sincerely, Mateo

Dear Santa, How are you? How are the elves? This year I have been good at school. I would like a monsterHG and a nerf gun. Eat your cookies and milk.  
Sincerely, Mahta B.

Dear Santa, How are you This year I have been good at hom. I would like Spruki toy and tails toy. Santa be careful on the roof.  
Sincerely, Miguel M.

Dear Santa, How are you? How are the elves? This year I have been good. I been good at home ands. I would like a kitten. I would like a barbie dollhouse. I love you Santa you are the best.  
Sincerely, Mia W.

Dear Santa, How are you? How are the elves? This year I have been good at school. I would like a motorcycle and skates. Be careful on the roof.  
Sincerely, Sofia C.

Dear Santa, How are you? I have been good. I would like a remote control excavator. Santa don't eat too much cookies.  
Sincerely, Cash W.

Dear Santa, How are you? Me and my brother would like rabo frens and vr head sets. I haeve been good! Haeve a good crimis.  
Sincerely, Orrey B.

### MRS. ASKEA – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, from Emmett. Snow sled football.  
Sincerely, Emmett

Dear Santa, if you can what I want for Christmas is a phone and a stufy if you can git it ol that would be wonderful thank you.  
Sincerely, Mila R.

Dear Santa, I want a Lego avengers set. I what a PS5 I what nitendo game and a v-bucks card. I what a robucks card. Thank you.  
Sincerely, John

Dear Santa, All I want for Christmas is a Electric car and a good time with my family and Betty Spaghetty doll. And a big bucket of different Slime. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Arabella

Dear Santa, I want a bunch of the bad guys books and a brand new puppy that is a Doberman and a brand new barn and a horse. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Jacelynn

Dear Santa, I woeld like sunglasses basketball shoes, socks, basketball court, a basketball thank you Santa.  
Sincerely, Liam A.

### MR. MIGUEL – 2ND GRADE

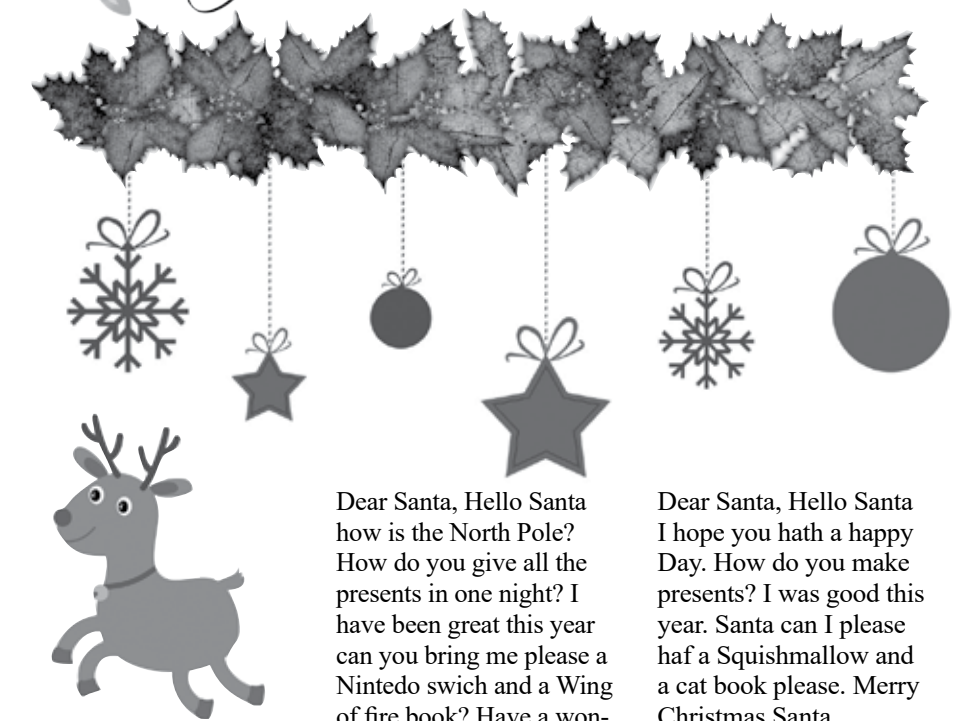
Dear Santa, Christmas Iphone PisS5 maads sikls too Mr. Baerd Bars Football helmet and Pods soccer choar and football shoor slurhe lyooob buod.  
Sincerely, Abdiel

### MRS. WALTHER – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a iPhone 16 and a bicycle and glitter stanly 100,000 robux cards and the best Christmas please and happy Christmas and thank you.  
Sincerely, Iris

### UNKNOWN CLASS

Dear Santa, can I have a pc with Fortnite all ready down loaded with 13000 v buck. Sincerely, Connor



Dear Santa, Vbucks 13 thousand.  
Sincerely, Britton

Dear Santa, I want a paper and I want a spruki toy and I want a tails toy and I want markers. You're the best. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Miguel Dear Santa, Nora the fox reindeer Dog Two pairs of highheels Robux pink roller skates mini Dridge The Same Pencieto a crown. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Valeria Dear Santa, I woed like Nora the fox. And a Reindeer and the Dog and a little minnie tree. Sincerely, Julieta

Dear Santa, What I want this year is FNAF posters, FNAF plushies and FNAF themed electric car Pokemon plushies. Thank you.  
Sincerely, Grayson D.

