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Wasco Police Dept. takes over April 18

VERONICA JACUINDE
 Wasco Tribune

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After much anticipation and excitement, the Wasco Police Department will launch on April 18 and assume law enforcement responsibilities for the City of Wasco.

At about 11 a.m., 911 circuits will begin to roll over from Bakersfield to Wasco. "We'll start to transition service calls from the Kern County Sheriff's Office to the WPD," Chief of Police Charles Fivecoat said Tuesday. "We'll be handling all police responses for the city. We will start operating on the morning of the 18."

Some overlap will occur. "There will be some cross-over during the day as we're coming into the building as they are leav-

ing, but by the end of the day on the 18th, we should have full control of it."

He said his team is ready. "We have nine noncommissioned dispatchers and records personnel with 17 police officers to put out on the street, which we will increase to 23 in the next two months."

He added that he brought in a strong group that joined for the right reasons. "They realized it's not very often in a career that you have an opportunity to be part of a new agency."

"We have brought in some very talented, experienced supervisors. I truly have a very solid lieutenant with Alecio Mora. We put together a good team. People came

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Chief of Police Charles Fivecoat said once he gets the Police Department operational, he plans to redirect much of his focus toward the Police Thletic League programs for youth.



The dance floor was busy all night.

At prom, Generals have a night to remember

JAMIE STEWART
 The Shafter Press

Shafter High students put on formal best and had a night to remember on Saturday night, as they celebrated their prom, dancing to some of their favorite music.

A DJ provided the tunes, a mixture of dance, Tejano and contemporary music, something for everyone.

Students danced with their dates, by themselves, and in big groups, keeping the dance floor busy the entire night. One group who were having a blast were friends Riley Griffin, Marcus Rivas, Adrian Lomeli, Briley Clendeman and Arilia Schialabba.

There also was a line for the photo station, with a machine set up that allowed the students to use a computerized device that took their pictures without a photographer, giving them freedom to pose for a variety of pictures.



Prom King and Queen Fabian Denogean and Janelle Buenrostro.

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There were plenty of snacks for the attendees in a room stocked with chips, pork rinds, candy, pretzels, and salsa, as well as different kinds of cookies. The night was the culmination of hard work by the staff at Shafter High, as

well as the Associated Student Body government students, and the hospitality at the Bakersfield Woman's Club, where the event was held.

The event also included the traditional naming of the Prom King and Queen, Fabian Denogean and Janelle Buenrostro.

Fire chief's 26 years of safety service

VERONICA JACUINDE
 Wasco Tribune

Joe Appleton has 26 years of experience with the Kern County Fire Department, having been promoted through the ranks from firefighter to engineer to captain to battalion chief and finally as fire division chief, where he has served for 2 1/2 years. He enjoys being in the community, helping people and loving the challenge of emergency services.

"As fire division chief, I oversee operations for C shift for the entire Kern County Fire Department, including responding to incidents, fires and rescues, attending training and management of staffing and personnel. I handle many of the daily issues that come up in the department operations. Every day is different."

He is also the liaison to the City of Wasco for the fire service provided by the Kern County Fire Department.

Appleton has lived in Bakersfield all his life. His office is also in Bakersfield. He comes to Wasco for large incidents and oversees the battalion there. He also enjoys attending various community functions in Wasco, such as the Christmas parade, Trunk-or-Treat and other activities.

He said what he most likes about his role is being able to take care of his employees, "who are the ones out there providing the service directly. I supervise eight battalion chiefs and one safety officer and am responsible for 165 people daily on my shift."

He faces challenges in ensuring the safety of his team. "From the perspective of the firefighter, fires progress more rapidly than they did 30 or 40 years ago. Now, there



Fire Division Chief Joe Appleton said his almost three-decade-long career helping people has been gratifying.

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SHS students honor the city in prose

JAMIE STEWART
 The Shafter Press

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Shafter High students from Bronwynn Bowman's freshmen English class were recently assigned the task of writing an Irish poem/reflection about their favorite "happy place."

"The kids wrote about places they love, and places that they find peace, a chill place," Bowman explained.

Two students decided to write about the city of Shafter as their happy place.

Luna Quiroz wrote about the beautiful things that can be seen in Shafter, once you look under the rusty buildings and

withering grass:

I live in Shafter. A place so small, undiscovered.

I sometimes wish that I could move out of this town. I strive to see past the dusty farmland with rusty buildings and withered grass.

But then, underneath that dust and grime, I see the beauty it has to offer. Those I know are here.

Like the murals displayed on the walls have become faded with age. And yet, they are still vivid and alive, telling a tale of how we came to be.

How special we are as a community, it's a

lovely sight to see.

So despite all of the patches of dead grass, the shaken trees threatening my allergies, the "fresh" air smelling like a landfill and the older buildings falling apart, Shafter is a warm, inviting hug.

Shafter has my life, and my love. Shafter is still home, my home."

Henry Wiebe wrote about Shafter as the city where everything grows. He wrote that Shafter has been growing all sorts of things for over 100 years.

We began with cotton and potatoes and now have moved on to rows of almonds and grapes. But, throughout that whole time, the city has continued to grow as

well.

While the summers here feel like hell, and the winters feel as if it has frozen over, those little moments in between, when the almonds are blooming, or when the sun crests over the mountains after a spring rain, makes me glad that I live here instead of any other town.

Shafter, the city that does sleep. But when it wakes up, it's well-rested and ready to do something that helps the town grow.

Bowman said that she loves these tributes to their hometown. "I had all sorts of poems, but these students I thought wrote lovely tributes to their city that they call home."

Community Calendar

The Shafter Press and Wasco Tribune encourage local organizations to let the public know about coming events and activities through this column. Drop off or mail items at the office, 455 Kern St., Suite E, in Shafter, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, call 661-292-5100 or email esoriano@TheShafterPress.com. Deadline is 4 p.m. Thursday prior to publication. Updates will be on TheShafterPress.com and WascoTrib.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dinner event — A Night for Maple fundraiser dinner on Saturday, May 18. The Maple Tradition of Excellence Foundation is proud to support the Maple School District as a non-profit organization. This evening will include a steak/chicken dinner, appetizers, dessert, drinks, a custom espresso bar and live music. We have a number of amazing live and silent auction items with a live auctioneer. Limited number of tickets available and because of sponsors, all tickets purchased and money raised will go 100% toward the work of the foundation. Information, 661-746-4439.

Tire drop-off — Kern County Public Works and Caltrans District 6 host a clean California Tire Drop-Off Day on Saturday, April 6, and a second on Saturday April 20. Free at the Shafter-Wasco Landfill, 17621 Scofield Ave., Shafter.

California agriculture in postcards — The Shafter Library and Learning Center hosts Shafter Depot Museum curator Stan Wilson's presentation. Thursday, April 11, at 6 p.m. 236 James St. Free.

Green Hotel fundraiser — The Green Hotel Foundation is planning an event to replace blinds and window coverings at the hotel on Sunday, May 5. More information to come; limited capacity.

