# THE ROCKETEER

100 Years of Graduates

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# PASS IT ALONG!!

When someone does something kind for you, you say "Thank You," then you do something kind for someone else.



Christmas Tree lighting,
School Parking lot
December 1th 2022

Tis' the season to be jolly! It's finally the most wonderful time of the year again! It's time to whip out that old ugly sweater from the darkest. depths of your attic and get that fruitcake in the oven. During the holiday season, all of the students here are looking forward to spending quality time with family, eating loads of food, receiving many gifts, and, best of all, no school!! Christmas break will range from December 23rd to January 2nd. Though times may be tough these days, we should not forget to spread love, hope, and joy. No matter what you're celebrating this year the Rocketeer staff would like to wish all a safe and memorable holiday season!!

# Carlota Sicilia Interview as abse

By: Zoe Larson

This year at Roberts, we have gained a few new students. One of them is a foreign exchange student from Spain. Her name is Carlota Sicilia. Carlo is a sophomore this year, and we had a few questions for her about her experiences so far this year.

#### What is the favorite thing you have learned so far?

Carlo's response to this was the traditions that her exchange family and some of her new friends at school have taught her.

#### What is your favorite American food or candy?

Carlo's response to this was Reese's.

#### Is it hard being away from your family?

Carlo's response was that it is sometimes hard to be away from family.

#### What are some major differences here from Spain, other than language?

Carlo said that the distance from school to home and home to school was a major difference that she has noticed since she has been here.

#### How do American schools differ from schools in Spain?

Carlo said that in Spain the teachers move classes instead of the students.

### What is something you hope to do in America?

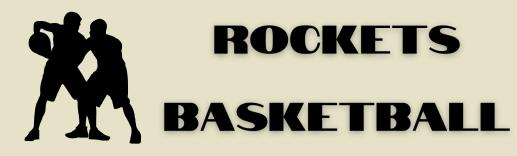
Some things that Carlo wants to do here in America are Ski and go to prom in the spring.

What is something you hope to take back with you when you go back to Spain?

Carlo wants to be able to take friendships back with her when she goes back to Spain.

# New Rocketeer Staff &

TJ Chirrick: I am a sophomore, who moved here from Billings. A few activities I am involved in are cross country, basketball, and track and field. I chose to take journalism and media class because I love writing and being able to inform everyone about what is going on. When I finish high school I plan to be an oncology nurse.



By: Lilly Hyvonen and Bentley Bertolino

#### Coach Sam McCrone

Q: What would you like to have achieved by the end of the season?

A: "The seniors to get hardware before the end of the season and everyone on the team to make Academic All State."

Q: What is your philosophy for coaching?
A: "Hard work pays off in the end, good things happen to people that deserve it, fundamentals are the key success, and "we" over "me" attitude."

Q: Can you describe what a typical practice looks like?

A: "Warm up skills and drills, game like situations, breakdowns out of system, and practice repetition."

Q: Why did you want to become a coach?
A: "I love the game of basketball and it's a way for me to pass my knowledge."

Q: How long have you been coaching?
A: "This is my 24th year and 3rd year at Roberts."

#### Coach Sarah Shoopman

Q: What would you like to have achieved by the end of the season?

A: "I would like to see everyones skill level improved and some hardware added to the trophy case."

Q: What is your philosophy for coaching?
A: "Teamwork is important, everyone has a role, and success."

Q: Can you describe what a typical practice looks like?

A: "Warm up of fundamentals and skill, game like situations, defense, offense, and conditioning."

Q: Why did you want to become a coach?
A: "I wanted to be able to help young athletes grow and develop their skills and see their successes and share knowledge of the game."

Q: How long have you been coaching?
A: "This is my 12th season but 5th at Roberts."

#### **Box Scores:**

Girls		
Roberts	47	
Columbus JV	36	
Boys		
Roberts	70	
Columbus JV	36	

Girls		
Roberts	40	
Wibaux	47	
Boys		
Roberts	59	
Wibaux	60	

Girls		
Roberts	48	
Reedpoint- Rapelje	34	
Boys		
Roberts	61	
Reedpoint- Rapelje	44	



By: Bentley Bertolino

## June 29th-July 2nd

Mark your calendars because the Roberts School will be celebrating 100 years of graduates in the year of 2023! The Roberts Activities Committee will be sponsoring the All School Reunion and Community Celebration.

At the event people can expect tours of the school, raffles, fundraisers, parades, banquets, and more! Starting on the 29th, registration will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Also on the 29th tours of the school will be given from 4–7 p.m. and last until July 1st and an art show will be presented from the June 29th until the 1st. On the 30th the exciting 3–on–3 tournament will begin. Concessions will also be provided by the junior class during this time. Throughout the 1st and 2nd of July there will be a pancake breakfast, BBQ, church service, community dance, silent auction, parade, Veterans Ceremony, carshow, cornhole, and movies for the kids. There will be fun for the whole family! Majority of the proceeds will go towards the Roberts School.