## McKinley School

### MRS. BARON

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is 1. A toy dog, 2. Oculus VR3, 3. Mincraft Lego set, 4. A BB gun, 5. A new bike, 6. A Hoverboard.  
Sincerelv. Jaxson E.



### ELDERKIN

Dear Santa, I am from the ??? can I pes get a baby sis and baby supply 4 the baby and a baby doll. Thank you! Merry Christmas Santa  
Sincerely, Charlie

## Wilson School

### MS. PARKS – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, Hello Santa how are you doing today? Santa is Rudolph's nose shine red? Does me and my family been good this year? Santa would you bring me a mush in that makes mini cloths for my dolls it would make me so happy and loveful.  
Sincerely, Ximena D.S. Dear Santa, How are you Santa How do you deliver presents I have been good. Can you PS5 please Have a Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Diego C.R.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa how is the North Pole? How do you give all the presents in one night? I have been great this year can you bring me please a Nintedo swich and a Wing of fire book? Have a wonderful Christmas.  
Sincerely, Lionel C.C.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa! How do elves move? But how do the reindeer fly? It will make me happy if for Christmas you can give me a hover board and a bb gun. Ho ho Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Julian R.

Dear Santa, Hello santa! How are you doing? Cookies what is your favorite cookies? I have been good this year. For Christmas I want cat coloring books. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Aitana G.G.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa, I hope you have a good day at the North Pole. What is yours favrit elevs? And what is your frvarts cookies? What is your reigandeer fravarite food? I have been good all year. Why does Rudoph have a red shiny nose? Santa can you please bring me a PS5 please? For Christmas. And can the PS5 be gold please? And whith a setup. Good-bey Santa I hop have a good day!  
Sincerely, Liam R.

Dear Santa, I hope you have a wonderful Christmas this year! Is it true that Rodolph is a very special reigndeer? I have been good and a little bit bad. Santa can you please get Me a gold ps5 and a setup. Good by Santa I had fun talking with you.  
Sincerely, Isaac H.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa I hope you have a good year. Hi Santa were Do you get the present from? I have been good in school. So Santa I would like a Roblox card and I would like the 50 one. And Please can I have Space Legos Please? I hope you have a wandful year!  
Sincerely, Reyes S.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa, Hello How is Rudolph Red nose so shiny is He Helpful. Santa can I please git Me a bebe big gun? Merry Christmas can I please get a robot as my fiend I was naughty and nice.  
Sincerely, Memphis M.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa how are doing today? Santa why does Rudolph's nose shine red? Santa I have been great this year at school and at home. Santa it would make me really happy if you would bring me 6.55 robux and will you please bring me a giant oxolotal Squishmallow? I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.  
Sincerely, Zoey B.

Dear Santa, Hello Santa I hope you hath a happy Day. How do you make presents? I was good this year. Santa can I please haf a Squishmallow and a cat book please. Merry Christmas Santa.

Sincerely, Lizbeth A.O. Dear Santa, Hello Santa are you good? Santa how do your reigndeer fly? Santa my brother try to make me bad but Im trying to be good. Santa can you bring me the big red boots and nike air diors wif gold on it? Good bye Santa good Happy Christmas.  
Sincerely, Edwin M.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa are you ready for Christmas? Santa how do you have a lot of presents? Santa I have been great this year. Santa I wish that you would bring me a a roboc card Also I want you to bring me a phone case. Stay safe at Christmas Santa Also Happy New Year. Bye Santa.  
Sincerely, Ariana C.V.

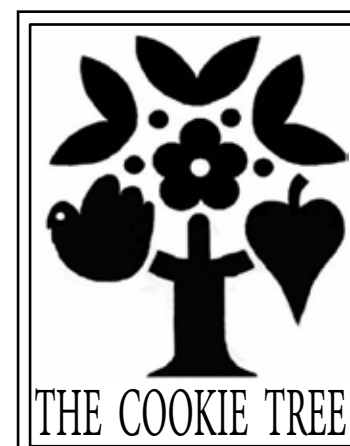
Dear Santa, Hello Santa you are having a grat day at the North Pole. Santa which cookes is ure favorite. Santa I am being god today. Dear Santa I will be so happy if you bring me a Jack and Annie book.  
Sincerely, Mauro P.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa how are you doing. Santa do you like cookies or jello? Santa I have been kind of being god and Bad. Santa can you please bring me a 1 well. Santa and if you can get a dog. Good bye Santa and tell Mrs. Claus a goodbye.  
Sincerely, Aylani C.C.

