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Pancakes, Hot Cocoa and Santa!



Gridley Lions were Santa's helpers at the Gridley Parks and Recreation annual Breakfast with Santa event, held Sat. Dec. 6 at the Moose Club.

Story and photos by **Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - It wouldn't be Christmas without Santa and Gridley's Parks and Recreations "Breakfast with Santa" made sure to serve him up quite a morning feast.

Supported by the Gridley Lions Club volunteers, Gridley Parks and Recreations celebrated another holiday season with their annual holiday breakfast event but switched things up with a venue change.

Instead of the Guardian Building on the Gridley High School Campus being used, the Gridley Moose Club hosted the event.

"The Moose was willing to partner with us and let us use their facility at no cost," said Amanda Kaelin of Gridley Parks and Recreations. She thanked Jim Roberts of the Moose for their assistance and generosity.

"It was great, and it allowed us to set up a bit differently," Kaelin said.

The cozy quarters of the Moose

provided a designated play area for younger children in the "kids room" while other guests voted on the gingerbread decorating contest, got creative at the crafts table or took a moment to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas at the Santa photo booth.

Gridley Lions Club was present snapping photos, if necessary, while other families chose to snap selfies with the big man in red. The Lions

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Biggs Council Initiates Industrial Park Audit

By **Susan Meeker**

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The Biggs City Council on Dec. 9 moved to address concerns raised by the Butte County Grand Jury over financial management at the city-owned Industrial Park.

Interim City Manager Rodney Harr presented three options for initiating a comprehensive audit of Industrial Park expenditures dating from July 2023 to the present. The options included issuing a formal request for proposals or directly engaging a qualified firm, but Harr recommended an in-house approach. He noted that City Clerk Roben Benish had already compiled the necessary documentation while responding to the grand jury's public records requests, making the audit feasible without delay.

The grand jury's 2024-25 report found the Industrial Park had incurred a \$42,330 operating loss as of October 2024, with additional costs untracked due to missing documentation. Jurors cited unauthorized expenditures, expired leases, and inadequate recordkeeping, and recommended that the city complete an independent fiscal audit, establish accurate financial records, and standardize lease agreements.

"The grand jury recommended the city of Biggs complete this independent audit, and as of last week, they have already asked for it," Harr said.

The council agreed to proceed with the in-house option and unanimously approved using the city's contracted accountant, JJACPA Accounting, led by President and CEO Joseph J. Arch, CPA, to conduct the audit. Arch, participating remotely, said the review would verify transactions, examine authorization processes and identify discrepancies with corrective actions to follow. He assured the council his involvement would not present a conflict of interest since his prior work does not cover the audit period.

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A Neighborhood with a Holiday Secret

Story and photos by **Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Eagle Meadows neighborhood looks innocent enough as you turn into their subdivision, but they are hiding something.

There isn't a set date or time for the Eagle Meadows parade each year, but members of the community organize together on a private social media page to bring the extra holiday magic to the quiet streets of the neighborhood.

Depending on the year and those who voluntarily participate, the secretive community parade can be rather decently sized or modest, but those who enter often have big plans for holiday fun.



The Hutchison's, Hale's, and Poole's led the parade with extra Christmas spirit. Each one was dressed in costume and ready to spread holiday cheer!

Friday, Dec. 5, families and residents of the Eagle Meadows neighborhood began to line up at the end

of Jay Drive, bringing their Christmas spirit.

This year the Hutchison, Hale and Poole families

got together to create a large float, pulled by a John Deere tractor. An oversized

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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

It may be bad news that our Butte College roadrunners did not win the national championship in football again. Still, the good news is that Aaron Rodgers, the former Butte College standout, is leading his Pittsburgh Steelers toward the playoffs after topping the AFC North. So, for the next week or so, we can continue to root for a Roadrunner.***

Driving down Virginia Street toward the Bungalow, it is a sad state of affairs; the toll of homeless arsonists makes the place look kinda like a

wasteland of destruction. One might wonder if legalizing drugs was such a good idea. The state of California has spent billions and billions of dollars on homelessness solutions, and the problems of criminal homelessness continue on. I don't think that when they put forward the proposal to legalize drugs in California, they warned us about vandals in the cemetery and entire streets that would be left in burnt rubble. It's not only the legalization of drugs that has had such a terrible effect, but also the decriminalization of drugs - bad public policy has consequences.***

The bright spot on Virginia Street is at the Daddow Plaza Park, where the city of Gridley erected a telephone pole and has turned it into a Christmas tree for the year. The city's Christmas tree used to be at the hospital, but it got too big to hang lights on safely. The telephone pole tree

they set up at the Daddow Plaza is neat, friendly, and clean; a wonderful addition to the holiday lights that are put up downtown each year (compliments to Gridley Public Work Elfs). One must wonder, though, did the tree that gave up its life to become a telephone pole think that it would someday be mounted with lights and celebrated as if it were still a tree? Trees, like people, recognize that life is full of surprises.***

Supervisor Tod Kimmelshue delivers again. He was able to secure private sector grant funding from the Foor Charitable Foundation to help fix up the kitchen at the Gridley Veterans Hall. Now that the roof is fixed, people want to use the place, and anybody who's been in the building knows the kitchen needs some help. Our supervisor went out and got it. Good work again.***

Josh F.W. Cook was born in Gridley. ★

Pancakes, Hot Cocoa and Santa!



The Leishman Family smiles as they attend another annual Breakfast with Santa, making their own holiday tradition.

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also volunteered in the kitchen, cooking and serving breakfast to guests, while helping clear tables.

As the event wound down, Kaelin shared preliminary attendance numbers with the Gridley Herald.

"Rough numbers are about 240, based on plates," said Kaelin.

Breakfast with Santa did go well, with members of the community seeming to enjoy the pancake breakfast and hot chocolate bar with special topping options.

Once again, the gingerbread contest provided a creative look into ginger-engineers creations.

First place went to Raegan Rogers with her beach inspired theme, including palm trees, crabs made of orange slices and Santa being pulled by a team of sharks!

Her sister Carlee Rogers



These two little "Cindy-Loo Whos" didn't take after their "Grinchy" outfits and smiled ear-to-ear with the holiday spirit at Gridley's Parks and Recreations holiday breakfast.

took second place and Ellie Rainey won third.

Patrons left with smiling faces and full stomachs.

"It was good," said Kaelin, happy with the way the event ran. "It's seemed well attended." ★

CAL FIRE Conducts Multiple Burns to Decrease Wildfire Risks



A combined pile of debris, logs and other underbrush is monitored by CAL FIRE crews during a scheduled control burn on Doe Hill, Dec. 15 and 16. Photo courtesy of CAL FIRE

By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Over the last week, CAL FIRE/Butte County has been conducting controlled burn operations in Butte and surrounding counties in order to reduce the risk of wildfire, especially near communities that have been threatened in the past.

Most recently, firefighters working in cooperations with the Butte County Firesafe Council (BCFSC) and the Butte County Resource Conservation District (BCRCD) have burned approximately 30 acres near Forrest Ranch and Magalia.

"Part of CAL FIRE'S commitment to its Vegetation Management Program, this project contributes to the goal of

treating 100,000 acres annually in California," stated a CAL FIRE media release.

During the 2-days scheduled for the cleanup, CAL FIRE stated that "pictures form the ground show great fuel consumption," and that, "conditions are ideal for this burn operation."

Previously on Dec. 10, the U.S. Forest Service updated the public on burn operations that had been held and scheduled for Sawmill Peak territory in the Concow area, which was affected by the 2018 Camp Fire.

"The work being done over the past 18 months to prepare the site by the Butte County Fire Safe Council and then for prescribed burning treatment Dec. 10 is an essential step in community protection

from wildfire for not only the community of Magalia, but the surrounding area," stated the release.

Approximately 100 acres of combined pile burning and under-burning was planned for during the operation that treated the areas between Flea Mountain and Crane Ridge.

In addition, firefighters completed ignition on approximately 90 acres in the Challenge area Dec. 10, with The U.S. Forest Service stating in a release that "operations in Challenge are part of an ongoing critical fuel reduction for community protection from wildfire. The community and surrounding area were threatened by the 202 North Complex fires creating urgency to complete this work." ★



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MEMORIAL


RODGER BIGGS 12/17/1941 – 12/09/2025

A native of Gridley, Butte County, California graduated from Gridley Union High School, class of 1959, attended some college, served in the California National Guard.

He started a heavy equipment business doing land leveling and soil preparation for agriculture and commercial industries. He

was preceded in death by parents Violet and Robert Biggs and a brother Jerry. He is survived by his loving wife Jacqueline, a sister Nancy Weinzinger, 2 nephews Aaron and Aric Weinzinger.

A Celebration of Life Service is planned for Sunday December 28 at 12 noon, First Presbyterian Church, Gridley, CA.



Gridley Parks and Recreation Basketball Prepares to Hit the Court

Updates from the Department

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Parks and Recreation Basketball season is about to begin and members of the organization are taking the opportunity to publicly update the community on what they can expect.

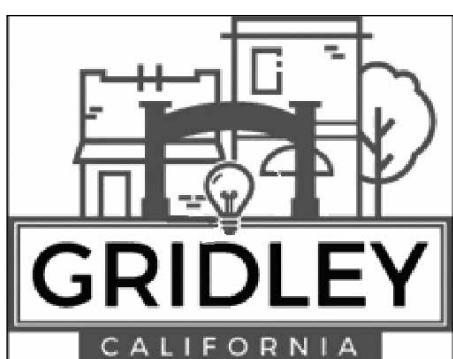
With games beginning Jan. 10, 2026, teams have been finalized and rosters provided to coaches.

Interim Recreation Director Martin Pineda stated in a city Media Release on social media that, "the Recreation Coordinator and I are working to secure access to gyms with basketball courts for team practices."

"Our goal is to assign each team a designated practice time set by the City Recreation Department. This would allow teams to practice during the week rather than 30-minutes before each game," Pineda continued.

In past years access to basketball courts has been limited, restricting the practice schedule and making it so that players would get a half-an-hour practice block before their scheduled games.

Jerseys will be new this season, with a community poll conducted showing that the majority of the respondents favored



new uniforms versus existing department ones.

"The primary reason for changing jerseys is cost effectiveness," said Pineda, "Purchasing new jerseys that players can keep is more affordable than replacing parts of the current jerseys each year."

After previous issues with Gridley Parks and Recreation soccer uniforms, the department remains committed to public satisfaction and transparency.

"We will evaluate feedback from parents, coaches and players after this season to see how well the new jerseys are received," said Pineda, wishing participants good luck on their upcoming season. ★

Christmas Eve Service at Gridley Christian Church

Gridley Christian Church News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Gridley Christian Church will hold a Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 6:30 p.m. Familiar Christmas carols will be sung. The Christmas nativity story will be read to the children. Communion will be served to remind us why Jesus

Christ had come to be born in a manger. A time of finger food fellowship will follow.

Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus with us. Gridley Christian Church is a place where everyone is family. It is located at 580 Washington St. To speak with Pastor Ed call 530-846-4002. Merry Christmas! ★



The Candlelight Christmas Eve service will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 24. Photo by Cottonbro Studio via Pexels

Beale EOD Team Safely Disposes of Military Ordnance Found in Mendocino County



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Ace Fry, 9th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technician, secures a container to move an Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) in Gualala, California, Dec. 9, 2025. The UXO was confirmed as a World War II AN MK-23 Practice Bomb, EOD technicians then coordinated with local authorities to relocate the UXO to a remote location and utilized C-4 explosive material obtained from an approved munitions storage area prior to the mission to safely dispose of the UXO. Photo courtesy of U.S. Air Force, by Airman 1st Class Chelsea Arana

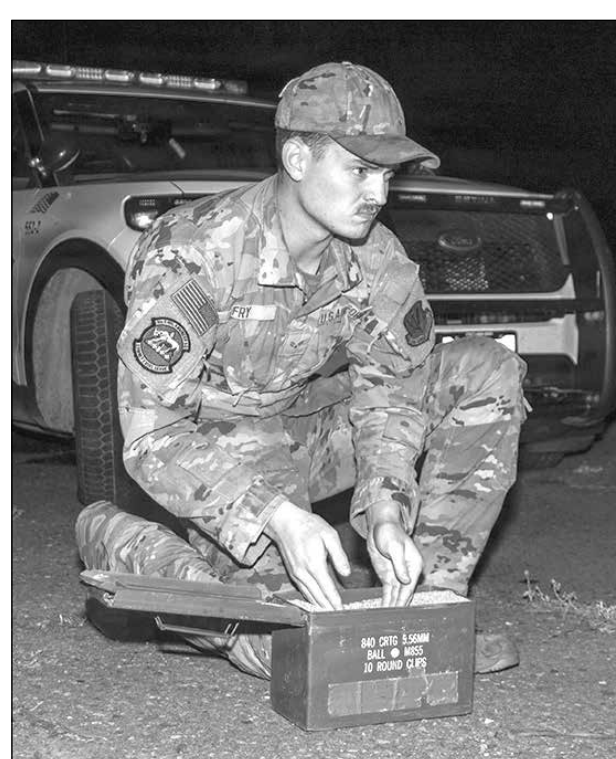
By Airman 1st Class Chelsea Arana

GUALALA, CA (MPG) - The 9th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) team, responded to Mendocino County, California, after local authorities reported the discovery of an item believed to be military Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) on private property, on Dec. 9.

By federal law, military Explosive Ordnance Disposal units are required to respond to discoveries of military Unexploded Ordnance found off base when ownership cannot be determined on scene. The response was conducted under Defense Support of Civil Authorities, a Department of War framework that allows military units to assist local, state and federal agencies when requested. In this case, the item was highly unlikely to belong to any entity other than the U.S. military, making an Explosive Ordnance Disposal response appropriate to ensure public safety.