ONGOING

Warm clothing drive — Supervisor David Couch invites the public to donate gently used or new warm clothing through the remainder of the year. Shafter drop off location is 329 Central Valley Hwy.

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 Recreation & Parks District — Meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 505 Sunset Ave., the Shafter Senior Center.

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.

Senior Food giveaway — Westside Family Fellowship hosts free senior food giveaway every fourth Tuesday of the month, 9-10 a.m., 60 or older (ID required). 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

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. Visit wuhs.wascohdsd.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.

Free farmer's market — Westside Family Fellowship hosts every fourth Thursday of the month, 8-10 a.m. 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

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 residents de la ciudad de Shafter (core residents).

SATURDAY

Depot Museum — Shafter Historical Society presents the city's history. Free admittance. 150 Central Valley Highway. Open Saturdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

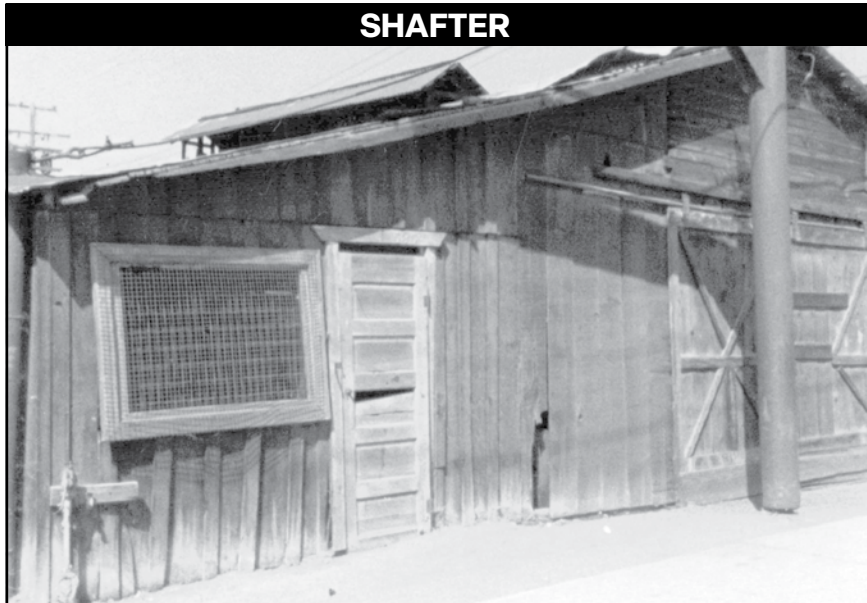
Green Hotel tours — Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information about renting the hotel for events, email thegreenhotel@gmail.com or phone 661-746-1913 and leave a message.

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

Wasco Museum — Open every second Saturday of the month, 1-3 p.m., at 918 6th St. Free to the public. Wasco High School artifacts from over the last 100 years are featured.

Mystery history

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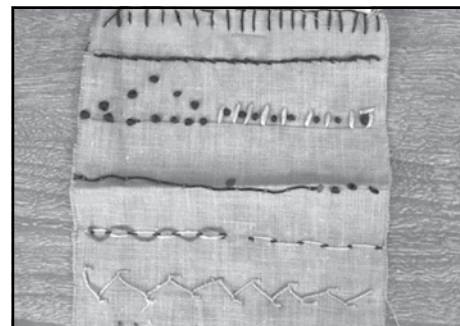
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ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

APRIL 1

Caleb Taylor, 28, of Shafter, was arrested in the 1600 block of Truxton Avenue in Bakersfield for sexual assault, sexual battery, robbery: first degree, battery on an ex-spouse, child abuse and false imprisonment.

Artemio Guerrero, 34, of Shafter, was arrested in the 800 block of Brittany Street for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

APRIL 2

Luis David Palacios Vasquez, 30, of Shafter, was arrested at East Ash and Birch streets for obstruction, disorderly conduct: under

the influence of a drug and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor.

APRIL 4

Fabian Eduardo Garcia, 37, of Shafter, was arrested at Oak Street and State Avenue for disorderly conduct: intoxication drug with alcohol.

Chris May, 47, of Shafter, was arrested in the 300 block of James Street for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

APRIL 7

Emily Liliana Bojorquez, 18, of Shafter, was arrested in the alley of West Ash Avenue for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Alizay Marie Bojorquez, 18, of Shafter, was arrested in the alley of West Ash Avenue for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Selah Rae Perez, 19, of

Shafter, was arrested in the 400 block of South Wall Street for DUI: alcohol, hit and run, vandalism: defacing property and DUI under 21 years.

Leopoldo Mendoza, 47, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of Weidmann Avenue for DUI alcohol and driving without a license.

BUTTONWILLOW

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

APRIL 1

Fabian Aguilar, 19, of Shafter, was arrested in the 30000 block of Paseo De Pico Street in Shafter for a felony Ramey warrant for domestic violence. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Jose Juan Nunez, 47, of

Lost Hills, was arrested at the intersection of interstate 5 south of Twisselman Road in Lost Hills for failure to register as a sex offender. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Earl Ince, 29, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5100 block of Judd Street in Bakersfield on a felony warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

APRIL 2

Roberto Arellano, 47, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5000 block of Willard Street in Bakersfield for domestic violence, false imprisonment and criminal threats. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

APRIL 4

Jason Allen Jauch, 41, of Bakersfield, was arrested at

the intersection of 7th Standard Road and Galpin Street in Shafter for possession of drug paraphernalia and on three misdemeanor warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Mario Corral Hernandez, 34, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5000 block of Coronado Street West in Bakersfield for battery on a spouse/date, kidnapping and false imprisonment. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

APRIL 7

Everardo Del Toro, 33, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 4600 block of Hail Street in Bakersfield on a felony Ramey warrant for Stalking, possession of a controlled substance, petty theft and violation of a domestic vio-

lence restraining order. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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

APRIL 2

Johnny Mendoza Aparicio, 62, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of 11th Street for felony battery with serious bodily injury. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Miguel Angel Gil Torres, 36, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Poso Drive and D Street for misdemeanor violation of a court order to prevent domestic violence. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Shafter preparing for Cinco de Mayo Fest

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Cinco de Mayo Festival has become one of the most popular events of the year in Shafter, complete with a parade and numerous activities downtown and at Mannel Park. The festival kicks off on Saturday, May 4, with the parade, which will be presided over by the Grand Marshal for this year's event, Diana Burnett.

Burnett retired last year from the Shafter Police Department, ending her career with the rank of assistant police chief. Burnett said that she has always loved this festival and is honored and humbled by this honor. "I am so thankful for the committee and the community of Shafter for this honor," she said.

Filled with colorful dancers, classic cars, floats and, of course, horses, the parade is a don't miss for the festival.

Next, the action moves down the street to Mannel Park. There, the day and evening will be filled with almost 100 vendors, with information, jewelry, clothes,

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craft and other retail items. There also will be plenty of food at the event, including tacos, burritos, hot dogs and hamburgers, as well as barbecue and a variety of drink options.