Dear Santa, Dear Santa Hello Santa have a holly Jolly Christmas! Santa make sure my dad does not get the milk and cookies so you need to run and I've been good. May you get me real legos? It will make me happy if I get a big toy shot gun. Not a Nerf gun. But still a toy.  
Sincerely, Carlos M.

Dear Santa, Hello how are you? Santa you are the best. Thank you for bringing Christmas here. I'm sorry I have been a little bit good but I am trying my best. If could give me barbies to play with my sister and cars for my brother. How did you go to the North Pole? I like Christmas.  
Sincerely, Tavayah M.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa whats up bro? I want to say hi to the reigndeer. Whats your favorite cookies? I have been a bit bad but I am trying my best. Can I have a 50 dollre robux gift card and a rc F22 raptor thet can soot miltois and bombs?  
Sincerely, Matias C.



## THE COOKIE TREE

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Dear Santa, Hello Santa how is it in The North Pole? Santa, what is your favorite color? Santa I have been nice and listening. Santa I want for Christmas a Squishmallow and Roblox. Bye Santa have a good day in Christmas. Sincerely, Abril G.

Dear Santa, Hello you are my amigos Santa? I have been good this year. How do you get presents in night. Can you give me a mystery Pokemon please. Can you give me Dogman books please. Can you give me Cat kid and Catman books please. Can you give me a Squishmallow please? Can you give me a Hot Wheel cars please Merry Christmas Santa. Sincerely, Jaxen B.

### MRS. PERRY – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, I want a car for my mom please ok Santa Next let's have a good day Santa. Sincerely, Xavier

Dear Santa, Thank you for the toy kitchen. First, I would like a donut Squishmallow. Next, I would like kinetic sand. Last, I would like to have a tablet. I would also like to have an Elf for Christmas. Santa you're the best ever. Sincerely, Kaydin E

Dear Santa, What's your mom and dad names? First, I would like a polaroid camera. Next, rat terrier dog. Last, I want Barbies. Thank you for all of the presents you gave me. Sincerely, Raelynn H.

Dear Santa, Thank you for slime last year. First how do you get presents. Next how is your mom Last can you get me a watch for Christmas. Mary Christmas. Sincerely, Hannah

Dear Santa, First, Hi can you please give me please a giant Squishmallow please? Next, can I get a baby elf please. Yes! Last, can I have my family to be no cool cool please and ty. Ty for the gifts! Sincerely, Celeste

Dear Santa, Thank you for the gift last year. First, I would like a 2 rainbow hoverboard. Next can I get a Lego car. Last can I get a Lego city. Have a great Christmas Santa. Sincerely, Julian J.

Dear Santa, Thank you for being kind. First, I would like an iPhone SE. Next, I would like a PS5. Last, I would like a bearded dragon. You are the best ever. Sincerely, Hudson

Dear Santa, What are your elf names. First, I would like a rc car submarine. Next, I would like a pet lizard. Third, I would like a computer. Last, I hope you have a awesome Christmas. Sincerely, Emmitt H.

Dear Santa, What is your mom's name. and I want a toy back roos. And I want a bb gun. And a Xbox. For Christmas. Thank you Santa. Sincerely, Bryan A.

Dear Santa, Thank you for... the gifts last year. First, thank you for the Sketchbook. And for the art desk. Next, thank you for the markers. Last, thank you for the toys. As you can see I want a puppy this year. Sincerely, Augustin

Dear Santa, How old are you? First I want a baby cat. Next I want a capybara. Third I want a Mega Noob simulator plushie. Now do you know what I want. You are the best Santa. Sincerely, KJ

Dear Santa, Thank you for redrid bbe gun. What I want for Christmas is the Back room and a Hasmat and a hoverboard and 100,000 bombs. Thank you for presents. Sincerely, Casein W.

Dear Santa, Thank you for I want a toy that's cool Slime toy cup Big cup UV Stans UV fish uv. I want a Blue Slime. That was three end. Sincerely, Delilah V. Dear Santa, Thank you for a cup cake Bike last year. First, I would like a hoverboard. Sincerely, Rune O.

Dear Santa, how are toys made? Please can I have a mini iPhone and a plushie and a mini cichin. Sincerely, Sophia C. Dear Santa, Thank you for the gift last year. First, I would like a mini iPhone. Next, I would like a Slime. Last, Adley plushie. Sincerely, Maddie

Dear Santa, Thank you for the gift last year. First I want is a bike. Next, I want a mini iPhone. Last I want a little bear. Sincerely, Kenya L.

