

### This Week's Good News: From Unhinged Children's Shows to Waymo Love Notes

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If you're tired of all the negativity in the news, you're not alone. As a former news anchor, I created Upbeat to share what's going right in our world. Once a week, I'll deliver a handful of uplifting stories straight to your inbox—because sometimes we all need a reminder that good things are happening every day.

#### 4. Gabba Rave



@puppetsgabba

Yo Gabba Gabba [made the show](#) at Coachella this weekend, turning the Moai tent into what can only be described as a fever-dream-daycare-rave. With guest appearances from Flavor Flav and Wee! Al, the children's TV icons somehow delivered the festival's most unbridled yet surprisingly coherent set. We all need a little more [anatomical chain](#) from time to time.

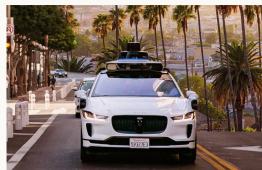
#### 3. Elephant Shields



San Diego Zoo

When an earthquake shook San Diego Zoo on Monday, these gentle giants instantly went into bodyguard mode—[forming a perfect protection circle](#) around their babies in seconds. Apparently elephants never slip the family emergency drill practice.

#### 2. Waymo Post



Waymo

Commutes have gone charmingly eerie by using handwritten notes in self-driving Waymo taxis. Recruiters and lonely hearts are [leaving handwritten notes](#) in these eerily quiet taxis, with one CEO receiving 40 resumes from a single note. In an era of digital everything, the hottest new networking tool is apparently... paper and pen. Sometimes the most disruptive technology is the one we already invented centuries ago.

#### 1. Book Brigade



@streetpirj\_jack\_shefca

Bookworms unite! A [human chain of 300 volunteers](#) passed 9,100 books hand-to-hand to help a beloved bookstore relocate one block away. The literary bucket brigade [complicated in two hours](#) what would've taken professional movers days, even shoving everything in alphabetical order. Nothing beats the efficiency of neighbors who really don't want to wait for their next good read.



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