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# CALIENTE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Reader,

*“The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of love and of generosity and of goodness. It illuminates the picture window of the soul, and we look out upon the world’s busy life and become more interested in people than in things.” ~ Thomas S. Monson*

Happy holidays from my family to yours!

## District News:

1. **PTC** – PTC is hosting a Santa’s Secret Shop December 11-14. Please come out and help our PTC provide this opportunity for our students to purchase Christmas gifts for their families and friends. The ladies and one grandpa will need help in preparing the dinner before the program, Dec. 14th. They will need your help. There will be baskets to raffle during the program and baked goods. Thank you Danny Bonas for providing our Christmas tree. The tree will be raffled along with the baskets. Information will be sent out to our families with specific details. Please call our PTC President – Trisha Corum – 867-2427.
2. **Veteran’s Day** – What a fabulous day to celebrate with our local veterans and the Bear Valley Veteran’s Association. Bear Valley Veterans posted the colors for our program. Richard Oldenburg played on his trumpet the medley songs for each branch of the service and Jim Carmichael played on the bag pipes, Amazing Grace. Richard Oldenburg ended our program with Taps! Our students performed and passed out thank you cards. Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Zanutto for escorting our guests to our school. Thank you PTC for providing our guests and students with a delicious lunch.
3. **Caliente Educational Foundation** – Veteran’s Day BBQ Dinner and Dance – CEF, November 11, 2017 – Mr. Steve and his talented crew BBQ a flavorful meal! Kerri, our DJ, played music while people danced or enjoyed the company of friendly folks! Thank you Ed. Foundation for a wonderful evening!
4. **Music Lessons** – Music lessons will be provided 2017-2018, once a week again by our favorite musical instructors - Mr. Gerald Carroll, Mr. Dan Whitmore, and Ms. Catherine Thaden. If you are interested in receiving private piano lessons, please contact the office – 661-867-2301.
5. **Gardening with Mrs. Peet** – Mrs. Peet’s Gardening Club cleaned up, reorganized and replanted foliage and flowers in Adam’s Garden! Such a picture perfect display for all to see! Thank you Mrs. Peet and her Gardening Club!
6. **Thank you!** – Thank you to the following companies that donated money, through the L4 Ranch Rodeo: Valley Propane - \$1,000, W.A. Thompson Inc. - \$1,000, General Tree \$250, and Robins Envirovac \$500. Jim and Susan Becherer for their large money donation toward student’s Camp KEEP funds! Thank you for your generous donations, our students thank you from the bottom of their hearts!
7. **Bus Driver** - We are looking for individuals interested in becoming a bus driver for the district. For those seriously interested, please contact the office, 867-2301. Thank you!
8. **Hockey** – Condors game! The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders went to an exciting Condors game, November 30<sup>th</sup>. The game was set aside for youth! They were taught about leadership and community involvement. Students were served a nutritional lunch!
9. **If anyone is interested in donating a new fish tank (20-50 gallons) with accessories, we would gladly embrace and appreciate it! There is something uniquely soothing in watching the eco-systems within a fish tank! The tank will be stationed in the office. Please call the office if you are our fish tank person, 661-867-2301. Thank you in advance!**

\*\*\*If you are someone that has a gifted talent or just a love to teach students sewing, cooking, foreign language, gardening, reading to students, please contact my office for a meeting with me. I would love to hear from you!

“A gift consists not in what is done or given, but in the intention of the giver or doer.” ~ *Lucio Anneo Seneca*

\*\*\*Please take time to check us out on our web page at: [calienteschooldistrict.org](http://calienteschooldistrict.org)

#### **Calendar Markers**

**December 8** – Elk Hills Dance – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

**December 8** – Nutcracker Dance – Kinder – 4<sup>th</sup>

**December 11<sup>th</sup>** – Santa’s Secret Shop - Preview for students and then Dec. 12, 13, and 14 items available for purchase

**December 12** – Regular Board Meeting/Organizational Meeting – 6:30 pm

**December 14** - Christmas Dinner and Program – 5-6 pm (dinner) and 6:15 pm (program)

**December 15** – Last Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

**December 15** – Awards Assembly – 9 am – Kinder-4<sup>th</sup>, and 10:15 am – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

**December 15 – Noon dismissal!**

January 8, 2017 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter begins!

Thank you for your continued support!  
Kathleen S. Hansen