### MS. DEVOTO – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, I want monkey bars please and I want my playground fixed please but the swings only please because my swing is a bit broken please and I want a pool too and sand and pole and everything please. Sincerely, Aurora

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a dog. I always wanted a dog, I feel like dogs are an emotional support because maybe your mom is going shopping with her friends your dad is busy doing work, your sister is being mean, your brother is helping you and your dog is just right there in front of your face. Sincerely, Evanna

Dear Santa, 1 I want a star wars Legos 2 panda baby by Headchoge 3 I also want a baby sugar 4 glider. I also want a baby gopher tortoise. I want a baby clownfish. I want a baby cat and a baby dog. I want baby guinea pig. Sincerely, Beau

Dear Santa, I would like a VR headset 2. I want a headset 2 when my cousin and I and my friends come over for a playdate. One more thing I want it to snow in Gridley. I also want an Elf on the shelf. Sincerely, Jack

Dear Santa, I want a new wobble, an Elf and more stick on nails with nail glue so I can have nails at school and at home. Thank you Santa!! Sincerely, Leyla

Dear Santa, I would like winter clothes and a lot of plushies and also some new roller skates and winter boots. For toys I want Kenetic sand the new Moana Barbie doll and a winter jacket for my dog and some treats for my dog. Lastley I want a other pupy! Thank you Santa Merry Christmas Sincerely, Sofia C.

Dear Santa, The time has come, it's Christmas. Christmas is my

favorite holiday because I get to drink hot coco with marshmallow. Also the best part of Christmas is opening gift with my family. Santa all I want for Christmas is a wooden train track set. Sincerely, Anthony L V.

Dear Santa, May I have a round palette so I can put my paint in it? I also want a soccer ball and a soccer goal. Now the last thing I want is a pine tree had. Sincerely, Zora C.

Dear Santa, My name is Yohani and for Christmas is a puppy and if I don't get a puppy then I want a stuffed puppy. If I don't get one I want monkey for it and I hope I can see you soon. Sincerely, Yohani B.

Dear Santa, What I would like for Christmas is an elf. Why do I want an elf? I want an elf because they never come to my house. So please if you can send an elf to my house. My house is in Gridley good bye. P.S. if you can't then I understand but please try for me Santa. Also some new head phones please. Again P.S. Merry Christmas and Happy new year! Sincerely, Emilia J.C.

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas. I hope to have a playdate with Jack and I want to play vr with him. I want for Christmas is an electric scooder. I also want and Elf on the shelf. Sincerely, Dante

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a football and football gloves so I can play football with my dad. The second thing I want is fake money so I can show my dad. Third thing is a paintball for Christmas so I can shot my dad and my friends. Sincerely, Kevin

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa. I hope you can come to Gridley this year and you will love it because our downtown here in Gridley has a lot of Christmas lights. Anyways what I want for Christmas is Judy Moody books and new headphones. Sincerely, Anayah

Dear Santa, It is pretty cold in Gridley c.a. I think you will like it here. All I want for Christmas is a ukelele with knobs you can turn to make the music higher or lower. I want to make my own songs. Now you know what and why I want for Christmas. Sincerely, Eli P B.

Dear Santa, I would like this year an elf. Please bring us an elf to our home this year and if you can may you bring me a puzzle to my house this year. Also I'd like this year Also I'd like board game my house to play with my family. Sincerely, Sofia R.

Dear Santa, I want a telescope for Christmas to try to find you in the sky next Christmas. What do your reindeer eat and how do they fly? We don't have a chimney so how will you give my family our presents? Sincerely, Vivian

Dear Santa, What do you see around the world as you pass by it? What do your reindeer like to eat? What is your favorite thing about Christmas? I want a dog or cat for Christmas. Sincerely, Belica

Dear Santa, Santa I want a loona plushie and a rabbit baby plushie I will be so happy when it was Christmas. Thank you. I also want a dog that is a poodle. I want a book, called bluey. Sincerely, Alice

Dear Santa, I would like a gift for my mom and my dad and for myself, a book to color clothes for me and shoes and toys but I would really like a big, big pool. Please for all the family I want to waste time with my family and cute keychains and goggles for all my family. Sincerely, Sofia A.

Dear Santa, to the not pol from Noah to Santa I wlewa truc and a dokbb gon drs set an a aint-dosisando PS5 and Nohtogerpakfleees. Luv Noah Mesigfosanu PS y wdaavtos at my has all milk for you. Sincerely, Noah



### MRS. MOULTON – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, 1. Apple tablet 2. Apple pen 3. Apple keyboard 4. Apple mouse 5. Hand held battery Sincerely, Jose F.

