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Council OKs \$80K to tell city's story

JAMIE STEWART
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SHAFTER

The Shafter City Council approved a contract with Chandlerthinks LLC to "build a story" for the city, showcasing its assets and its vision.

Business Development Director Bob Meadows told the council Tuesday night that the city needs to take steps to increase and broaden its economic development. This includes creating a brand, a competitive identity that shares with the world the story of Shafter.

This is common practice in private business, even for smaller companies, and is becoming more common and necessary among municipal organizations, he said.

The city will pay Chandlerthinks \$80,000 to create the story to build economic development and unify the city as part of that process.

Steve Chandler, owner of Chandlerthinks, said that there would be a process in the beginning that would bring together

residents, business owners, city staff and leaders together to provide input on what the story of Shafter would include. Chandler said that the process will take five to seven months.

In other action, the council approved a contract not to exceed \$500,000 to Spohn Ranch, who will be providing and installing new equipment at the Community Skate Park located on East Euclid Avenue, next to the Shafter Youth Center. The existing equipment is over 20 years old. The funding is coming from a \$670,000 Clean

California grant. The remainder of the money will be used to improve the landscaping and lighting at the skate park in a separate project.

The council also discussed options on the improvement of the landscaping around City Hall, including a possible plan of installing artificial turf instead of real grass, which they said would reduce maintenance costs. As part of a future plan, they also discussed possible plants and trees on the site, which would be mature trees and plants, preferably drought resistant.



Chief Charlie Fivecoat.

Wasco and its police chief have a vision

VERONICA JACUINDE
 Wasco Tribune

WASCO

Deterring crime in the city has been an elusive goal for years for the Kern County Sheriff's Office and Wasco city leadership. Now, the chief of the new Wasco Police Department, Charlie Fivecoat says he will do what it takes to address public safety.

"We are still in the process of establishing the Police Department, and crime prevention strategies are still being developed. Ultimately, we will have a visible presence in the community, and all our enforcement strategies will be in part based on our collaboration with the citizens," Chief Fivecoat said in an interview last week.

To reduce crime in the city, he explained, "Citizens and the Police Department must build mutual trust and respect. It will require all of us to successfully address the public safety issues."

The new department will play a significant role in combating crime "by

being highly visible and actively engaged in the community," he said.

The gangs in Wasco that pose challenges.

"There is a Southern gang presence in the community. Wasco Rifas 13 is the local gang, but there are other associate gang presences." Like most criminal enterprises, the local gangs are involved in any profitable endeavor like drugs, vehicle thefts, robberies and street violence.

The worst crimes? "All crime is unacceptable," Fivecoat said.

When asked what he believes is the root cause of crime in Wasco, he said, "There are many economic and social issues that affect crime. I believe there is a breakdown in the family, and that socialization is often determined by peer and popular culture instead of strong family support. Children need to grow having hope and belief in their value."

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FOCUS ON FARMING | Alvie Snow Farms

Keeping up with a changing environment

VERONICA JACUINDE
 Wasco Tribune

WASCO

Alvie Snow Farms was established in 1952 and named for the owner, Alvie, who moved from Oklahoma to Wasco in 1951.

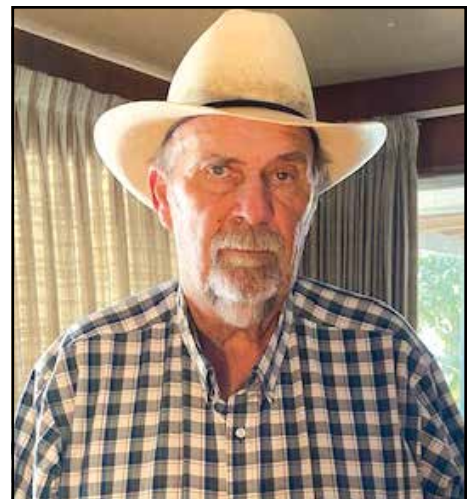
Alvie died in a farm accident on his property in 1979 at age 62. The farm then passed to his wife, Betty, daughter Beverly and his two sons, Ronnie and Ricky. Ronnie's son Casye is also farming now, so it's third generation operation.

They grow almonds and alfalfa, but before farmed mainly cotton, alfalfa, sugar beets and grains.

"Cotton got to the point where you just couldn't make money," Ronnie said.

He said farming in Wasco has changed. "It used to be that 95% were family

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Ronnie Snow has been farming for almost 50 years.

\$5 million for new WPD headquarters

VERONICA JACUINDE
 Wasco Tribune

WASCO

The city has been awarded \$5 million for the development of a new Wasco Police Department station, which will be built at the current Kern County Sheriff's Office substation site.

Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains led the effort to secure the funding in the state budget for direct investments to improve public safety and the quality of life for residents of Kern County.

State Sen. Melissa Hurtado also strongly advocated for the funds.

The funding also included \$5 million each for the construction of a new police station in McFarland.

"We ask our police officers to do so

much for our communities, but too often, the police stations they work out of are outdated and insufficient for the job," Dr. Bains said.

"I am proud to give something back for their service. The officers in McFarland deserve this. As the City of Wasco recruits and hires its new police force, I hope the promise of a new police station will help attract the best and brightest to serve the city."

Chief Charlie Fivecoat said, "We are so excited to receive \$5 million for a new Wasco police station. The city government infrastructure was built in the 1940s, and we have truly outgrown the space available."

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School districts vary in covid progress

JAMIE STEWART
 The Shafter Press

SHAFTER

Each school district in California received a portion of over \$5 billion in emergency funding to help repair the state's educational system and get the students back on track after the covid crisis that saw students suffer setbacks in learning.

One of the highest allotments went to the Kern High School District, which received over \$106 million. This funding is going to extended hours of learning, more

extensive summer school programs, tutoring, and a host of other programs that are aimed at getting the students caught up in their progress.

With over 30 schools in the district, it is not clear what portion of that money is earmarked for Shafter High School. As a whole, the district has spent \$26 million of earmarked funds.

The Richland School District was allotted \$11.1 million. The state requires at least 20% of the money be spent on what

they call Student Loss Recovery – programs designed to help students catch up.

Richland has so far spent \$4.3 million of this money, 38% of the total. But, with \$4.08 million being spent in the "general" category, only \$186,000 of the money has been spent specifically on the Student Loss Recovery effort, a little over 8% of their allotted amount.

Numerous attempts to contact Superintendent Rosa Romero have gone unanswered, as well as calls to Richland Finance Director Martin Rodriguez.

Locally, Rio Bravo Greeley School Dis-

trict was allotted \$1.24 million, which has all been spent. In Wasco, the Wasco Union Elementary School District received an allotment of \$15.3 million, with \$5.2 million of that spent. About \$3 million of the spent money was earmarked for the Student Loss Recovery programs.

GROW Academy in Shafter was allotted \$1.3 million, with \$1.2 million spent so far.

