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Source: Smuckers coming to Wonderful

JAMIE STEWART
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The Wonderful Company has a new tenant for a million-square-foot commercial building at the Wonderful Industrial Park off of 7th Standard Road.

The company's official announcement did not identify the new tenant, but, according to a real estate insider, it will be national retailer J.M. Smucker Co., which is known for fruit preserves and other food products.

The source, who was not authorized to talk about the project, said the company is expected to begin operation in the first quarter of 2023, and may employ about 150 workers. The building is one of several that have

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started as "spec" buildings in the complex. It has a million square feet of space, with 40 feet of clearance, 215 dock-high doors and parking expandable to 1,000 stalls.

Wonderful Company has had success in building spec buildings, giving retail companies a head-start on their needs. "We have buildings that are move-in ready, that might just need a little bit of enhancement or adjustments to make them operational," said John Guinn of Wonderful Company Development. Guinn, who is a former Shafter city manager, said in an interview last year that there is a great demand for



The building has a million square feet of space.

space, especially for warehouse and distribution operations.

Wonderful Industrial Park is home to several nationally known retailers, including Amazon, Target, Ross Stores and American Tire Distribution.

Bob Meadows, business development director for the City of Shafter, said he couldn't comment on the report, referring inquiries to the Wonderful Company.

John Guinn would not confirm or deny the identity of the new tenant. "We have an NDA [non-disclosure agreement] with the company that is leasing the property. The information that was received came from people outside of our company," he said.

Several attempts to contact J.M. Smucker Co. went unanswered.



New Mayor Chad Givens with his family – wife Vanessa, daughter Lauren and twins Faith and Grace.

Mayor Givens looking to move city forward

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

There is a new mayor in town and his name is Chad Givens.

Givens has been on the City Council for the last five years, getting into local government to help better understand how the city runs and how it addresses residents' needs and voices.

At an interview this week, he emphasized that economic development will be crucial to the city's growth and sustainability over the next 10-15 years.

"The methods and logistics of how and where people shop has changed, the market and industries for this area has changed, and we have to adapt to those changes to ensure strong financial stability moving forward," he said.

Givens said that the vision that was created and pushed 15-20 years ago has propelled the city to this point and created the opportunities for today. He said that we have to continue to build on that to further

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the opportunities for the next generation.

When asked about what could be done to attract more businesses to the downtown area, Givens said, "This has been a question that continues to rise up, and I think as a council body we need to provide clarity to the situation. Downtown is unique in that you have multiple family-owned businesses and long-standing building owners who have a vested interest in their business growth and success ... [for] many that is their sole source of income."

Givens said that the city cannot tell people how and where to spend their money. Also, they cannot tell business owners how to spend their resources. He does plan to create a joint committee with the local business owners, residents/patrons and city staff to discuss ways that the experience for consumers, potentially working on logistic and city owned property updates, weekend events and

activities using city facilities, such as the downtown plaza, and work with business owners on what consumers want to see and how to achieve that as a collective team. When asked why he decided to get involved in local government, Givens said that he loves Shafter and wants to keep it a great place to live for our families, as well as future generations.

Givens said that Shafter is home to him. He was born here, raised here, and plans on retiring here. He loves going to local stores and restaurants and talking with familiar faces. He also enjoys spending time in church with friends and family, and just loves the overall ambiance of the people here.

"I initially ran because I wanted to understand our local government in a deeper level and have the opportunity not only to serve our residents, but the city staff and business owners in a capacity that was unique to the council body. Shafter is a fairly young town, with the median age of 35 and a lot

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Jesus Lopez proudly displayed a picture of himself in the army on Veterans Day.

Wasconian passes at 101 years

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

World War II veteran, Jesus Lopez, lived a long and fruitful life in Wasco for over 60 years. On Dec. 28, he passed away peacefully with his wife, children and grandchildren by his side at age 100.

Lopez was the oldest of nine siblings and was born in Chihuahua, Mexico, on Oct. 24, 1921. He migrated to the US as a baby and lived his early years in Wyoming.

"The United States was the only home he ever knew," his son, Ricardo Lopez, said.

Lopez was a family man with eight siblings, six children and five stepchildren. He was married to Maria for over 40 years.

He attended school until the 4th grade. At 11, he

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A chilly good start

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

The Wasco Recreation and Parks District held its 2nd Annual Great Polar Plunge Challenge on Saturday morning, where community members braved the cold to symbolize the fresh start of the new year.

"It was exciting to do going in the freezing cold water in the middle of winter," said participant Elvia Martinez.

"It was nerve-wracking, but I pulled all my strength and willpower to do it. It was a way to challenge myself and push me forward with my goals. It got me out of my comfort zone, and this was an excellent opportunity for me to do that."

Bernardo Palacio said he came not expecting to jump in but was convinced to do so after seeing how excited everyone

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Optometrist puts patients first

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

Optometrists are at the frontline of eye care, and Dr. Wolfgang Renken is no different. He is the only optometrist in town and has been serving the community since 1966.

Dr. Renken attended undergraduate and optometry school at the University of California, Berkeley.

Before moving to Wasco, he lived in San Francisco. He decided to move to Wasco because he had heard raising a family in a small town was better.

"I made the right decision and am very happy with it. We've had a good life here."

He has three children that were born in the old Wasco Hospital. They all attended local schools.

"My three kids would ride around on their bikes all day. It was a nice family environment, and we were quite content here."

He said Wasco has been good to him and

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his practice. He appreciates the support of the community.

There is a team of two others with many years of combined experience working with him: Diana Lopez, with 29 years, and Lucia Lopez, with almost 12 years.

Dr. Renken believes that the core of his practice has been delivering excellent service to his patients. Over the years, he has attended to thousands of patients.

"I have worked with patients of three generations, having treated grandparents, parents and children," Dr. Renken said. "We offer friendly service and treat our patients with care."

He said what motivates him is discovering people's needs and helping them to overcome their problems is the emphasis of his profession.

Renken mostly does eyeglasses, contact

lenses and contact fitting, diagnosis of medical problems and proper referrals.

By thoroughly examining the eye, he can identify whether a patient has conditions such as diabetes or high blood pressure.

