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Merry Christmas

Thanksgiving went and Christmastime came in like a lion: freezing temps interfering with my tee times. So here comes most wonderful time of the year – for kids from 1 to 93! As I pulled out the Christmas decorations, I had a strange feeling we just put them away a couple weeks ago! But they're up and we're moving right along.



There have been many changes since our last newsletter. The election being the biggest. But other changes we've noted: people saying, "Merry Christmas", rather than the ominous happy holidays. (I would inquire, "To what holidays are you referring?") We attended the Christmas Spectacular at Riverside Center for the Performing Arts and were pleased to the many references to Christmas being the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Similarly, with the Rappahannock Chorale Society Christmas performance, "Glorious Lights of the Season". This is not meant to be anyway political, but it is comforting to see the end of some of the foolishness society has tolerated for the last few years.

I was out of town for our October Chapter gathering.

Our November gathering had 12 members and guests enjoying dinner, chatting and laughs. We met Mark Smith and Mike Sanders, attending their first gathering. Welcome!

We were very happy to see Jim & Ann Peterson, looking great following a medical issue a little while ago.

From the Treasurer: checks were issued from the triathlons.

Triathlons: An update to my previous article, under Claude's tutelage we will continue to work triathlons next year, albeit on a smaller scale. Details to follow.

The Chapter agreed to donate \$100 to and for the programs of the National Child Safety Council through the Spotsylvania Sheriff's Office.

We will continue our tradition of a Chapter New Year morning breakfast at Golden Corral, followed by our first motorcycle ride of the year (weather permitting). This has been a great tradition to welcome in the New Year. Hope to see everyone there – whether you decide to ride or not.

ROMEO Rides: In October we rode Tappahannock and the Price Street Café at Hobbs Hole Golf Course; and Culpeper to Uncle Elders BBQ. As November rolled in, we adjusted our Thursday ride to eat first at Charlie G's while giving the sun a chance to do its thing, then rode through the countryside. Since then, we've had to forgo riding for turkey, rain and cold. Stay tuned – we're still riding. Come join us.

We hope to see everyone at our Christmas gathering. For those we miss, we wish everyone a blessed, peaceful, and Merry Christmas; and wishes for a Happy and better New Year.

Our next Chapter gathering is Monday December 16 th , at Ledo's Pizza in Southpoint; 6:00 to eat / 7:00 to greet.
See y'all there!

Joe & Peggy Herron

Your thoughts, ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

Member Experience (ME):

Gordon Combs

Meaning of the Word 'Christmas'

The term originates from the Old English Cristes Masse, or "Christ's Mass," first recorded in historical documents around 1038. This phrase evolved into Middle English as Cristemasse, beautifully capturing the heart of this holiday as a time to honor and remember the birth of Jesus Christ.

In Christian tradition, "Mass" refers to the celebration of the Eucharist—an essential and sacred observance commemorating the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. By coming together for "Christ's Mass," early believers celebrated His entrance into the world, setting the stage for a transformative message of hope and salvation.



You might have also seen the term "Xmas," which sometimes causes confusion. But "Xmas" has deep roots in the Greek language, as the letter "X" (Chi) is the first letter in $\chi\rho\iota\sigma\tau\acute{o}\varsigma$ (Christos), which means "Christ." Far from being a modern abbreviation, "Xmas" holds a rich, historical connection to Christ and reminds us of the enduring message of Christmas: that Jesus came to be with us and bring us closer to God.

So, as we say "Merry Christmas," let's remember its profound meaning—a celebration of Christ with us!

History of Christmas Traditions

Christmas is full of beautiful symbols, each with its own way of pointing us back to the Gospel story and the hope we have in Jesus. Let's take a closer look at some of them and the meaning they carry:

The Evergreen Tree

The evergreen tree, with its year-round color, reminds us of eternal life—the promise we have in Christ. Tradition says that Martin Luther, a leader of the Reformation, introduced the first Christmas tree in his home. He decorated it with candles to represent Jesus as the Light of the World. Isn't it amazing how something as simple as a tree can remind us of God's never-ending love?