There will be a full slate of music and performers, including mariachis, folklorico dancers and local groups entertaining, as well as the popular group The Moonlighterz, a five-generation band from Bakersfield that have grown into one of the most popular local bands in Kern County. Their unique style of entertainment fuses genres such as Latin, funk, country, rock, oldies and more.

Moonlighterz has opened up for legends such as Malo, Pascado, Lalo Mora and Cardenales.

Headed up by Director Deanna Rodriguez-Root, her daughter Brandi and the Cinco de Mayo Festival Committee, this year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Why the attention to Cinco de Mayo



Deanna Rodriguez-Root and her daughter Brandi head up a group that puts on one of the most popular events in Shafter.

(the 5th of May)? It is taught as an example of determination and courage. Against all odds, an ill-equipped, outnumbered army of young soldiers defeated a sophisticated French force on the 5th of May, 1862, under Ignacio Zaragoza. The French army was attempting to take over and capture Puebla de Los Angeles, a small town in east central Mexico. The battle of Puebla lasted from daybreak to early evening,

and when the French retreated they had lost nearly 500 soldiers to the fewer than 100 Mexicans killed.

Victory at the battle of Puebla represented a great moral victory for these young soldiers and the Mexican government, symbolizing the country's ability to defeat its sovereignty against threat by a powerful foreign nation.

Today Mexicans and Americans alike celebrate the anniversary of the battle of Puebla because the United States, and its president at the time, Abraham Lincoln, supported the victory of the Mexicans. Lincoln sent arms to the Mexicans and would have sent assistance and more support, but at the time the United States was in the middle of the Civil War.

President Lincoln supported the victory of the Mexicans because it kept Napoleon from supplying the confederate rebels for another year, which allowed the United States to build its army. They defeated the confederates at Gettysburg just 14 months after the battle of Puebla essentially ending the Civil War.

Barber Studio makes a move downtown

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

In Shafter, there is a new barber in town, and he offers more than just your everyday haircut.

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Bert's Barber Studio and Salon has a variety of services, making it a one-stop shop for grooming needs.

Albert Camargo and his wife, Evelyn, opened the shop, at 321 Central Ave., in December. Camargo had a barber shop around the corner, which he had opened in 2021. When the new property became available, he decided to take the chance and upgraded to a bigger space. "The space is big enough that we could offer more services than just cuts," Evelyn said.

The shop now has two barbers and two stylists, and Evelyn offers manicures, pedicures and nails. They also offer waxing and facials.

According to Camargo, they stay up on the current trends by doing their research and practical experience. "Fades are still the top draw right now," said Camargo,



Albert and Evelyn Camargo are waiting to serve you.

who offers a wide variety of fades.

Camargo is a Shafter native. "I love the small town feel of Shafter. The community is great and we just love the people here."

Camargo said that he really didn't enjoy cutting hair when he first started. "I was young and just started doing the hair for my family and friends. I realized that



Bert's Barber Studio and Salon take walk-ins and appointments.

I was pretty good at it, and really started liking it a lot, so I decided to pursue it as a career.

The shop welcomes appointments and walk-ins. "At first, I was just doing appointments, because I was the only barber and I hated having to turn people away," said Camargo. "But we have another barber now working so we can take appointments, as well as walk-ins."

Bert's Barber Studio and Salon, 321 Central Ave., is open Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m. -6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Appointments are available but not required, 661-865-9217.

Coin-O-Matic expands services

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

Coin-O-Matic is a self-service laundromat that recently launched a wash, dry and fold service, as well as pick-up and delivery options. It is a family-owned business that Jorge Pimentel, Armando and Vanessa Ramirez took over in 2022.

Armando said in an interview, "Launching these new services will be convenient for customers on the go. We can pick up their dirty laundry and deliver it clean. We'll serve Wasco, Shafter, Delano, Bakersfield, McFarland and Lost Hills."

"For example, If you go on vacation and don't have time, call us, and we will take care of it for a very reasonable price and a



One of 25 modern, state-of-the-art washers at the laundromat.

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10% discount on your first order."

Vanessa said, "So far, we have been very successful because when we got the laundromat, it was in okay condition, but we have had 10 new washers, tables and chairs for clients to sit on. We also upgraded the lighting, added carts and painted the facility."

"We fixed the soap dispenser and the radio to entertain our customers while they wait to wash their clothing, making it a more pleasant place for our clients."

The range of services Coin-O-Matic offers is diverse. Jorge said, "We do anything from comforters to pet beds to sleeping bags. It's not just clothing; we do uniforms and offer variety."

Vanessa said they stand out. "It's our cleanliness, and it's an original laundromat. We're going on our 60 years. It's been the longest of the three laundromats in Wasco, conveniently located off Hwy 46."

"Our customer service is great. They feel comfortable giving us feedback and thanking us for the upgrades. They are grateful for the new amenities."

Armando said he was inspired to launch the business because he has always been fascinated by the laundromat business. "It's always been one of my goals, and we accomplished it." He added that being a business owner is "Night and day from being a regular worker to being a business



Armando and Vanessa Ramirez, with their son Angel and Jorge Pimentel, are excited about launching their new wash, dry and fold service.

owner."

All three are raised in Wasco and say they love the town. When asked why they chose to open their business here, Jorge said, "We wanted to reinvest in the community and jumped on the opportunity when it arose."

"We are here to serve the community

with all your laundry needs. We invite you to try us out, and we promise you will not be disappointed."

Coin-O-Matic, 1517 Highway 46, is open seven days a week, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., with the last wash at 9 p.m. For more information, call 661-772-7575 or visit coinomaticwasco.com.

ARREST REPORT

WASCO

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

APRIL 4

Mercedes Marquez, 47, of Wasco, was arrested in the

1800 block of F Street for misdemeanor vandalism. She was cited and released at the scene.

Miguel Angel Hernandez Matias, 24, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1800 block of F Street for misdemeanor driv-

ing with a suspended license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Brandon Tijerina, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2400 block of Sharon Court for felony possession of a controlled substance for sale,

sale of narcotics, misdemeanor or possession of controlled substance paraphernalia, and on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

APRIL 5

Monserrat Salgado, 20,

of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of Palm Avenue for misdemeanor driving with a suspended license. She was cited and released at the scene.

APRIL 7

Jose Martin Ruiz, 33, of

Wasco, was arrested in the 1400 block of 5th Street for misdemeanor obstructing an officer: resisting arrest and possession of burglary tools. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Wasco High School will host its 5th Annual Community Fair and Pop-Up on Friday, April 12, with over 75 pop-up vendors, representatives from trade schools, junior colleges, universities, and military branches, available to students looking for career options.

To add more fun to the mix, there will be an interactive obstacle course for the kids, making it an evening for the whole family. Whether considering higher education or seeking a dream career, the fair offers a one-stop destination to gather insights and to make informed decisions about the future.

Samantha Wymer is a career guidance technician at the school. "The goal of the event is to create community involvement, a place for the community to come together and enjoy a Friday night. There's something for everyone. It's a family night for future, past and current Tigers to attend at Wasco High."