Some problems he solves are blurry vision, uncomfortable vision and red eyes.

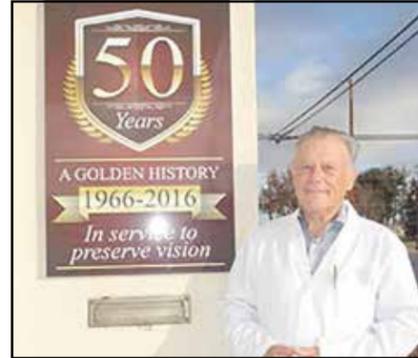
"I also do industrial accidents when steel gets in eyes, for example."

One of his biggest clients is Certis USA, where he assists with their safety glasses.

Dr. Renken deeply believes in his interest in health and wants to improve people's quality of life. His strong point is putting nervous patients at ease.

He has shown his love of the city through his involvement as a board member for the Wasco Recreation and Parks District and the Chamber of Commerce. Sponsoring youth baseball and soccer teams have also been a highlight for him.

At 83, Renken is vibrant and energetic.



In 2016, Dr. Wolfgang Renken celebrated his 50th anniversary in practice.

"I am blessed with good health."

Renken said he plans to practice for as long as he can.

"I am grateful for the Wasco community that has let me prosper and live a comfortable life in this small town."

The office, 1301 7th St., is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. He accepts all types of insurance, including private medical and Medicaid. For more information, call 661-758-6320.

Community Calendar

As activities restart and businesses reopen, we will try to update readers on the status of events and activities throughout the area. Please contact Erica Soriano with additions and changes at esoriano@TheShafterPress.com or call 661-292-5100 by Monday at 4 p.m. for that week's paper.

ONGOING

Book bags – The Shafter Library and Learning Center have book bags (10 books in each) that can be checked out. The bags includes books mostly for the kids, but who says that adults can't enjoy them, too? Red bags for the holiday and orange bags with Halloween books; blue bags include books to improve reading skills, on all subjects and a lot of picture books. Bilingual book bags, too. Available any time at the library.

Learning Center classes – Registration for spring classes, including art, cooking and Spanish. Call the library for registration at 661-746-5055. For more information, visit shafterlearning.com

Adult ed registration – Wasco Adult Education Center Spring 2023 registration is open. Enroll for high school diploma, ESL, citizenship, Hiset English and Introduction to Computer. Wasco Adult Education Center, 1445 Poso Dr., 661-758-7414. All classes are free.

EMS training – Emergency Medical Responder 8-week programs. Register now to start Tuesday, Jan. 17. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-9:35 p.m. or starting Monday, March 13, with classes Mondays and Wednesdays 6-9:10 p.m. Wasco Adult Education Center, 1445 Poso Dr., 661-758-7414. In association with Bakersfield College.

Bookkeeping training – Free bookkeeping training program at MAOF, Mexican American Opportunity Foundation. 2130 Chester Ave., Suite 200, Bakersfield. Related occupations include accounts payable/accounts receivable clerks and payroll clerks. Entry requirements: At least 18 years of age, completed reading and math assessment, high school diploma or GED. Call 661-336-6821 for information.

Hospice volunteers needed – Bristol Hospice Bakersfield needs volunteers in Kern County. Must be vaccinated. There are a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Call the Volunteer Department at 661-716-4000 or email Edward.French@bristolhospice.com or Ashley.Charles@bristolhospice.com

All residential households can order four free at-home covid-19 tests. Visit covidtests.gov

MONDAY

North Kern 4H – Meetings are held at Karl Clemens cafeteria at 7 p.m. every second Monday of the month. For more information, contact Chris at 661-809-2851.

Richland School Board – Meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at Golden Oak Cafeteria, 195 S. Wall St.

TUESDAY

Shafter City Council – Meetings are held every first and third Tuesday of the month at

City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave.

Wasco City Council – Meetings every first and third Tuesday of the month. Meetings are held at 746 8th St. at 6 p.m.

Wasco Woman's Club – Meetings are at the clubhouse, 1601 7th St., on the second Tuesday of the month. There is a \$15 fee for the lunch meetings.

Senior lunch program – Every first and third Tuesday of the month: Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St. Sack lunches for seniors will be given out at 11 a.m. Sponsored by Golden Gleaners.

WEDNESDAY

Shafter Rotary – Meetings at 7 a.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall.

Shafter Kiwanis – Meetings Wednesdays at 12 p.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall.

Shafter Woman's Club – Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month, September

through May, starting at 11 a.m. at the Shafter Youth Center, 455 Euclid Ave.

THURSDAY

Wasco High School Board – Meetings the second Thursday of the month at 1900 7th St. in Room 202, or alternatively in Library Room 1101. The agenda is on the WHS website.

Wasco Recreation and Park Board – Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Hall at Barker Park.

Food distribution – Shafter Recreation and the Gleaners have food distribution every first and third Thursday of each month at the W.C. Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

FRIDAY

Food giveaway – The Impact Program is a weekly food giveaway provided to anyone in need, Fridays beginning at 7 a.m. First come, first served. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

Bulky waste pickup – American Refuse offers free bulky waste pick-up service Fridays to all City of Shafter core residents. To schedule a pickup, use the app or call 661-758-5316. No sabes que hacer con esos articulos de basura grande? Llame a American Refuse 661-758-5316 o use su aplicación para programar una recojida de estas articulos. Este servicio es gratis para todos los residentes de la ciudad de Shafter (core residents).

SATURDAY

Depot Museum – 150 Central Valley Highway. Open Saturdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Shafter Historical Society presents the city's history. Free admittance.

Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information about renting the hotel for events, email thegreenhotel@gmail.com or phone 661-746-1913 and leave a message.

Mystery history

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Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to *The Press*, 455 Kern St., Suite E, Shafter, CA 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** Realtor Clara Schnaidt, public official Ben Grundy and Wimpy Bender meet to talk about the Shafter Chamber of Commerce in 1951



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ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

DEC. 30

Nicole Hampton, 36, of Shafter, was arrested in the 1100 block of West Orange Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Rogelio Barajas, 34, of Shafter, was arrested on West Lerdo Highway and North Wall Street for possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

Carlos Avalos Mariscal, 67, of Shafter, was arrested in the 600 block on Central Valley Highway for driving without license suspended.