Holly

Have you ever noticed the sharp, pointed leaves of holly? They're like the crown of thorns Jesus wore as He bore the weight of our sins on the cross. It's a humbling reminder of the incredible sacrifice He made for us.

The Color Red

The bright red we see in so many Christmas decorations is more than just festive—it speaks of Jesus' blood, shed for us. It's a quiet yet powerful reminder of His gift of salvation and the love that covers us.

Giving Gifts

Our tradition of exchanging gifts goes all the way back to the Magi, who brought gold, frankincense, and [myrrh](#) to Jesus. Their offerings symbolized His kingship, the sorrow of His sacrifice, and His role as God's perfect gift to the world. Every time we give or receive a gift, we can think of the greatest gift of all—Jesus.

The Yule Log

The yule log, once carried into homes to burn for twelve days, symbolizes Christ's sacrifice and the warmth, joy, and unity we find in Him. It's a picture of how Jesus' love lights up our lives and brings us together.

Mistletoe

Mistletoe might seem like just a fun Christmas tradition, but it has long been a symbol of peace. Through Christ, we have the ultimate peace—reconciliation with God. It's through Him that we find rest for our souls.

Bells

Bells, with their bright and cheerful sound, remind us of their original purpose—to announce news. For us, they point to the Good News of Christ’s birth, the ultimate message of hope and salvation.

Calendar of Events:

January 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Ride	Chapter's New Year's Day Ride	Watch your Email	TBD
1	Holiday	New Year's Day	Federal Holiday	
2	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
4	Birthday	Michael Griffin		
4	Weekend			
9	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
9	Birthday	Mary Messner		
11	Weekend			
13	Birthday	Tony Poulakowski		
14	Birthday	Eric Henry		
16	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
18	Birthday	Gordon Combs		
18	Birthday	Harold Pellegreen		
18	Weekend			
20	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
20	Holiday	Martin Luther King Jr.	Federal Holiday	
23	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
25	Weekend			
30	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD

February 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Weekend			
6	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
8	Weekend			
10	Newsletter	Inputs for March & April Newsletter Due		
11	Birthday	Nancy Groves		
11	Birthday	Sharon Poulakowski		
13	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
14	Holiday	Valentine's Day		
15	Weekend			
16	Birthday	Larry Gray		
17	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
17	Holiday	President's Day	Federal Holiday	
20	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD
22	Weekend			
27	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	TBD

Newsletter Publication Policy

Battlefield newsletter is distributed free of charge to all current Battlefield Wing members who attend the chapter meeting. The newsletter is also available to anyone via the Chapter website: [Battlefield website Link](#)

Please remember that this newsletter is a measure of your chapter involvement. Submission of pictures and articles is requested and encouraged. As a chapter member, this is YOUR newsletter, articles may be submitted on a wide range of topics related to motorcycling and chapter activities. All articles submitted to this newsletter will be edited at the discretion of the Newsletter Editor based on available space.

E-Mail submissions to the newsletter editor at vaebattlefieldnews@gmail.com by the 10th of the month to be entered in the following month's edition. If you miss the deadline, we will add it to the next month newsletter.

March 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Weekend			
6	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
8	Weekend			
9	FYI	Daylight Saving Time	Spring Ahead 1 Hour	2AM
13	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
15	Birthday	Lyle Schrumpf		
15	Weekend			
17	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
17	Holiday	St. Patrick's Day		
19	Birthday	Joe 'Duke' Herron		
20	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
20	Birthday	Bob Dorminey		
22	Birthday	Greg Kestner		
22	Weekend			
24	Birthday	Nancy Burke		
26	Birthday	Melanie Hardin-Gray		
27	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
27	Birthday	Lloyd Messner		
28	Anniversary	Gordon & Julie Combs		
29	Birthday	Cheryl Poulakowski		
29	Weekend			