Some colleges attending include Aeronautical University, Los Angeles College of Music and Milan Institute. There also will be informational booths about Job Corps recruitment and career exploration, and migrant and seasonal Head Start pro-



Community members visiting the Highway Patrol booth at last year's event.

grams, and representatives from Hall Ambulance, Insurance Service and the City of Wasco will be there.

The event allows students and job seekers to network and meet with potential

college recruiters and employers, enabling face-to-face time in a way that may not be fully captured through online applications or resumes alone.

Her advice to someone attending

the fair for the first time is to "visit every booth. If you have questions, ask. No question is too silly to ask, especially at the college booths. Even asking a pop-up vendor, like, 'How did you get started as a small business owner?' So it's a good opportunity for everybody."

She added that it is also an excellent opportunity to support small businesses. "We are not charging our pop-up vendors a fee because our slogan, 'Excellence for All,' isn't limited to our high school students; we believe this slogan carries on even after our students graduate."

The free event will feature live entertainment with the rhythmic beats of steel drum music from the WHS Pan Rocks, led by Music Director Greg Sparks.

The event continues to grow year after year. "Last year, we had 50 vendors, and this year, 75, so it's something people want to be a part of. We've had a great turnout, and I anticipate it will continue to grow."

Wymer extends a warm invitation. "I want to encourage families in the community and surrounding area to attend our community fair that will take place on April 12th from 4 to 8 p.m. It's going to be an event for the entire family."

The fair will be held at Wasco High School, 1900 7th St., on the football field.

Memorial looks to honor more WWII vets

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Kern County World War II Memorial Committee is giving the residents of Kern County another chance to honor World War II veterans on the memorial unveiled last year at Jastro Park in Bakersfield.

According to Shafter native Ed Gaede, one of the directors of the memorial, there are about 900 spots available to add names. "We are excited to offer this opportunity to our residents who wish to honor their loved ones or relatives on this special memorial."

In 1942, there was a front page list in The Shafter Press that named all of the Shafter residents who had entered the military to help with the war. There were almost 600 men and women listed. "According to the census at the time, this was almost 40% of the population that was here one day, and gone to war the next."

Gaede said that the residents of Shafter and Wasco have a lot of history in the war effort, and can take advantage of this op-

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portunity to be recognized.

For \$100, the veteran's name would be added to the memorial that displays that history.

For those interested, the veteran to be honored does not have to be a Kern County resident. "If a Shafter or Wasco resident has a relative from somewhere out of state, they can recognize that veteran on the wall. They don't have to be Kern County residents to be honored on the wall."

Anyone who wants to have someone honored can go to the website kerncountyywiiimemorial.com. They can also call Gaede at 661-343-7658.

The memorial includes a bronze statue of a tearful military wife holding a small child. The art was created by 1997 Foothill High graduate Benjamin Victor. Currently, Victor is creating a statue of Merle Haggard that will be displayed at the Oklahoma Country Music Hall of Fame in Muskogee, Okla.

"He also has three other works of art in Washington, D.C.," Gaede said.

The deadline for orders is June 6, D-Day's anniversary. The memorial with the additional names will be unveiled in Dec. 7, the anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.



Shafter native Ed Gaede at the WWII memorial, next to his relatives honored on the wall.

DTSC PUBLIC NOTICE

DTSC's Mission is to protect California's people, communities, and environment from toxic substances, to enhance economic vitality by restoring contaminated land, and to compel manufacturers to make safer consumer products.

**NOTICE OF 90-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
PROPOSED RENEWAL OF
HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC.
KETTLEMAN HILLS FACILITY
35251 OLD SKYLINE ROAD,
KETTLEMAN CITY, CA 93239**

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to comment on the Draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal (Draft Permit Renewal) for the Chemical Waste Management Inc. Kettleman Hills Facility (Facility). If approved, a Final Permit would be issued for up to a 10-year period, with continued authorization if the Facility meets submittal requirements. The Permit would allow the Facility to transfer, treat, store, and dispose of hazardous waste. The Facility has been in operation since 1979.

DTSC encourages you to comment on the Kettleman City Vulnerability Evaluation using CalEnviroScreen Data and the Draft Permit Renewal. Before making a final decision, DTSC will consider and respond to all public comments. A Response to Comments document will be sent to everyone who submitted a comment or requests a copy. A copy of the Response to Comments will also be uploaded online. You may review additional information on the Draft Permit Renewal for the Facility at: https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/hwmp_profile_report?global_id=CAT000646117&starttab=

Documents are available by appointment at the DTSC File Room, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento CA 95826. You may also visit Kings County Public Library branches in Kettleman City, Avenal, and Hanford CA.

The public comment period starts on April 3, 2024, and ends July 2, 2024. Written comments must be postmarked or emailed by **July 2, 2024**, to: Omar Ghaleb, DTSC Project Manager, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826.

DTSC is hosting two **Public Meetings** during the comment period. The first meeting is a workshop focused on the Kettleman City Evaluation using CalEnviroScreen Data (CES Report) published by DTSC that will be held on **Thursday May 9, 2024, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm**. In this workshop DTSC will present the CES Report and answer questions. The second public meeting is an open house followed by a hearing to present the Draft Permit Renewal, receive Public Comments, and answer questions. This meeting will be on **Wednesday May 15, 2024, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm**. The meetings will be held at the **Kettleman City Elementary School**, located at 701 General Petroleum Avenue, Kettleman City, CA 93239.

CONTACTS: For questions regarding this Facility, you may contact Omar Ghaleb, DTSC Project Manager at (916) 255-3759, or Omar.Ghaleb@dtsc.ca.gov. For questions regarding public participation, please contact Manuel Lopez, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (818) 717-6572 or Manuel.Lopez@dtsc.ca.gov.

Wearing impaired individuals may use the California Relay Service at 711 or 800-735-2929 TTY/VOICED for voice. Additional information on DTSC sites can be found through our EnviroStar.

WPD takes over April 18

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here because they believe in helping people, which is why they are here."

The department is equipped with 16 police vehicles, three on order and updated facilities. "We built a new 911 dispatch center, a server room to run the records system, and expanded and modernized the lobby to be more user-friendly for the public."

He said they are still planning to build a new police station. "It depends on funding, though we did receive \$5 million thanks to Senator Melissa Hurtado and Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains, though that's only about a quarter of the cost to build it."

The department has updated equipment. "We have had downtown cameras for a long time in various lo-

cations in business areas, but they are antiquated and not effective. Earlier this year, we contracted with a vendor to install cameras in various locations around the business district."

"Our dispatchers will be able to monitor the camera system in real time. So, if they see a problem downtown, they can dispatch a police officer right away."

"We've got the modern equipment that comes with the Police Department. Everything we purchase is the latest standard."

Chief Fivecoat hopes that his team will build close connections with the community. "This weekend, we had officers playing t-ball with kids, and we participated in a community clean-up. That's how we get

that relationship: by working with the community.

"The only way we'll be successful is by partnering and working with our community. I believe the police are the people, and the people are the police, and being involved in the community helps build trust."

He thanks everyone for their efforts to bring the Police Department to fruition.