Dear Santa, 1. A laptop 2. Cowgirl jeans 3. Disney Land Trip 4. Cowgirl boots 5. Grinch Stanley Cup 6. Mermaid stuffy. Sincerely, Aiyana

Dear Santa, 1 Spiderman car 2 A jet 3 tic tac toe game 4 A Jeep 5 A computer 6 A dog 7 A cat 8 ipad Sincerely, Javaine

Dear Santa, My Christmas wish list is 1. A gold dragon with an egg 2. Can you make a siren head Godzilla noise alerts, remote control toy set 3. A video game of Security breach 4. A friend for T-Bone. Sincerely, Daniel B.

Dear Santa, PS5 electric scooter 5 walkie talkie 5 Nuif blasters magnetic tiles 5 different blasters skeleton hand lap computer. Sincerely, Edwardo Dear Santa, Gaming computer. Mouse Headphones speaker. Sincerely, Halee

Dear Santa, 1. Mickey Mouse toys 2. Dragon stuffed animal 3. Go-Kart 4. Tic tac toe game 5. A puppy 6. Building cubes 7. Disney Land trip 8. Cat stuffed animals. Sincerely, Melody

Dear Santa, Nintendo switch mickey mouse toys. Sincerely, Ivan R. N.

### MS. HOLT – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, My name is Hazel and I've been a good girl. A can I have a camera and for my brother a monster truck. And I wish for the earth I wish the water will have no grabig. Sincerely, Hazel

Dear Santa, I hope you have a safe trip I want a Nerf gun that is a Shotgun. Then I want a RC plane that is all that I need Santa, Claus. Sincerely, Connor

Dear Santa, My name is Hanor I have been a good boy and what I wanted for a long time is for my mom that Dibe in Feb, 20, it is a new Phone. I hope that you have a good Christmas. Sincerely, Hanor

Dear Santa, My name is Emi and I've been a little good. For Christmas I want 10.9m Roblox. Next I want 1,000,000,000,000 one Godzillian Roblox! And the homeless take care for my mom and Dad roses and plants. Sincerely, Emi

Dear Santa, My Name is Hayden and I've been bad but I will turn it around my beaver. Can I have a gepe and it has Nerf guns on the stern on it. Can I have a picture frames for Christmas. I wish you have a safe flight. Sincerely, Hayden

Dear Santa, My Name is Amilia and I've been a little bad this year and I really want a phone and I also want five tickets to Disneyland and for my mom she wants makeup and perfume and for my dad he wants money to move out and also he wants us to be. Sincerely, Amilia

Dear Santa, My name is Jeremiah I have good I Legos and a vback's gift-card for Christmas. Can my mom get makeup. Can my get a blanket and a headset. Can my dad get a headset for Christmas. That will be it. Sincerely, Jeremiah

Dear Santa, My name is Yaretzi. I want four Christmas is a new doll. Next, I want a new tablet. Last, I want new shoes. Now you know what I want four Christmas. Sincerely, Yaretzi

Dear Santa, I've been a good girl My name is Aurora I really want a watch. My mom wants a new makeup set. My brother wants a new 20 inch bike and my sister wants a new blanket. Sincerely, Aurora

Dear Santa, My name is Blake and I been good and I want a remote control car and a electric scooter for my big sister She will have a Taylor Swift coloring book and for the world money for the hol world and a home Merry Christmas. Sincerely, Blake

Dear Santa, Melina is Ms. Hlot. I want a keyboard I want macuplepbccabas-clpt for Christmas. I want a tablet clptr Robux for my bu bnlh hu crpct for thruorm. Sincerely, Melina

Dear Santa, My name is Matteo my choice is wisone Ramos I want foher Christmas is a Rc plane and 10000 ruxud and for mom and Dad first for my mom want for her is a cup for her and for my Dad is. Sincerely, Matteo

Dear Santa, My is Juanito iv din good I wish I had Jason with the sword. And a Nerf gun. For my mom a lipstick for my mom. For m dad I want my mom to marry my dad. I rely wis my neno was dack. I hope you have good trip. Sincerely, Juanito

Dear Santa, my name is Jesus and I Bin good I want a Baby Brother and 2 legos and a nerf gun. and a electric scooter and a toy dog and a happy meal and a toy cat I Breng cookies and milk. Sincerely, Jesus

Dear Santa, My name is Kylie and I've been good this year. What I want for Christmas is Legos and a camera. And my mom wants sunshine calendar. And my dad wants a saw line. And my big sister. Sincerely, Kylie

Dear Santa, My name is Shyanna I've been a good girl for Christmas I would like a baby doll and skincare and I wish for homeless People to have money that is all bye. Sincerely, Shyanna

### MRS. POLO – 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, May I have squishmallow, and slime and two more elfs and kentic sand. Can I also have a heart pillows and sunflower pillows and 10,050 Roblox tickets for my family to Disney land and a trip to the Zoo. I hope you have a good Christmas. Sincerely, Brennele

### MRS. HOLLIMAN – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, can I please have a new tablet and shoe and cloth and, new Barbie house and dolls, this year I have been good. Sincerely, Ashly P.