April 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Holiday	April Fool's Day		
3	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
5	Weekend			
9	Birthday	Mark Poulakowski		
10	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
10	Newsletter	Inputs for May & June Newsletter Due		
12	Anniversary	Eric & Nancy Henry		
12	Weekend			
13	Anniversary	Jeff & Nancy Burke		
16	Anniversary	Larry & Melanie Gray		
17	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
18	Holiday	Good Friday		
19	Anniversary	Lloyd & Mary Messner		
19	Weekend			
20	Holiday	Easter		
21	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
21	Holiday	Easter Monday		
22	Birthday	James Antone		
24	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
26	Weekend			



May 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
3	Weekend			
5	Holiday	Cinco de Mayo		
8	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
10	Weekend			
11	Holiday	Mother's Day		
13	Birthday	Claude Revely Jr.		
15	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
17	Weekend			
18	Birthday	Kathy O'Neal		
19	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
20	Anniversary	Tony & Sharon Poulakowski		
22	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
24	Birthday	Lexie Hardisty		
24	Weekend			
26	Holiday	Memorial Day	Federal Holiday	
29	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
31	Weekend			



June 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
5	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
7	FYI	Free Fishing Weekend in VA		
7	Weekend			
8	FYI	Free Fishing Weekend in VA		
9	FYI	Free Fishing Weekend in VA		
10	Newsletter	Inputs for July & August Newsletter Due		
12	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
14	Holiday	Flag Day		
14	Weekend			
15	Holiday	Father's Day		
16	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
19	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
19	Holiday	Juneteenth Day	Federal Holiday	
21	Weekend			
23	Anniversary	Butch & Nancy Groves		
24	Birthday	LeRoy Gross		
25	Anniversary	Harold & Kathy Pellegreen		
26	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
26	Birthday	Alec Kestner		
28	Weekend			



July 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
3	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
4	Holiday	Independence Day	Federal Holiday	
5	Weekend			
6	Birthday	Julie Combs		
8	Birthday	Nolan Clark		
9	Birthday	Ann Peterson		
10	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
12	Weekend			
17	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
19	Weekend			
21	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
21	Birthday	Karen Kestner		
24	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
26	Anniversary	Michael & Maria Griffin		
26	Weekend			
31	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM



August 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Birthday	Debra Revely		
2	Weekend			
7	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
9	Birthday	Martha Jo Fritz		
9	Weekend			
10	Newsletter	Inputs for Sepember & October Newsletter Due		
10	Birthday	Charles Smith III		
12	Birthday	Butch Groves		
16	Weekend			
17	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
18	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
21	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
23	Birthday	Rosa Seale		
23	Weekend			
28	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
28	Anniversary	Greg & Karen Kestner		
30	Weekend			
13	Birthday	Jim Peterson		
24	Anniversary	John & Loretta Lafley		

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September 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Holiday	Labor Day	Federal Holiday	
4	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
6	Weekend			
11	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
13	Weekend			
15	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
15	Birthday	Brook Hardisty		
18	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
18	Anniversary	Lyle & Barbara Schrumpf		
20	Weekend			
24	Anniversary	Joe "Duke" & Peggy Herron		
25	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
27	Birthday	Mack Parham		
27	Weekend			

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Labor Day

October 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
2	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
2	Birthday	Nancy		
4	Weekend			
9	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
9	Anniversary	Dan & Martha Jo Fritz		
10	Newsletter	Inputs for November & December Newsletter Due		
11	Birthday	Charles Smith		
11	Weekend			
12	Birthday	Frankie Chapman		
13	Holiday	Columbus Day	Federal Holiday	
16	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
17	Birthday	Barbara Schrumpf		
18	Weekend			
20	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
23	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
24	Birthday	Lisa Bryant		
25	Weekend			
28	Birthday	Jeff Burke		
30	Romeo Ride	ROMEIO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM



November 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
1	Anniversary	Claude & Debra Revely		
1	Weekend			
2	FYI	Daylight Saving Time	Fall Behind 1 Hour	2AM
2	Anniversary	Jim & Ann Peterson		
3	Anniversary	Rob & Brooke Hardisty		
6	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
8	Birthday	John Lafley		
8	Weekend			
11	Holiday	Veterans Day	Federal Holiday	
13	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
15	Weekend			
17	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
19	Anniversary	Charlie & Ellen Smith		
20	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
22	Weekend			
27	Romeo Ride	ROMEOW Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
27	Holiday	Thanksgiving	Federal Holiday	
29	Weekend			
30	Birthday	Ellen Smith		



December 2025

Day	Type	Event Information	Location	Time
2	Anniversary	Eddie & Rosa Seale		
2	Birthday	Mark Smith		
4	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
6	Weekend			
3	Birthday	Eddie Seale		
10	Newsletter	Inputs for January & February Newsletter Due		
11	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
13	Weekend			
15	Gathering	Eat First Social Time, Chapter	Ledo's Pizza 9849 Patriot Hwy	6:00-7:00PM 7:00-8:00PM
18	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
20	Weekend			
9	Birthday	Peggy Herron		
23	Birthday	Ray Hitt		
25	Romeo Ride	ROMEO Weekly Ride	Sheetz 6101 Smith Stn Rd, Fredericksburg, VA	10AM
25	Holiday	Christmas Day	Federal Holiday	
27	Weekend			
31	Holiday	New Year's Eve		
24	Birthday	Rob Hardisty		



VA Wing'd Rider Chapters: 2023 Location List (District Oct 2024)

Chapter	Area / Location	Chapter Director	Phone Number & Email	Monthly Gatherings
VA-C	<u>Newport News</u> IHOP 5518 George Washington Memorial Hwy Yorktown VA	John & Lynn Floyd	757-838-0607 lynn.floyd1960@gmail.com	2nd Sunday 4pm Social/Eating 5pm Meet
VA-D	<u>Richmond</u> Candelas Ristorante 14235 Midlothian Tpke Midlothian VA	Larry & Marie Crow	(H) 804-674-1265 (C) 804-437-1666 crowmg@verizon.net	4th Wednesday 6pm Social/Eating 7pm Meet
VA-E	<u>Fredericksburg</u> Ledo's Pizza, 9849 Patriot Hwy, Fredericksburg	Joseph & Peggy Herron	540-424-5852 jdheron6919@yahoo.com www.battlefieldwings.com	3rd Monday 6pm Social/Eating 7pm Meet
VA-K	<u>Roanoke</u> Great Steak Company 3830 Franklin Rd.	Dave & Susan Miller	540-330-5174 milrtye@cox.net	2nd Monday 6pm Social/Eating 7pm Meet
VA-L	<u>Virginia Beach</u> IHOP 1316 Fordham Dr.	Dennis & Phyliss Easton	757-618-4963 (D) 757-636-1023 (P) eastondm@xcoc.net	4th Tuesday 6pm Social/Eating 7pm Meet
VA-X	<u>Salem</u> Riverside Evangelical Methodist Church 1920 Lucas Street, Salem	Larry Stanton & Pat Broyles	304-922-1401 Larry25022@gmail.com broylespat@gmail.com	1st Saturday 3pm Meet
Unaffiliated with Wing'd Rider Chapters within Virginia				
VA-H	<u>Abingdon</u> Moose Lodge 15605 Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon	Paul & Dorothy Baker	276-628-6047 09nellie@comcast.net	2nd Monday 6pm Social/Eat 7pm Meet
VA-V	<u>Bedford</u> NO FOOD Bedford Church of God 1212 E Main St, Bedford	Jonathan Whitworth	540-425-0028 OtterRideVAV@gmail.com	3rd Sunday 2pm Meet Eat Before/After

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Holiday Tech Tips

As the holiday season approaches, the list of must-have tech gifts grows longer. Whether you're shopping for a family member, friend, or treating yourself, there are countless gadgets and gizmos that promise to make life a little easier (or just more fun). But with so many options out there, it's easy to get overwhelmed. To help you make the most of your holiday tech haul, I've rounded up some essential tips (some are my own and some I researched for you) for setting up and using the season's most popular tech gifts.