The districts have to have earmarked the money allotted to them by September 2024, with actual expenditures by Jan. 1, 2025.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cooling center – 2023 Kern County Cooling Center (Centros De Enfriamiento Condado De Kern 2023) at 505 Sunset Ave. at the Walker Senior Center in Shafter from 1 to 8 p.m. Sponsored by Kern County Aging & Adult Services.

First Friday – City of Shafter Downtown Summer Concert Series with music, food, vendors, fun. Friday, Aug. 4, at downtown center, 4-9 p.m. Sponsorships available by contacting Rachel Zermeno at rzermeno@shafter.com.

Backpack giveaway – Back to School backpack giveaway Sunday, July 23, at Wasco Tabernacle of Praise, 812 9th St. Free hotdogs and backpacks while supplies last.

Movie premiere – Congregational Bible Church showing "The Essential Church" before the movie makes it to theaters. Seating is limited; call church for free tickets 661-746-2187. Movie is rated PG-13 for some thematic elements and violent content. Please use discretion if you're planning to bring your children. Movie starts at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 23.

50-year reunion – Wasco High class of 1973 is looking for classmates for their 50-year reunion Saturday, Oct. 7. Contact Marta Rodriguez-Poe at mapoe1982@gmail.com or 661-303-3770.

Summer youth program – Shafter Youth Center free summer program. Registration at www.cpak.org or call 661-746-8235. Runs to Friday, Aug. 4. Sports, arts and crafts, computer lab, STEM activities and field trips.

ONGOING

Basic office skills classes – Wasco Adult School offers Bakersfield College basic office skills certificates. Register now. Call 661-758-7414 for more information.

PRIDE Pantry donations needed – Help hurting families at Shafter High through donations of personal hygiene items, clothing, household items and nonperishable food. Drop off at the school office, 526 Mannel Ave. Call Katie Young at on-campus intervention, 661-746-4961.

MONDAY

North Kern 4H – Meetings are held at Karl Clemens cafeteria at 7 p.m. the 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 the first and third Tuesday of the month at City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave.

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

Wasco Woman's Club – Meetings 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 – Meals offered the first and third Tuesday of the month at 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.

Summer Events–Shafter Library & Learning Center Wednesdays July 19th & 26th Books in Motion 12 p.m.

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. Visit wuhs.wascohuhsd.org for agenda information.

Wasco Recreation and Park board – Meetings 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.

Summer Events– Shafter Library & Learning Center July 27 th Life of a Butterfly presented by Insect Lore at 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

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 aplicacion para programar una recojida de estas articulos. Este servicio es gratis para todos los residentes de la ciudad de Shafter (core residents).

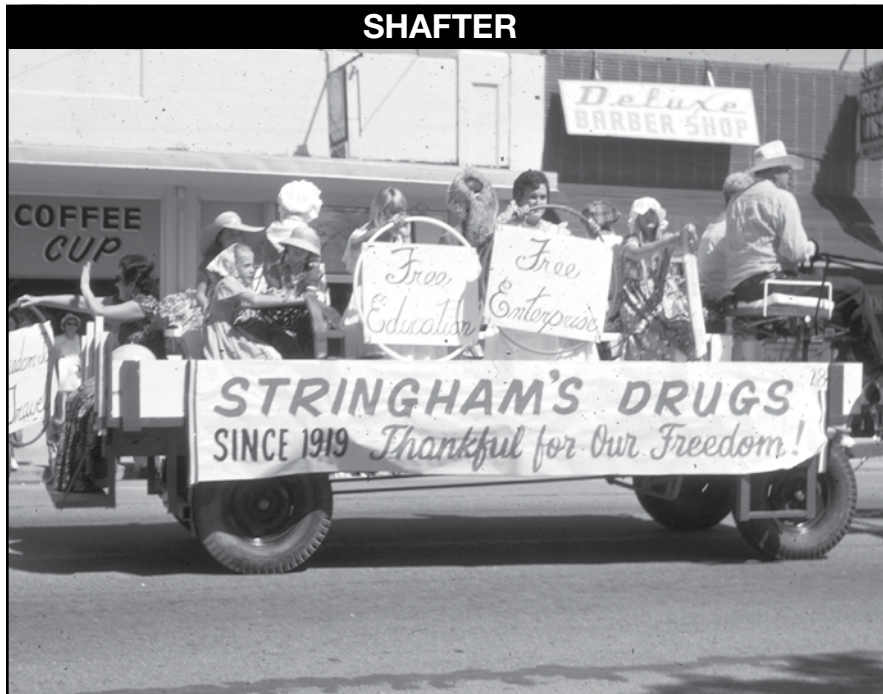
SATURDAY

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

Green Hotel tours – Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from 10:30 a.m.-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.

Minter Field Air Museum – Open Fridays and Saturdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at 401 Vultee, Shafter. Admission free, donations accepted.

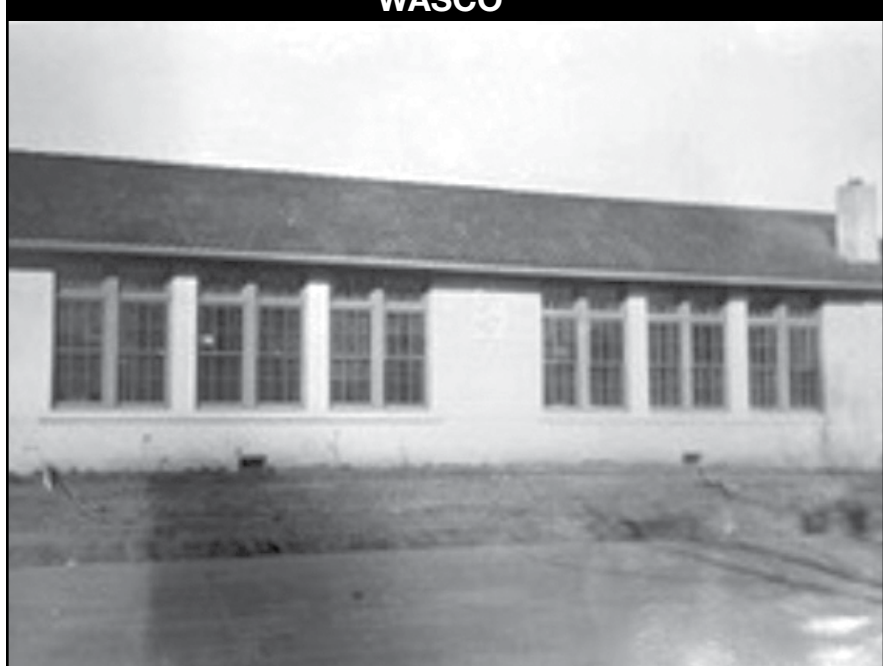
Mystery history



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:** Jesse Sabedra at Mexican Colony – now La Colonia – in the 1940s.