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office initially contacted the 9th Security Forces Squadron, who then coordinated with the 9th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal team. While Travis Air Force Base maintains its own Explosive Ordnance Disposal capabilities, based on geographical coverage areas and unit proximity, the 9th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal team was assessed as the closest available responder for this portion of Mendocino County.

The item was confirmed to be a World War II AN



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MK-23 Practice Bomb. The Unexploded Ordnance contained explosive material from a spotting charge, requiring specialized handling and disposal by certified Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians.

During the operation, Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians coordinated with local authorities to relocate the Unexploded Ordnance to a remote location and utilized C-4 explosive material obtained from an approved munitions storage area prior to the mission to safely dispose of the Unexploded Ordnance. Once it was destroyed, Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians verified the scene was safe from all explosive hazards.

"We are committed to working alongside community partners and civil authorities to ensure the safety and security of the public," said Staff Sgt. Bryce Schott, 9th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Operations Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge.

A primary objective of all Explosive Ordnance Disposal response is public safety. Therefore, the 9th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal team emphasize that when suspicious or potentially explosive items are discovered, the safest course of action is for individuals to avoid the area and for law enforcement to contact qualified Explosive Ordnance Disposal personnel. ★

MEMORIAL

STEPHANIE J. MYERS • 09/30/1954 – 11/23/2025

Stephanie J. Myers, 71, passed away peacefully on November 23, 2025. She was born in Sacramento, CA to George and Mildred January.



She was reunited in eternal rest with her beloved Husband, Stephen C. Myers, Son, Sean Larson, and Sister, Vicky McMillan.

A loving mother, daughter, and grandmother, Stephanie dedicated more than 25 years to her work in medical billing. Outside of her career,

she found happiness in tending to her garden, baking for those she loved, and spending time with her family - moments she treasured most.

Stephanie is survived

by her Mother, Mildred January, Stepdaughter, Kathy (Shawn) Horan, Sister, Cindy Anderson, nieces, and nephew. She leaves behind her cherished Grandsons, Riley (Taylor) Horan and Conlin Horan, who brought immense joy and light everyday into her life.

Stephane will always be remembered for her gentle spirit, her unwavering love for her family, and the warmth she brought into every room. Her legacy lives in the hearts of all who knew her.

MEMORIAL

DONNA MOON BEN-BARRAK • 1/3/1950 – 11/25/2025

Donna Moon Ben-Barrak passed away at home under the care of Hospice November 25, 2025.



Her desire was to return home to Gridley, while making plans she realized she wouldn't make it. Donna was born January 3, 1950 and was one of the first babies to be delivered at the Biggs Gridley Hospital after its construction. She attended McKinley and Wilson Schools before moving to San Jose where she graduated from Lynbrook High School and attended Jr. College.

During her career she was an advocate for Health Care. Her knowledge of Health Care was exceptional. While working to make positive changes to benefit Health Care as well as patients, employees and staff, she was awarded for

her loyalty and dedication to the Health Care System.

Donna was preceded in death by her husband Amos Ben-Barrak of 30 years, her parents Jack and LaVerne Moon, Brother Jack Moon Jr., and Sister Billie LaVerne Moon. Her living siblings are Barbara and John Gately of Gridley, Sharon Munoz of

Auburn, CA. Donna's pride and joy are her two beautiful daughters and their families. They are Jacque and Jason Ketchum of Dothan, AL., grandchildren Jackson, Hattie and Hanna Clair. Also, Daughter Jamie and Chad Herring of Pottstown, PA., grandchildren Marissa, Kaitlyn and Johnny.

Donna's greatest joy was family, she treasured the memories of the many happy times they shared together while traveling, celebrating birthdays, the holidays and many special occasions and just being there for each other.

Donna will be laid to rest at Biggs Gridley Cemetery as she requested, finally to return home! "My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart." Psalm 73:26



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Bryce Schott, 9th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) operations non-commissioned officer in charge, and Senior Airman Ace Fry, 9th CES EOD technician, brief local authorities on the disposal procedures for an Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) in Gualala, California, Dec. 9, 2025. The 9th CES EOD team responded to a call after local authorities reported a UXO on private property. The UXO was confirmed as a World War II AN MK-23 Practice Bomb. Photo courtesy of U.S. Air Force, by Airman 1st Class Chelsea Arana

A Neighborhood with a Holiday Secret

Biggs Council Initiates Industrial Park Audit

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The council authorized spending up to \$5,000 to initiate the audit, with Harr directed to execute contract amendments. The city anticipates completing the audit and responding to the grand jury's request before the end of the year.

In other business, the council approved the city's 2024 Power Source Disclosure Report, which outlines the mix

of electricity serving Biggs customers. The report shows 44 percent renewable energy and 55 percent large hydroelectric resources, with greenhouse gas emissions intensity far below the statewide utility average. The approval reflects the city's effort to meet California Energy Commission requirements and provide residents with clear information about energy procurement. ★



These gals lit up the parade route on their 4-wheeler.

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elf from the North Pole rode in the lifted bucket of the tractor, blowing snow through the neighborhood and peppering the following parade with snowflakes.

As the float adorned with little elf girls and boys and decorative inflatables followed, so did a myriad of side-by-sides, 4-wheelers

and Santa in classic convertible. Snow added to the feeling of Christmas in the freezing December air.

As the caravan wound through the neighborhood, two Grinches began to duke it out for supremacy.

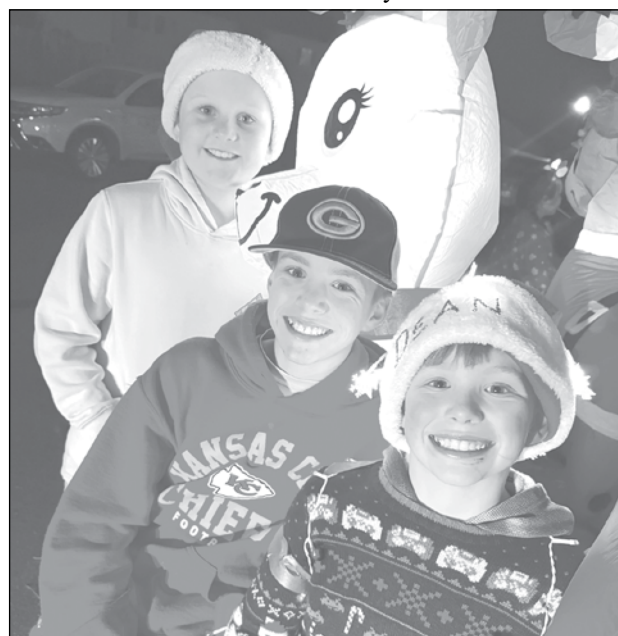
As local tradition dictates, waiting at the end of the parade route was taco truck Taqueria Dona Tere

from Magalia. For the past few years, the taco truck has joined the festivities, providing warm reprieve from the cold with their complimentary signature homemade hot cider.

As residents retreated for the evening, Elf Sarah Hutchison, who helped put together the largest float in the parade said, "Hopefully it will be bigger and better next year!" ★



This little elf is overwhelmed with Christmas cheer!



These boys are getting ready to light up their neighborhood with their smiles. Pictured from left to right: Benson Fontaine, Cal Lumsden and Dean Lumsden.

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The golden rain of leaves is happening in the front yard. I never find this boring from year to year. It is delightful to see the golden glow. I remove many of the leaves but I find various spots for the leaves to stay and rot. So many small creatures rely on those leaves to finish their life cycle. Even some of the "worms" I tossed in the green waste bin along with the leaves they were on, managed to make cocoons on the edge of the bin. I'll be watching to see when they hatch. We seldom think of the beetles and other six leggeds that we see as annoying as opposed to beneficial are something other than pests. Most beetles do a certain amount of detritus work,

cleaning up rotted vegetation, dead wood, leaf litter, decaying plants, fungi, and animal feces (dung), acting as vital recyclers in soil ecosystems, while some specialized types eat other insects, carrion, or even household items like carpet fiber. We would be wading through feet of rotted dead things without the work these creature s do. I told the story of the snail shell I turned over and at least a hundred ants roiled out from their work of cleaning that shell out. If you see a cocoon or a chrysalis in the way, try to move it to somewhere safe and save that little developing life. When we see grubs and other weird wiggling soon to be bugs, don't kill their creepy little changing bodies; they are working for your good, really. It doesn't take much to allow a few leaves to rot somewhere in the yard. This action alone by everyone in a town or city would help the slow destruction of insect life. Let leaves rot and save everyone's life. Stay warm and do a kindness for someone or something. ★



The Wheelers got into the spirit and made sure to wish their community "Merry Christmas" with their entry.

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LaMalfa Legislation to Protect Rural Areas from Fires Passes House

Congressman Doug LaMalfa News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - On Dec. 11, the Forest Protection and Wildland Firefighter Safety Act, which was introduced by Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale), passed the House as part of a larger permitting reform package, the PERMIT Act. In 2023, a court ruling imposed additional unnecessary and burdensome red tape on the use of aerial fire retardant by the U.S. Forest Service and other firefighting entities. These restrictions risk slowing down response times when swift action is imperative to protect lives and property.

LaMalfa's bill ensures that

aerial fire retardant remains available when wildfires strike without being sidelined by years-long Clean Water Act permitting delays. These provisions remove uncertainty created by lawsuits and build on permitting exemptions for firefighting activities already in law. Without this fix, federal, state, local and tribal firefighters could eventually be forced to navigate a patchwork of duplicative permits just to use one of the most important tools they have to slow down fast-moving fires.

"With wildfire season now practically year-round and more destructive than ever, preventing or limiting the use of any fire retardant because someone insists on a permit first is

completely backwards," said Rep. LaMalfa. "Aerial fire retardant has been used safely for decades and is already highly regulated. These lawsuits don't protect the environment; they tie firefighters' hands while fires race through forests and towards homes. I'm glad to see the PERMIT Act passed the House with my bill included. It ensures our crews can act quickly, without being tripped up by fringe litigation or years of paperwork."

U.S. Forest Service Chief, Tom Schultz said, "Aerially delivered long-term fire retardant is an essential tool the Forest Service and the inter-agency wildfire response community use in support

of ground-based firefighting resources. We thank Chairman LaMalfa for leading legislation to ensure retardant remains a tool in the wildland firefighting toolbox to protect homes and communities from the devastating impacts of catastrophic wildland fire."

To view my remarks in debate on the House floor, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vHUVrnWFqnw>

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



Doug LaMalfa

Feather River Fishing Opportunities



Salmon spawning in the Feather River near the Feather River Fish Hatchery. Photo courtesy of the Department of Water Resources

California Department of Water Resources News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

Like Chinook salmon that migrate from the Pacific Ocean to the Feather River to spawn, steelhead trout have similar migratory practices, with most returning in the fall and winter months.

With more than 1,600 steelhead trout migrating upstream from the Department of Water Resources fish monitoring station this year, the cooler months offer prime steelhead fishing opportunities

in the Feather River. These fish have typically spent a year or two in the ocean and range in size from 2 to 8 pounds.

The Oroville Wildlife Area (OWA) provides walk-in access to several miles of the Feather River for fishing, along with multiple locations for launching fishing boats.

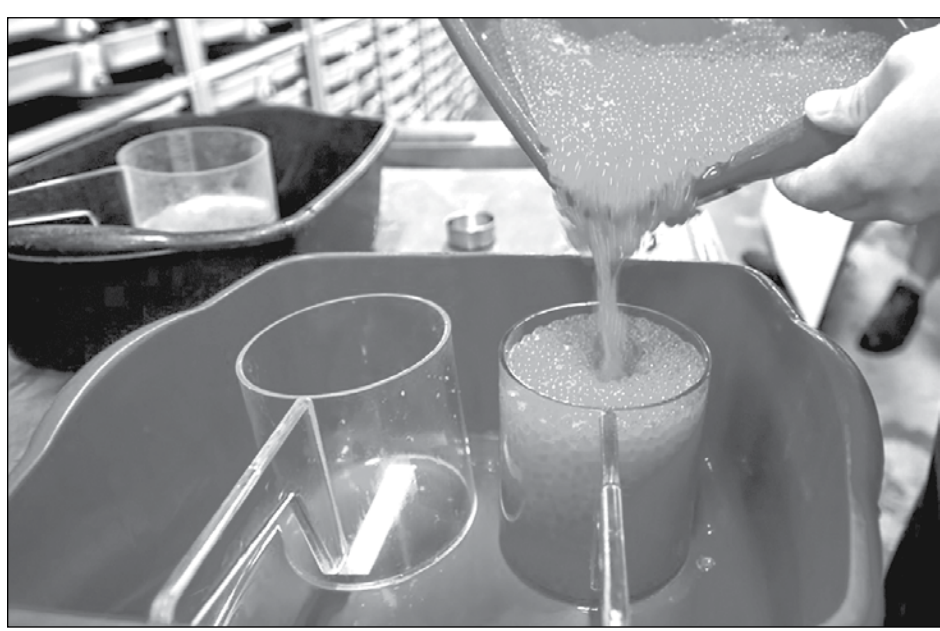
In addition, the Thermalito Afterbay offers excellent fishing opportunities for steelhead that were raised at the Feather River Fish Hatchery and range in size from 2 to 4 pounds.

Lake Oroville is also

one of the State Water Project's premier recreational destinations and one of California's best fishing spots. The lake provides both warm-water and cold-water fisheries, with excellent bass fishing opportunities during the fall and winter months.