Smart Speakers and Smart Displays

Popular Gifts: Amazon Echo Show 10, Google Nest Hub, Apple HomePod

Tech Tip: To get the most out of your smart speaker or display, make sure you connect it to your home's Wi-Fi network and sync it with your preferred voice assistant (Alexa, Google Assistant, or Siri). Customizing routines is key—whether it's setting up reminders, creating a daily news briefing, or controlling your smart home devices. For displays, dive into video calling features, and set up favorite contacts for easy, hands-free communication.

Wireless Earbuds and Headphones

Popular Gifts: Apple AirPods Pro 2, Sony WH-1000XM5, Bose QuietComfort Earbuds

Tech Tip: When you first open your wireless earbuds or headphones, be sure to charge them fully. Most models also allow you to pair them with multiple devices, so you can easily switch between your phone, tablet, or computer. For better sound quality, explore the settings for noise-canceling options or adaptive sound features—especially if you're using them for work or travel. And don't forget to clean them regularly to keep them in top shape.

Smartphones

Popular Gifts: iPhone 15, Samsung Galaxy S24, Google Pixel 9

Tech Tip: For the latest smartphones, make sure you explore the settings for battery optimization. Many newer phones feature adaptive battery technology that learns your usage patterns to conserve energy. Also, remember to transfer your data (photos, contacts, apps) from your old phone to your new one using cloud backups or a data transfer cable. If your new phone has a better camera, take some time to learn about its advanced settings for capturing better photos, from manual controls to enhanced night modes.

Fitness Trackers and Smartwatches

Popular Gifts: Apple Watch Series 9, Fitbit Charge 6, Garmin Venu 3

Tech Tip: When setting up your fitness tracker or smartwatch, take the time to input your health data (age, height, weight, fitness goals) to get more accurate readings. For many models, setting up sleep tracking can

provide valuable insights into your rest patterns. Additionally, learn how to customize notifications to ensure you're only getting alerts that matter. Remember to sync your device regularly with the accompanying app to keep your stats up-to-date.

Tablets and E-Readers

Popular Gifts: iPad Pro, Samsung Galaxy Tab S9, Kindle Oasis

Tech Tip: If you're giving the gift of a tablet or e-reader, consider downloading apps or books beforehand to get the recipient started. For tablets, explore multitasking features that allow you to split the screen and use multiple apps simultaneously. For e-readers, enable features like adjustable text size or dark mode to enhance the reading experience. And for both, don't forget to set up cloud storage or syncing to ensure content is always accessible and up to date.

Wrapping Up: Get the Most Out of Your Tech Gifts

The holidays are the perfect time to embrace the latest tech, and with a little know-how, you can make the most of your new devices. From smart home gadgets to powerful smartphones and gaming systems, taking the time to set up, customize, and explore the features of your gifts can lead to a much more enjoyable experience. So, unwrap those tech presents with confidence, and make this holiday season your most connected one yet!

From Our Members:



For Sale:



I have these two Gold Wing jackets, Size Med & XL. Both for \$80.

Contact: Carlice Brooks at
ckb501@verizon.net



Olympia Mesh Pants sz 38 waist. Could use a good cleaning. No knee/hip protection pads. Asking \$20
Michael Sanders <rapier100@gmail.com>



Tourmaster Transition Series 2 sz Lg/42 with cold weather liner. In good shape. Asking \$40.

Michael Sanders <rapier100@gmail.com>



Tourmaster Transition 3.0 Jacket. Could use a good cleaning. Fair condition. Size is mens 2XL. Asking \$50

Michael Sanders <rapier100@gmail.com>



Kuryakyn Rack Bag with rain cover in good shape. Make offer.