"The new Police Department is the result of the City Council's vision and the leadership of our City Manager Scott Hurlbert. Every employee of the city, our allied police department agencies and the citizens of our community all worked together with a common cause of forming the Wasco Police Department."

Kern fire chief's 26 years of putting safety service first

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are more synthetic materials that burn faster than they did years ago, when most of the materials in homes were natural materials such as cotton, wood, etc., and took longer to burn."

"What that means for us is that people have less time to get out of their home if it catches on fire. We want people to have a working smoke detector so they can have as much notice to get their family and safely get out of a building that is on fire."

Therefore, educating the public about fire safety is paramount for him. "Calling 911 as soon as possible will help us get there as soon as possible to ensure there are no people in the burning building and put the fire out."

He said that in a small communi-

ty like Wasco, sometimes people call the fire station directly in an emergency, and he wants them to call 911 instead. "I want to convey to the residents that when you have an emergency, call 911."

Appleton hopes educating the community will help relieve some of the pressure his firefighters face. He also believes it's essential to keep his team prepared to ensure they are fully equipped to meet any challenge that may come their way.

"We participate in daily training throughout our entire department. As firefighters, we practice the basics of our job and are always on the lookout for ways to improve the safety and tactics of our firefighting."

He said firefighting can be physically and emotionally demanding.

"We balance mental health by making sure we exercise, eat well and are rested."

"We have a critical incident stress management program that can help our personnel work through the aftermath of a stressful situation."

As a division chief, he is proud of the programs he has collaborated on to impact the department positively.

"The biggest contribution to the department is training and finding the best ways to prepare our personnel for the next emergency. Our preparation helps us to provide efficient and effective service to the communities we serve."

His biggest message to the community? "Have a working smoke detector for your safety and the safety of your family."

A lifetime of faith, service and community

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

For 45 years, Pastor Houston Crenshaw has stood at the pulpit of the Apostolic Faith Temple, delivering sermons that resonate with wisdom, compassion and faith. His words have offered solace to the grieving, hope to the despairing and guidance to the lost. But perhaps his greatest gift lies in his ability to forge genuine connections with people from all walks of life, cultivating a sense of belonging and unity within the congregation.

At 90 years old, he believes what keeps him young and committed to serving and staying with the Lord is "delivering the gospel of Jesus Christ and helping people understand God's word."

He said living a life in ministry was a calling from God. "And I was glad to accept it. If I am able to fulfill the calling, I will continue."

Pastor Crenshaw was born on June 5, 1933, in Kildare, Texas, 39 miles west of Tree Port, La. He came to Wasco in 1957 to visit family friends – and stayed. In 1963, he moved to Los Angeles, and a year later married Robbie Miller, a Wasco native. In Los Angeles, he worked for 33 years as a welder in the engineering department of the Southern California Water Company.

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It was in Los Angeles that he began to nurture his gift for ministry under the pastorate of Bishop William L. Smith of Bethlehem Temple Church, where he was trained and groomed as head deacon. For three years, he commuted from Los Angeles to Wasco to pastor at AFT and moved here permanently with his family in 1981 to continue pastoring.

He believes he made the right decision. "It's a very nice, friendly community. Being here, people act like we grew up together. If we need help, they reach out like we are brother and sister. I thank the Lord for the great community here. If anyone needs anything, they're always willing to extend a helping hand."

Pastor Crenshaw's message to his congregation and the community centers on God's strength. "There is no limit to the power of God," he said. "There is no problem that God cannot solve. Put it in the hands of God, and God will take you through it when you believe."

He said the legacy he would like to leave behind is "that I was faithful to the Lord and that I was always willing to reach out to anyone in need."

His daughter Wannetta Crenshaw echoed this: "He is a true man of God. He's a wonderful father and an amazing



Pastor Houston Crenshaw and Robbie Miller have enjoyed six decades of marriage.

husband to my mother. He is very giving and an excellent provider for his family. He loves the Lord and has a heart for God's people. As a pastor, he is truly a man of God's heart."

He and Robbie have been married for 60 years. She said, "He had the call of God rooted in him and had the love for the

church, and when you have the love, you put all you have into it. As his wife, serving alongside him has been an honor and a fulfillment. It's been good to see him progress in the church and family."

Domonique Cheatham is his granddaughter. "My grandpa is not just a pastor when it's Sunday morning but is a pastor throughout the week. For as long as I can remember, he has always reached out to help people with problems in their homes or jobs. As a counselor to many people, he's been a teacher by his example. He's a very integral person."

A church member, Victoria Nelson, commented, "He lives a life that he teaches and preaches. He is an honorable man, a father figure to everyone, and very giving."

His son Timothy added, "He is not only a pastor but also a friend – a real father not to just his natural children but to many others."

"I think what has kept him so long as a pastor has been the grace of God that has given him great patience to endure."

Veronica Crenshaw is his eldest daughter. "My dad is an example of faithfulness. He has been a pastor with a heart for the people he shepherds. Even at 90, he can often be found on his knees praying for AFT and the entire Wasco community."

Downtown banner program honors Wasco heroes

VERONICA JACUINDE
Wasco Tribune

In a tribute to the residents who have served in the United States armed forces, the City of Wasco is sponsoring a Veteran Salute Banner Program, symbolizing appreciation for their dedication to the nation and community.

This initiative celebrates honorably discharged veterans and presently serving active-duty military personnel from any branch of the armed forces. Banners featuring the service member's photograph will adorn streetlight posts throughout downtown Wasco along 7th Street, showcasing the Veteran Salute Banner display, fostering civic pride and adding a patriotic spirit to our city.

Each 18-inch-by-36-inch banner will feature a full-color, double-sided design with the service member's name, military branch, years of service and photo. It will be displayed from Independence Day through Veteran's Day.

To qualify, the honoree must be

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a U.S. veteran or currently serving in the Armed Forces, and a current or past resident of Wasco. A veteran's discharge from military service must be honorable. The veteran must provide a copy of their DD 214, certificate of release or discharge from active duty with a redacted Social Security number. Active duty service members must provide a copy of their respective service's proof of service documentation. Residents may complete an application on behalf of a family member to be honored or self-nominate if they are a veteran.

The banner cost is \$105, which includes design, printing and installation. Individuals or organizations may sponsor veteran banner(s).

To apply, visit cityofwasco.org/342/Veteran-Salute-Banner-Program. The last day to apply is April 30.

For more information, contact Neomi L. Perez, communications and marketing specialist for the city, at 661-758-7215 or nepez@cityofwasco.org.



A sample banner pays tribute to Wasco veterans' service and sacrifice.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given the Pond Union Elementary School District, (hereinafter referred to as "District" or "Owner") will receive sealed bids prior to the date and time stated for the Bid Opening for the following projects:

Pond Elementary School UPK/TK Classroom
as per drawings and specifications which may now be obtained from Fresno Reprographics.

Fresno Reprographics
7591 N. Ingram Avenue, Suite 103
Fresno, California 93711
Phone: (559) 261-2347

The lowest bid shall be determined on the amount of the base bid. Time of completion for the Project shall be One Hundred Twenty (120) calendar days from the date established in the Owner's Notice to Proceed.