Invitations have been sent out. The next meeting regarding the event will be held on January 11th, 2023. For more information and updates follow the Roberts Community Foundation or Roberts Centennial All School Celebration on Facebook.

# Roberts Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

By: Zoe Larson

On December 1th, 2022, the Roberts Cultural Council and the community gathered at the Roberts School to celebrate the lighting of the town christmas tree. The parking lot of the school was set up with fire pits where people could sit around and talk amongst each other, make smores, and find warmth. There was a tent set up with seven different types of child that people could try and vote for their favorite. Additionally, there was a station where people could use their creativity to make gingerbread houses, as well as trays of different treats. People could sing karaoke and enter to win a variety of prizes in a raffle. Next to karaoke, Santa was available for pictures and Santa's Elf was handing out gift bags to children up to 18 years old. Finally, at six o'clock everyone gathered around to watch the tree light up.

# Roberts Christmas Program

By: Connie Cooper

On Thursday, December 16, 2022, the elementary students participated in the Annual Christmas Program that started at 6:30 pm. There was also an art show going on too before the program started, and the Student Council held a bake sale. The kids dressed up in their best attire and performed a song or a play in front of the many community members who watched. The Kindergartners performed "The Reindeer Hokey Pokey". After the kindergarten class finished up the first and second graders came onto the stage and did "The Humming Song". Then came the third and fourth-grade classes who sang "We Will Jingle".

After they performed, the fifth graders performed "You're a Mean One Mr.Orinch". After all the classes performed individually, they all circled around the gym and sang a group song. When the group song finished the sixth-grade class put on a play called The Santa Interviews. At the end of the night, all the kids lined up and got ready to sit on Santa's lap, where he handed out candy canes.

## District ffA

By: Zoe Larson

On December 7th, the Roberts ff A took a group of ten members to the Southern District ff A Competition. At this competition, members competed in Prepared Public Speaking, Employment Skills, Creed Speaking and Agronomy. The individuals in the top two places qualify for the state competition, which will be held in Great falls in March. Teams in the top seven also qualify for the state competition in March. Laynee Holdbrook placed 3rd in Employment Skills, Zoe Larson placed 2nd in Prepared Public Speaking, qualifying her for the state competition in March, and the Agronomy team placed 7th qualifying them for the state competition in March.



# Big Timber ffA Showdown

By: Connie Cooper

On December 5th, a group of ffA members went to Big Timber for a showdown. There were a total of nine members who went. Taylor Koch, faith Pitts, Connie Cooper, and Zoe Larson who all competed in Vet Science. Zach fetz, Lilly Hyvonen, Laynee Holdbrook, Jozelyn Payovich, and Hailey Croft all competed in floriculture.

In Vet Science participants had to identify different types of animals like cows, dogs, cats, goats, horses, and sheep. Also, they had to identify different pests and some equipment. After identification competitors either took a test or went and did practicums. Four different practicums were to be completed: giving a dog aural medication, giving a goat a subcutaneous vaccine, putting on a collar to prepare for a intravenus vaccine, and putting an E-cone on a cat. We had to describe the steps that went into each practicum. In floriculture, we made boutonnieres and center pieces.







# Holiday Survey

By: Connie Cooper, Bentley Bertolino, Lilly Hyvonen, Zoe Larson



The Journalism class went around the school asking all the classes a variety of questions. Kindergarten through 6th grade was asked if they liked turkey or ham, and high school students were asked if they liked hot chocolate or apple cider. All of the classes, kindergarten through seniors were asked the question, "If you were to give a gift to the world, what would it be?"

<u>Kindergarten:</u> all of them prefer cookies, but Tember said pie Alelie- rabbit

Adam- transformers four wheeler

James - love

Kyson- Nathan

Hollow- Care Bear

Tember- monster trucks

Paxton-digger

Linley- Gabby's Doll House

Trystan-something expensive

Nathan- Trucks

1st-2nd Grade:

Curtis: Pumpkin Pie, One of his stuffed animals

Maci: Cookies, Kindness

Lyla: Pie, Kindness

Lizzie: Pie, Love

Tru: Cookies, Toys

Mattie: Pie, Kittens

Jace: Both cookies and pie, Gigantic force field

3rd-1th Grade:

Carson: cookies, Jesus to come back

Sam: Cookies, 100 dollars

Byron: Cookies, a present

Tanner: Cookies, a million dollars

Liam: Cookies, eternal life

Kolt: Cookies, give China more food

Lilly: Cookies, shoes

Levi: Cookies, to clean all the seas

Skye: Cookies, another president

Christian: Pie, more pizza

Sienna: Both, nobody dying and all kids

to have superpowers

Emily: Cookies, more pools

<u>5th Grade:</u>

McKenna: Pie, Less pollution

Wyatt: Pie, Rocketship

Greyson: Cookies, A free food gift card

to homeless people

Jace: Cookies, A book

James: Cookies, Paper

Sophia: Cookies, A chimpanzee

Roberts: Cookies, Money

Bryson: Cookies, Money

6th Grade: cookies

Ari: money

Tabitha: money

Brayden: money

fmma. Love

Colson: love

Reba: food

Jurnee: money

Zoey: horses

Parker: money

Austin: love

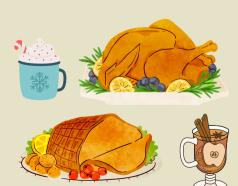
Max: dinosaurs

Wyatt: science



# 7th-8th Grade:

Rachel: Turkey, food Peyton: Turkey, World Peace Mari: Ham, More food or shelters Ashley A: Neither, Water Americas: Turkey, food or water Ashely B: Both, Stop Covid and cancer Savannah: Turkey, Peace Kelby: Turkey, More Money Cato: Turkey, Water Gus, Turkey, Equal opportunities Roman: Ham, Equality Keegan: Turkey, Shoes Brooklyn: Turkey, free Travel Luella: Turkey, Equal Rights Lexi: Turkey, Happiness Kallie: Turkey, Superpowers Robin: Ham, Gays to be accepted Reese: Turkey, Cure to cancer



# Holiday Survey

#### freshman:

Ada: Hot Chocolate, Just to slay a little more every day

Charlotte: Apple Cider, Peace and Love Abigail: Hot chocolate, Joy

Abi: Hot chocolate, food

Karmen: Hot chocolate, kindness

Colt: apple cider, more apple cider

Tony: hot chocolate, hotter chicks

faith: Hot chocolate,  $\Lambda$  hug

Maria: Hot chocolate, world peace

Taylor: Hot chocolate, Give everyone wealth so

nobody will be sad or homeless

Cayden: Apple Cider, money

## <u>Sophomores:</u>

Elizabeth: Hot Chocolate, Equality

Zach: Hot Chocolate, Equality

Carlo: Hot Chocolate, Good attitude

Timmy: Apple Cider, Food

Thommy: Hot Chocolate, Cure to Cancer Bobby: Hot Chocolate, Cure to Cancer

Nate: Hot Chocolate, food and Water

Lilly: Hot Chocolate, More Slay

Tj: Apple Cider, Happiness

Taylor: Hot Chocolate, A notebook

Owen: Hot Chocolate, A pencil

Molly: Hot Chocolate, The ability to to not be jealous

Juniors: Hot chocolate

Laynee- clean water

Hailey- food and water

Jozelyn- glamorous picture of herself

Angelina- food

Madi- a picture of herself

Garrett: follow God's path

Cody: food

Emily: food

Kaleb: love

#### Seniors:

Kyle: Hot Cocoa, Brand new car Bentley: Apple Cider, for all the children of the world to join hand in hand and sing in peace and harmony Naomi: Apple Cider, Common Sense Parker: Hot Cocoa, Nothing

Braydon: Hot Cocoa, Happiness Joe: Apple Cider, Encouragement

Zoe: Hot Cocoa, free health care or

insurance

Connie: Hot Cocoa, Build homes for homeless people

# Word in the Halls

By: Liffy Hyvonen

Who's excited for Christmas?! I've asked four people two questions. This month the first question was if you found a shillelagh what would you do with it? The first interviewee was junior Laynee Holdbrook, she said she would give it to Thommy. Next our sophomore this month was Molly Mitchell who said she couldn't answer. Freshman Ada Bertolino said something that Dr. Seuss writes about. Then finally, our teacher Mrs. Shoopman said she'd give it to Lilly.

The second question asked was what's your favorite Christmas present you've received? Laynee said the time when she got her tesla. Molly said it was her first 4 wheeler. Ada said her collectable special edition Elmo plushie. Mrs. Shoopman said the set of golf clubs that she received her senior year of high school that she continues to use today.

Shillelagh: a wooden walking stick or club

# I M P O R T A N T!

## Events

January 13th will be the school's first ski day of the season.

There will be a School Board Meeting on January 18th from 6-7 p.m.

# Sophomores

The sophmore class will be selling more pies and chocolates at the home games.

# Color Contest Winners

Junior High: Savanna McCrone
Elementary: Tru Webber, Maci
Langager, and Elizabeth
Brown
Other participants were Ashlee
B, Hollow, Nathan, Kyson,
Jace, and Trystan.

## Basketball

Home games on December 16th and 20th start at 3:00 and 12:30 on the 17th.

There is also one away game in Bridger on the 22nd starting at 3:00.

# Booster Club

New apparel will be sold by the Roberts Booster Club. There will be a brand new design to go on tee shirts, sweatshirts, vests, and joggers. To order online visit the site www.mtlivindesigns.com

Semester tests: January 18th&19th



# Good Times Gallery