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Fun Stuff:

Hanukkah

Y A D I L O H P O N T S H K E S T H N
A M V E L S I K O L I V E O I L H F O
T A L M U D N C H A R I T Y E A E E V
U O K T O Y I N A G F U S G N A L L I
M Z Y G A M E S K J D A H E S H C P V
A T I E S U M A E T P R R T E J A M E
C Z R E A L H R W R O O E B I S R E S
C U S A A R U A A S T V R I Y H I T G
A R H S D S L Y Y H D E I A D S M Y N
B Y P S A I E Y A S W O D V O E C L I
E L Y L A R T L F S I T O L E A L O S
E I E S S M A I M E H T E F N L H H S
S M H O T L A O O G S U A D Y A H O E
T A U N U F T H I N M T L M R R L I L
H F D G D S I E S I A E I O Y T I A B
G H I S U A T G B L S A T V S T T A S
I E T C I G H H A R O N E M A K T D D
L A Y H A I K U N A H C S L E L L A H

BIMUELOS
BLESSINGS
CANDLES
CHANUKIAH
CHARITY
CUSTOMS
DAIRY FOODS
DREIDEL
EIGHT DAYS
FAMILY
FEAST

FESTIVAL
GAMES
GELT
GIFTS
HALLEL
HANEROT HALALU
HEBREW
HOLIDAY
HOLY TEMPLE
JERUSALEM
KISLEV

LATKE
LEVIVOT
LIGHTS
MA'OZ TZUR
MACCABEES
MATISYAHU
MENORAH
MIRACLE
OLIVE OIL
PONTSHKES
PRAYERS

PSALMS
SEVIVON
SHAMASH
SONGS
SUGGANIYOT
TALMUD
TORAH
TRADITION
YEARLY
YEHUDIT

Thankful For...

S E O M R A I N B O W S M E P E M U S I C O
P Y A M D N A R G L V O L U N T E E R S S R
S E S S A L G E Y E D E H E A R I N G C E A
R S E R A L C W D E S I S T E R S N H T S A
Y I P E S G R A E O U M B M O B U O A E S L
I G A W G N E R R L O E A M G F O W B N E E
C H R O R C F R O E A F E R A L N U R I N S
E T E L A O R V U C G M S B T A O S O H D E
S H N F N M E T H T Y I L R E P H A M S N V
S E T E D P H E E P A E V L E W H S U N I T
M L S L P U S O P N S N C E A H R O H U K H
I E R N A T S A L S R H L R R E T O N S F R
L C I O N E H I I I I E M U H S R O S E O I
E T A I A R H N N L D S T C F E S H R M S T
S R H S H S G D D G H A A N T I T E A B T N
T I S I D S B R O O I E Y H I I T K S F C U
E C E V P N E O W O T N G S A L T U H R A A
P I R E E N E E O T G U G F Y L I M A F U T
H T F L A O R I R K A G N I H T O L C E N N
S Y H E C S A V R L S A M T S I R H C E B R
O S E T E F I L S F A P L A C E T O L I V E