Pond Union Elementary School District
29585 Pond Road
Wasco, CA 93280

on **Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 2:00 PM (PST)** on the clock designated by the District or its representative as the bid clock. Facsimile (FAX) copies of the bid will not be accepted. Bids for **Pond Elementary School UPK/TK Classroom will be opened on at 2:01 PM (PST)** as calculated by the clock designated by the District or its representative as the bid clock.

A **Mandatory pre-bid conference** will be held on **Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 9:00 AM (PDT)**. The group will tour the site at 9:00 AM. **Meet at the Pond Elementary School at 9:00 AM.** The pre-bid job walk will provide the opportunity to inspect the site and may include dissemination of additional information in response to questions. All bidders will be deemed to have notice of all conditions and information, including, but not limited to any conditions in, at, and about the site, the building, or buildings, if any, and any work that may have been done thereon.

Bids must be accompanied by a bidder's bond, cashier's check, or certified check for at least ten percent (10%) of the amount of the base bid and made payable to the Owner. If a bid bond is used,

it must be issued by an Admitted Surety (an insurance organization authorized by the Insurance Commissioner to transact surety insurance in the State of California during this calendar year), which shall be given as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a Contract if awarded the Work and will be declared forfeited, paid to, or retained by the Owner as liquidated damages if the bidder refuses or neglects to enter into the Contract provided by the Owner after being requested to do so. The surety insurer must, unless otherwise agreed to by Owner in writing, at the time of issuance of the bond, have a rating not lower than "A-" as rated by AM. Best Company, Inc., or other independent rating companies. Owner reserves the right to approve or reject the surety insurer selected by Contractor and to require Contractor to obtain a bond from a surety insurer satisfactory to the District.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment (Labor and Material) Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, and a Faithful Performance Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, said bonds to be secured from Admitted Surety insurers (an insurance organization authorized by the Insurance Commissioner to transact business of insurance in the State of California during this calendar year). The surety insurers must, unless otherwise agreed to by Owner in writing, at the time of issuance of the bonds, have a rating not lower than "A-" as rated by A.M. Best Company, Inc. or other independent rating companies.

Owner reserves the right to approve or reject the surety insurers selected by Contractor and to require Contractor to obtain bonds from surety insurers satisfactory to the Owner. The bidder will be required to furnish insurance as set forth in the Contract Documents. The Owner will not consider or accept any bids from contractors who are not licensed to do business in the State of California, in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, providing

for the licensing of contractors. In accordance with Section 3300 of said Code, the bidder shall have a **Class "B"** license and shall maintain that license in good standing through Project completion and all applicable warranty periods. Bidder shall state the license number on the Designation of Subcontractors form for all subcontractors doing more than one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the bidder's total bid. Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if a listed subcontractor is not licensed at the time bidder's bid is submitted to Owner. The Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California, in the manner provided by law, has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and rate for legal holidays and overtime work. The Contractor must pay for any labor therein described or classified in an amount not less than the rates specified. Copies of the required rates are on file at the Owner's business office and are available to any interested party on request.

DIR REGISTRATION:
(a) No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].
(b) No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a Contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.
(c) This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.
(d) **Please provide your DIR registration number with your bid Proposal, bids without this DIR registration number your bid will be subject to rejection.**

FINGERPRINTING REQUIREMENTS: Contractors and their employees shall comply with the Michelle Montoya School Safety Act, Section 45125.2 of the Education Code. Refer to

Section 00 62 50 - Fingerprinting Requirements.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularity and to reject any or all bids. Unless otherwise required by law, no bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening thereof or any authorized postponement thereof. The Owner reserves the right to take more than thirty (30) days to make a decision regarding the rejection of bids or the award of the Contract.
Pond Union Elementary School District
By: Alex Lopez
Title: Superintendent
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Andy Gomez gets a double.



A close play at first.

Generals looking good in spring sports

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Shafter High Generals baseball and softball teams both swept the McFarland Cougars last week, each winning a two-game series in the SSL. The baseball team outscored the Cougars in the series, 27-2. They won the opener on Tuesday, 16-2, and followed that with an 11-0 shut-

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out. In the first game, Jaime Martinez was the standout, 2-4 at the plate, scoring two runs and stealing two bases.

The Generals ended the game with 12 hits in the game, with Christopher Espinoza having a perfect 3-3 game hitting.

In the shutout, the Generals got strong pitching from Alex Casanova-Balderrama, who threw a one-hitter and had 11 strikeouts. Offensively, the Generals were led by Matteo Martinez, who went 3-3 at the plate, and Jesus Paez, who went 2-2. The Generals have a bye this week, continuing their quest for an SSL title against Kennedy

High School on Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m.

On the softball diamond, the Lady Generals also dominated the Cougars, beating them 12-1 on Tuesday and 12-1 on Thursday afternoon. In the first game, the Lady Generals racked up 11 hits, with Maddison Ortiz going 3-4 at the plate, and Marley Munoz going 2-3.

In the second game, Cassidy Torres turned in a gem on Thursday: she didn't allow a single earned run while striking out six over five innings pitched. The pitching appearance was her fourth in a row with less than two walks allowed. On the season, Torres has an ERA of 6.25 over 31.7 innings pitched.

Shafter now has an SSL record of 3-0-1. The Lady Generals will be back in action this week on Tuesday, beginning a two-

game series with Kennedy High School.

On the track, the team traveled to the prestigious Arcadia Invitational Track Meet. This meet attracts some of the best athletes in the western region. The Generals had one athlete place in the top 10. Sophomore Joslyn Pierucci threw 135' in the discus.

Pierucci was invited to the Invitational portion of the event.

Pierucci came in ranked 18th, with the top 20 throwers invited into the Invitational division. Pierucci's 135' was good enough for 10th place, just missing the finals, which include the top 9 in the first round of competition. Pierucci was the top sophomore in the event, with the majority of her competition in the Invitational division filled with juniors and seniors.



Sophomore Joslyn Pierucci competes in the Arcadia Invitational track meet.