Be sure to check California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) fishing regulations. The marinas at Bidwell Canyon and Lime Saddle are open daily and provide a variety of services including convenience stores, gas, boat rentals and more. ★

Salmon Spawning Operations



A view of the salmon spawning operations, where personnel harvest and fertilize eggs, at the Feather River Fish Hatchery in Oroville, California. Photo taken Oct. 9, 2014. Photo courtesy of the Department of Water Resources

Department of Water Resources News Release

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - Annual Chinook salmon spawning activities at the Feather River Fish Hatchery in Oroville have been completed. The Hatchery collected enough eggs to meet its normal production goal of 2 million spring-run fingerlings and 6 million fall-run fingerlings, with additional eggs collected to increase production this year. To help address recent declines in Central Valley Chinook salmon populations, the Hatchery will produce an additional 1 million spring-run fingerlings and 2.5 million fall-run unfed fry, as well as 1 million fall-run Chinook salmon fingerlings to support ocean fisheries.

The Hatchery's spawning process collects eggs from returning adult females and milt (sperm) from returning adult male Chinook salmon to fertilize the eggs. After fertilization, the eggs are placed in incubators to develop for approximately 85 days. Once they reach the fry stage

and can consume food, they will either be released into the Feather River or transferred to long ponds called raceways at the facility to grow into fingerlings. Chinook salmon fingerlings raised at the Hatchery will be released in the Feather River and San Francisco Bay between March and June to support inland and ocean populations. In addition, the Department of Water Resources and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife continued thiamine treatments to combat B1 vitamin deficiencies. This treatment improves the health of the fish, increasing the survival of Chinook salmon from egg to juvenile.

The Feather River Fish Hatchery is a California State Water Project facility built in the late 1960s by the California Department of Water Resources to mitigate impacts on fish migration resulting from the construction of Oroville Dam. Department of Water Resources owns and maintains the facility and provides funding to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to perform spawning, rearing and stocking operations. ★

Bill to Transfer Land to Pit River Passes House

Congressman Doug LaMalfa News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - Dec. 15, the House passed Congressman LaMalfa's (R-Richvale) legislation, H.R. 2400, the "Pit River Land Transfer" Act. The bill transfers approximately 580 acres of federally owned land known locally as the "Four Corners" to the Pit River Tribe.

The "Four Corners" is located between Burney, California and Fall River Mills in Northeastern California. The land represents a physical and spiritual landmark for the Pit River Tribe, central to their identity and ability to thrive and grow on their ancestral lands. The Pit River Tribe has ancestral ties to this land that span over 10,000 years, with the Four Corners holding deep spiritual and historical value to the tribe.

"For decades, the Pit River Tribe has pursued every legal and administrative avenue to acquire this land, facing endless bureaucratic delays," said Rep. LaMalfa.

"Transferring the Four Corners to them will allow the tribe to build an interpretive center, educate the public on their history, and honor their ancestral past. I am pleased to see the House pass this legislation as a step towards strengthening stewardship, land management, and tribal self-determination."

Natural Resources Chairman Westerman said, "H.R. 2400 is an important step in recognizing the rights and history of the Pit River Tribe. This bill restores tribal homelands and enhances both tribal sovereignty and local stewardship. I applaud Representative LaMalfa for advancing this bill and look forward to seeing this meaningful tribal land settlement move toward final enactment."

Yatch Bamford, Chairman of the Pit River Tribe said, "For countless generations, the Pit River people have lived in relationship with these lands—caring for them, guided by the teachings of our ancestors. The return of these homelands is not merely about

acres and boundaries; it is about restoring a sacred trust that has endured through hardship and dispossession. We extend our deepest gratitude to Congressman LaMalfa for championing this legislation and for his steadfast dedication to seeing the Pit River Land Transfer Act advance through the House. His leadership honors our sovereignty and supports justice long overdue for our people. This moment renews our hope and strengthens our ability to preserve our culture and traditions for generations to come."

You can view Congressman LaMalfa's remarks in debate at [youtube.com/watch?v=IKpsotODo90&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IKpsotODo90&feature=youtu.be).

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



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Trump Sides with Agriculture Again in California's Never-Ending Water Wars



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

From the onset of his foray into presidential politics a decade ago, Donald Trump has been obsessed with managing California's water, often interjecting himself into decades-long conflicts over how the precious commodity should be divvied up.

During his first stint as president, Trump was heavily influenced by the Westlands Water District, a huge agricultural water agency in the San Joaquin Valley that sought more irrigation water for itself and other farm interests.

That relationship led to an extremely controversial contract that guaranteed Westlands as much as 1 million acre-feet of water each year from the federal Central Valley Project, solidifying the district's supply situation. Lacking water rights, Westlands had historically depended on temporary contracts to meet members' demands.

The new contract angered environmental groups because it threatened to reduce flows through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for wildlife habitat. The groups sued and won rulings against the contract in trial and appellate courts.

After Trump moved back into the White House in January, he immediately picked up where he left off, issuing an order to federal water officials to maximize deliveries in California.

He also complained that

a shortage of water deliveries to Southern California was a factor in the rapid spread of deadly wildfires in Los Angeles County, claiming that the state's efforts to protect "an essentially worthless fish called a smelt" was at fault.

"Governor Gavin Newsom refused to sign the water restoration declaration put before him that would have allowed millions of gallons of water, from excess rain and snow melt from the North, to flow daily into many parts of California, including the areas that are currently burning in a virtually apocalyptic way," Trump wrote on his social media site, Truth Social.

Newsom's office rebuked the claim, saying, "There is no such document as the water restoration declaration - that is pure fiction."

Meanwhile, Trump's executive order pushed the Bureau of Reclamation to modify how it operates the Central Valley Project, a complex of reservoirs - including Lake Shasta - and canals that captures runoff from Northern California mountains and supplies water agencies in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys.

Last week, the bureau announced an operational modification that would increase annual water deliveries by 130,000 to 180,000 acre-feet from the Central Valley Project and another 120,000 to 220,000 from the State Water Project, the latter chiefly generated from the Oroville Dam on the Feather River. The two projects share management of the Sacramento River and its tributaries.

"This updated operations plan reflects our commitment to using the best available science to increase water deliveries while safeguarding the environment and honoring the legacy of the Central Valley Project's

90 years of service," Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum said in a statement.

The announcement sparked reactions, both pro and con, that reflect the state's long-running water allocation battles - praise from Westlands and other agricultural water agencies that are facing supply reductions from regulation of groundwater use and condemnation from state officials and environmental groups.

"These operational refinements reflect a thoughtful, data-informed approach that strengthens water supply availability for growers while maintaining California's commitment to environmental stewardship," Westlands said in a statement.

Newsom spokesperson, Tara Gallegos, had another take: "The Trump administration is putting politics over people - catering to big donors instead of doing what's right for Californians. As per usual, the emperor is left with no clothes, pushing for an outcome that disregards science and undermines our ability to protect the water supply for people, farms, and the environment."

For their part, state water officials say they have no intention of matching the Bureau of Reclamation's new operational rules.

So here we go again, another chapter in the war over water that began when California became a state 175 years ago. It's probably headed to the courts and will probably outlast not only Newsom's governorship but Trump's presidency.

Dan Walters is one of the 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. ★

Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



The Sacramento Kings had a rough week. Whether it's at Golden One or on the road, the 2025-26 campaign has not been a pleasant experience.

Diehard fans will likely point to injuries, and you would have a point, but injuries alone cannot account for losing 20 games in the first 26 contests. There is more to the story.

The Kings as they are currently assembled do not match up with bigger teams. Does that mean that the Kings need to build a team that resembles the Oklahoma City Thunder? Well, it wouldn't be a bad idea, but easier said than done, it's important to note that there are a host of players under 6 feet, 6 inches that are difference makers in this league.

Well, I don't pretend to be able to read the mind of Scott Perry, but if you listen to him, he will tell you that he has autonomy and will be the architect of what is apparently going to be a rebuilding season. Perry has alluded to this experience likely taking three to five years, which no one wants to hear.

For me, I can condense the process to five players that I would keep at all costs.

Domantas Sabonis has had little time on the hardwood this season due to injury, but make no mistake about it, he is a difference maker. Any player that can lead the league in double-doubles, year over year, while also leading the league in rebounding three years running, is someone you need to covet. Sabonis also led the league in triple-doubles two years ago, so there you have an anchor on your team that simply needs to stay.

The Kings are guard heavy, but their young guards have yet to see their potential. Players like Nique Clifford and even Devin Carter have not had sufficient time for fans to see what could be an incredible upside. Keep these youngsters and remember why you made them number one draft choices.

Keegan Murray had a rookie season three years ago that was eye popping because he was living up to his hype. The NCAA scoring champ out of Iowa set a Sacramento franchise record of 11 consecutive threes, and a total of twelve three-pointers in one game.

Keegan's experience in Sacramento has been up and down, but this year could be a breakout year for the young baller that has not just the shooting ability, but a knack for defense as well. Keep him!

Maxime Reynaud is getting game time due to Domantas being sidelined and he is giving Kings fans a glimpse of what this seven-footer can do. He is my fifth pick to stay.

As our Sactown ballers lost three games last week by a total of 56 combined points, I glanced around the league to see who might be a player that could bring a steadiness to this lineup. One player, although a guard, was Austin Reeves, who managed to drop 51 points on the Kings earlier this season when both LeBron James and Luca Doncic were sidelined with injuries. The same Austin Reeves that just 4 years ago went undrafted by all 30 NBA teams and would eventually be signed to a two-way contract as a walk-on by the LA Lakers.

In high school, Reeves scored 73 points in one game and won back-to-back state titles. Reeves went on to play for Oklahoma averaging 32 points per game as a senior while making the NCAA tournament. How does the entire league miss on a talent that is having the time of his life playing in the NBA?

As I've said before, the Kings need to find someone that can assess talent and hit home runs. It needs to happen sooner rather than later, so right now would be just fine.

Are you listening, Doug Christie? You have a player sitting on your bench by the name of Doug McDermott that can shoot threes like everyone else shoots free throws, and he needs to find a place in your rotation. With six wins to show for the season, what are you waiting for?

Just as Austin Reeves was a welcome surprise, maybe McDermott could bring some much-needed energy to this team.

Stay tuned Kings fans because we're only 25 percent of the way into the season!

All the best and a very Merry Christmas!

Your thoughts are always welcome at vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com. ★

SPARKY'S CORNER

Calling 911

1. Do not panic. This is easier said than done. Panic does not help. Instead, begin to plan what you will say to the dispatcher.
2. Find a phone. Preferably a land line unless it's a fire or burglary. This will help determine your location. If it's a fire, don't stay in the building, get out first.
3. Call 911. Pick up the receiver and dial 911. Be aware that, sometimes, it takes time for the phone to route to the correct answering point. Do not hang up if you do not connect immediately!!
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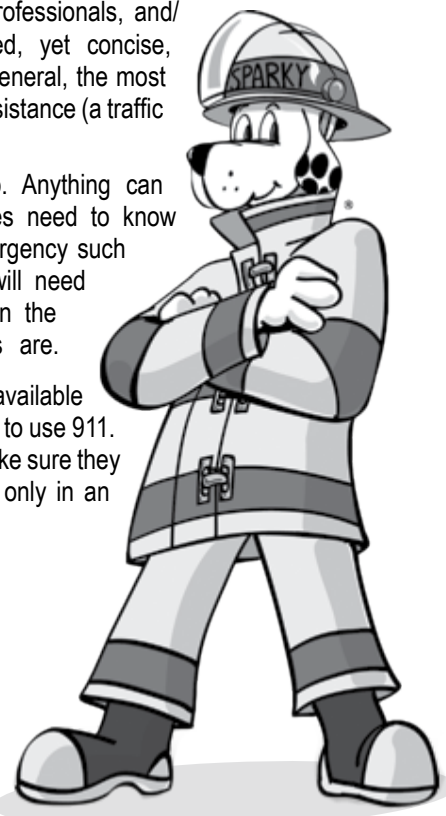
- The phone number of your phone. The dispatcher will need instructions on how to get to where you are, and may need to call back for more information. Know the phone number of your phone.
- Location. Give the dispatcher your address or a detailed description of your location. The emergency is not always located where you are calling from. Always be aware of your surroundings and where you are. Try to keep a watch out for the road signs, business names and intersections whenever you may travel.
- Nature of the emergency: Do you require assistance from law enforcement, medical professionals, and/or fire fighters? Have a detailed, yet concise, description of the emergency. In general, the most important thing is why you need assistance (a traffic accident, for example).

5. Do not hang up until instructed to. Anything can happen, and the emergency services need to know your situation at all times. In an emergency such as a structure fire, the dispatcher will need to know if there are other people in the building and where any safe exits are.

Remember that adults are not always available to call 911, so teach your children how to use 911. Practice with a pretend phone, and make sure they understand it's important to call 911 only in an emergency.

Thank You, and Happy Holidays!!

Sparky the Dog
Gridley Fire Station 74



Ask DR. UNIVERSE

How many volcanoes are in the world?

- Garrett, 10, Maryland

Dear Garrett,
On very clear days, I can see five volcanoes from my campus. They're Rainier, Hood, Adams, St. Helens and Baker. That's...a lot.

I asked my friend Katie Cooper about it. She's a geophysicist at Washington State University.

She told me we don't know precisely how many active volcanoes there are at this moment on the Earth. That's because some of them are tough to count.

"The volcanoes that stick up above water are a lot easier to count because you can see them," Cooper said. "But the ones underwater are harder to find. We haven't mapped out or explored all the ocean floor, which is 70% of our planet's surface."