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ARREST REPORT

SHAFTER

As reported by the Shafter Police Department

JULY 10

Heather Nicole Wiley, 37, of Shafter, was arrested in the 700 block of Griffith Avenue for possession of a controlled substance for sale, possession of unlawful paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance while armed with a loaded firearm and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Rolando Cesar Saenz, 36, of Shafter, was arrested in the 700 block of Griffith Avenue for possession of a controlled substance for sale, felon prohibited to own firearm, ammunition, etc., possession of unlawful paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance while armed with loaded firearm and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Raul Zamora Cabrera, 39, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Avenue for obstruction, possession of marijuana over 1 ounce/28.5 grams

for sale and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

JULY 11

Arthur Joseph Martinez, 39, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of East Lerdo Highway for disorderly conduct: intoxication of drug with alcohol.

JULY 12

Octavio Luis Gamino, 30, was arrested in the 600 block of Central Valley Highway for forging/altering a vehicle registration, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of an open container and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Jose Antonio Hernandez Bautista, 47, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of West Fresno Avenue for threatening to commit a crime with intent to terrorize, battery on a spouse, damaging a wireless communication device and exhibiting a deadly weapon other than firearm.

JULY 13

Joshua Oros, 29, of

Shafter, was arrested in the 600 block of James Street on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a felony charge.

JULY 14

Carla Mercado Vargas, 42, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Shafter Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

Rosendo Tellez Jr., 27, of Shafter, was arrested on the Venable Avenue and Central Valley Highway on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a felony charge and bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

or charge.

Arthur Joseph Martinez, 39, of Shafter, was arrested in the 300 block of South Shafter Avenue for possession of a controlled substance, destroying evidence and obstruction.

JULY 15

Nicholas Mendez Sanchez, 45, of Shafter, was arrested at South Shafter Avenue and Orange Avenue for battery on a person.

Nicolas Rivas Chavez, 42, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Valley Highway for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Julio Carrasco Chavez,

31, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Valley Highway for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

JULY 16

Andy Martinez, 27, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Valley Highway for assault with a deadly weapon: not a firearm.

Alejandra Yasenia Astorga, 28, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of Walker Street for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

BUTTONWILLOW

As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, But-

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JULY 10

Earl Ince, 29, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5100 block of Judd Street in Bakersfield for a felony no bail warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

JULY 13

Christopher David Miles, 32, of Bakersfield, was arrested at the intersection of 7th Standard Road and Brandt Road in Buttonwillow for a misdemeanor warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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"Because life is worth seeing"

Barbie girls prepare for Rose Queen pageant

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

WASCO

The Miss Wasco Rose Queen Pageant will take place on Thursday, Sept. 7, at the Wasco High School Auditorium. This year 15 young women are competing for the coveted title, and the theme is Barbie.

They are Abigail Martinez, Alyse Biggs, Natalia Crane, Amaia Marquez, Aleena Lopez, Ruby Macias, Addison Vasquez, Yesenia Hernandez, Devanie Caban, Xitlalic Trujillo, Monique Martinez, Madison Martinez, Esmeralda Rodriguez, Jasmine Barbosa and Silvia Inzunza.

There are four pageant directors: Nicole Sanchez, Hailey Coyle, Sydney Bocker and Debbie Mehlberg.

Sanchez said of the contestants, "They are doing awesome, working hard, learning lots of dancing and having fun bonding with each other."

She added, "They are smart, articulate, and bring much energy to practice."

Practice is on Tuesday and Thursday for four hours each session. "It's always 100% effort at practice," Madison Martinez said.

One of the biggest challenges is "Just keeping up with everything we've learned so far. It's a lot, but it will all be worth it once we have it down."

All of the girls are really excited. Xitlalic Trujillo said, "I've always wanted to do it since I was a little girl. It's a special experience I wouldn't want to miss out on."

Her favorite part so far has been getting close to the other contestants. "And learning new traits such as how to handle things with grace."

On the big day, the girls will strut on stage at the pageant to showcase their talents in categories including dance, singing, physical fitness, formal gown, modeling and interviews.

Monique Martinez said she is nervous about dancing but believes her experience as a cheerleader will help her shine on stage.

"Cheerleading has made me more confident, and I will show that at the pageant."

Monique Martinez said she, too, feels nervous. "But I'm going to overcome that by smiling and enjoying the moment."

Madison said if she wins the title, she will take pride in being a representative for the town of Wasco.

The competition is fierce as all of the girls exude positivity and a desire to bring forth their best.



The sentiment among the girls is that they are excited about building life-long friendships.

"Even though we are competing against each other, we are all really good friends," Monique said.

Aleena Lopez shared that she has looked up to the queens of the past.

"I couldn't wait for the chance to run. So far, it's been a great experience and an opportunity to build a family-like bond."

She added that she would feel honored if she won.

"And overwhelmed in a good way to be part of this beautiful community. I was raised in Wasco, and growing up here has been amazing with the community's help. I also hope to help them and plan to do that."

Children's Theater sweetens the summer

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Shafter Children's Summer Theater group is preparing to put on their production of "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory" late this month, bringing the entertaining classic to real life in Shafter.

The production will be featured from July 28-30, with performances Friday, Saturday and Sunday night beginning at 7 p.m. Prices are \$15 each.

The production features a cast of veterans, with the majority of the players having experience in past efforts. Camryn Yasenchak will take on the title role of Willy Wonka, with Archie Dransoff playing the role of Charlie Bucket, who finds one of the golden tickets hidden in five Wonka bars.

In the play, the five tickets are hidden



The cast of "Willy Wonka" prepares for opening night.

in the candy bars, with the five winners getting to have a tour of Wonka's infamous chocolate factory. Rounding out the major players in the cast are Micah Neufeld as Grandpa Joe, Bailee Payne playing dual roles as Mrs. Gloop and the Candyman. Also pulling double duty is Caleb Kohler, who plays Augustus Gloop and Slugworth. For the part of Violet Beauregarde, the gum-popping brat, it is played by stage

veteran Grace Givens. Givens was also a part of last year's production of "Seussical." Lauren Arambula is playing the part of Veruca Salt, and her father is played by Scott Olsen. Zori Rodriguez is taking on the role of Mike TeeVee, and Giulietta Scialabba plays his mother.

The play follows Bucket as he wins one of the golden tickets when he found it in a bar of chocolate. Enigmatic candy

maker Willy Wonka uses the contest to give five lucky kids a free tour of the factory, and a little surprise that is waiting for the last man standing on the tour.

The Shafter Children's Summer Theater is the creation of founder Cris Starrh, who was looking for something for her children to do during the summer. This was over 20 years ago, with the group getting bigger each year.

Seniors staying active and healthy

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The seniors who live in Shafter have a chance to stay healthy and active with participation in programs offered by the Shafter Recreation and Parks District, all free of charge.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, participants work out in the activity center at the Walker Senior Center, doing a chair fitness class that keeps their muscles moving as they do exercises to music, while sitting in a chair. The routines help the seniors with flexibility, endurance and coordination. According to Adult Services Coordinator Maria Martinez, the programs help keep our seniors busy. "The people love the fitness classes, with some of them enjoying maybe their only exercise during their week."