DEATH NOTICES

Alvaro Nunez Jr., 36, of Wasco, passed away April 1, in Duarte. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

Marina Gonzalez Duck, 58, of Shafter, passed away March 30, in San Diego. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

Earlene Borjon, 90, of Wasco, passed away March 5, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

Felix Segura Martinez, 55, of Shafter, passed away March 23, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Rogelio R. Fernandez, 79, of Shafter, passed away April 1, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Robert Ochoa, 69, of Wasco, passed away March 29, in Chu-

la Vista. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Felipe Miranda Duarte, 90, of Bakersfield, passed away March 24, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Juan Mariscal Coronado, 76, of Shafter, passed away April 3, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of:

Janie Faye Colbert, aka Janie Ferrell Colbert, aka Janie F Colbert Case Number: BPB-24-002365

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Janie Faye Colbert, aka Janie Ferrell Colbert, aka Janie F Colbert

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Teresa Ann Ferrell Dawson in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Teresa Ann Ferrell Dawson be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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: 05/09/2024 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: J-1

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Avenue, 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 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. Petitioner: Teresa Ann Ferrell Dawson 12950 Rosedale Hwy Apt. #11

Bakersfield, CA 93314
661-742-0280
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement E&A Junk Removal & Hauling 2024-B2089

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Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Eduardo Almanza
Date Statement Filed: 04/01/2024
Date Statement Expires:
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement 2 Thrifty Grandmas 2024-B2061

8000 Kroll Way #14
Bakersfield, CA 93311
County: Kern
8000 Kroll Way #14
Bakersfield, CA 93311
Kathryn Johann Stobert
8000 Kroll Way #14
Bakersfield, CA 93311
Mary Ella Gridley
8000 Kroll Way #14
Bakersfield, CA 93311
The business is conducted by:
General Partnership
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Kathryn Johann Stobert
Date Statement Filed: 03/29/2024
Date Statement Expires:
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Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Phatboyz Barber Supply 2024-B1952

421 Munzer Street
Shafter, CA 93263
County: Kern
534 Johnston Avenue
Shafter, CA 93263
Edgar Garza Gonzalez
534 Johnston Avenue
Shafter, CA 93263
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Edgar Garza Gonzalez
Date Statement Filed: 03/25/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/25/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Rojas Farm Services 2024-B2015

238 Central Ave
Shafter, CA 93263
County: Kern
238 Central Ave

Shafter, CA 93263
Santa Cecilia Rojas
238 Central Ave
Shafter, CA 93263
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Santa Cecilia Rojas
Date Statement Filed: 03/27/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/27/2029
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Cali Reinas 2024-B2024

11918 Cotner Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93312
County: Kern
11918 Cotner Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Vanessa Salazar
11918 Cotner Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93312
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Vanessa Salazar
Date Statement Filed: 03/28/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/28/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Woow My Party 2024-B1836

289 Flores Way
Shafter, CA 93263
County: Kern
289 Flores Way
Shafter, CA 93263
Alondra Eunice Martinez Angulo
289 Flores Way
Shafter, CA 93263
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced:
05/18/2022
/s/Alondra Eunice Martinez Angulo
Date Statement Filed: 03/20/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/20/2029
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Purposeful Life 2024-B1700

6313 Grant Wood Street
Bakersfield, CA 93312
County: Kern
6313 Grant Wood Street
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Theresa Lee Yanez
6313 Grant Wood Street
Bakersfield, CA 93312
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Theresa Lee Yanez
Date Statement Filed: 03/12/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/12/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Money Hungry Mob LLC 2024-B1948

18484 Alfalfa Ln
Shafter, CA 93263
County: Kern
18484 Alfalfa Ln
Shafter, CA 93263
Money Hungry Mob LLC
18484 Alfalfa Ln
Shafter, CA 93263
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by:
Limited Liability Company*
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Jose Rodriguez, Managing
Member
Date Statement Filed: 03/25/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/25/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Monarch Memorial 2024-B1922

2801 F St
Bakersfield, CA 93301
County: Kern
844 E. Lerdo Hwy.
Shafter, CA 93263
Monarch Partnership LLC
844 E. Lerdo Hwy.
Shafter, CA 93263
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by:
Limited Liability Company*
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Richard C. Woody, Member
Date Statement Filed: 03/22/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/22/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement Monarch Memorial

2801 F Street
Bakersfield, CA 93301
County: KERN
Mailing address of business:
844 E. Lerdo Hwy.
Shafter, CA 93263
Clarmar Enterprises
844 E. Lerdo Hwy.
Shafter, CA 93263
Business was conducted by:
Corporation
/s/Richard C. Woody, President
Original FBN Statement File
Number: 2023-B1150
Original FBN Statement Filed on:
02/21/2023
This statement of Abandonment
filed on: 03/22/2024
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: /s/P Del Villar
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement VATTYCO. 2024-B1744

22 Emerald Isle Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
County: Kern
22 Emerald Isle Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
Lacey Elaine Mudge
22 Emerald Isle Way

Bakersfield, CA 93314
Daniel David Mudge
22 Emerald Isle Way
Bakersfield, CA 93314
The business is conducted by:
Married Couple
Date the business commenced:
01/01/2024
/s/Lacey Mudge
Date Statement Filed: 03/14/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/14/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Toro Loco #8 2024-B1801 El Toro Loco Bakersfield 2024-B1802

3001 Taft Hwy
Bakersfield, CA 93313
County: Kern
825 Central Valley Hwy
Shafter, CA 93263
Grand Grocers Inc
825 Central Valley Hwy
Shafter, CA 93263
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by:
Corporation*
Date the business commenced:
03/01/2024
/s/Yousif Hussein, Secretary
Date Statement Filed: 03/18/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/18/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement 715 Safety Training and Consulting 2024-B1419

9102 Celeste Ct.
Bakersfield, CA 93312-5025
County: Kern
9102 Celeste Ct.
Bakersfield, CA 93312-5025
Rene Richard Chow
9102 Celeste Ct.
Bakersfield, CA 93312-5025
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Rene Richard Chow
Date Statement Filed: 02/29/2024
Date Statement Expires:
02/28/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: T Cabrera
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement PJ Rentals 2024-B1266

11102 Candllelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
County: Kern
11102 Candllelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Jacob Farias
11102 Candllelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
The business is conducted by:
Married Couple
Date the business commenced:
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/s/Brittany Farias
Date Statement Filed: 02/23/2024
Date Statement Expires:
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement PJ Rentals

11102 Candlelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
County: KERN
Mailing address of business:
11102 Candlelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Jacob Simon Farias
11102 Candlelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Brittany Danielle Farias
11102 Candlelight Court
Bakersfield, CA 93312
Business was conducted by:
Married Couple
/s/Brittany Danielle Farias, Owner
Original FBN Statement File
Number: 2023-B7204
Original FBN Statement Filed on:
11/13/2023
This statement of Abandonment
filed on: 02/23/2024
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: /s/M Cedeno
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement JDR Global LLC 2024-B1621

2300 El Portal Drive Unit 58
Bakersfield, CA 93309
County: Kern
2300 El Portal Drive Unit 58
Bakersfield, CA 93309
JDR Global LLC
2300 El Portal Drive Unit 58
Bakersfield, CA 93309
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by:
Limited Liability Company*
Date the business commenced:
03/04/2024
/s/Diego Raza, Partner
Date Statement Filed: 03/08/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/08/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M Cedeno
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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Blissful Moments Photo Booth 2024-B1665

16019 La Strada Ct
Bakersfield, CA 93314
County: Kern
16019 La Strada Ct
Bakersfield, CA 93314
Rolando Trevino Jr
16019 La Strada Ct
Bakersfield, CA 93314
The business is conducted by:
Individual
Date the business commenced: N/A
/s/Rolando Trevino Jr
Date Statement Filed: 03/11/2024
Date Statement Expires:
03/11/2029
Aimee X. Espinoza
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: P Del Villar
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April 4, 11, 2024

OBITUARIES

Jovita Valentina Sanchez Feb. 14, 1923 – March 29, 2024

Jovita Valentina Sanchez, born on Feb. 14, 1923, in Leon Guanajuato, Mexico, peacefully entered eternal rest on March 29, 2024, at the age of 101. She was preceded in death by her parents Emeterio and Aurelia Lopez, as well as her beloved husband Ray Sanchez, who passed in 2001. Together, Jovita and Ray shared 63 years of marriage and raised nine children in Wasco: Jessie Lopez, Raymond Sanchez, Jr., Rachel Martinez, Linda Sanchez Muniz, Pamela



Venegas, Michael Sanchez, Dolores Gutierrez, Simon Sanchez and Isaac Sanchez.