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I hope you are doing well. I want a Barbie and a Barbie house. I hope you have a good Christmas. Sincerely, Adalynn R.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa. How are you doing? I'm doing great! I'm so happy Pickles and Sprinkles came back! I will try to be good this year. For Christmas I want a vanity. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a good Christmas. Don't worry, I won't forget to put out cookies, milk and carrots. Sincerely, Aaliyah F.

Dear Santa, I want a moped but it is 600 dollars and we don't can you maybe get me one can your elf's pan't it blue. And a basket. Santa can you please write back. Sincerely, Fraya S.

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas 1 is a crazy cart. 2 T13 figures. 3 football gloves. 4 tec deck mini scooter. Fortnite figures. Sincerely, Jayceon E.

Dear Santa, can you please use your Christmas magic and help my cousin Benny be at my grammas house on Christmas day because he is my favorite cousin I don't want to spend Christmas day without him so can you please help my cousin Benny be at my grandma's house on Christmas day. I don't want any presents I just want to be with my cousin Benny on Christmas day. Sincerely, Juliana Z.

Dear Santa, what I want for Christmas is jell pens and a note books with stickers and new clothes and shoes and 2 Barbies and a toy set of Fake clean up toys and flowers and some candy and more elfs. Sincerely, Paige B.

Dear Santa, Christmas is my favorite holiday Because I get to hang out with my family and cousins and also open gifts and I get to see you at the Christmas place. My cousins and I get to take pictures with you. Me and my family do not have elfs. It is ok Because I love Christmas. Sincerely, Pari L.

Dear Santa, Hi It's Reagan. I want for Christmas a Bluey Blanket. You guys are the Best. Sincerely, Reagan T.





Dear Santa, I have been good this year. So could you get a 3D printer please. Travel safely Thank you. Sincerely, Rhett M.

Dear Santa, Hi Santa my name is Sarai I don't know if I am in the nice list or the node list I going to mexco no crismust can I ples a magic pixie and bubble Scard and earring hopes thank you santa have a good day and nite. Sincerely, Sarai M.

### MRS. SMITH – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, I know this might be expensive but this what I whant for Christmas. A Shiutzu, puppy Jelly cat summer Fridays lip gloss ipad apple pen a keybourd for my ipad a ipad case flip flop yammy land lip gloss yellow owala water bottle a coco wyo coloring book a ohuhu markers peachy babies slime uggs slippers color pencils and soldeJa-neiro Jet.

Sincerely, Jacqueline  
Dear Santa, para nubida yo, vai a querer un petuche de osita para jugar con el a fuera con mi hermana a ta peloa y a lan sarnos un peluche. Sincerely, Julissa

Dear Santa, can I hav 236\$ for vbucks and for for my sister to. Sincerely, George

Dear Santa, May I have a realistic baby doll First I have too little ones at home and I want a bincy and maching clotes and shoes and I wan't its eyes to be open and like me I wan't it to have blond hair. Sincerely, Tinsley

Dear Santa, May I please have a xbox and you're a very nice person. Can I also have a dino stuffy because they make me feel safe. Thank you. Your best Santa claus. Sincerely, Jase

Dear Santa, thank you for what you do macking kids happy can I have a new game I don't care what game it is and a new controller. Sincerely, Elijah

Dear Santa, I love Christmas. I hope that you give me a electric scooter. And I hope you get my ant a phone that never breaks she breaks all of hers. And I hope my dog finally gets a present. Thank you, I hope my hole family gets a present. Sincerely, Mady

Dear Santa, I thank you for my bluid Miler. He is the best dog a girl could have thank you sooooo much! But I if you could if you would I would love a pare of waders. So I will be ablt to go duck hunting with my DaD! Sincerely, Estella

Dear Santa, What I wanted for the longest time is a Iphone 15 because last year I broke my Phone that was a criket phone and I want anoter chance to have a phone. For Christmas my brother named Jaxen wants a drone. Sincerely, MAISEE

Dear Santa, I want a puppy if you can thank you Can I have a VR3 also toy. Waterballto and shoes. Sincerely, Jimena  
Dear Santa, Thank you for evrey thing you do can I pleas have uggs, a new stanly, and skincare even thoe I already have a lot. M shoe size is a 3, the coler of the water bottle is purple. Sincerely, Emmy H.

Dear Santa, Santa for this Christmas I want the Ps vr1 virtual reality glasses and a Ps4 game. Sincerely, Andres  
Dear Santa, I would like a slime kit please and a babey doll for my sister please and a huverbord and a phone and a dog man book. Sincerely, Serenity

Dear Santa, thak you for always geving prisent Evrey yaer that you do a lot of worke but can you get me a race car so I can play with my cars and a new car of macaing and mark and storm the truk of storm and if I cant get that staf it is okey but if you can thank you that is all. Sincerely, Josue

Dear Santa, Thank you Santa for everything you did for me this year. Can you pretty please get me a bike and eletric scooter. Also a nitendo switch please. Thank you Santa very much. Sincerely, Morgan R.