ACTS OF KINDNESS

A PLACE TO LIVE

BEACHES

BEAUTIFUL NATURE

BLESSINGS

BOOKS

BROTHERS

CARE GIVERS

CHILDREN

CHRISTMAS

CLEAN WATER

CLOTHING

COMPUTERS

ELECTRICITY

EYEGLASSES

EYESIGHT

FAITH

FAMILY

FLOWERS

FOOD

FREEDOM

FRESH AIR

FRIENDS

FUN

GOOD HEALTH

GRANDMA

GRANDPA

HAPPY MEMORIES

HEARING

HOLIDAYS

HUMOR

INTERNET

LAUGHTER

LIFE

LOVE

MUSIC

NURSES

PARENTS

PEACE

PETS

RAINBOWS

SCHOOL

SINGING

SISTERS

SMART PHONES

SMILES

SUNSHINE

TEACHERS

TELEVISION

VOLUNTEERS

WARM SHOWERS

Happy New Year

S E I B A B N E W Y E A R S E V E Y
G C H A M P A G N E T Y I M N S T T
E N S S U E T H C D A N C E D R H R
S Q I N F E T O O D M U A Y O E I A
E F C G F I N A S L S U E R F K R P
D H E F N F R R R R I A S E D A T S
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A M T A Y I A N N O R L A Y E S I O
P I S W L E V R O E F T E E M I R W
N D E A R L E I N I H J V C B O S E
D N E T R V O N T E T E A S E N T R
A I S W I A A O R I N A S N R O H I
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N T Y L I M A F N O I S A C C O R T
E T S A E F S N O I T U L O S E R Y
S R E Z I T E P P A Y F R I E N D S

APPETIZERS

BABIES

BALLOONS

BANNERS

BUFFET

CELEBRATE

CHAMPAGNE

CONFETTI

DANCE

DAY ONE

DECORATIONS

END OF DECEMBER

EVENTS

FAMILY

FATHER TIME

FEAST

FESTIVITIES

FIREWORKS

FIRST OF JANUARY

FRIENDS

HATS

HOLIDAY

HORNS

KISS

MIDNIGHT

MUSIC

NEW YEARS DAY

NEW YEARS EVE

NOISEMAKERS

OCCASION

PARADES

PARTY

PUNCH

RESOLUTIONS

SINGING

STREAMERS

THIRTY FIRST

TIARAS

WINE

YEAR IN REVIEW

Capital Cities of Europe

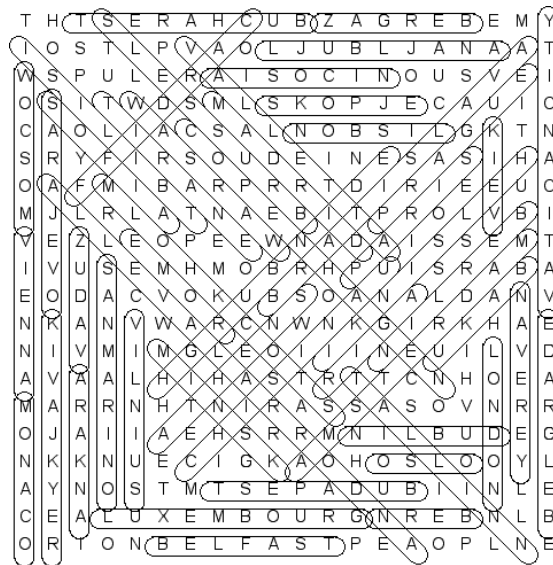
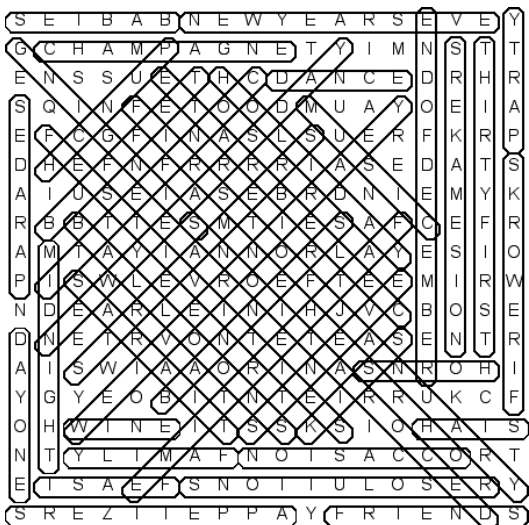
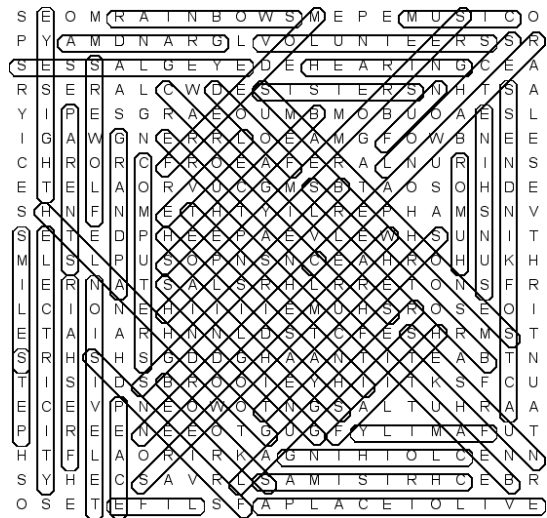
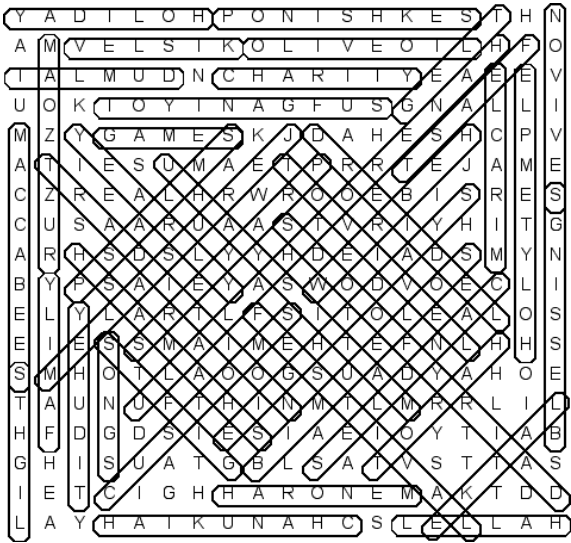
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O S I T W D S M L S K O P J E C A U I C
C A O L I A C S A L N O B S I L G K T N
S R Y F I R S O U D E I N E S A S I H A
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O J A I I A E H S R R M N I L B U D E G
N K K N U E C I G K A O H O S L O O Y L
A Y N O S T M T S E P A D U B I I N L E
C E A L U X E M B O U R G N R E B N L B
O R I O N B E L F A S T P E A O P L N E