Scientists think there are about 1,350 potentially active volcanoes in the world. That's not counting some of the ones on the ocean floor. About 500 of those have erupted since humans started keeping records.

Lots of those volcanoes are in the Pacific Rim. That's also called the Ring of Fire. It's a big horseshoe-shaped area. It goes up the western coasts of South America and North America, across the Pacific Ocean, then down the side of Japan and New Zealand.

The Pacific Northwest is in the Ring of Fire. That's why I can see so many volcanoes.

It's a lot trickier to count volcanoes under the oceans. Plus, many of those volcanoes are different from what we usually imagine.

Most people picture a volcano as a mountain. It forms when tectonic plates bash into each other or slide under each other. That motion shoves the crust up into that mountain-like form. Inside, magma bubbles up through Earth's

crust toward the surface. When it erupts, magma oozes, spurts or explodes out to the surface. Once it's out, we call it lava.

But underwater volcanoes can happen when tectonic plates on the sea floor pull apart.

"We have a large amount of volcanoes underneath the ocean floor," Cooper said. "They're these long, linear chains called mid-ocean ridges. That's where two plates are coming apart. Moving away from each other causes melting to happen in the middle. And so, the ridge itself is a volcano. But a very different type of volcano than we like to imagine."

To count volcanoes above water, scientists look for evidence of past eruptions. They use

instruments to see the magma chamber under the volcano.

To count volcanoes underwater, scientists would need to map the whole ocean floor. Cooper told me that there are little bits of iron in some volcanic rocks. When these rocks are erupted, the iron bits within them lines up with the Earth's magnetic field. They point north—just like a compass.

But the North Pole and South Pole sometimes switch—and nobody is sure exactly how that works.

Since the iron in the volcanic rocks lines up with the poles, the ocean floor has magnetic stripes. They tell scientists which pole was the North Pole when the plates spread apart in that spot.

Learning more about the ocean floor could help us understand all kinds of things. Like how and why the poles flip and how many volcanoes are underwater.

It could be explosive knowledge.

Sincerely,

Dr. Universe



This is the Ring of Fire. North America and South America are the continents on the right in this map. The blue lines show trenches. Those are places where one tectonic plate pushes under another one. That process makes volcanoes nearby. Courtesy photo

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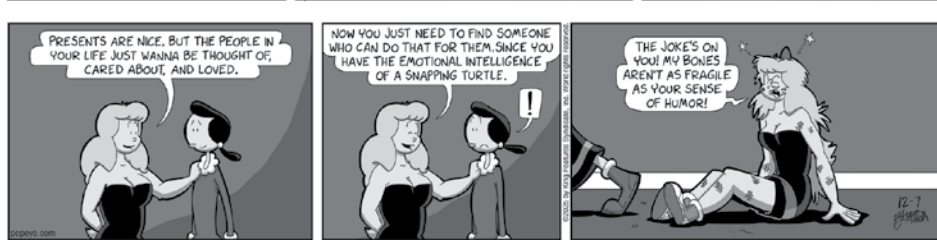
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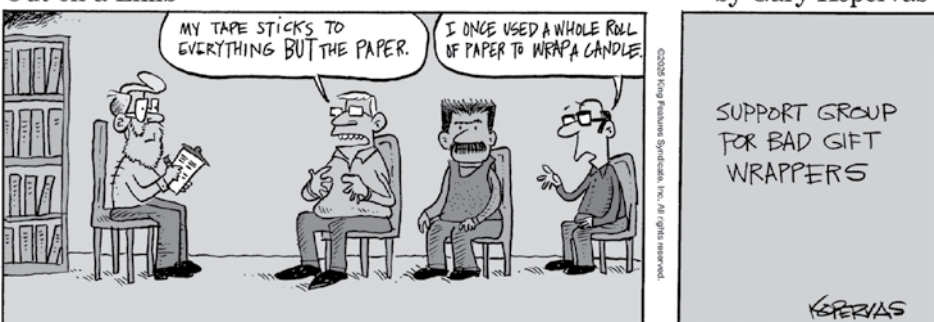
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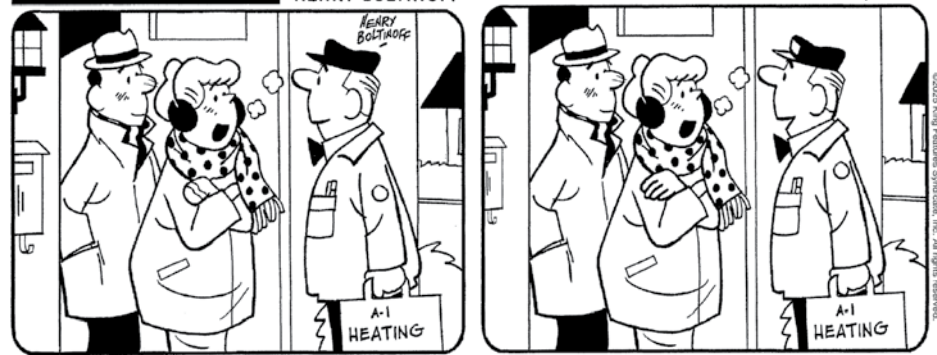
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Gridley's Santillan Earns All-Section Volleyball Nod

Story and photo by Jennifer Corriea

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - With the conclusion of the 2025 volleyball season last month, the All-Northern Section teams have been announced and ranking among the best players on the court is Gridley setter Isabel Santillan, who earned a spot on the second team.

Santillan finished her final season for the Bulldogs with 886 assists, which was third in the section, in addition to serving 55 aces and making 273 digs.

All-Section selections are based upon input from sports journalists in the North State.

The complete 2025 All-Section Volleyball team is listed below.

First Team
OH - Audrey Berg, University Prep
OH - Marleigh Moreno, Quincy
OH - Natalie Wolferdingen, Pleasant Valley

MH - Lilliana Rowe, Orland
ST - Caydance Kremer, Orland
ST - Addison Maikranz, University Prep
AA - Daylynn Callegari, Foothill
L - Mahayla Guevarra, West Valley

Second Team
OH - Kaycee Konopka, Chico
OH - Kendall Kocher, East Nicolaus
OH - Phoebe Cancilla, Shasta
MH - Payton Santos, Durham
ST - Isabel Santillan, Gridley

ST - Shelby Scroggins, East Nicolaus
AA - Kobe Sanchez, Pleasant Valley
L - Keira Purvis, Pleasant Valley

Third Team
OH - Abby Coronado, Colusa
OH - Dottie Davis, Orland
OH - Kelsey Morton, West Valley
MH - Elayna Hess, Foothill
ST - Clare Osbon, Durham
AA - Leah Charter, Pierce
AA - Bailey Johnson, Etna
AA - Naia Kristofferson, Shasta
MVP - Audrey Berg, University Prep
Mike Haworth Northern Section Volleyball Coach of the Year - Miranda Coughlin, Orland



Bulldog setter Isabel Santillan was named to the 2025 All-Northern Section second team.

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Walmart Inc., 1 Customer Drive, Bentonville, AR 72716

Date filed in Butte County: October 24, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: August 7, 2025

This Business is conducted by: A Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, 19, 2025
WALMART 12-19-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000865
The following person(s) are doing business as: The UPS Store 5756, 2 E Gridley Road Suite B, Gridley, CA 95948
Jaskaran Deol and Rajkamal Deol, 9410 Rose Court, Live Oak, CA 95953

Date filed in Butte County: November 21, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: A General Partnership. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
UPS 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000839
The following person(s) are doing business as: Treebeard Landscape Maintenance, 23409 Hamilton Avenue, Gerber, CA 96035
Lotter, Dustin Elliot, 23409 Hamilton Avenue, Gerber, CA 96035

Date filed in Butte County: November 14, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
TREEBEARD 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000884
The following person(s) are doing business as: JT Inspections, 1840 Greenhead Court, Gridley, CA 95948
Jairo Tena, 1840 Greenhead Court, Gridley, CA 95948

Date filed in Butte County: December 3, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: August 29, 2025

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
JT 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000743
The following person(s) are doing business as: Chico Thai Cuisine, 407 Walnut Street, Suite A, Chico, CA 95928
Golden Chico Valley LLC, 407 Walnut Street Suite A, Chico, CA 95928

Date filed in Butte County: October 9, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: October 7, 2025

This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
CHICO 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000897
The following person(s) are doing business as: Stormys Calming Currents, 1560 Humboldt Road, Suite 5, Chico, CA 95928
Stormy Weston, 1502 Pomona Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965

Date filed in Butte County: December 8, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
STORMYS 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000889
The following person(s) are doing business as: XRV, 204

Sheldon Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948

Schnepel, Anthony, 204 Sheldon Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948

Date filed in Butte County: December 4, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
XRV 1-9-26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #25CV04337

Petitioner Anthony Bernard MacMaster filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Anthony Bernard MacMaster to Anthony Bernard Shoemaker.

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 7, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on November 7, 2025
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, 19, 2025
MACMASTER 12-19-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #25CV04229

Petitioner Audrey Jeanne Woods filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Audrey Jeanne Woods to Audra Jeanne Woods.

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 7, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on October 29, 2025
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
WOODS 1-2-26

TRUSTEE SALE

TS No: CA09000068-22-5 APN: 010-310-062-000 FKA 021-090-062 TO No: 2682930CAD NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED August 17, 2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 7, 2026 at 03:30 PM, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse at 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on August 24, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-0037658, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Butte County, California, executed by PATRICK A BAYNARD, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for LAND HOME FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 250 RANDOLPH AVE, GRIDLEY, CA 95948 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$172,358.52 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priori-

ty, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may visit the Internet Website address www.nationwideposting.com or call Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA09000068-22-5. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA09000068-22-5 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: November 24, 2025 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA09000068-22-5 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: LOAN QUEMA, AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0481661 To: GRIDLEY HERALD 12/05/2025, 12/19/2025 GRIDLEY HERALD 12-19-25



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OTS Awards \$165,113 Grant to Public Health for Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program

Butte County Public Health News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Butte County Public Health (BCPH) has been awarded a \$165,113 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for its bicycle and pedestrian safety program. The program educates and promotes safe behaviors among cyclists and pedestrians while raising awareness of drivers' responsibilities to help keep everyone on the road safe. The grant program runs from Oct. 1 to Sept 30, 2026.

"We are excited to receive this grant, which will allow us to continue the expansion of the bicycle and pedestrian safety program," said Rachel Tow, Program Supervisor of the Injury Prevention program with Butte County Public Health. "By

focusing on education, awareness, and promoting safe practices, we aim to reduce crashes and prevent injuries and death for all road users."

This year, in addition to working with youth, the program will expand educational efforts to adults. Butte County ranks the eighth highest out of California's 58 counties for the number of pedestrians injured and killed (OTS, 2022). Ultimately, the goal is to create a more walkable and bike-friendly community where everyone can travel safely and confidently.

The grant will support county-wide efforts to create safer streets for cyclists and pedestrians through activities such as on-bicycle training courses for youth and adults, defensive walking lessons for children and adults, bike helmet fitting inspections

and distribution of helmets, distribution of educational resources and safety equipment, such as reflective armbands/leg bands and bicycle lights and bike and pedestrian safety presentations for schools and community organizations.

"Through safety programs and strong partnerships, we are working toward a future where everyone walking and biking in California can travel safely," Office of Traffic Safety Director Stephanie Dougherty said. "By supporting projects that encourage people to prioritize safety in their daily choices, we are creating a strong road safety culture together."

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

Public Health to Lift No-Swim Advisory for Big Chico Creek

Butte County Public Health News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Butte County Public Health (BCPH) is lifting the no-swim advisory for Big Chico Creek after the California Department of Public Health reported that the most recent water and sediment laboratory tests did not detect the dangerous strain of E. coli O157 found earlier this summer.

While the recent test results did not detect the same strain of E. coli O157 that infected residents, they did identify other E. coli that are commonly found in natural waterways. These strains can still cause illness but are generally considered less dangerous and rarely lead to severe symptoms.

However, the fact that

E. coli O157 has been found in Big Chico Creek before means there is an increased likelihood that it could be detected again. As with any natural waterway, people should use caution when swimming or recreating in the creek. This is especially important for families with young children to reduce the risk of exposure to E. coli and other bacteria.

"While these latest results are encouraging, the public's health remains our top priority," said Dr. Jarett Beaudoin, Public Health Officer. "Lifting the advisory is an important step forward, but everyone needs to continue using caution when swimming in the creek."

Since June, Butte County Public Health has

been investigating an E. coli O157 outbreak associated with swimming in Big Chico Creek, which led to several cases of severe illness and hospitalization among Butte County residents. As part of the investigation, Butte County Public Health has worked closely with state and federal partners to test water and sediment samples at multiple points along the creek.

While Butte County Public Health has not yet identified the source of the contamination, they will continue to work closely with the City of Chico and the State Water Board to better understand long-term water safety, which may include modifying routine monitoring/testing of the creek. ★

Public Health Awarded \$300,330 Grant for Child Passenger Safety Program

Butte County Public Health News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Butte County Public Health (BCPH) has been awarded a Child Passenger Safety grant for \$300,330 from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). The funding enables BCPH to continue educating Butte County parents and caregivers on the proper use of child car seats, ensuring every child travels safely. The funding also supports training to certify Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPSTs) in the region. The grant program will run from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30, 2026.

Although motor vehicle crashes are preventable, they remain a leading cause of death and disability for children nationwide. This is especially concerning because about 54% of car and booster seats in Butte County are used incorrectly, based on inspections conducted by Butte County Public Health Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPSTs). According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, using the proper car or



booster seat correctly can reduce a child's risk of injury by up to 82%.