Kevin Lopez, 22, of Shafter, was arrested in the 1200 block of Lerdo Highway for driving without a license and basic speed law.

DEC. 31

Javier Lopez, 22, of

Shafter, was arrested on West Lerdo Highway for battery, obstruction, disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

JAN. 1

Maria Cisneros Rodriguez, 65, of Shafter, was arrested at Central Avenue and Central Valley Highway for driving without a license and proof of financial responsibility.

Sarahy Leon Zayaz, 39, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of Santa Maria Way on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Jose Cruz Rodriguez, 44, of Shafter, was arrested on the East Lerdo Highway and Mannel Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

JAN. 2

Jeshua Tovar, 19, of Shafter, was arrested at 7th Standard and Zerker Road possession unlawful paraphernalia and on

an outside agency warrant.

Earl Vincent Ince, 28, of Shafter, was arrested on the 7th Stand Road and Zerker Road on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a felony charge and bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Antonio Ruiz Madrigal, 42, of Shafter, was arrested on the North Shafter Avenue and Beth Eden for disorderly conduct: under influence of drug and drug/narcotics violations.

Reynaldo Catalan Villalobos, 33, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 of North Shafter Avenue for possession of unlawful paraphernalia and possession controlled substance for sale.

Moses Coronado, 26, of Shafter, was arrested on North Shafter Avenue for possession of controlled substance for sale.

Indica Naideen Alonzo, 35, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of North Shafter Avenue for possession of marijuana and a controlled substance.

JAN. 3

Miroslava Saenz, 49, of Shafter, was arrested on Prince Lane and Mettler Avenue for possession of unlawful paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.

Justin Henry Stidman, 42, was arrested in the 900 block of Fredrick Street on an outside agency warrant.

Courtney Brianna Coodey, 35, of Shafter, was arrested on an outside warrant.

Israel Melchor Reyes, 32, was arrested in the 400 block of Calloway on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

Jimee Simpson, 28, of Shafter, was arrested on Cen-

tral Valley Highway and Central Avenue for proof of financial responsibility, driving an unregistered vehicle and on a bench warrant/failure to appear in court.

Arthur Martinez, 39, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

JAN. 4

Ampelio Pelayo Gutierrez, 67, of Shafter, was arrested in the 400 block of Gibson Lane for disorderly conduct: intoxication of drug and alcohol.

Mathew Eugene Boller, 30, of Shafter, was arrested on the Lerdo Highway and Kern Frait Canal for hit and run and possession of stolen vehicle.

Carla Mercado Vargas, 42, was arrested on South Shafter Avenue and East Marengo Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor

charge.

JAN. 5

Angel Balbuena Cortez, 26, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Valley Highway on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Jose Pastor Solis, 19, was arrested for driving without a license and stop required.

JAN. 6

Espiririon Garcia Salinas, 42, was arrested for driving without a license and obstructed license plate.

JAN. 7

Eric Shane Jameson, 36, of Shafter, was arrested for obstruction and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge

Miguel Ochoa, 46, of Shafter, was arrested on Fresno Avenue and Scaroni on an outside agency warrant.

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Joshan, Puizer join Planning Commission

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The Shafter Press

The Shafter Planning Commission swore in two new members on Tuesday night. Lovdeep Joshan and David Puizer took the oath before taking their seats for their first commission meeting of their terms.

There was only one item on the agenda, which was a time extension for a parcel of property. Resolution 23-418 was adopted, giving the owners and developers more time to develop that land. The parcel is lo-

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cated at 5500 E. Lerdo Highway. This is a one-year extension of time to use the said parcel as a storage yard.

Each meeting, the Planning Commission makes decisions on land uses, ordinances and zoning issues that arise in our community.

Joshan manages the Big Stop Market at Five Points. He said that he is looking forward to serving on the commission and learning about the operations of the city.



Lovdeep Joshan and David Puizer are sworn in.

Council OKs resolutions, treasurer's report

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The GROW Academy plans to host an special event in downtown Shafter.

The Shafter City Council approved the event at its Tuesday night meeting, along with the city treasurer's report for the last fiscal year.

It was also mentioned that a community rally would be held in downtown Shafter on Friday, Jan. 13, beginning at 6 p.m. This rally is for the Shafter High football team and will celebrate and recognize its accomplishments, after winning the Valley and Regional Championships.

It was also noted that there will be a program offered to many local residents presented in part by the San Joaquin Valley

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Air District. This program would pay qualifying homeowners to have their fireplaces replaced with gas burning appliances.

After the open session item, the members went into closed session. It dealt with the ongoing negotiations between the city and Wonderful Real Estate Development. Wonderful is interested in purchasing property between Burbank and Seventh Standard Road, in the Wonderful Company Industrial Park area.

The property contains a rail spur and railroad track that connects the Wonderful Industrial Park and the main line of the BNSF railroad. This property has made the city revenue in the past, with companies able to get their products from the ware-



Council members in session on Tuesday night.

houses in the area to the railroad, making it possible for them to transport their goods all over the state and country.

Mayor Chad Givens recused himself from those proceedings because he is an employee of the Wonderful Company. He

works for a completely different company than the Wonderful Real Estate company, but decided to err on the side of caution.

Those negotiations are still ongoing and no reportable action took place at the meeting, according to the city.

Five years strong

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

It was a festive occasion for Vanguard Medical Corporation as they celebrated five years of serving the community of Wasco. There was music, food and raffles.

Dr. Chan H. Park is the owner. "Our mission statement is a 'bridge to health and wellness' with the goal of advocating for our patients," Dr. Park said.

The clinic offers the full range of family medicine, from children to geriatric. "We have women's health, chiropractic, acupuncture for alternative types of medicine as well. We also take most forms of insurance including medical, medicare, HMOs and private."

Dr. Park said he loves his work. "I find it very rewarding because, especially in rural areas where communities are underserved, the patients appreciate us."

He added that it is hard to attract providers in rural areas like Wasco.