Dear Santa, can I please have a camo hute my zise is six can I also have a hight stand and a stanly cup and chuncy vans. Sincerely, Sophia F.

Dear Santa, I want you to make my dad and mom to never get hert. Sant I want a good Christmas day and a good family day and prentens and. I get berrter in reading. Sincerely, Giovanni

Dear Santa, Can I please have a toy. Also can I get a new shoes. Can I get a shirt. That all I want for Chritmas. Sincerely, Milan

Dear Santa, I only want a few things this year may I have a bake set and a puppy and real snow out side and a kitten and that's it. Happy holidays Bye. Sincerely, Alyssa N.  
Dear Santa, Can I please have ugg's my shoe size is 3. And a water Bottle Owala Water Bottle pink Adidas VL court 3.0 kids shoes. Sweater and the thing I want the most is for my DaD to come Home. Sincerely, Sophia C.

Dear Santa, can you Please give me new shoes and clothes and games and Players of jersy and a soccer ball. Go to a football staidym. Sincerely, Miguel

Dear Santa, I appreciate all of the presents that you give me thank now my christmas list. First I want mackup too, I will like some slime third I want clothes forth I want Crathing's and that is all I want thank you so so much I love you Santa thank you agan. Sincerely, Camila L.

### MRS. CASTELLANOS – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like, but what I really want is a Lite and a phone. First, I really want a lite because I could see when I go camping. Sincerely, Connor C.  
Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like, but what I really want for Christmas is a new doll and new cloth's, and new phone case, waterballe and dork diary book's or makup/ moizturizer. Sincerely, Piper

Dear Santa, Dear mom and dad, there are a few things I want for Christmas is a Xbox1. Star wars: Jedi the fallen order, and Jedi survivor. I want a Xbox1 because my cousin has one. I want those games because my cousin has it too. Sincerely, Benson F.

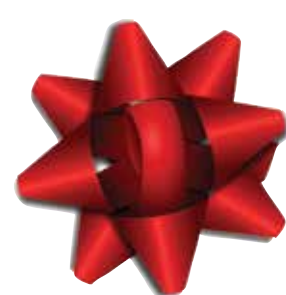
Dear Santa, There are a few things I would like but I want phone and a Nerth gun. First I want freze dried candy because I never tried it. Sincerely, from Link

Dear Santa, There are a bit of thing's I want but I really want a real bunny because my other one died. Sincerely, Evangelina I.

Dear Santa, I am so sorry for every bad thing I did. I am so sorry. New present time first I want cool clothes and fnaf toys and ney clothes for my baby my dad my mom and a Christmas spirit for all Santa I want you to have a great day. More presents I want picture of all my freinds if you can do that if you can't that's ok for me. More presents I want a fhaf I game for my PS4 please do that then I want aFnaf book please. Sincerely, Eirikn R.

Dear Santa, There are a few thing I would like, but what I really want is clothes and shoes and blankets and a few tows. Sincerely, Lucero G.

Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like but what I really want is, a maching's mugs for the whole Fam. Sincerely, Aviana C.  
Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like, but what I really want is a PS5 and a rondo soccer jerse. Sincerely, Remington A.



Dear Santa, there are a few thing I would like, but what I really whant is a quad and fortnite croc and some charm. Sincerely, Kaiden

Dear Santa, There are a few things I would like, but what I really want is a new rug that is fuzzy and light pink to replace my old one. And a pink plam puff jacket because I looks really cute and I would love to wear it to school and anywhere. Sincerely, Noa, kimblely, Watson

Dear Santa, There are a few things I would like, but what I really want is electric dirt bike and a new controller. Because when I go to my friends house I rode it and I only have one controller. Sincerely, Haiden A. M.

Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like but what I realy want is a phone pleas! And a giant tangled doll. Sincerely, Kairi

Dear Santa, There are a few things I would like, but what I really is apple ipad. And a bath and bodys works parfume the cherry blossom tree scented. Sincerely, Scout B.  
Dear Santa, there are a few things I walld like but what is apple watch. Apple 14 phone. Sincerely, David

Dear Santa, I have a lot of things I want, but two thing I really want is a phone, and a helen deler book because I want to learn about her. Sincerely, Paisley

Dear Santa, Thre are a few things I would like but what I really want is vf-oculence and a electric rc truck that go fast. Sincerely, Travis S.



Dear Santa, There are a few things I would like, but wut I really want is a bike and a fon becus my mom and dad cant I ford it the end. Sincerely, Kaisen W.

Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like but what I really want is a nintendo switch, and a sling shot. Sincerely, Davalor L.