On a recent Tuesday, Mari Cruz Ruibal from Dignity Health led the fitness class as she had the seniors lifting their hands, mov-

ing their feet with stepping, and moving their heads and the rest of their body to the music.

They had just finished an arts and crafts class before the fitness session, creating their own butterflies out of plastic beads, which they attached to pieces of construction paper. The results were a very colorful display.

Martinez said that the two classes are just two examples of the many activities that are offered for anyone interested. "We have an outing once a month, where we will take them to the library in Bakersfield, or the Kern River, or sometimes the beach. Just a nice outing where they can relax, enjoy some travel and fellowship."

There is also lunch served at the Senior Center, which is also free. It meets all of the nutritional guidelines suggested by Kern Public Health. They do take donations, but no one is turned away because of an inability to pay.



Seniors enjoy stretching and moving to the music.

Also working to keep the seniors of Shafter safe, they operate a cooling center on the site, depending on the temperature on that particular day. If the day is forecast for 105 degrees or higher, the center is open from 1 to 5 p.m. There are games, books and other activities that the seniors can participate in while keeping cool and safe.

"I just love the programs," said Juanita Hernandez, who participates in a number of the activities. "I like to keep busy, and these programs are a great way for me to get some exercise and enjoy great company at the same time."

For more information, contact the Shafter Recreation District office at 661-746-3033.

ARREST REPORT

WASCO

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

JULY 10

Jose Santos Sanchez, 64, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Mintzie Monserat Sanchez, 37, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

JULY 12

Ashley Crouch, 36, of Shafter, was arrested near the intersection of Birch Avenue and 12th Street on a felony bench warrant. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Jermaine Robert Maston, 38, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of D Street and 16th Street on felony and misdemea-

or bench warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Marco Pergis, 41, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Poso Street and F Street for felony battery with serious bodily injury, assault with a deadly weapon: not a firearm, prohibited from owning ammo, and misdemeanor driving with a suspended license. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

JULY 13

Christopher Martinez, 28, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1900 block of D Street for misdemeanor domestic violence, stalking and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail. Alexis Nacom Melgar Lopez, 26, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 9th Place and Broadway Street for misdemeanor disorderly conduct: drunk in public. He was booked into the

Kern County Jail.

JULY 14

Evelyn Janine Sandoval, 32, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Griffith Avenue and

Margalo Street for felony vehicle theft, misdemeanor false ID, petty theft, obstructing an officer: resisting arrest, delaying a peace officer, making a fictitious check and possessing an ac-

cess card with intent to use. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Alonzo Anthony Garnica, 32, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Griffith Avenue and Margalo Street for felony vehicle theft, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance paraphernalia, unauthorized use of other's ID, making a fictitious check,

petty theft and possessing an access card with intent to use. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Joaquin Carranza Sanchez, 36, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1500 block of Shamrock Court on felony bench warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

JULY 16

Robert Gonzalez, 61, of Wasco, was arrested in

the 1200 block of Highway 46 on misdemeanor bench warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Rojelio Maza Garcia, 28, of Wasco, was arrested in the 900 block of 6th Street for felony inflicting corporal injury on spouse and misdemeanor violation of a court order to prevent domestic violence. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.



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WPD moves ahead with cars, security, ammo

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

The City Council approved several resolutions in support of the development of the Wasco Police Department at their meeting Tuesday night.

A highlight was the approval to purchase five new Ford Utility Interceptor AWD police vehicles, including emergency lighting and up-fitting equipment for slightly over \$401,000.

The council additionally approved an agreement with American Business Machines to design, install and support an upgrade of the city security project for \$367,386.

The current city surveillance system is over 10 years old. The manufacturer no longer supports the software and cameras.

WASCO

Several cameras have experienced degradation in image quality and reliability.

At present, the camera system operates and stores video footage on physical servers that are also obsolete. An updated video management system will provide a more secure and full-featured foundation for the city's surveillance infrastructure. A reliable and full-featured security surveillance system will be critical for the launch of the Wasco Police Department.

Finalizing and executing a construction agreement with Crosswhite Construction Inc. was also approved to remodel the new Police Department dispatch area, lobby and server room to accommodate the new



Art Sherwyn

911 communications center and network infrastructure.

"It was a blessing for us to get all of that together. That is a critical piece of the infrastructure, and we really can't start providing services until all that infrastructure is in," Chief Charlie Fivecoat said.

The council also okayed a \$4,400 purchase agreement with Dooley Enterprises for Police Department small arms ammunition to be used to train new police officers.

In other news, artist Art Sherwyn shared

progress and an idea of what is being planned to re-do the downtown street landscape along 7th Street between G Street and Broadway.

In January 2022, the council approved a resolution authorizing a \$5 million grant application to the Clean California Grant Program for this.

Part of the project includes public art installations in four locations (three pedestrian alleys and the open plaza).

The staff has worked with Sherwyn to select themes and art styles for each designated location. He has selected concepts and materials that will be unique and low maintenance over time.

"It's a big challenge, something new to me, but I certainly enjoyed the challenge," Sherwyn said.

Wasco and its police chief have a vision

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Chief Fivecoat said that residents worried about crime should all be concerned.

"We should all realize it will take all of us to police our community."

To keep the community feeling safe and confident about law enforcement protecting the town, he the city and its law enforcement needs a focus, "The elected officials, your City Council, understand the policing needs for the community and have created the vision for the new Wasco

Police Department."

"The city staff and many local community organizations have been working diligently to provide a good local police agency. My job as your chief is to build a culture of mutual respect and concern for the dignity of all our citizens. Protecting our town will require that all of us, police and citizens, work together."

He will aim to recruit and hire as many as possible from Wasco for the WPD.

"We will have police officers that were

raised in Wasco and some who still live here. We are attempting to hire as many residents as possible and will be augmenting our recruitment with trained lateral officers from other agencies."

"Eventually, we will recruit local candidates for the police academy. The department will ultimately have 23 officers and seven dispatch and records employees."

Sergeant Corey Stacey of the Kern County Sheriff's Office Wasco substation provided recent statistics.

"Year to date, we have responded to 4,235 calls for service within the City of Wasco. There have been 144 felony arrests and 176 misdemeanor arrests. The crimes we respond to the most lately are vehicle thefts. There have also been several assaults, robberies, burglaries and thefts."

"Because we are a contract city, these numbers are from within the City of Wasco. Unfortunately, crime has been on the rise over the last several years across the nation, which includes Kern County."

Keeping up with a changing environment

From Page 1

farms, and now only about 5% are family owned and corporations own the rest."

Ronnie said the difference is that corporations have a lot more financial backing. "Most farmers still have to borrow from the banks. It's harder for us to compete with the larger corporations," he said.