It is also important for him to provide service to patients in their native language. Almost all of the staff speak Spanish. Dr. Park is also fluent.

"You need support staff to make sure we

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are staying on top of things. I have employees that have been with me for many years." He added, "We also have nurse practitioners and physician assistants."

The best part for him is to see improvement in a person's health during their life."

He points to health concerns that he commonly sees in Wasco.

"Diabetes is number one, which is a national epidemic, with number two as respiratory issues like asthma because Kern County has some of the worst air quality in the nation," Dr. Park said.

There are two other locations, including in Shafter and Bakersfield, and there will soon be another clinic in Arvin, which will open in the spring.

Office manager Mary Matta said many times people in underserved communities like Wasco don't have the resources, and the clinic is able to direct them.

"We are very family orientated, and we are understanding of their needs," Matta said. "Vanguard fills a void where it is hard to find providers. It is a challenge, and I feel we go above and beyond to help our clients



The Vanguard Medical Corp. team.

and staff."

Administrator Novira Sunner said, "It's great to have been in Wasco for the last five years. We've been able to add more, like walk-in services, where one can come in without an appointment."

She said this differs from other clinics where patients sometimes have to wait weeks to be seen.

Vanguard providers are passionate about their work. Dr. J.C. Moon is no different. At 80 years old, he has decades of experience.

"My aim is for everyone to be healthy and live long. A lot of people have diabetes because they eat the wrong food. With a good diet, you can prevent heart disease,

diabetes and even arthritis," Dr. Moon said.

The event was an excellent way to share with the community the wonderful work they do to empower residents in Wasco through their quality healthcare services.

Local officials attended the celebration. New Chief of Police Charlie Fivecoat said, "I was impressed by the turnout. I think it's outstanding that a business interacts this way."

Councilman Gilberto Reyna said, "I congratulate them on their fifth anniversary. I wish them many more years of success."

The clinic, at 845 7th St., is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 661-459-1000 or visit vanguardmedcorp.com.

Mayor Givens looking to move city forward

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of young families. I wanted to be a different voice in the chambers, one who understood what brought us to the place we are in today."

Givens said that he has been fortunate enough to serve with and under some of the greatest city leaders that he can imagine. He wanted to "soak in as much as I could, not to rock the boat, but to grab an oar and help propel the boat forward."

"Today, I want to take those values and continue to instill them in our young generation and future leaders. I've heard many

times from the federal level that Shafter is unique in proving that a city can be successful even with our state politics and crippling state policies that are in place today, and that's because of the success of our local governing body and the incredible people running this city," he said.

"We have one of the cleanest cities in the county, as well as having the safest city in the county, but we have the best staff and the best chief [Police Chief Kevin Zimmermann] in the state. This list continues with the Building Department, Finance Department and Education [Partnership] Depart-

ment. We as a council need to work to support them as they continue to support this community, driving to success."

When asked how his experience has changed his view of local government, Givens said, "The one thing that has stood out to me more than anything else has been the pressure we receive from the state government and how it plays a very difficult role on our day-to-day management of the city. I knew that local government was still dictated by the state and federal level, but seeing it firsthand has been eye-opening."

Givens was emphatic that he believes ev-

everyone's voice matters. He said that if you don't like what is going on in the city, you have to change the scenery, or who is running the state. He said that fiscally, there is not enough transparency at the state level. He said that state policies create more burden on the cities to pick up the missing pieces they force down, and those policies are not fully developed by the time that they get to here.

He listed SB1383, which burdened local law enforcement agencies with having to arrest the same criminals again and again because of more lenient policies of incarcerating criminals.

ARREST REPORT

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Wendy Galilea Velasco, 20, of Shafter, was arrested for driving without a license.

Ascension Lopez Jr. was arrested on a bench warrant/failure to appear in court.

Daniel Perez Galvan, 31, was arrested on Central Valley Highway on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Daniel Rene Aleman, 25, of Shafter, was arrested on Central Valley Highway for driving without a license.

Joshua Allen Whittington, 35, was arrested on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

JAN. 8
Maria Acosta Verdugo, 69, of Shafter, was arrested on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

Reynaldo Catalan Vilalobos, 33, was arrested to carrying a concealed weapon and false personation of another.

Everardo Gomez, 37, was

arrested for disorderly conduct: drug/narcotic violations.

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As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Department, Wasco substation:

Timothy Lee Green, 40, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 1100 block of 7th Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

JAN. 3
Francisco Antonio, 37, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of D Street and

9th Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released the scene.

Marvin Romero Martinez, 32, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Poplar Avenue and rd Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

JAN. 4
Victor Adame, 20, of Wasco, was arrested in the 900 block of Cedar Avenue on a felony bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County

Jail.

Melissa Laybourn, 43, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1300 block of Highway 46 for misdemeanor shoplifting and on a misdemeanor bench warrants. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

JAN. 6
Arcadio Hernandez, 31, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of E Street and 7th Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene. Shamika Washington, 40,

of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Palm Avenue and 4th Street on a felony bench warrant. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

JAN. 7
Vivian Diane Rodriguez, 28, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1200 block of 13th Street for misdemeanor violation of a court order to prevent domestic violence, and on a misdemeanor bench warrant. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Student raises funds for herself, classmates

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

A local young girl, Emma Gonzalez organized a lemonade and cookie stand to raise money for her spring camp. She showed her entrepreneurship and demonstrated how you can achieve your goals if you put your mind and heart into it.

Emma attends Maple Elementary School and is in 6th grade. She hopes to attend Camp Keep in March at Morro Bay.

"I am fundraising today for my field trip to Camp Keep. I want to go to camp because it will be an educational experience and a chance to bond with my friends more," 11-year-old Emma said.

She has never been to camp before.

"I hope to learn about the environment and nature by getting out in the wilderness. I think it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Once Emma's fundraising goal is met, any extra funds will go to her other classmates so they, too, can afford to go to camp.

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"I am very happy I can do that. It feels good helping others who may not be able to raise that money."

Emma said the event was a family affair. "I made the signs and have made most of the selling. My parents have been a big help, and my sisters handed out the lemonade and gave out napkins."