The grant will allow Butte County Public Health to provide essential resources and education to prevent child passenger injuries and deaths. The Child Passenger Safety program includes one-on-one appointments with certified technicians to inspect car seats, child car seat inspection events and education classes, child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) training and recertification courses, no cost child car seats for families in need and collaboration with local organizations on

child passenger safety.

Butte County Public Health encourages parents and caregivers to take advantage of the grant-funded services to ensure the safety of child passengers. To locate a car seat inspection location or to register for a car seat class, please visit the BCPH Child Passenger Safety website: <https://www.buttecounty.net/871/Child-Passenger-Safety> or call 1-800-339-2941.

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

Community Calendar

Butte County Libraries

Butte County Libraries have the following upcoming events: (G) Gridley branch, 299 Spruce St. and (B) Biggs branch, 464A B St. Call 530-552-5652 for more information.

Friday, Dec. 19: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (G) Ladies' night out movie, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments served, men and teens invited too. (G)

Saturday, Dec. 20: Afternoon kids' club, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (B)

Wednesday, Dec. 24: All branches closed for Christmas Eve.

Thursday, Dec. 25: All branches closed for Christmas Holiday.

Continuing through Sunday, Jan. 4

Chico Ice Rink

Downtown Chico Plaza, 132 W. 4th St., Chico. Whether you're here with family or friends, come make the most of winter with us on the ice. We offer skating for all ages, skate rentals, and a cozy atmosphere. Check the website at www.chicorec.gov/chico-ice-rink for tickets and latest schedule information.

Continuing through Tuesday, Dec. 23

Lights of Hope 2025

3556 Oro Bangor Hwy., Oroville. This event brings the magic of Christmas to life with a spectacular light walk, shimmering with joyful holiday attractions and more than 300,000 lights. This free event invites families to experience the wonder, warmth, and community spirit of the season together. You can also try the custom-built sledding hill, play with inflatables and try a variety of food and drink concessions. More information at www.fathershouseoroville.com/lights-of-hope

Saturday, Dec. 20 and Sunday, Dec. 21

Celebration Market Two-Day Holiday Pop-Up Event

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at Lassen Traditional Cidery, 643 Entler Ave., Suite 52, Chico. Discover unique, one-of-a-kind gifts made by talented artisans from Butte County. Perfect for last-minute holiday needs. Enjoy live local music and delicious food & desserts from local food vendors. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

Meeting Minders

Ongoing Activities (Current as of publication, please verify schedule with the organization):

American Legion Bingo, Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Gridley Veterans Hall, 267 Sycamore St.

Biggs City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 3016 Sixth St., Biggs. The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 23 and more information is available at 530-368-5493.

Butte County Board of Supervisors generally meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at 25 County Center Drive, Suite 205, Oroville. The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 13 and more information is available at 530-552-3300.

ESL Conversation Group meets Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Esperanza House Family Center, 630 Washington St. Practice speaking English

in this free, friendly group setting. All levels are welcome to attend any or all sessions. There is also a Zoom option from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Butte County Library. Contact literacy@buttecounty.net for more information.

Gridley City Council meets on the first and third Monday each month, 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 685 Kentucky St. Meeting agendas are posted to the following site on the Friday prior to each meeting: <http://gridley.ca.us/government-and-departments/city-council> The next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 5.

Gridley Senior Group Breakfast every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. includes Bingo at 9:30 a.m. Gridley Recreation Center 194 Washington St. For more information, call 530-846-3264.

Gridley Unified School District (GUSD) Board meetings are generally on the first and third Wednesday each month, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Due to the holidays, the next meeting will be in January 2026. Call 530-846-4721 for more information.

Live Oak City Council usually meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 9955 Live Oak Blvd. Next meeting is Wednesday, Jan. 7. Call 530-695-2112 for more information.

Rotary Club of Gridley meets every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Hall, 446 Kentucky St. For more information or membership, call 530-632-5990.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group meets the first and third Wednesday each month at 7 p.m. at the Gridley Recreation Department, 194 Washington Street. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, Jan. 7.

Community Resources – Find Food

First 5 Family Center at Esperanza House, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursdays, at 630 Washington St., Gridley. Caregivers are welcome to drop in for help with resources for their families, access to our food pantry, diapers, and assistance with applications or translations. Call to schedule an appointment: 530-782-0293.

First Baptist Church of Live Oak Food Pantry, 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month, at 2480 Pennington Road, Live Oak. This is a drive-through Food Pantry, with entrance on Gum Street and exit on Pennington Road. Next distribution will be Sunday, Dec.28. Call 530-695-2894 for more information.

Gridley Senior Food Distribution, 801 Washington Street, Room B. Once a month, call ahead for details: 530-846-4233.

Gridley United Methodist Church, 285 Magnolia St. Monday through Friday, during daytime hours. Come by the church and if they have food they will give client a box.

North State Food Bank, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. monthly at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 410 Jackson St., Gridley. 2026 dates for next distribution are pending. Call 530-712-2600 for more information.

North State Food Bank, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Biggs Methodist Church, 441 C St., Biggs. 2026 dates for next distribution are pending. Call 530-712-2600 for more information.

Sacred Heart Parish, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1561 Hazel St., Gridley on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays. Call 530-846-2140 for more information. ★

Semi-Truck and Trailer Thefts

Sutter County Sheriff's Office News Release

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - On Aug. 3, deputies responded to a report of a stolen truck and trailer from a lot on Larkin Road in Live Oak. The Woodland Police Department located the trailer abandoned and empty, originally said to be carrying about \$400,000 worth of product. The Sacramento Police Department recovered the truck in their jurisdiction.

On Aug. 25, deputies responded to an attempted truck and trailer theft on Paseo Road. The suspects fled after being confronted by the vehicle owner. Based on suspect descriptions, deputies believed the same individuals were involved in both incidents and possibly other thefts in surrounding areas.

Through investigative techniques and

surveillance, detectives identified the suspects as Rajbir Singh and Karanjit Singh of Manteca and Gautam Ajrawat of Sacramento.

On Nov. 25, detectives served search and arrest warrants at residences in Manteca and Sacramento. Karanjit Singh and Gautam Ajrawat were arrested for grand theft and conspiracy. Several illegal firearms, including a fully automatic AR-15 style rifle, were recovered from the residence in Manteca. All firearm-related charges were forwarded to the San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office.

On Dec. 9, Rajbir Singh was located and arrested with assistance from the Modesto Police Department. He was booked into Stanislaus County for grand theft and conspiracy and is awaiting extradition to Sutter County.

The investigation remains ongoing. ★

California Farm Bureau President Heralds 'Bright Future' For Agriculture

California Farm Bureau News Release

CALIFORNIA (MPG) - California Farm Bureau President Shannon Douglass applauded the organization's principles and accomplishments this year in an address delivered Dec. 8 at the Farm Bureau's 107th Annual Meeting in Anaheim.

Douglass, who is a diversified farmer and rancher in Glenn County, acknowledged challenges farmers face while expressing her conviction that Farm Bureau's advocacy efforts will bring about positive changes.

"Despite all the challenges we have in the world, all the challenges we have in agriculture, we still have a tremendously bright future," Douglass said. "I believe that it's because of Farm Bureau that the future of agriculture looks bright."

The Farm Bureau president highlighted several of the organization's achievements this year, including work by its policy advocates to reduce utility rates and to impact state laws pertaining to farmland conservation and protecting livestock from coyotes.

"I think our voices were heard," said Douglass, who was elected in 2023 to lead the Farm Bureau.

Douglass also applauded the Farm Bureau's decision this year to take a principled stand in support of the farm workforce.

In August, the Farm Bureau president and California Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas



President Shannon Douglass delivers her annual address Monday in Anaheim at the 107th California Farm Bureau Annual Meeting, highlighting the organization's accomplishments and upcoming priorities. Photo courtesy of California Farm Bureau

coauthored an opinion piece in The New York Times advocating that a pathway to legal status be created for undocumented farmworkers.

"We simply talked about why this issue is important, why it's important not only on our farms and businesses from a business perspective, but why it's important from a people perspective—and how we value and appreciate the people that work on our farms and are involved in our communities and our families," Douglass said. "We are going to continue fighting on the issue."

During her address, Douglass celebrated efforts by several county Farm Bureaus to grow their membership this year, including the Lake,

Nevada, Napa, Plumas-Sierra, San Francisco, Santa Cruz and Solano County Farm Bureaus, while also acknowledging efforts by the San Bernardino and Alameda County Farm Bureaus.

"We've got over 100 years of history—a whole century of work that's been laid out before us," Douglass said. "All that investment allows us to look ahead at a really bright future."

California Farm Bureau works to protect family farms and ranches as part of a nationwide network representing more than 5 million Farm Bureau members. Learn more at www.cfbf.com or follow @cafarmbureau on Instagram, LinkedIn, X or Facebook. ★



State's Olive Oil Production Still Has Room For Growth

California's production of olives for oil has expanded in recent years, and experts expect the sector will continue to grow. The state produces about 2 million to 4 million gallons of olive oil annually, or about 5% to 8% of domestic consumption, meaning there is room in the market for additional production. The crop also has advantages for farmers in the Golden State. It is drought tolerant, requiring less water than other tree crops, and it does not bring high labor costs, as the fruit is harvested by machine. "This industry is in its infancy for California and the U.S., so we're still seeing where we're going with it, but I do feel there's potential," said Aaron Barcellos, who grows olives in Fresno County. Barcellos said he planted blocks of olive trees several years ago because of the crop's profitability and its ability to withstand reduced irrigation.

Strong Demand for All Meat Lifts Lamb Prices Higher

Increasing demand for lamb, possibly driven in part by consumers seeking alternatives to beef amid record-high prices, has led to higher earnings this fall for lamb producers. The national lamb-slaughter value—or the price that producers receive for a lamb before processing—topped \$2.25 per pound in the third quarter compared to about \$1.70 in the first half of 2025. "When beef becomes expensive, some consumers switch to lamb, boosting its demand and, in turn, its price," said Megan Wortman, executive director of the Colorado-based American Lamb Board. "However, lamb prices are more directly influenced by factors like its own supply and demand dynamics, the higher cost of production and seasonal patterns." ★

Purple Sweet Potato Varieties Gain Interest, Acreage

Most sweet potatoes are yellow or orange, but purple varieties are gaining in popularity. Five years ago, a few growers were dabbling in the purple root vegetable. Now about 1,000 acres are being grown in the Golden State, according to Scott Stoddard, University of California Cooperative Extension farm adviser in Merced County. California produces about 25% of U.S.-grown sweet potatoes, with most of them grown in Merced, Stanislaus and Kern counties. During the past five years, California plantings shrank from more than 21,000 acres to about 18,000 acres as sweet potato sales slumped, prices stagnated and production costs climbed for the labor-intensive crop. There is hope that improved varieties could turn the sector around.

Kaweah Subbasin Taken Off Groundwater Probation List

The Kaweah Subbasin was formally taken off the list of California groundwater basins slated for state intervention following a unanimous vote Dec. 2 by the California State Water Resources Control Board. Farmers and communities in the subbasin, which lies primarily in Tulare County, faced the possibility of state regulators imposing measures to curtail groundwater pumping in the region. But recent efforts by local farmers and water managers to work toward groundwater sustainability—detailed earlier this year in Ag Alert®—convinced the water board to leave the Kaweah Subbasin under local control. "Kaweah's groundwater agencies embraced transparent collaboration with the board, their communities, groundwater pumpers and each other to work out a path to planned sustainability," board chair E. Joaquin Esquivel said in a press release. "This approach made all the difference for their subbasin in this process." ★

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Salesian Wins GIBT for Third Time in Last Four Years

By YSBC and photos
by Chris Pedigo

GRIDLEY, CA (YSBC) - The 71st Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament concluded last weekend as seven-basketball powers throughout California bombarded through Butte County.

Salesian College Preparatory (Richmond), took back the crown as GIBT champs after a one-year brief hiatus.

Consolation Bracket

Saint Mary's (Albany)

The Panthers went 1-2 in the tournament as their lone victory came in the tournament finale against Gridley last Saturday in a 75-44 victory.

Saint Mary's two first matchups with Dublin and Clovis North ended in back-to-back 30-point defeats.

Panthers senior wing Christopher Baltrip led the way with 18 points in scoring against the Gaels.

Gridley

The Bulldogs hosted another tournament where they saw the best teams in the state collide on their home floor.

Gridley went 0-3 in another Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament, but the level of basketball they witnessed throughout the week will always be seen as what the best teams in California look like.

The Bulldogs' first game of the Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament was to the eventual champion in Salesian. The Pride have been a regular at the tournament for years and have multiple Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament crowns.

Gridley trailed by 21 at the half but gave a valiant effort against a national power.

The Bulldogs' other two games against Branson (Ross) and Saint Mary's (Albany), were against teams that finished in the top 200 teams of the state last year.

To put in perspective, Gridley had one of its best seasons in school history last year and they finished ranked 290th in the state



Gridley senior Jorge De La Torre Valle (4) drives into the lane on Dec. 11 against Salesian during the Bulldogs' defeat. Photo by Chris Pedigo

at the end of the season.

Branson was able to pull away early in the first half as the Bulldogs managed eight points in the first half.

In the finale against Saint Mary's, Gridley trailed by 16 after the first but was able to keep a consistent flow of pace of points after that for the rest of the game.

Branson (Ross)

The Bulls opened the tournament with a double-digit loss to Folsom, who is one of the top teams in the Sacramento region.

Branson picked up their lone win of the Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament with a 43-point victory against the tournament host.

The Bulls lost in the consolation championship to a solid Clovis North squad that is going to be a force in the Central Section.