AMSTERDAM (Netherlands)
ANDORRA LA VELLA (Andorra)
ANKARA (Turkey)
ATHENS (Greece)
BAKU (Azerbaijan)
BELFAST (Northern Ireland)
BELGRADE (Serbia/Montenegro)
BERLIN (Germany)
BERN (Switzerland)
BRATISLAVA (Slovakia)
BRUSSELS (Belgium)
BUCHAREST (Romania)
BUDAPEST (Hungary)
CARDIFF (Wales)
CHISINAU (Moldova)
COPENHAGEN (Denmark)
DUBLIN (Ireland)

EDINBURGH (Scotland)
HELSINKI (Finland)
KIEV (Ukraine)
LISBON (Portugal)
LJUBLJANA (Slovenia)
LONDON (England)
LUXEMBOURG (Luxembourg)
MADRID (Spain)
MINSK (Belarus)
MONACO (Monaco)
MOSCOW (Russian Federation)
NICOSIA (Cyprus)
OSLO (Norway)
PARIS (France)
PRAGUE (Czech Republic)
REYKJAVIK (Iceland)
RIGA (Latvia)

ROME (Italy)
SAN MARINO (San Marino)
SARAJEVO (Bosnia-Herzegovina)
SKOPJE (Macedonia)
SOFIA (Bulgaria)
STOCKHOLM (Sweden)
TALLINN (Estonia)
TBILISI (Georgia)
TIRANE (Albania)
VADUZ (Liechtenstein)
VALLETTA (Malta)
VATICAN CITY (Vatican City)
VIENNA (Austria)
VILNIUS (Lithuania)
WARSAW (Poland)
YEREVAN (Armenia)
ZAGREB (Croatia)

Answers:



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