Christina Leon said she saw the fundraising event announcement on Facebook.

"I came because I thought it was a good cause. They weren't just asking for money; they had homemade cookies and fresh lemonade. You never know when you're going to be in a situation where you'll need help too."

A close family friend, Maribel Alfaro, said she wanted to support Emma with her fundraising.

"I've never been to camp before, and I wanted to go as a child but was never able to. I want our children to take advantage of

the special opportunity to have that chance."

She believes camp will be good for Emma and the other children that participate.

"They will learn a lot, make new memories and experience new things they can only do in the outdoors," Alfaro said.

"Donating to her is wonderful. We purchased cookies, and I gave her a little extra."

She said Emma set a good example for her children to learn the value of giving back.

"It is cool to see everyone come out. I think Emma spearheading this sale makes me proud of her. She is very motivated and excited to raise money for herself and others," Alfaro said.

She continued, "I loved the signs she and her sisters made. They were very creative."

Neighbor Maria Concepcion Vega donated the lemons.

"I wanted to share and help. It is good for Emma's future to see everything she can

accomplish.

Vanessa Garza is her aunt.

"Today was a way to show her love. I am here for her, always for whatever she needs. Her efforts are incredible that she wants to do this for school. The best part is that she is out here with her strong work ethic at such a young age. She has blossomed into such an amazing young lady."

Rosy Garza is Emma's grandmother. "I am happy she is trying so hard. She is a good girl and student, always working on her dream," she said.

Emma's mother, Cecy, said the event was a success.

"It went very well. There were a lot of familiar faces and new faces."

Emma's father, Valente, said it brought together family, friends and the community.

One can donate to Emma's fundraiser for her Camp Keep trip and to her classmates so they can go too, via Venmo at sassy-cecy-gonzalez-3. You can also call the school at 661-746-4439.

A chilly good start at WRPD event

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was.

"I have done it before, and this time again, it was thrilling, and I was nervous all bundled up into one."

Another participant also said she had tried it before.

"I've done it in the past. I run cross country, where we have weathered excruciating conditions, and this was something I knew I could do. I also liked sharing the experience with my cousin," Sonia Torres said.

"She has never done anything like this, and I wanted to support her. She showed courage."

Liz Rodriguez said it was awesome.

"I had fun because it pushed me out of my element. I loved taking the plunge with my family member."

Others said it was invigorating and that they would do it again.



Joanna Castro and Jonathan Ferreyra proudly displayed their medals.

Joanna Castro said it was a factory reset. "It was a good way to start the year, even



WRPD Steven Reveles, with secretary Valerie Reynolds, congratulated the participants for their bravery.

though it was cold. I thought it was great. It felt like a shock to my system," Castro said.

"It was a fun activity to do as a community and bond with others."

Jonathan Ferreyra said, "I was a little scared, but the hot chocolate at the end was a treat. I also liked receiving my medal. I came for that specifically. It will be something I will cherish."

"Participating encouraged me to go for my goals. I didn't know how cold it would be, but I was happy I did it. It brings a new aspect to my life and was worth it."

Valerie Reynolds, WRPD secretary, said with the event was intended to challenge people for the new year.

"We wanted to encourage them to learn to face any obstacles in 2023. It was definitely a success, and everyone enjoyed themselves. We gave medals as a reminder and a reward for their accomplishments. Seeing everyone out here having a good time was great."

Wasconian passes at 101 years

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started working in the fields as a migrant farmworker helping his father support the household.

The family would travel to follow the different crop seasons and made their way to Arizona and New Mexico to work.

At age 20, he joined the military and was stationed in Tokyo. Upon completing this term, he earned American citizenship.

"He sacrificed his life just to be able to learn that," Ricardo said. "He was a proud man to have served his country. His whole life, he would talk to us about war stories."

Upon returning from the military, he returned to work in the fields until 1954, when he attained his farm labor contracting license. In the early 1960s he moved to Wasco and continued as a contractor for 50 years, with Lost Hills and Wasco his territory.

"He was the biggest contractor in Wasco for 30 years," where he developed trust and close relationships with his workers. He was a pillar in the community of Wasco, especially in the agricultural industry," Ricardo said.

He started with the Wonderful Company in 1986 and was their first contractor. Lopez retired in 2008 but continued to oversee the business when his two sons, Ricardo and Rick, took over.

"Because of the hard work ethic our father instilled in us, the family business has continued to thrive," Ricardo said. "Work was his obsession, and he would never miss



Jesus Lopez with his wife, Maria.

a day, seven days a week. He valued his sleep which kept him going as he would go to bed early to start the day at 4 am."

Lopez was a loving man, and because he was the oldest son, he cared for his parents until the end.

He enjoyed his children's support, which kept him happy and content.

"I believe he had a full heart because his wife, children and grandchildren would make it a point to visit often and spend quality time with him, making beautiful memories," Ricardo said.

He cherished his over 30 grandchildren spanning three generations.

When he retired, he continued to stay busy with his ranch, where he tended to his horses and other livestock while maintain-

ing the upkeep of the property.

"He loved to be there feeding his animals, weeding, trimming the trees and watering the plants," Ricardo said.

Lopez was a man of faith and a devout Catholic. He prayed and watched mass on TV every Sunday.

"His word was gold, and he didn't have any vices. He lived a healthy lifestyle. There was not a day that he was sick," Ricardo shared. "That and the loved ones who surrounded him, I think, is why he lived so long."

Lopez enjoyed telling jokes and making people laugh.

"My father was very friendly and a cheerful talker, as am I. This is something I inherited from him. He would show respect for others, even if he didn't know you," Ricardo said.

As a husband, he showered his wife with affection and made sure she felt special.

"That was very important to him," Ricardo said. "He was a great father and set a good example for us of what an honorable person

should be. Loyal and trustworthy, you could always count on him."

His family and friends will dearly miss him.

"My father was my king, and his legacy will continue," Ricardo said.



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Maple's co-ed volleyball team won the Rio Bravo tournament.



The girls soccer team went undefeated, winning the league championship.