Clovis North

Clovis North finished last year as the best team in the Fresno area and second in the Central section.

The Broncos returned nine players from last year's squad that was upset in the opening round of the CIF State Division I playoffs.

Clovis North lost a nail biter in the tournament opener to Modesto Christian. The Broncos followed that up with controlling victories against Saint Mary's and Branson to take the Consolation title.

Winners Bracket

Folsom

The Bulldogs began the week as Sacramento's No. 1 team until they fell to Grant a couple nights prior to the Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament, but Folsom picked up a big win over Branson in the tournament opener.

The Bulldogs dropped their next two games to Salesian and Dublin but had a strong showing in the tournament.

Folsom will be one of the top teams in the Sacramento region at the end of the year.

Dublin

The Gaels have been regulars at the tournament since their first appearance in 2011 and got off to a great start with a 30-point plus victory over Saint Mary's.

Dublin ran into Modesto Christian in the second round of the tournament and lost to the Crusaders for the second time within a couple weeks.

The Gaels controlled the fourth quarter in the third-place game against Folsom and held on for the double-digit win.



Saint Mary's sophomore Mathias Yonas (10) lays the ball up against Dublin on Dec. 11 in the Panthers' loss to Dublin. Photo by Chris Pedigo



Folsom junior guard Jax Kelley (0) shoots a long ball during the Bulldogs' win over Branson on Dec. 11. Photo by Chris Pedigo

Modesto Christian

The Crusaders opened with a close win over the best team in the Fresno area in a 72-69 win against Clovis North.

Modesto Christian junior guard Trevor Dickson averaged 23.3 points per game in the tournament that earned him the most valuable player in the 2025 Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament.

The Crusaders beat Dublin in the semifinals of the tournament by 10 for an opportunity against one of the best teams in the state.

Modesto Christian lost by double-digits but will be a contender for one of the best teams in the state.

Salesian

The Pride should move up to Butte County as they took their third Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament title in the last four.

Salesian decisively beat Gridley before holding onto a six-point win over Folsom to advance to a championship match against Modesto Christian.

The Pride have a roster that flourishes with talent and will be nationally contending for the top spot in the United States.

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Salesian senior guard Elias Obenyah (2) goes for a loose ball on Dec. 11 in the Prides' win over Gridley. Photo by Chris Pedigo



Branson sophomore Bryce Spears (14) brings the ball up towards the basket on Dec. 11 in the Bulls' loss to Folsom. Photo by Chris Pedigo



Dublin senior guard Aiden Li (1) goes for a layup on Dec. 11 during the Gaels' win against Saint Mary's. Photo by Chris Pedigo

Biggs Prevails at Maxwell Tourney

Story and photos by Jennifer Corriea

MAXWELL, CA (MPG) - Although at times it wasn't always pretty, the Biggs Wolverines, with a tough inside game and timely outside shots, proved themselves the class of the field at Maxwell's 72nd Annual Irene Wells Memorial Tournament where they defeated Williams, Lower Lake and the host Panthers to claim the crown.

Opening play against Williams, the Wolverines jumped out to a 21-6 lead but allowed the Yellowjackets back into the game over the second and third quarters before holding on for the 55-49 victory.

Skylar Long had a huge game with a 20-point, 16-rebound double-double, Cameron Kroupa tossed in 16 points and handed out eight assists while Ryan Flowers pulled down 14 rebounds.

Yet, it was the second game against Lower Lake the following evening that was the best game of the tournament by far and required some last second heroics to lift the Wolverines to a 53-52 win over the Trojans.

Having run the floor well and being relentless on the boards, Biggs had an 11-point lead midway through the third quarter, but Lower Lake whittled away, capitalizing on turnovers and missed opportunities to overtake the Wolverines 51-48 with 17 seconds left in the game.

However, missed free throws opened the door for Biggs after Kroupa cut the deficit to two points to make the score 52-50 in the Trojans favor with six ticks left on the clock.

Fouling in the backcourt to stop the clock, Lower Lake missed both chances from the charity stripe giving the Wolverines one last chance with two seconds remaining after Coach Roscoe Deel called a timeout to set up a play.

Biggs then executed it to



The Biggs Wolverines were claimed the championship at the 72nd Irene Wells Memorial Tournament which ran from Dec. 11-13 in Maxwell.

perfection getting the ball to Hudson Brewer who buried attempt from beyond the arc as time ran out.

After hitting the game-winner, Brewer, a sophomore who plays the game with poise, said he was simply trying to overcome his nerves prior to getting the ball in his hands.

"Knowing that I was going to take the shot, I was just trying to calm myself down and was hoping that it would go in."

For Deel, the game was indicative of his team's season thus far, but also of the confidence he has in Brewer.

"It's been a grind for us all year," explained Deel. "There is a learning curve for sure. We usually are able to close out games, but we had lots of turnovers tonight. We are just fortunate that our guy hit a shot. And even though he was a little cold tonight, Hudson can hit a shot. He's only a sophomore so

we are going to see him play for awhile."

Kroupa poured in 25 points, Flowers finished with 10 points and 17 rebounds, while Long corralled 15 boards and chipped in with six points.

With the win, the Wolverines advanced to the championship game, where despite some sloppy play towards the end of the contest, they completely outplayed the Panthers and cruised to the 38-20 win.

Kroupa, the tournament's Most Valuable Player, went for a team-high 12 points, Flowers added 11 and Brewer pitched in with nine.

Long and Brewer were named to the All-Tournament Team.

On a six game win streak, this was a busy week for Biggs (7-1) as it was in Chico to play CORE Butte on Dec. 16 before making its way to Lake County to play in the Kelseyville Tournament which runs from Dec. 18-20. ★



The Wolverines' Cameron Kroupa was the MVP at Maxwell's 72nd Annual Irene Wells Memorial Tournament.



Biggs' sophomore Hudson Brewer was the hero of the Wolverines' win over Lower Lake at Maxwell's Tournament and was also named to the All-Tournament squad.



Biggs' Skylar Long was named to the All-Tournament team at the 72nd Irene Wells Tournament in Maxwell.



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Biggs Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN – MRS. HENNESSY

Dear Santa, Please bring me an Ipad and Nikes. Love, Perla

Dear Santa, Please bring me a PS5. Love, Carter

Dear Santa, Please bring me everything from Lanky Box! Love, Morgan

Dear Santa, Please bring me an electric motorbike! Love, Thomas

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll and a stuffie! Love, Elyza

Dear Santa, Please bring me a dead pool costume. Love, Jameson

Dear Santa, Please bring me my own phone. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa, Please bring me stitch slime and Angel slime! Love, Kaydeh

Dear Santa, Please bring me a teddy bear! Love, Ember

Dear Santa, Please bring me a RC truck and legos! Love, Rykyn

Dear Santa, Please bring me a unicorn stuffy! Love, Ellie

Dear Santa, Please bring me a toy gold Lamborghini! Love JB

Dear Santa, Please bring me a PS5 and a Yo-Yo! Love, Camila

Dear Santa, Please bring me T-Rex! Love, Drew

Dear Santa, Please bring me a big Onyx! Love, Princeton

Dear Santa, Please bring me OMZ plush. Love Savana

KINDERGARTEN – MRS. DUARTE

Dear Santa, I want a bumper car to fit my whole family. Love, Emma

Dear Santa, I want a big dinosaur and a watch and a phone. Love, Bodhi

Dear Santa, I want a big T-Rex that I can walk around with. Love, Sebastian

Dear Santa, I want new finger nails. Love, Maycee

Dear Santa, I want a pile of maple bars. Love, Jimmie

Dear Santa, I want a bunch of toys. Love, Bella

Dear Santa, I want a big teddy bear. Love, Hanna

Dear Santa, I want a tablet, Santa. Love, Sophia

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa. I love your reindeer. Love, Manuel

Dear Santa, I want a toy house. I want to go to the snow. Love, Angela

Dear Santa, I want an electric scooter and a dirt bike. Love Remy

Dear Santa, How are you? Can I have a reindeer ornament? Love, Avery

Dear Santa, I want a number 2 tamagotchi. My brother wants a toy horse. Love, Aurelia

Dear Santa, I want a 1x2x2 rubik's cube. I want Donky kong banana game. Love, Mark

Dear Santa, I want a toy shark that moves fast. I want a furbi. Love, Madix

Dear Santa, I want a boat and a pop gun. Love, Emmett

Dear Santa, I want to go to the North Pole with you. I want a bear and turkey stuffie for Christmas. Love, Cooper

Dear Santa, I want lots of yellow flowers for my mom. Love, Wade

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I'm waiting for you. Thank you for my elf, she is funny. Love, Paisley

Dear Santa, I wish for a glowing unicorn. Merry Christmas. Love, June

Dear Santa, I want a tablet. I love you Santa. Love, Leonardo

Dear Santa, Can you give me a k pop demon hunter toy and a flashy gingerbread house. Love, Amelia

Dear Santa, I want a lego train that moves, and new transformer toys. Love, Ezekiel

1ST GRADE – EBER

Dear Santa, I feel I been good. I want dirt bike glasses. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa, I think I was good. I want a bike and a robot. Love, Esra

Dear Santa, I'm sorry I tried to be good. I want a new Barbie and ken and 2 kids. Love, Irelynn

Dear Santa, I tried my best for Christmas. I want a popcorn machine. Love, Elliette

Dear Santa, I wot barbies and dinos and baby dolls. Love, Lillyana

Dear Santa, I think I was good. Wut I wont for chris-mis is skateboard. Love, Olivia

Dear Santa, I was good. I want a fur real bird but that is not all I want. Love, Sibley

Dear Santa, I think I was good. I wanna gift card and 2 puppeis. Love, Ryan

Dear Santa, I think I was good if I was good. I wat clear slime. Love, Alayan

Dear Santa, I want a VR headset and PS6. I think I was good. Love, Maddox

Dear Santa, I am Angela. I want a board game n a video games. I think I was good. Love, Angela

Dear Santa, I had a good yor. Misef reri a vr headset groa. Love, Jacobyl

Dear Santa, I trac my best love good. Joan – video game vr headset. Love, Juan

Dear Santa, I think I was gud. I wat a baby and a dog slimes. Love, Aniana

Dear Santa, I tride my best to be good. I want a vr head ride able car pls. Love, Matthew

Dear Santa, Jeffthulan sharsca plushee. Gave the Snace Frum Zoo to peue 2 cas Plushee. Love, Joel

Dear Santa, I want a puppy and a toy phone with pink on it and a poop sic wishie. Love, Brier

2ND GRADE – MRS. ARAUJO

Dear Santa, I would wot 1 Oab Robox and I wot a D. Rex and I osoc wot yobot stuf. Love, Titan

Dear Santa, I wot for

kresmes I wot newsah slim2an bosah2 shehs e2an the last beg skensmelos2. Love, Gemeni

Dear Santa, Can you get me a elf for Christmas and 2 baby bunis and anmie plushe and a hous and a nutrh Amarkingrli doll and a amarkingri grll doll bunk bed. Love, Julianna

Dear Santa, I would love to have anuth caset tape. Love, Emmett

Dear Santa, I want Jrassic World rebirth. Art stuff papers. 5 teal a brainrof plush Ram Trx toy. Love, Alan

Dear Santa, I want a hole box of Zootopia blind box. Love, Giselle

Dear Santa, I want make up and a hold box of labubus. Love, Sophia

Dear Santa, I want a box of tiney labobos. Love, Elayna

Dear Santa, I want two labubbs and a book of make up thank you. Love, Julieta

Dear Santa, I have a old phone so can you get me a new phone. Love, Sofia E.



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Dear Santa, I want a puppy and a phone and for my mom to git beter. Love, Mia

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Roblox toys and Barbie dolls. Thank you. Love, Amelia

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a toy bbq, lots of candy, and a bike. Thank you. Love, Dawson

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a dress, play-dough, and make up. Thank you. Love, Rebecca

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a bike, skates, and a Barbie. Thank you. Love, Melody

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a toy car, rooster, and a dinosaur. Thank you. Love, Max

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Barbie doll and new clothes. Thank you. Love, Issrah

PRESCHOOL – MRS. MICHELLE

Dear Santa, I would like lots of spiderman toys, a spiderman house, and ots of spiderman dolls. Love, Mahad

Dear Santa, I would like legos, dolls, a vanity set with a hair dryer and hair brush. Love, Lexi

Dear Santa, I would like hair toys, a unicorn stuffy, and nail polish. Love, Eliyanna

Dear Santa, I would like a horsey, a stitch stuffy, and an Elsa kitchen with food. Love, Camila

Dear Santa, I would like a Barbie doll, a gabby doll, and unicorn toys. Love, Autumn

Dear Santa, I would like a monster truck, ice cream, and a lollipop. Love, Emmy

Dear Santa, I would like a dinosaur toy, sky paw patrol that flies, and Paw patrol toys. Love, Davian

Dear Santa, I would like a spiderman toy, a bluey stuffie, and a dollar. Love, Izrael

TODDLER CLASS – MS. EZZY

Dear Santa, I want the Paw Patrol presents. Love, Carson C.