He said his most lucrative crop is almonds. "But right now, almonds are not very good because of the price we sell. It used to be we got around \$3 a pound for them, and now it is around \$1.50/\$1.60 a pound. It's half of what it was."

He said that all of his farming costs have gone really high. "With the labor, water, power, chemicals and fertilizers [it's tough]."

Prior to farming, Alvie worked overseas in the pipeline industry in Venezuela, Brazil and India.

"He was out of the States for about eight year," Ronnie explained.

When he returned, his brothers bought a farm and made him a third partner. At the time, they farmed and owned a car dealership in Wasco, too.

Alvie married Betty in 1953.

"Mom was a field worker chopping cotton for my dad. She was his employee when he married her. He was 36, and she was 18."

They went on to have three children who were all born and raised in Wasco, attending local schools and graduating from Wasco High School.

Ronnie, who has lived in Wasco for 66 years, also graduated from Wasco High School in 1975, working on the farm right afterward.

Ronnie's marriage to Dianna is a love story. He met his wife in Wasco. They had a date on Friday, another on Saturday, and

he asked her for marriage that same day. They have been married for 44 years.

They have three children and seven grandchildren and are preparing for a third great-grandbaby.

He said Wasco has been a nice place to live and farm.

"I love Wasco. It's changed, but I'll probably die here. It's home. It's always been home."

Regarding the changes, he said, "We used to have our local police department, and we had very little crime. It was mostly mom-and-pop businesses, and we pretty much knew everybody."

He said the changes started when the prisons came in, bringing different people to town, "although many of my family works at the prison or have retired from there."

Ronnie said farming in Wasco has some advantages and disadvantages.

"We've got a couple of water districts where other places don't. It has changed since the drought and water situation. Staying in business is hard with all the rules and regulations compared to what we used to have."

He also has trouble with illegal dumping. "It happens all the time," he said. "It is a daily thing."

Plus, he has experienced crime, stolen vehicles, vandalism and thievery on his farm.

The best part of being a farmer for him is that he gets to be his own boss.

"It's something our dad started, and we will continue doing."

He doesn't plan on retiring soon.

"I really don't plan to, but my wife would like me to. I've worked all my life and wouldn't know what to do with myself. Hopefully, Wasco continues to be a good place to live and farm."

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Reyna's passion: Make Wasco even better

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

Councilmember Gilberto Reyna has a long history as a community activist dating even before June 2015, when he was appointed to serve on the City Council and later as mayor pro tem.

In December of 2017, he was selected by the council to hold the position of mayor for 2018, five months in 2021 and a year term in 2022.

He said seeing a need to improve the health and safety of residents motivated him to embark on a career in politics.

"That was my initial motivation to become a public servant, and it is still a driving force in many of the projects I am involved in."

His endeavors have taken on many forms.

"Working with other organizations, we promote healthy eating habits by having monthly free distributions of fruits and vegetables.

"We have also addressed our community's mental health by partnering with the Community Health Initiative of Diginity Health and the St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church to provide free workshops and resources to everyone, especially to family members suffering from



Councilmember Gilberto Reyna, with Tony Renteria and Andrew Parra of Bike Bakersfield, has championed promoting bicycle safety and alternative transportation methods in Wasco.

these widespread and much-stigmatized illnesses such as anxiety and depression."

Reyna is working on pressing issues important to the city and said public safety is paramount.

"The wave of crime our city is suffering is unprecedented. Having our Wasco Police Department is a major step in addressing much of the lawlessness our community is experiencing. With Chief [Charlie] Fivecoat at the helm, things are moving forward fast."

"As the WPD grows, we will need to build a new police station; to this end, I have advocated closely with Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains and Senator Melissa Hurtado to secure \$5 million in funding for the department."

Pedestrian and alternative transportation safety is also essential to him.

"As a Kern Council of Governments board member, I have been championing more bike lanes funding and robust pedestrian-activated crossing signals. In

March, Caltrans awarded Wasco \$469,080 to install a HAWK signal on Highway 46 at Poplar Ave and \$249,990 to install flashing beacons on Highway 43 at 8th Street."

Reyna said these efforts are a collaborative partnership with the other city council members and staff he works with.

"In most instances, efforts to obtain project funding would not be successful without our professional, dedicated team. They are the ones that do the heavy lifting, and I appreciate them all greatly."

Reyna was instrumental in launching a pay-for-vaccination program.

"Working with our collaborators at Kern Sol and the Kern County Health Department, our health fairs and monthly vaccination clinics have provided the most up-to-date covid-19 and flu vaccines to our residents and the public for about 18 months."

He worked with the council to improve the community's vaccination rate and obtained approval to use ARPA funds for the purchase of gift cards for Wasco residents who get the vaccine at the clinics.

Reyna said providing this incentive has increased the numbers of those vaccinated in Wasco, preventing severe illness or even death.

He sends a special message to the community.

"I am passionate about serving Wasco; feel free to reach out if you need help."

Strata Credit Union getting set to launch new office

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

Strata Credit Union will open its doors in October/November of this year. It will be a resource to residents by providing a local option to traditional banks.

Founded in 1949, Strata Credit Union is a federally insured, not-for-profit financial cooperative that serves Bakersfield and Kern County. The bank offers a wide range of financial products and services, including checking and savings accounts, loans, credit cards and investment products.

"Strata Credit Union is extremely excited to open in Wasco because we see a great opportunity to serve the community. Wasco is a growing city with a strong economy, and Strata Credit Union believes that our products and services will be a valuable asset to the community," Marketing Officer Eric Duhart said.

The bank will serve an important role in the community.

"Strata Credit Union is committed to making a positive impact on the Wasco community by providing financial services, supporting community involvement, stimulating economic development and providing education programs."

Strata differs from traditional banks because it is owned by its members, not by shareholders.

"This means that the profits of Strata Credit Union do not go to shareholders, but instead go back to the members in the form of lower rates, higher dividends and better services."



A rendering of the interior and exterior of Strata Credit Union.



He added that Strata Credit Union typically has lower fees than a bigger bank. This is because the credit union is not trying to make a profit.

The facility is a full-service branch located at 2830 Highway 46.

"It's a state-of-the-art facility that features a variety of amenities, including drive-thru ATM, walk-up ATM, personal bankers and tellers who are available to help you with your financial needs."

"Our online banking is secure, safe, easy to use and free. You can manage your account, transfer funds, and send deposit checks remotely and more with just a few clicks."

"If you live, work, worship or attend school in Kern County, you can become a member of Strata Credit Union. To open an account, you need a valid ID (with current address) or ITIN letter and the minimum deposit (\$5 for share savings and \$25 for free checking)."

Strata aims to be active in the community.

"We are thrilled to be a part of the Wasco community and to make a positive impact. We have and will continue to champion local community events, collaborate with local businesses, ignite financial education programs, and empower residents with financial resources."