Maple Mustangs sports programs thriving

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Maple Mustangs' sports teams have had amazing seasons this year, with Maple's A girls volleyball team winning the league. Maple School competes in the newly formed Golden Valley Farmers League. School teams competing in this league include GROW Academy, Lost Hills, Pond,

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Semitropic, Alpaugh and Buttonwillow. The teams play each other during the league season and the team with the best record wins the league title.

In the girls volleyball league, Maple's A team went 5-1 to win the league championship. In flag football, the Mustangs' A team finished in second place, losing only

one game, completing the season with a 5-1 record. Maple's A team in boys soccer went 4-1 to finish in second place in the league. In girls soccer, the Maple A team went undefeated, winning the league with a 5-0 record. In addition to these results, Maple's co-ed volleyball team competed in the Rio Bravo tournament and won the championship, going undefeated through the entire tournament.

Maple begins its season on Friday, Jan. 20, against Semitropic. The game will be played at Maple School. The game times are 12:30 p.m. The Mustangs then play Pond School at Maple on Friday, Feb. 3. They then travel to Wonderful Prep on Friday, Feb. 10. Spectators are invited to watch the games, but they must check in at the Maple School office with an ID to be scanned.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

T.S. No. 104685-CA APN: 028-241-11-00-1 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/1/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 3/10/2023 at 10:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 11/9/2007 as Instrument No. 0207226297 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Kern County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: ROQUE BARRERAZ AND ARMIDA BARRERAZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, 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 FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 1501 TRUXTUN AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 380 EAST ORANGE AVENUE, SHAFTER, CA 93263 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$181,476.04 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. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. 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 or your attorney 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, priority, 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

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422 James Street, Suite 11 Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 422 James Street, Suite 11 Shafter, CA 93263 HSG, Inc. 422 James Street, Suite 11 Shafter, CA 93263 State of Incorporation or Organization: CA The business is conducted by: Corporation Date the business commenced: 12/15/2016 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. 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 14411 et seq., business and professions code.) /s/Hector Solis Jr, President Date Statement Filed: 12/21/2022 Date Statement Expires: 12/21/2027 Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: P Del Villar Publish Shafter Press January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 2023

OBITUARIES

Charles Gann
June 16, 1932 –
Sept. 6, 2022
Maggie Gann
April 17, 1932 –
Oct. 17, 2017



They were preceded in death by their parents, Lewis and Mary Gann, Harmon and Sudie Rector, and sib-

lings Christine Manning, Emogene Jones, Paul Gann, Willard Gann, Loyd Gann and Lee Gann. Comer Rector, Avie Gadbury, Mary Alice Fulkerson, Bedford Rector, Georgie Scoggins, Maydell Nichols and Sam Rector.

They are survived by three siblings, Vinus (Mary Ann) Rector, Pat Hurston and Vivian Fuson all of Arizona; three children, Jack

(Linda) Gann of Talent, Ore., Kevin (Judy) Gann of Anderson, Mo., and Tina (Kenny) Newman of Bakersfield; grandchildren Jeff (Brandy) Gann of Bakersfield, Brandy (Craig) Gwin of Covington, La., Charlette (Raven) Toney, Eric Gann and Kimberly (Chris) Kilby, all of Anderson, Mo., Elisabeth (Anthony) LaBarbera Sacramento, and MaryBeth (Cody) Beach of Bakers-

field; great grandchildren Pressley, Grayson, Sawyer and Jagger Gann of California, Kelan, Kaden Croft of Los Angeles, Kylei, Karson Tony, Jackson, Jameson and Jacobson Kilby of Mo; and a host of other family and friends.

Services will be held Friday, Feb. 3, 2023, at 1:15 p.m., at the Bakersfield National Cemetery with military honors.

Robert (Bobby) Rodriguez
July 7, 1947 –
Dec. 26, 2022



James "Jim" Holland Holt
July 12, 1928 –
Jan. 4, 2023

James "Jim" Holland Holt, aka "The Old Man from Shafter," passed away peacefully in his home on January 4, 2023. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Jean Holt; three children, Jimmy (Dayna) Holt of Shafter, Jeanette (James) Daniels of Tulare and Jerranna (Todd) Cannady of North Carolina; siblings Martha Seidel of North Carolina and Thomas Holt of Missouri; grandchildren Stephanie (Ethan) Sikes, TJ Fenwick and Parker (Samantha) Cannady, all of North Carolina, and Dominique Baker, of Bakersfield; eight great-grandchildren; and two adopted granddaughters, Jamie Colbert and Dee Allen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Newt and Letha Holt, and siblings Bill Lebo, Fern Ames, Glen, Donald, Irene, Freida and Geraldine, and several faithful furry companions, most notably Dirty Harry



and Sugar Baby. Born in Missouri a sharecropper's son on July 12, 1928, Jim lived a full and adventurous 94 years. Famine and lack of work forced two moves for his family, one to Arizona, and then a final one to the labor camps of Shafter. After a childhood of working in the fields with his family, Jim was drafted in 1950 and served in the Korean War as a mechanic. After returning from the war, he started The Hut Drive-In, but didn't stay in the restaurant business for long. He went to work in the ser-

vice station and garage business and ended up with two service stations and ran those until 1968, when he bought five trucks and spent 10 years in the trucking business.

Wanting to get back into the mechanic field, Holt opened Jim's Repair Shop in 1981 and remained there for 38 years before finally closing up shop in 2019.

Some of Jim's fondest memories were made on the road, where in 11 years he traveled 450,000 miles on a motorcycle, most of those with his beloved companion, his Border Collie Dirty Harry, riding on the back. He rode through 43 states and three provinces of Canada. He made countless trips to NC on his motorcycle, visiting his daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who thought he hung the moon.

His final adventure was flying back to NC to spend Christmas with them, where everyone said their final goodbyes. He was determined to return to his wife in Shafter and made it home just three days before he passed away.

Jim left an indelible mark on all that knew him. He was the oldest kid you'd ever meet and was especially loved by children and dogs, and he loved them back even more. His friends and family would all agree that his stubborn nature was one of his most "endearing" qualities. As a friend recently wrote in a tribute to him on Facebook, "There were two ways to fix things, Jim's way and the wrong way."