Dear Santa, I want princess and mermaid barbies. Love, Charlotte

Dear Santa, I want toys. Love, Sofia

PART DAY PRESCHOOL – MS OLIVIA

Dear Santa, I want blocks and a walking toy dinosaur that says "roar". I also want a hello kitty pop it. Love, Madeline

Dear Santa, I want monster truck cars and a choo choo train. I also want spiderman powers and toys. Love, Brayson

Dear Santa, I want a bullseye toy and a Jessie doll. I also want a green dinosaur and a buzz lightyear toy. Finally, I want a mr and mrs potato head. Love, Leroy

Dear Santa, I want a big green monster truck. Love, Abir

Dear Santa, I want spiderman clothes and shoes. I also want a spiderman squishy and bubbles. Finally, I want a spiderman web superhero. Love, Argenis

Dear Santa, I want two toys and a doll for Christmas. Love, Melina

Dear Santa, I want a mermaid for Christmas. Love, Lilyanna

TK – MS. PAOLA
Dear Santa, I want present to school. Love, Matigna

Dear Santa, I want a reindeer. Love, Adrian

Dear Santa, I want 20 dollars in Miss Paolas muny store. Love, Avery

Dear Santa, Phoba, new shoes 5 5000 Nike shoes, Real airpods. Love, Eliah

Dear Santa, Drly hofeadri. Love, Madeline

Dear Santa, make up, pink fluffy unicorn. Love, Kinsley

1ST GRADE – MS. PAOLA

Dear Santa, Can I have a toy Pokemon that is cool that is Peekatho and a abilty thunderball. Love, Danny

Dear Santa, I want a Iphone. I want a gold lamvorghini mollechoeet. Love, Ezekiel

5TH GRADE – MS. PAOLA

Dear Santa, I really want a horror book of some sort, or some money. Love, Ellie

Luther Elementary

1ST GRADE – ROSAUER

Dear Santa, I wot a nox-auc, I wot for Fortnite, I wot for markers. I wot for Legos. I wot puzzles. Love, Deangelo G.

1ST GRADE – HERBERT

Dear Santa, I wot Rumi, Zoe, and Mira dolls and their house. I wot a big pone. Love, Isabella K.

1ST GRADE – GOODMAN

Dear Santa, I want Rumi, Zoe, Mira and Jinu dolls and clothes. Love, Noemi D.

1ST GRADE – BARCENAS

Dear Santa, Minecraft, Legos, Iv bin good. I wont Forniet Legos Sonic Legos. Love, Ian M.

2ND GRADE – HENRIQUEZ

Dear Santa, I will love a motorcycle I rov kids. Love, Anthony

Dear Santa, May I get Lago and a stuffed animed and a book and a toys. Love, Max M.

Dear Santa, I want Fortnite.

I want to git klos and shos. I want to git one toy. I want to git Shhishhmelo. Love, Fimberis

Dear Santa, I want a iPhone pro mas 17 and I want a phone case that has 67 and I want a TV. Love, Emiliano

2ND GRADE – MRS. HUNTER

Dear Santa, I wanna iPad 14. I wanna turtle. I wanna Robux. I wanna fish. Love, Ximena

2ND GRADE – MONTENEGRO

Dear Santa, I well love a motrcyc for kids. Love, Byron

2nd Grade – Mrs. Schaal

Dear Santa, One punch man coko. Love, Zion

Dear Santa, I will like a 4 dolls and a lubb and 100 dlairs. Love, Mayra

Dear Santa, can I VR head-set and Robux please, and last I want money. Love, Yaretzi

2ND GRADE – DAVIS

Dear Santa, May I have a ladudie that is pink. Can I have a rainbow one too. Love, Yaret Z

Dear Santa, May I have some skin kour or a new pad. Love, Jocelyn

Dear Santa, Can I please have a trophy and a 67 stuffy and a magic wand from harry potter. Love, Martin

Manzanita School

KINDERGARTEN – MRS. CARSTENSEN

Dear Santa, Could I please have a motor-cycle and a Nintendo swih? Love, Tatum

Dear Santa, Could I please have a baby doll? Love, Saylar

Dear Santa, Could I please have a toy farm with toy animals? Love, Jazin

Dear Santa, Could I please have a real black baby goat? Love, Harlyn

Dear Santa, Could I please have a dirt bike? Love, Dixon

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would love Barbies, dolls, Mini Brands and bracelet rolls. Love, Baelynn

Dear Santa, Could I please have a VR heaset? Love, Eli

Dear Santa, Could I please have a doll house? I would also love a dog. Love, Ada

Dear Santa, Could I please have a dress and heels? Love, Josie

Dear Santa, Could I please have new doll and an iPhone 13? Love, Zayee

Dear Santa, could I please have a Nintendo switch? And put stuff in the stockings. Love, Ethan

Dear Santa, Could I please have a little pink chair? I would SO love a bean bag. I love you. Love, Kelsie

Dear Santa, Could I please have 2 books? I would also love 3 squishies. Love, Ashley

Dear Santa, Could I please have a Majungasaurus? I would also love a Stegosaurus. Love, Mikhaoji

Dear Santa, Could I please have a dirt bike? I would also love a Ps5. How are you doing? Love, Charlie

Dear Santa, Could I please have a Nintendo switch 2? I would also love a basketball hoop. Love, Hudson

Dear Santa, I am having fun in Disneyland. For Christmas, I would love a toy jeep and a toy sports car. Love, Alonzo

Dear Santa, Could I please have a bow-and-arrow and a remote control car that goes 30 miles per hour? I hope you have a safe trip. Love, Jett

Dear Santa, For Christmas, could I please have presents? Love, Amara

TK – McCLELLAN

Dear Santa, I have been really good helping mom. I want monster trucks and dinosaurs! Love, Carter

Dear Santa, I would like a goat simulator for Xbox. I have been good to my friends. Love, Mau

Dear Santa, I want to tell you I like the red color. Can you bring me a Nintendo switch? I've been good. I help my mom with my little sister. Love, Bryan

Dear Santa, My name is Nathalya. I want candy this year and a new toilet for my mom I also want horses. Love, Nathalya

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a remote control bumble bee car? I have been good this year. Ive helped my mom with cooking and putting up the Christmas tree. Love, Hank

Dear Santa, I want a bath bomb! I also want a bee toy that comes with a slide. This year I've been good. I help my mom play in my room. Love, Layla

Dear Santa, I have been good this year! I took out

Dear Santa, I want Roblox and I want to touch eleyet and a puppy and to go to Disneyland. Love, Cody

Dear Santa, wut I wont for crismus wut I ot for cin I hav a jai wiflieshis a lliode for my lliodbrdrs Chrepien. Love, Brisa

Dear Santa, Santa can I ha a plash toshin. Love, Oren

Dear Santa, can I have family for Christmas please? Love Navy M.

Live Oak Child Development Center

PRE – K MS. SAROB & MS. MARIA

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would like a ninja turtle toy, and toys. Thank you. Love, Mohkam

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like video games a race car and a robot. Thank you. Love, Daxton

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like fortnite legos, a car and Mario games. Thank you. Love, Harrison

Dear Santa, Love, Dua

Dear Santa, Love, Nico

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a horse, skates and a elsa toy. Thank you. Love, Alivia

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a bike, bluey stuffy and magna tiles. Thank you. Love, Vincent

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a big Barbie house, a car and a air plane toy. Thank you. Love, Arya

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a purse, owl, and monkey. Thank you. Love, Rosalie

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a stuffy tiger, monkey and Barbie house. Love, Azalea

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the trash when my mom told me to. Can you bring me a robot? I also want a Christmas dinner. Love, Jojo

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I barely help my sister up when she falls. Can you bring me a mini cyber truck with a red color or even silver. I want to be able to drive it. Also I like veggies! Love, Alex

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a monster truck? I also want a race car. I've been good this year. I play with Hank, Jonah, Alex and Bryan. Thank you Santa! Love, Matias

Dear Santa, Can you bring me Barbie dolls. Also a toy puppy. I have been good. I've been good to my friends and I help Sky. Love, Iyda

Dear Santa, This year I've been good. I love my dad. I help him to cut the bread and I make pictures for my mom. Can you bring me 5 slimes and a picture of my family. Love, Camila

Dear Santa, Can you bring me snowmen dancers? I also want a reindeer from Target. It's a moving one and it lights up! I've been so good. I help my mom by giving her her water. Love, Elena

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a tree? I want a trampoline. I've been good. I play with my brothers. Love, Cody

Dear Santa, This year I'm good! I've given the ball back to my brother and I'm glad he's not sick anymore. Can you bring me a toy electric gun? And a toy semi? Thank you Santa! Love, Jonah

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a big doll? I also want a big stuffy. I've been good. I play with my sister when she's hurt. Love, Capri

Dear Santa, I've been good. I eat my food! Elf on the shelf sees me eat my food. Can you bring me make-up and a doggy.... like my old dog before he died? Love, Bella

Dear Santa, This year I've been good. I help my mom every day with the Christmas tree. It's a big one! I would like learning stuff, but no more toys! My mom says I already have a bunch! Love, Andrea

Dear Santa, Can you bring me Sparkly shoes? I want a big Barbie dream house...I also want a long dress that goes down to my feet, like an Elsa one. Also I want a sparkly bow. I've been good. I help my family do the dishes. Love, Myna

Dear Santa, I have been

good! I help my family with their baking. I want something for Christmas. I want a toy dog, a toy cat and decorations to hang on our Christmas tree. Love, Auri

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I play with my brother and I have fun with my dad. I like you Santa! Can you bring me a toy cupcake with doctor stuff in it? Also a dog toy with little dogs in it and a dog toy house. Love, Emily

Dear Santa, I want to get the elf! And I also want a toy reindeer! I would also want to get a real choo-choo train. I've been so good because I've played with Aila. We are nice to each other. Love, Everlie

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a baby doll? I love you Santa! I've been good this year! I play with my friends and I love my mom. I help my mom just do everything I do. Love, Sky

Dear Santa, Can you bring me rainbow sand and a Barbie doll thing? I have been good! I am nice. I help my mom make some food when I'm hungry!

KINDERGARTEN — MRS. BOYER

Dear Santa, I know that I already told you but my teacher wanted me to also write this letter. I asked you for a Hot Wheels tonie. Thank you, Santa. Love, Cohen

Dear Santa, Hello! How is Rudolph doing? I have been good. Peter Parker will watch me to make sure. I would like a blue dirt bike or a bike with no training wheels. Thank you, Santa. Love, Colton

Dear Santa, How are you, Santa? I lost a tooth! I have been a good girl this year. Can I please ask you if I could have some slime, anything K-pop Demon Hunters and some make up. Thank you! Love, Victoria

Dear Santa, I love you, Santa! I have been so good to my mom and dad. Could I please have some LOL dolls, Monster High dolls and some candy? Love, Haisley

Dear Santa, How have you been since the last time I saw you? I am super good. I would love a couple of things... a dirt bike, a pet turtle and a toy giraffe. Thank you, Santa. Love, Parker

Dear Santa, I hope you are doing well. I wish you could be here today. I would love a pink Cirkul water bottle and a unicorn stuffy and a real horse. Love, Payten

Dear Santa, Can you please help us get our house redone? I like you, Santa. I would love a PS 4 for me and my brother. Love, Ricardo

Dear Santa, Hi, how are you? I am good. Can I please have my own Chromebook? My brother needs a new soccer ball. Thank you, Santa. Love, Noel

Dear Santa, I like Christmas. I would like make up and a make up table. And a climbing lizard that goes up the wall. Love, Georgia

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I want a lot of make up so I can do my own make up. Only make up for me. Love, Alex

Dear Santa, Hello! How is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Can I please have my very own kitchen? So I can cook for all my toys. Love, Paloma

Dear Santa, Hello! I have been good all year...kind of good. I would love to have a VR headset. Love, Hudson

Dear Santa, Hello! I have been VERY good this year. Can I have a remote controlled airplane? Love, Cruz

Dear Santa, Hello! Are you ready for Christmas? I would love to have a skel-ton that's a stuffy. Love, Ella

Dear Santa, Hi! Can you please get me a baby reindeer? I would also like a toy triceratops. Love, Mason

Dear Santa, My name is Naomi. For Christmas I would love a dinosaur toy. Love, Naomi

Dear Santa, Hello! I have been kind of a good boy. I would like something to play video games. Love, Marshall

Dear Santa, How are you, Santa? I have been good this year. I'd like a real baby reindeer. Love, Grant

Dear Santa, Hello! How is the North Pole? My brother and I have been good this year. I would like a real pet turtle and a real pet hamster. Thank you, Santa. Love, Aila

2ND GRADE — MRS. ASKEA

Dear Santa, I want cookies for Christmas. I love making cookie houses. I am a fun kid. Love, Marcos

Dear Santa, I want a bike for Christmas. I love making cookie houses at Christmas. I am a good kid because I am nice. Love, Jakza

Dear Santa, I want a hunting camo suit for Christmas. I love decorating the house. I am a good kid because I help people out. Love, Evan

Dear Santa, I want for Christmas toys and glasses. Also I'm a good kid. Love, Luis

Dear Santa, I would like a PS5 this year. I love presents on Christmas because I am a good kid. I helped a lot of people. Love, Orren

Dear Santa, I am a good kid because I do my math. I want Paw pets for Christmas. Love, Mia

Dear Santa, I want a dirt bike for Christmas. I love making cookie houses. Love, Brixton

Dear Santa, I want a dirt bike for Christmas. I love to eat breakfast casseroles. I am a good kid because I help people. Love, Mason

Dear Santa, I would like a new puppy for Christmas. I love going to the snow cabin. Love, Quinten

Dear Santa, I want 3 ipads for my sisters. I love going to the snow cabin at Christmas. Love, Emma

Dear Santa, I would like a for wheeler. I love spending time with my family. I am a good kid because I help my mom. Love, Logan

Dear Santa, I would like a hamster a real one for Christmas. I love watching movies on Christmas. I have been a good kid this year. I am kind so I should get presents. Love, Porter

Dear Santa, I want a hover board for Christmas. I am a kind kid because I do math every day. I love presents. Love, Dawson

Dear Santa, I want a lego set for Christmas. I love opening presents at Christmas. I am a good kid because I do my homework. Love, Sohan

Dear Santa, I want a bike for Christmas. I love making cookie houses. I am a good kid because I help people. Love, for Laura

Dear Santa, I would like a toy this year. I love spending time with my family. I am a good student. Love, Francesca

Dear Santa, I want an electric bike. I love presents at Christmas I am a good kid. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa, I want a reborn baby doll for Christmas. I love eating casseroles I am a good kid because I help out with my brother. Love, Hadley

Dear Santa, I would like a reborn baby doll this year. I love opening presents. I'm good kid. Love, Dakota

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KINDERGARTEN — MRS. BUSCH

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want Sonic Love, Benson M.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want water blocks. Love, Luna N.V.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want grey shoes, shirts with rocket ships and hungry hippo game. Love, Mateo R.