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PET OF THE WEEK

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Everyone is welcome to adopt from our facility, and we like to give everyone the same opportunity to adopt. Adopters can be from out of town and/or local. We do not place holds for adoptions. Adopters are responsible for transportation.

It is on a first-come, first-serve basis, beginning at 8 a.m. on the date they are available. You are welcome to call us the day before their availability to ensure the pet is still for adoption. Rescue pulls will be on a first-come, first-serve starting at 10 a.m. the first day of the animal's availability.

More information is available by email-



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The kids learned how to move laterally while in their stance.



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Camp teaches kids on and off the mat

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

SHAFTER

The Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church held its annual Summer Wrestling Camp this week, with about 30 kids wanting to learn the basics of the sport.

Headed up by Pastor Pat Coyle, the camp is designed for beginners, as well as those who have a little wrestling experience.

It teaches the kids basic techniques, such as the proper stances, takedown moves, and escapes. It also touches on different workouts they can do to improve their flexibility, endurance, and fitness.

Coyle, who is a former competitive wrestler, has years of experience in teaching the sport, as well as being a competitive

wrestler in high school and college. He is helped by former wrestlers of the camp, as well as current wrestlers for the Shafter High Generals and the Shafter Spartans.

Coyle carries that passion for wrestling into his desire to teach and help the youth of Shafter and the surrounding area as they learn the sport of wrestling.

A unique trait for this camp is that it not only teaches the kids on the mat, but they also teach them off the mat. This year's theme is "First Move." "First Move refers to people being directed to "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness."

Coyle and his staff volunteers help the wrestlers with their techniques on the mat, while letting them learn in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere, building their confidence and strengthening their knowledge of the sport while giving them a positive perspective.

"This camp helps them prepare for their respective competitive teams as they look to move forward in their wrestling experience."

The camp runs from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. each day, with a special exhibition on Friday in which the parents and friends of the campers can see what the kids have learned and enjoy a dessert at the event. The wrestlers conclude the camp with different matches put on, as well as a demonstration of their newfound skills.

It is a perfect environment for inexperienced wrestlers who are looking to improve their technique in a supportive situation, Coyle says.

"This camp is really awesome," said Rigellio Hernandez, who was watching his son learn the moves for the first time. "He loves wrestling and really wants to get better. This is great!"

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business Name
Abandonment Statement
MC Honey Bees
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Shafter, CA 93263
County: KERN
Mailing address of business:
28598 W. Tulare Ave.
Shafter, CA 93263
Maria De Jesus Fraire
28598 W. Tulare Ave.
Shafter, CA 93263
Business was conducted by: Individual
/s/Maria De Jesus Fraire, Owner
Original FBN Statement File Number:
2019-B5542
Original FBN Statement Filed on:
08/26/2019
This statement of Abandonment
Filed on: 07/17/2023
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: /s/M De La Rosa
Publish Shafter Press July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE
KERN-TULARE WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-13
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS DECLARING ITS
INTENT TO ADOPT A BUDGET
FOR 2024, TO FIX AND COLLECT
2024 STANDBY CHARGES AND
WATER TOLLS, DECLARING
NECESSITY FOR LEVYING
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, AND
CALLING AND NOTICING PUBLIC
HEARING

WHEREAS, the Board has directed the General Manager to recommend a District budget for the year commencing January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024, as well as 2024 standby charges, 2024 special assessments, and water tolls to be levied by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has submitted her recommended budget, a copy of which is available at the District office for inspection, and has made the following recommendations:

1. The amount required to discharge all District obligations for the year 2024 is estimated to be \$14,597,625; and

2. The amount obtained from standby charges is anticipated to be \$1,767,675 levied on about 19,425 acres at \$91 per acre; and

3. The amount obtained from water tolls is anticipated to be \$10,325,623 based on the sale of 19,109 acre-feet of water within the District's Service Area at an average toll of \$540 per acre-foot; and

4. The amount obtained by special assessments is anticipated to be \$2,489,327 on about 19,601 acres of land resulting in a toll of \$127 per acre; and

5. The amount of funds available on the first day of the fiscal year and the amount of miscellaneous revenue estimated to be collected during the fiscal year is \$15,000; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 218 requires the District to hold a majority protest proceeding to adopt an increase in the District's water toll; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2015, the Board held a Proposition 218 majority protest proceeding and set the District's water toll at up to \$640 per acre foot. As there will be no increase in the water toll or change in its methodology, Proposition 218 procedures for the water toll in 2024 are unnecessary, and in future years the District reserves the option to implement the approved rate of up to \$640 per acre foot without additional Proposition 218 proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2022, the

Board held a Proposition 218 assessment ballot proceeding where the District landowners approved a standby charge of \$91 per acre and additional Proposition 218 procedures for the standby charge are therefore unnecessary;

WHEREAS, in connection with an assessment ballot proceeding that the District conducted on August 11, 2022, District landowners approved a special assessment of \$122 per acre subject to increases based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U); and

WHEREAS, the annual application of CPI-U to the special assessment results in a special assessment of \$127, and additional Proposition 218 procedures for the special assessment are therefore unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the District for the Board to declare its intention to adopt the budget, implement the recommendations of the General Manager, and call and notice a public hearing.

The Board of Directors of KERN-TULARE WATER DISTRICT resolves as follows:

Each of the matters set forth above is true and correct and the Board so finds and determines.

The Board declares its intention to (a) adopt the recommended budget for 2024 (b) fix and charge water tolls of up to \$540 per acre foot for water delivered by the District (c) levy and collect 2024 standby charges of \$91 per acre upon land being offered water service by the District, and (d) levy a special assessment of \$127 per acre on all land within the District.

The Board declares its intention to continue its existing policy of refusing to deliver water for use upon lands as to which any levy of a standby charge, Water Toll or special assessment is delinquent.

The Board calls a public hearing regarding the budget and to fix, levy and collect standby charges, special assessments for August 10, 2023, at 2:30 P.M., in the Conference Room of Pandol & Sons, Inc., 33150 Pond Road, Delano, California, at which time and place any person interested, including all persons owning land within the District, may appear and be heard.