He certainly lived life on his own terms and squeezed every ounce out of life that he could. We could all be so lucky to be so loved and live life as big as he did.

We will celebrate Jim's life with a chapel service at 11 a.m. on Jan. 17, at Peters Funeral Home, 844 E Lerdo Hwy. Following the service, please join us for a full military sendoff at 1:15 p.m. at the Bakersfield National Cemetery, 30338 E. Bear Mountain Blvd., Arvin. The family will receive visitors following all the services from 3-5 p.m. at China Cuisine, 563 James St., Shafter.

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Juanita "Nena" Mary Nieto, 85, of Bakersfield passed away Dec. 31, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Esteban Garza Jr., 58, of Moreno Valley passed away Dec. 27, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Juan Medina Covarrubias, 93, of McFarland passed away Jan. 3, in McFarland. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

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Luis A. Rodriguez Gomez, 69, of Wasco passed away Jan. 6, in Wasco. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

Ignacio Dominguez Lopez, 73, of Wasco passed away Jan. 7, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home.

Kathleen Joe, 75, of Bakersfield passed away

Jan. 8, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home.

Modesta Ediberta Betancourt Rodriguez, 87, of Bakersfield passed away Jan. 8, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home.

Betty Jean McCraw, 83, of Fayetteville passed away Dec. 30. Peters Funeral Home.

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Isaac's men began to redig the wells and were met with opposition from the men of Gerar. In the end Isaac moved on to the land of Beersheba. There are times in the Christians life that they need to redig or dig some new wells in their lives.



We need to redig the well of prayer.

We are to pray with ceasing. Many have had outside influences cover up the well of prayer in their life. Ist Samuel 12: 23 says, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you.

Prayerlessness is sin. Prayer is our soul's oxygen. Luke 18:1 says. Men ought to always pray and not faint. In this new year experience the power of God as you redig the well of prayer.

We need to redig the well of Bible study.

In the Bible you find bread for your hungry soul and medicine for your spiritual condition. You find peace for your troubled soul. The Bible is no common book; it is the only absolute truth. The

Bible is alive, and it can change your life for the better.

We need to redig the well of church attendance. The Bible tells us to not forsake the assembling of ourselves together as some are doing. In Luke 4:16, Jesus went into the synagogue on the Sabbath, as was his custom.

We need to redig the well of service.

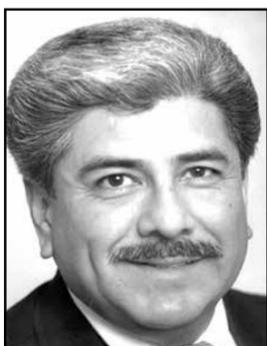
Whatever we do, do it for the glory of God. The Lord wants to work through our lives. Redig the well of service in 2023 and let God work through your life. We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus. May this be a year that we redig some wells that got covered up with the cares of life.

OBITUARIES

Louis R. Gomez

July 7, 1943 – Dec. 30, 2022

It is with much sadness that we announce the passing of Louis R. Gomez, of Shafter, on Dec. 30, 2022. Louie was born July 7, 1943, in Bakersfield, and attended Bakersfield grammar schools and East Bakersfield High School, where he played saxophone in the EBHS Marching Band and was a member of the band, "The Gay Lads," playing at various parties and dances during those years.



He served in the US Navy from 1961 to 1967 as a radarman and petty officer 2nd class, and attended Bakersfield College after com-

pleting his military service.

He began his career at Pacific Bell as a lineman and retired after more than 30 years of service. After a short break, he went to work for Brooks Fiber Communications and started a landscaping business.

His tireless work ethic kept him involved in many community organizations, such as the Kern County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, where he was the executive director for 16 years, and the City of Shafter Planning Commission for 15 years. He served on the

Kern County Grand Jury, and was involved in numerous community groups in Bakersfield, Shafter, Wasco and Delano. He served on the board of directors of many organizations in Kern County, including the Kern County Economic Opportunity Commission as board secretary, and still made time for the occasional chili cook-off or an opinion column for The Bakersfield Californian.

Louie was especially proud of his children and grandchildren, instilling in them the same work ethic

and dedication to service. He was an inspiration to all.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Shirley A. Gomez, whom he dearly missed; her daughter Kari Hinderliter; his parents, Michael and Nellie Gomez, and his brother, Michael Jr.

Louie is survived by his children, Lisa Gomez-Wilson and her children, Adam, Brooke, Brian, Zoe and Caiden; Betsy and Robert Martinez and their children, Natalie, Emily and Robert; Michelle Nelson and her children, Katrina, Justin,

Jessica and Tyler; and numerous great-grandchildren that were the joy of his life. Papa will be missed by all.

Recitation of the Rosary will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 124 Columbus Ave., Bakersfield, on Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 9:30 a.m. followed by Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. and Interment at Shafter Memorial Cemetery, 18662 Santa Fe Way. A reception will be at the Ford Theater, 1101 E. Leardo Hwy., from 12 to 4 p.m.

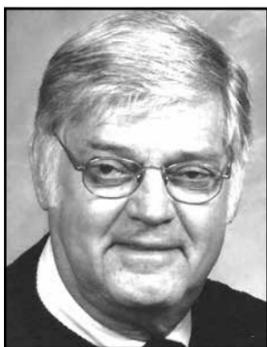
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Merrill Eugene Lehman

Aug. 21, 1935 – Dec. 30, 2022

Merrill Eugene Lehman of Bakersfield, California went to be with the Lord on Friday, Dec. 30, 2022, at the age of 87.

Merrill was born in Delano on Aug. 21, 1935, to Ben and Peggy Lehman. He graduated from Delano High School in 1953 and received a bachelor of science degree in agronomy at Fresno State University in 1958.



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Merrill married his high school sweetheart, Adele Salazar, and together they had four children.

He worked as an agronomist at the USDA Cotton Research Station in Shafter, Administrator at Kern Crest Manor and had his own Antique Fender Works business, where he made fenders and other body parts for antique cars. He enjoyed restoring antique cars and player pianos for himself

and others, and he was always inventing or creating something.