Dear Santa, I love you Santa. Plz brn me a runpanzl doll. Love, Ellieanna A.

Dear Santa, how Dovol Mak toyz. Plz dren me a toy bus. Love, Ellie P.

Dear Santa, how is roddf. I wot a pet ancelusorus. Love, Trevor

Dear Santa, how is rodlof. If you can I wood like alo uv LoL. I will put out cookies at my house. Love, Aubrey E.

Dear Santa, Hi ther I wood lik a Xbx plz. Love, Lucas

Dear Santa, What is your faborete cooke. May I hav plado. Fly saf. Love, Sophia T.

Dear Santa, how r your randeer. Can I hav sum putte plz. Love, Waylun

Dear Santa, How is Mrs Kloz. I wood lik a Hello Kitty Snugl grl. Love, Allison

Dear Santa, How do you get to the

pole North? Can you bring a blue bike and a teddy bear? Love, Josue

Dear Santa, I sure love Rudolf Santa! I would like you to make me a Spiderman Scooter. Love Jonathan

Dear Santa, How do you make all those toys? Please can I have one orange Kitty? Love, Savina

Dear Santa, Can I fly with your reindeer? Can you bring me a lot of reindeer toys? Love, Rosie

Dear Santa, What is your favorite cookie? I would

love an Axolotl painting! Love, Rhienn

Dear Santa, How does your reindeer fly? Can you bring me a toy train please? Love, Nathan

Dear Santa, Do you wont a present. I wt a clur pecl plis. Love, Amna

Dear Santa, Hello thr I wood lik a bumb! betransformr sa hi to Rodof. Love, JJ Joel

Dear Santa, how is rdf. I wod lac a pris iy dol Ipat. cocis ory cocis hp crms. Crms trecicpsas buyis. Love, Mehak K.

Dear Santa, I lik chocolt cooces. I wont a dinosor lego. Be carful. Love, Iker V.

Dear Santa, How is rdf. I wd lk thsod. I wusintuscwd ust flis af. Love, Jemma Z.

Dear Santa, How is the north pole. I would like a monster truck. Love, Julian G.



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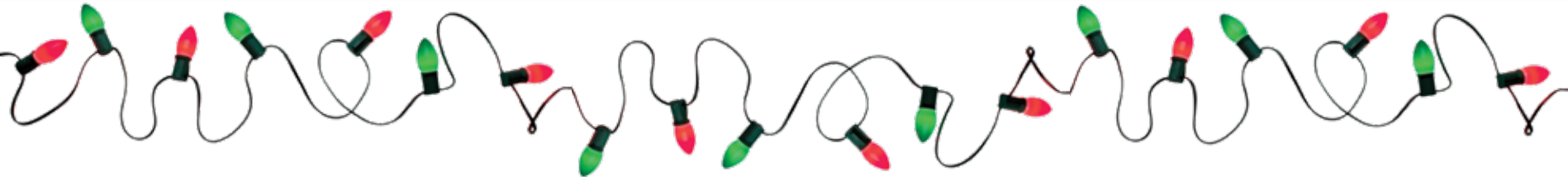
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Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have Dino egg. Love, Jordan

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have Thomas the trains. Love, Joel B.

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have a hamster. Love, Eilee

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have Dino costume. Love, Eli

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have a good book. Love, Oliver.

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have a dinosaur. Love, Fabio

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have markers. Love, Tamara

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have electric bike. Love, William

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have k-pop floaty. Love, Kristina

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have a camera. Love, Jordyn

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have teddy bear. Love, Karlee

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have Barbie. Love, Rebekah

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have spiderman. Love, Hamza

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have a bike. Love, Alonso

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have Gabby dollhouse. Love, Eliana

Dear Santa, I was very good. Can I please have paint. Love, Taylor

1ST GRADE – MRS. WEAGANT

Dear Santa, can I get a computer also I want to have a pen. Sincerely, Misael

Dear Santa, I wish my family have a grate life because so thay enjoy thaor life...I wish to have a bird cockatiel. Make my wish kane trow. Sincerely, Ava

Dear Santa, Hi Santa I will give you a cookie. I want a motor cycle. Sincerely, Evelyn

Dear Santa, I wish I had new bunny. I wish I had bird. I wis had a buelly goat. Sincerely, Maximo

Dear Santa, want a plushy raccoon and I want a ted toy and I want a cat Skwishe. Sincerely, Dylan

Dear Santa, I love Santa. You are my frabrit hlayad. Will you gif me a bose plusie. Sincerely, Kaden

Dear Santa, I wot a gamen shdh wif hefoz & cybwr plez. Sincerely, Breyden

Dear Santa, I hop you giv me a puzoll game. Sincerely, Hassan

Dear Santa, I wish I could please have make up for Kids. Sincerely, Delilah

Dear Santa, I am sorie that I wuz bad. Can I please have make up and fake nails? Sincerely, Fun Kiana

Dear Santa, I wot a bpp I wot a toy Bset I was a toy cat bik. Sincerely, Bella

Dear Santa, I want a lilezivr gren ples. Sincerely, Izaiah

Dear Santa, I want a Dstodis rex bote toe and Spinusoris. Sincerely, Ray

Dear Santa, I listen to my dad. I wan a real horse. My dad is really wishing for a tractor. Sincerely, Eduardo

Dear Santa, I wot o Xbox, bod set me ou. Want brd phone. I rsn lov toy ev. Vif veve vmi favvit prev. Sincerely, Ry

Dear Santa, I wish for a magine doll and I wish for a cat and I wish for a hampstr. Sincerely, Jade

Dear Santa, I want a toy bow and arrow plese. Sincerely, Lyle

Dear Santa, I hope yuo gift me a pup plees. Sincerely, Kobe

Dear Santa, I hope you pliz git me a pup and I wot to hev a cat thse end. Sincerely, Josie

Dear Santa, I wot a Megan doll. Sincerely, Estacy

1ST GRADE OLSON

Dear Santa, How is Rodfh? I want a Barbe dream has and prpl car and Barbies. Love Daniella

Dear Santa, I wod like a brbe drem hos. How is rodof? Love, Brooklynn

Dear Santa, how are you? May I have a ps5 for Christmas Thank you. Love, Santhiago

Dear Santa, I love my monster trucks and tyranosaurus dragons. Love, Coby

Dear Santa, Elfie Sparkles is here. What I want for Christmas is a doll. Love, PreslayJo

Dear Santa, I would like

a baby doll for Christmas. Love, Maria

Dear Santa, I wut a elf for Christmas. Love, Rajben

Dear Santa, Santa can I have a Elfie Sparkle for me. Santa can I have a fancy purse. Love, Halo

Dear Santa, How is roodlf doing and I have carrots for rodolf. Love, Caysen

Dear Santa, Ples can I get robuox Santa I want it so bad ples Santa. Love Melissa

Dear Santa, How do your elfs fly? May I have a washing masheen that makes braselits? Love, Ally

Dear Santa, How do your elfs fly? May I have a baby doll please. Love, Zoey

Dear Santa, I want a tramplolen. I want it so bad. Love, Leonardo

Dear Santa, How is roodof doing? Can I have hed-fones? Love, Beau

Dear Santa, How are you Santa. Cud you give me a Golu dragon ball. Love, Adrian

Dear Santa, Hi Santa. What I want for Christmas is a coloring set. Love, Elizabeth

Dear Santa, has rodof got into the crudl this yere. Kan I hav a Paten set. Love, Faye

Dear Santa, I want a PS5 please. Love, Felix

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? Also I want a labubu that is holding soda. Love, Emma

1ST GRADE – MS. ELSTON

Dear Santa, I want a PS5. I also want a Bluey plushie. Love, Gauge

Dear Santa, for crismas I want a gaost spider a spider man and irn man a venum a super man and uichron and Joker Huggy Wuggy. Love, Axel

Dear Santa, I'm whairene your hat. What I want for crismis is a motercicel. Love, Holly

Dear Santa, I hope you have a very good Christmas and I want some toys. Merry Christmas. Love, Remi

Dear Santa, I wot tow git a toy and a ted! I want a huggy wuggy plush. Love, Bryan

Dear Santa, Big Brew Ckydr and tock to me. Love, Luna

Dear Santa, for Chrismas I want a black Pante acshin fprgrand a venum fager. Love, Emi

Dear Santa, Santa I wot a plabit. Santa I love you. Santa I wot a cane. Sant wot xbox. Love, Daisy

Dear Santa, I rely want 2 crincrilus and sumthing a about how to cnran your dragun. Love, River

Dear Santa, I wot to get a looo plushe and I wot to get PS a tabit. Love, Leslie

Dear Santa, I want a xbox it would be awesome. Love, Landon

Dear Santa, I wot to got a bild a Bear. I also wot looo plushe. Love, Fernando

Dear Santa, I want a auod and a nerf gun. Love Ismael

Dear Santa, I want for crismis is a drt bike, a purple fuzzy rug, a purple been bag and a ranebow mon-str hive boll and the purple owe and nise coloeer marcrs and all difrint cinds of coloeer pensales and 67 plushe. Love, Delilah

Dear Santa, miny Bran a fuzz purple rug a been bag rdow Hive new makeup. Love Audrey

Dear Santa, Ples give me a inteddo swech 2 and I wot to have a xbox. Love, Henoltix

Dear Santa, I want a pit bice. Love, Matthew

Dear Santa, I wont hot wels and big blad Legos streis bolls. Love, Sebastian

Dear Santa, I know that you live in the North Pole. Love, Jackeline

1ST GRADE – SANTERRE

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a Kpop doll. Next, I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Love, Sophia

Dear Santa, First I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last I would like a Mr Beast toy. Love, Michael

Dear Santa, First I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good night passing out toys. Last, I want a whistle for Christmas. Love, Mary M.

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Next, I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas. Love, Eliana G.

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last, I wantHot Wheelrs. Love, Dhillon

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Next, I hope you have a good night passing out toys. Last, you are amazing. Love, Zainab

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good night. Last, I hope you bring my toys. Love, Jose

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good trip. Last, I hope you like the cookies. Love, Jaxon

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last, Santa you are the best. Love, Lucas

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good trip. Last, I hope you like the cookies. Love, Naveii

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a merry Christmas. Next, I hop you have a good night passing toys out. Last, I can give you some cookies and some milk. Love, Benjamin

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good trip. Last, I hope you like the cookies. Love, Naveii

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Next, I hop you have a good night passing toys out. Last, I can give you some cookies and some milk. Love, Benjamin

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good night passing toys. Last, evreybody thinks you're the best. Love, Zane

Dear Santa, Frist, I wish you a Christmas. Next, I hope you have a good night passing toys out. Last I hope you git my toy. Love, Ariana

Dear Santa, Frist, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good trip. Last, I hope you do not get sick. Love, Zoey

Dear Santa, First, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Also, I hope you have a good trip. Last, enjoy the cookies. Love, Xavier

1ST GRADE – MRS. FOSTER

Dear Santa, I wot a goctr. I wat Slime. I wat a lam-borshini. Love, Aurelio

Dear Santa, You are very kind. Christmas I would love Barbie house. Love, Kenia

Dear Santa, You are very kind. For Christmas I would a tor faor. Love, Damian

Dear Santa, You are very kind. For Christmas I would suv elv. Love, Leona

Dear Santa, You are very kind. Of chrismas I would like a rayndeer. Love, Emma

Dear Santa, Yau are very kind. For Christmas I would like I wut fon. Love, Isaiah

Dear Santa, I would like nuw per of shos and prfume and your ellfs are grat. Love, Emmie

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would love a fone and case. Love, Myles

Dear Santa, You are very kind. For kic I wut up ec F5. Love, Brysen

Dear Santa, You are very kind. For Christmas Would love I like son I'llk you stup. Love, Angel

Dear Santa, You arr very kind. For Christmas I would like. Love, Tommy

Dear Santa, You are very kind. I would like hutrix plushies! Love, Juliana

Dear Santa, You are very kind. I love splushi Hunterix. Love, Alexis

Dear Santa, I wot a ckim prast and I wot a Idoa so mi bid gro. Love, Logan L.

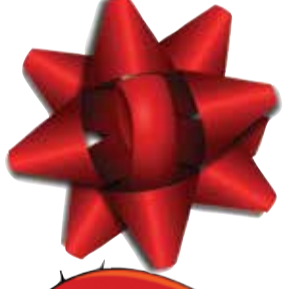
Dear Santa, You are very kind. For Christmas I wot. Love, Khauii

Dear Santa, You are very kind For Christmas. Love, Emiliano

Dear Santa, I wold wont a dog. Next I woht a lot of toys. And a I want my mom to have a lot of money. Love Mayeli

Dear Santa, I would love a lambo toys. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa, You are very kind! For Christmas I would get a R.C. car Monster truck. Love, Leo



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