The Secretary shall publish this resolution in the manner required by Government Code section 6066 and Water Code section 36601 in The Shafter Press and The Visalia Times-Delta, and mail a copy thereof postage prepaid, to each holder of title to land within the District as shown by the District's assessment roll.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of KERN-TULARE WATER DISTRICT this 13th day of July, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Kent H. Stephens
Andrew Pandol
Andrew Hart
Jeffery Iniguez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Curt Holmes
ABSTAIN: None
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
MAV Pump and Well Service
2023-B4534
3415 Shauna Marie St
Bakersfield, CA 93314
County: Kern
3415 Shauna Marie St
Bakersfield, CA 93314
MAV Energy Solutions, Inc
3415 Shauna Marie St
Bakersfield, CA 93314

State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by: Corporation
Date the business commenced: 07/11/2023
/s/Marcos Valdez, President
Date Statement Filed: 07/12/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/12/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M Hernandez
Publish Shafter Press July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE
SHAFTER RECREATION AND
PARK DISTRICT
NOTICE TO ADOPTION
2023-2024 OPERATING BUDGET
(Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 5788.1
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
PLEASE BE ADVISED that the Board of Directors of Shafter Recreation and Park District reviewed a preliminary budget at a special Board meeting on May 23th, 2023. The preliminary budget is available for inspection at the District office located at 700 E. Tulare Avenue, Shafter California during normal business hours. Please be further advised that the Board will meet to adopt the final budget at 5:00 p.m. on July 25th, 2023, at a special meeting of the District Board, at 505 Sunset Avenue, Shafter, California. Any person may appear at that time and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items.
Publish Shafter Press July 13, 20, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(Elections Code Section: 12112, 10510)
CAWELO WATER DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 7, 2023. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:
2 Directors with terms ending November 26, 2027
The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the District are as follows:
Must be a holder of title to land in the District; the legal representative of a holder of title to land within the District; a person duly authorized to act for and on behalf of a holder of title to land.
The following measures are to be voted on:
None.
Declarations of Candidacy for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained from Cawelo Water District, 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, California 93308. Declarations shall be available commencing on July 17, 2023 (113 days before the election), and shall be filed with the District in person not later than 5:00 p.m., August 22, 2023, the 88th day before the election.
In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made (Elections Code Section 10515).
The candidate is to pay for the publication of a Candidate's Statement pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307.
Dated: July 6, 2023

District Secretary
A copy of this notice in Spanish is available from the Cawelo Water District, 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, California 93308

Una copia de este aviso en español esta disponible de la Cawelo Water District, Cawelo Water District, 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, California 93308
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Prestige Auto Sales
2023-B4439
611 Oak St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
County: Kern
611 Oak St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
Bakersfield Auto Leasing
611 Oak St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by: Corporation
Date the business commenced: 06/01/2023
/s/Azmey Jamaledin, CEO
Date Statement Filed: 07/07/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/07/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Hawt Diggity Dawg
2023-B4386
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
County: Kern
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
Andrea Lynn Duncan
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
The business is conducted by: Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Andrea Lynn Duncan
Date Statement Filed: 07/06/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/06/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M De La Rosa
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Karrie's Kookies
2023-B4387
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
County: Kern
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
Karrie Lynn Rendon
8919 Lanora Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93306
The business is conducted by: Individual
Date the business commenced: 01/01/2023
/s/Karrie Lynn Rendon
Date Statement Filed: 07/06/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/06/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
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By: G Sanchez
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Gather Joy Productions LLC
2023-B4327
9412 Steinbeck Ln
Bakersfield, CA 93311
County: Kern
9412 Steinbeck Ln
Bakersfield, CA 93311
Gather Joy Productions LLC
9412 Steinbeck Ln

PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Krazed Food Truck and Desserts
2023-B4132
Bakersfield, CA 93311
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company
Date the business commenced: 07/13/2018
/s/Michael C. Young, President
Date Statement Filed: 06/22/2023
Date Statement Expires: 06/22/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
Publish Shafter Press June 29, July 6, 13, 20, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Sousa Investigative Services
2023-B4415
5701 Pryor St.
Bakersfield, CA 93308
County: Kern
5701 Pryor St.
Bakersfield, CA 93308
Daniel Allen Sousa
5701 Pryor St.
Bakersfield, CA 93308
The business is conducted by: Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Daniel Allen Sousa
Date Statement Filed: 07/07/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/07/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M Hernandez
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2FMF Knives
2023-B373
15412 Saint Clement Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
County: Kern
15412 Saint Clement Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
Christopher Scott Garrett
15412 Saint Clement Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
The business is conducted by: Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Christopher Scott Garrett
Date Statement Filed: 07/05/2023
Date Statement Expires: 07/05/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M Hernandez
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Houghton High Ranch
2023-B4072
5060 California Ave #900
Bakersfield, CA 93309
County: Kern
5060 California Ave #900
Bakersfield, CA 93309
Wegis & Young Property Management, LLC
5060 California Ave #900
Bakersfield, CA 93309
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company
Date the business commenced: 07/13/2018
/s/Michael C. Young, President
Date Statement Filed: 06/22/2023
Date Statement Expires: 06/22/2028
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
C&J Farm Labor
2023-B3398
3104 Timothy St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
County: Kern
3104 Timothy St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
Jesus Prieto Jr
3104 Timothy St
Bakersfield, CA 93304
The business is conducted by: Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
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PASTOR'S CORNER

Heaven will be worth it all

PASTOR JIM GLASCO
Seventh Standard Pentecostal Church

There's an old song that says Heaven will surely be worth it all. The first verse of that song says, "Often I'm hindered on my way, burden so heavy I almost fall, then I hear Jesus sweetly say, Heaven will surely be worth it all."

Heaven will be worth all the hurt. Down here we have sorrow and suffering, but Heaven will be worth it all. In life we face many discouragements. Psalms. 42:5 says, "Why are you cast

down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted in me? Hope in God and praise him for his help."

Elijah faced discouragement as he sat under a juniper tree, but the Lord gave rest and refreshing.

Many times we face disappointments. Disappointments mess up our dreams. Disappointment is an appointment that got all messed up. The balloon bursts or the bottom drops out, and it creates disappointment. Sometimes the present is too painful and we cry out as in Psalm 55:6, Oh that I had wings like a dove! For

then would I fly away, and be at rest.

Heaven will be worth every struggle, hurt, sorrow and disappointment. Revelation 21:4 says, "God wipes away every tear, and there will be no more death, sorrow, crying and no more pain." Hold on to God in your struggles. Heaven will be worth it all.

Heaven will be worth all the separation. Jesus said he was going to Heaven to prepare us a place, and that we would be with Him there. Now we see through a glass darkly, but in Heaven we will look upon the precious face of Jesus Christ.

Heaven will be worth it all.

There will be no more separation from loved ones who died in the Lord. Heaven will be worth it all. Heaven is a place of reunion with family and friends who were Christians. Heaven is a holy place. No more murder, drugs or alcohol. None which defiles shall enter in. Are you tired of the world's corruption and warped mind? Heaven will be worth it all. Romans 8:18 says, The sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." Heaven will be worth it all.

DEATH NOTICES

Norman Harold Hansen, 85, of Bakersfield, passed away July 8, in Bakersfield. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter. Miguel Cervantes, 88, of Shafter, passed away July 6, in Shafter. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter. Jeanette Bulaga, 84, of Shafter, passed away June

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away July 16, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter. Dianne Stewart, 76, of Shafter passed away July 14, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter. Gerardo Perez Marin, 67, of Wasco passed away July 12, in Wasco. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter. Cipriano Villarreal Quintero, 62, of Delano passed away July 8, in Wasco. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter. Nicanor Abarca Campos, 75, of Buttonwillow passed away July 15, in Buttonwillow. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

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Martinez already looking to Shafter game

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

The Wasco High School varsity football team is gearing up for another great season. Practice is underway, with their first game in early August.