Dear Santa, there are a few thing I would like, but what I really want is a books and a lego. First, I really want because I like them. Sincerely, Ariana H.

Dear Santa, there are a few things I would like but what really want is a PC with keyboed and mouse. And a sx and I Really, Sincerely, Abel

Dear Santa, There are a few thing that I want. I want college football 25. I want a quad. I want college 25 because I already have Madden 25 and Madden 24 and Madden 23 so. Sincerely, Noble N.

### MS. RIAZ – 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, I want a coloren book and a book for read and Love for os and esland and a Barbie and markers and to be to ga thet ol the time and a bol to play. Sincerely, Naomi

Dear Santa, I want a cool water football.becouse I have a pool that I go swiwing in pool and it is fun. To thought a football and wanted to play wan it is Summer. And can play wit it not in the pool. And me and my cousin play games. Can od a card games and play and me and my dad can play pass to each other. Sincerely, Bennett

Dear Santa, I want a nerf gun and with a skope and a compter and a phoen goofe dcuys and a tablet and a fishing rod and a PS5 and a gameing desck and a hedphoen and a gameing chai. Sincerely, Alec

Dear Santa, I want of Christmas is my famly to ed together. What I want is a phoen or computer. But if you. Sincerely, Ariela

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas so I wand a Minecrafte Lego set, super mario Lego set, a Computer, a blox fruit onley five sets of it, a coloring set, some stitch toys and that's it thanks Santa and merry Christmas. Sincerely, Quetzal

Dear Santa, I want a LOL Doll. And a hamster for Christmas. And a phone. And a computer, and a puppy. And a chikin and a holle kity Pillow. And a new water bottol. And Stich stuff. And holle kitty stuff. Sincerely, Sara

Dear Santa, Im excited for Christmas I im so happy I wont a bitzee thbitzee's color is purple. Can I get a Aphmaa meemow letter 6 can I get 4 of them please. My name is Lupita and I wish to see Aphmoiu in real life thanks Santa. Sincerely, Lupita

Dear Santa, Im Aldo and I want a naymar Brzil shirt and a silver chain and Ronaldo shirt and gaming mouse and key bored and just a small crombook. Thanks santa for getting me dees stuff santa I cant wait for Christmas. Sincerely, Aldo V.

Dear Santa, How are you I don't realley want anything for Christmas all I want is a happy mornig filled with laghter and joy but mayby just one pair of new sneakers and mayby even some paint and canvas but nothin else have a nice day. Sincerely, Kayla

Dear Santa, all I want is mony 100 for my enen and a PS5 fur Ryker. Sincerely, Chase

Dear Santa, I want a Phone for Christmas. I think Phone's are very fun to use and it would be cool to have one and I could call my sister on it so I could call and tell her stof. Sincerely, Tanya

Dear Santa, I would like a board game and some stickers to decorate my ipad and some toys like a doll or like a slime kit I'm really good with anything and I'm just giving you some ideas. Sincerely, Arely

Dear Santa, Deer Santa for crismis I wont a tenao swich beecus I can hav funnand I wont 3 beecus my brufr can asoo hav fun to and secint I wont a veeare heset and I wont 3 ugen for my brutr can hav for ugen and my trd I wont a PeS2 for crismis I wont 1 ollee 1. Sincerely, Josiah

Dear Santa, I would like a PC and a led keyboard and a mouse, a iphone 16, A gameing Chare, and a art set because I like art a lot. Sincerely, Dominik

Dear Santa, I would like wolfuren claws that pop in and out just like wolfurens claws that are medel and I would love fortnite for my switch please. Sincerely, Ryker

Dear Santa, I im excited for Christmas because I want a dritbke for Christmas and in my Stoking I want smartyes and can you put the dirtbike can you inside or in the front of the side walk or the side deck I love you Santa. Sincerely, Wesley

Dear Santa, How are you doing Santa claus I want a big box of pokemon cards and a new swich game The game I want is a basketball game and a football game. Santa can I have a new green jacket that I wear for school that it Santa claus. Sincerely, Damon  
Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is some hedfones and a swetsdert also I want an embrela and colone. Santa tell your elvs I sed hi and tell Mrs. clas I sed hi. Sincerely, Mateo

Dear Santa, I want a tv and a ps5 with a camo controlle and a iPhone 16 please and thank you. Sincerely, Lincoln

Dear Santa, I wouldn't mind if my toy is a simple one. But I can't have csmo stuff because my tablet broke. I was kinda was upset last year because I wanted a toy train but I got csmo stuff. But I got over that. This year I would like a phone case. Sincerely, Ventura

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a Computer that has Games in it. And Videos. Sincerely, Rory H.

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. And I think I have been very good. Even I don't realy think you are real like other kids. But I don't want to tell you what I want because I don't want to know what my gift is. Sincerely, Tahlya



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