Merrill also built a half-scale riding train that ran on tracks around his five-acre homesite in Shafter, which was enjoyed by many people in the community. He loved spending time with his family at their cabin in the mountains above Bass Lake. He was a member of the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church, where he

sang in the choir for many years and, after moving to Bakersfield, the First Presbyterian Church.

Merrill is survived by his wife of 66 years, Adele; daughters Teresa Enns and husband Mike of Kingsburg, Julie Escobedo and husband Matt of Arroyo Grande and their children Jessica Wagner and Jordan Rahn; Colleen Hargis and husband Mike of Sanger and their daughter Brooke

Northup; and son Scott Lehman and wife Mary of Bakersfield and their son Thomas Lehman; four great grandchildren; and sister Judy Hanes of Australia. He was predeceased by his sister, Carolyn Findlay, of Australia.

A celebration of his life will be held at the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church on Saturday, Jan. 14, at 1 p.m. Remembrances may be made to Teen Challenge.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Wasco County of Kern, State of California NOTICE TO SUBCONTRACTORS, MATERIAL SUPPLIERS AND WORKERS CONTRACT NO. 675-2021

The City of Wasco is actively soliciting bids from prospective subcontractors or materials suppliers whose businesses qualify as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and/or qualify as Section 3 Business Concerns, as well as individuals who qualify as Section 3 Residents in connection with the Community Development 16th Street Rehabilitation project to be located in the County of Kern and funded by the HUD.

A Section 3 Business Concern is a business that is 51% or more owned by Section 3 Residents; or

whose permanent, full-time employees include persons, at least 30 percent of whom are currently Section 3 Residents, or within three years of the date of first employment with the business were Section 3 Residents; or that provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25% of the dollar award of all subcontracts to be awarded to businesses that meet the qualifications set forth in paragraphs (1) or (2) in this definition of a Section 3 Business Concern.

A Section 3 Resident is: a resident of public housing located in Kern County, or an individual who resides in the County of Kern and who is a low or very-low income person.

Qualified individuals and firms may obtain a list of plan-holding general contractors from the City of Wasco City Clerk via email: CityClerk@cityofwasco.org until 2:00 p.m. February 1, 2023. General Contractors should be contacted directly for possible use in their bid proposals on this project.

The City of Wasco and prospective General Contractors are seeking such subcontractors in compliance with the procurement standards found at 24 CFR 85.36(e) and Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, which provide that Small Businesses (SBs) and Section 3 Business Concerns/Residents be given the maximum practical opportunity to participate in HUD funded contracts.

Hiring is anticipated for the following trades: Laborers, Cement Masons, Equipment Operators and Drivers.

Subcontracts may be let for the following categories of work on this project: Concrete, Paving, Traffic Control, Grinding, Trucking.

CITY OF WASCO, DEPUTY CITY CLERK /s/ Monica Flores DATED 12/22/2022

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: Joyce Barreto Case Number: BPB-22-003331

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Joyce Barreto 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Carlos Barreto in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Carlos Barreto be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: a. Date: 04.27.2023 Time: 8:30AM Dept.: J-1

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305, Juvenile Justice Center 7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and

appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: R. Sam Price 300 E. State Street, Suite 620 Redlands, CA 92373 909-328-7000 Publish Wasco Tribune January 5, 12, 19, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: Dalton Charles Daniels aka Delton Charles Daniels Case Number: BPB-22-002528

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dalton Charles Daniels aka Delton Charles Daniels 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Elanor Louise Torrence in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Elanor Louise Torrence be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: a. Date: 03/16/2023 Time: 8:30AM Dept.: J

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305, Probate Division. 7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a

notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. 10. Petitioner: Elanor Louise Torrence 801 Almond Ct Apt 5D Wasco, CA 93280 661-440-6652 Publish Wasco Tribune January 5, 12, 19, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Business Name Statement Reyes Automotive Service 2022-B7938

315 High Street Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 315 High Street Delano, CA 93215 Henry Silva Reyes 315 High Street Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: 07/07/1943 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. 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 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Henry Silva Reyes Date Statement Filed: 12/06/2022 Date Statement Expires: 12/06/2027 By: J Lozano Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune December 22, 29, 2022 and January 5, 12, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Business Name Statement Kika's LLC 2022-B8070

1869 San Clemente Ave Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1869 San Clemente Ave Wasco, CA 93280

Kika's LLC 1869 San Clemente Ave Wasco, CA 93280 State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company Date the business commenced: N/A A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. 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 14411 et seq., business and professions code.) /s/Erica Rosales, Manager Date Statement Filed: 12/13/2022 Date Statement Expires: 12/13/2027 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune December 22, 29, 2022 and January 5, 12, 2023

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Fictitious Business Name Statement Cami's Family Farm 2022-B7735

16096 Hwy 43 Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern Mailing address of business: PO Box 74 Lost Hills, CA 93249 Esteban Camilo Reyes 16096 Hwy 43 Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: 11/01/2022 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. 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 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Esteban Camilo Reyes Date Statement Filed: 11/28/2022 Date Statement Expires: 11/28/2027 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune December 22, 29, 2022 and January 5, 12, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Statement of Abandonment of Reyes Family Farm

16096 Hwy 43 Wasco, CA 93280 County: KERN Mailing address of business: PO Box 74 Lost Hills, CA 93249

Esteban Camilo Reyes 16096 Hwy 43 Wasco, CA 93280

I declare that all information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) Business was conducted by: Individual /s/Esteban Reyes, Owner Original FBN Statement File Number: 2022-B6855 Original FBN Statement Filed on: 10/10/2022 This statement of Abandonment filed on: 11/28/2022 Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/A Goodwin, Deputy Publish Wasco Tribune December 22, 29, 2022 and January 5, 12, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: SCV-22-000029

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: Haley Adams filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name Haley Adams Proposed Name Haley Barrera

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter 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 a 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 to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 2/17/2023 Time: 8:30 AM Dept: B

b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Superior Court-North Div., Shafter-Wasco Branch, 325 Central Valley Highway, Shafter, CA 93263

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Wasco Tribune Date: 12/14/22 /s/Marcos R. Camacho JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Publish Wasco Tribune December 22, 29, 2022 and January 5, 12, 2023