WASCO

Chad Martinez has been the head coach since 2017. He is also a teacher at WHS. He said he hopes the boys have a good experience.

"We're going to be a young team, but they are extremely talented, with a ton of building blocks, and it is the perfect recipe to create great memories."

There are 38 members on the team, made up mostly of sophomores and juniors. They practice Monday through Thursday. "We spend an hour on offense, another on defense and 20 minutes on special teams."

The team gives it their all, Martinez says. "They are tremendously hardworking and fun to be around. They work as hard as anyone in the Valley, and we are working towards a successful season in the fall."

He believes that what makes a good player is the ability to be coached, the ability to be a leader on and off the field and a passion for improvement.

The season runs from early August to late October, finishing the regular season against Shafter.

"That's going to be the big game." They will also play against teams from Delano, Taft and McFarland.



Team picture after beating Shafter High School last year.

Eight other coaches include Joseph Dominguez, Stephen Nored, Dominic Martinez, Dre Hankins, Ed Moreno, Jesse Granados, Kyle Wedel and Alex Gallardo.

Martinez said last year they started off fast. "We did exceptional in the beginning though we had a few injuries and a few guys step up in unfamiliar roles. The team lost a few games towards the middle of the season, but we were still able to beat Shafter High and win the big rivalry game."

He points to a couple of the team's strongest players.

"Leading our returners will be Michael Dominguez as running back. He is a big, tough, physical runner. Our other big offensive threat is Isaiah Acosta."

Martinez said the relationship between academics and athletics is profound.

"Athletics is there to help players learn life lessons but, more importantly, keep their grades up. As a student-athlete, the student part comes first, and we make sure they are keeping up with their studies."

As a coach, he tries to instill values in his players.

"To be accountable, be the hardest worker in the room and believe in what you do."

He added, "I want them to learn that hard work coupled with teamwork is a potent recipe for success. Life is hard, but it's a lot harder if they aren't giving their absolute best every day."

Martinez said he thanks the WHS administration, staff, community, players, and coaches for all their hard work.

"We are gearing up for a huge season, and we are excited for the community to come out for some Friday night football."

\$5 million for new WPD headquarters

From Page 1

able for the new police organization.

"Creating a new Wasco police department has truly been a collaborative effort, and we want to assure everyone that we are working hard to provide the citizens of Wasco with a professional Police Department. We will create a culture that values all of our citizens, and we will work dili-

gently to earn the trust of our community."

Councilmember Gilberto Reyna pushed behind the scenes to get the money for the city.

"Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains and Senator Melissa Hurtado listened to my request to fund a new police station for our soon-to-be-implemented Wasco PD. They worked hard to secure \$5 million for our city in this year's state budget battle,"

Reyna said.

"They are true champions for underserved, disadvantaged communities like ours. I'm grateful for their commitment and effective representation. The \$5 million will help our municipality construct a state-of-the-art police station that will serve Wasco for generations, and I can't thank them enough."

Mayor Vincent Martinez said, "It's going to go a long way towards providing a location for our Police Department to operate from. I want to thank Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains and Senator Melissa Hurtado for advocating for Wasco and the North County."

The City of Shafter also received \$6 million to build a new substation to be located at the Gossamer Grove development.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: Dicksey G. Clark, aka Dicksey Geraldine Clark, Dicksey Clark, and Dicksey Walpole Clark Case Number: BPB-23-002732

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dicksey G. Clark, aka Dicksey Geraldine Clark, Dicksey Clark, and Dicksey Walpole Clark
2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Richard G. Walpole in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern
3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Richard G. Walpole be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
4. 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.)
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terested 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: 08/11/2023 Time: 8:30a.m. 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.
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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. Attorney for petitioner: Vincent J. Oddo, Esq.
Klein, Denatale, Goldner, Cooper, Rosenlieb & Kimball LLP
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T.S. No. 20-61011 APN: 029-272-02-00-8 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/25/2017. 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or

implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: JOSE MARTINEZ, A SINGLE MAN AND ROCIO SANCHEZ PEREZ, A SINGLE WOMAN, AS JOINT TENANTS Duly Appointed Trustee: ZBS Law, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 8/31/2017, as Instrument No. 217117879, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, Date of Sale: 8/16/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale At the front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$198,251.56 Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 909 CEDAR AVE WASCO, CA 93280 Described as follows: As more fully described on said Deed of Trust A.P.N #: 029-272-02-00-8 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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 are or 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 law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the

sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 683-2438 or visit this Internet Web site www.Xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case 20-61011. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (800) 683-2438, or visit this internet website www.Xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case 20-61011 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Dated: 7/11/2023 ZBS Law, LLP, as Trustee 30 Corporate Park, Suite 450 Irvine, CA 92606 For Non-Automated Sale Information, call: (714) 848-7920 For Sale Information: (800) 683-2438 www.Xome.com Michael Busby, Trustee Sale Officer This office is enforcing a security interest of your creditor. To the extent that your obligation has been discharged by a bankruptcy court or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy, this notice is for informational purposes only and does not constitute a demand for payment or any attempt to collect such obligation. EPP 37650 Pub Dates 07/20, 07/27, 08/03/2023 Publish Wasco Tribune

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Foreclosure No. 6970746 APN# 487-102-59 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On August 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., Mid Valley Title and Escrow Company, Trustee, or Successor Trustee or Substituted Trustee of that certain Deed of Trust executed by Pablo Vargas and Josie Martinez, husband and wife, and recorded March 25, 2022 as Instrument No. 222046816, of Official Records of Kern County, California, and pursuant to that certain Notice of Default thereunder recorded March 30, 2023 as Instru-

ment No. 223036016, of Official Records of said County, will under and pursuant to said Deed of Trust sell at public auction for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, a cashier's check payable to said Trustee 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, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, on the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301, all that 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: Lots 195,196,197 and 198 of Lewiston Tract no. 1, according to the map thereof recorded October 15, 1937 in book 4 pages 93, 94, 95 and 96 of maps, Kern County records, being a portion of the south half of the southwest quarter of section 7, township 27 south, range 24 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, according to the official plat thereof. Excepting therefrom all oil, gas, minerals and other hydrocarbon substances, including geothermal rights below a depth of 500 feet, without the rights of surface access, by deed recorded April 22, 2008, doc. No. 0208061796. (X) The street address or other common designation of said property: Vacant land (X)Name and address of the beneficiary at whose request the sale is being conducted: Manston and Copple, PO Box 343, Claremont, CA 91711 Directions to the above property may be obtained by requesting same in writing from the beneficiary within 10 days from the first publication of this notice. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, as to title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the unpaid balance due on the note or notes secured by said Deed of Trust, plus estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Sale: \$27,609.52 NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED MARCH 2, 2022 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. 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 are or 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 insur-

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