Jovita also was reunited in heaven with her two eldest sons, Jesse Lopez and Raymond Sanchez, Jr.

Jovita leaves behind an incredible legacy of family distributed across multiple generations, so many that we lost count. She is survived by Jessie's three children and Raymond's six children. Her daughter Rachel had 10 children and a total of 91 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her daughter Linda had six children and a total of 23 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her daughter Pamela Venegas, along with son-in-law Gilbert Venegas, had six children and 13 grandchildren. Her son Michael had six children and 14 grand-

children. Her son Simon had eight children and 10 grandchildren. Her daughter Dolores had 7 children and 17 grandchildren. And her son Isaac had eight children and six grandchildren. All of Jovita's surviving children and grandchildren mourn her loss and cherish her memory.

Jovita is also survived by her sister Lupe Leal, who shares Jovita's longevity and legacy.

Jovita was raised in McFarland. When she met her husband, Ray R. Sanchez, they embarked on a lifelong journey together. She was a devoted mother

and grandmother, and she was a very kind and loving person to all. Family and friends will remember her as a true prayer warrior. Her kindness, unconditional love for her children and unwavering faith characterized her life.

We remember Jovita as a beacon of love and strength. We cannot think of anyone who embodies her name, Valentina, given to her because she was born on Valentine's Day, or El Día del Amor y la Amistad, more honorably than our beloved Jovita.

We would like to invite our family and friends to

our mother's Celebration of Life on Saturday, April 13. This is the schedule:

Celebration of Life for Jovita Valentina Sanchez with a viewing 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. (Rosary at 9:30 a.m.) at Peters Funeral Home, 1401 7th St., Wasco, 661-758-5144. Mass at St. John's Church, 1300 9th St., Wasco, at 10:30 a.m. Graveside service immediately following Mass at Wasco Memorial Park, 300 Leonard Ave., Wasco. Please join us for a good meal and good memories at the Elk's Lodge, 16694 Wasco Ave., Wasco, after the service.

Paula (Sharina) Maria Lindsey May 9, 1961 – March 29, 2024

Paula (Sharina) Maria Lindsey, 62, slipped peacefully into the arms of her loving Jesus the evening of March 29, 2024.

Paula was born to Donald and Dorothy Sherman in Bakersfield on May 9, 1961, and was the second of five children. She graduated from Shafter High School in 1979 and married the love of her life, Jon Lindsey. They had just celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary on Feb. 16.

Paula was a member of the Wasco Church of God



(Tabernacle of Praise) for more than 40 years. Paula was the church clerk and worship leader for over 30 years. Her greatest priority in life was her relationship with her Lord Jesus Christ, her family, friends and

pets. Many will remember her as the yard duty monitor at Richland Junior High, from Stringham's Drug Store and Rite Aid, and as the Rio Bravo Greeley lunch lady.

Paula loved her job at RBG; it brought her joy spending time with the students and her co-workers. She loved the beach and spending time on the central coast with her husband and family.

Paula delighted in spending time with family, cleaning God's house and fellowshiping with her church family. She loved being with her family at every opportunity, whether

it was holidays, birthdays, weddings, sporting events or her just dropping in to say hello. She enjoyed watching her grandchildren play basketball, baseball, softball, football, volleyball, soccer and theater.

Paula was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Dorothy Sherman; brother Michael; niece Tara; and nephew Eric Wilson. She is survived by her husband, Jon Lindsey; sons Chris (Sara) Lindsey, Bradley Lindsey and Craig Lindsey; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; brother Wayne; sisters Patricia (Daniel) Perales and Sharon (Fabi-

an) Flores; 13 nieces; 12 nephews; 17 great nieces; 13 great nephews; one great-great nephew; and one great niece coming soon.

Paula's life can be found in Proverbs 31. Her example of faithfulness and her relationship with Jesus Christ – who can compare? We will miss her dearly and eternally love her. She will always be remembered by her joyful spirit, servanthood to always serve others, desire to always be in the will of the Lord, and love to worship in song no matter where she was. Her smile radiated the love of her Lord and savior, Jesus

Christ.

Our family would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to Hoffman Hospice for all the care their staff rendered to my Paula during her time at home on hospice care. Marianne and April made Paula's last days at home more comfortable up until her passing. For that we are very grateful and appreciative.

"Her children rise up and call her blessed." – Proverbs 31:28

A Celebration of Life service will be on Saturday, April 13, at 10 a.m. at Seventh Standard Pentecostal Church, 4500 Bowles St., Shafter.

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them unworthy. Shame keeps their eyes downcast and prevents them from seeing the deep love in His eyes. It makes them believe that He won't answer their prayers because they aren't perfect.

A second benefit is found in verses 14-17. We have been adopted as God's children with the same rights and benefits, the same inheritance as Jesus Himself.

Finally, Jesus' death, resurrection and, above all, his love have made us "more than conquerors." Jesus conquered sin, death and the grave.

"What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all — how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"

the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: 'For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.'

37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:31-39)

Note that our victory in Jesus does not exempt us from hardship or even persecution in this life. Instead, it assures us that God is on our side, that He will bless and never condemn.

HEADLINES IN HISTORY



The front page, May 2, 1984

From the archives of The Shafter Press

30 years ago: May 4, 1994

Vicki Perez was crowned Cinco De Mayo Queen.

40 years ago: May 2, 1984

Richland Intermediate School was destroyed in an early morning fire, with an estimated \$2 million in damage. Classes were delayed, but students attended makeshift combined classes at the junior high.

-Compiled by Erica Soriano



Super Students at Karl Clemens

Karl F. Clemens Elementary School announced its weekly Super Students. Criteria for selection were based on significant math improvement, showing kindness to all friends, respect and hard work.

From left are Principal Anabel Garrison, Johnathan Bovadilla (5th grade), Kevin Laureano (4th grade), Kimberly Santos (3rd grade), Juan Rodriguez (2nd grade), Alexis Chavez-Antonio (1st grade), Emely Espinoza (kindergarten), Vice Principal Angela Devin and school mascot Whiskers.

OBITUARIES

Marina Gonzalez Duck

Marina Gonzales Duck, age 58, passed away peacefully in San Diego on March 30, 2024. She married the love of her life, Bobby Duck, on March 3, 2024.

Marina was loved dearly by her parents, Longino Gonzales and Margie Gonzales. She had four



siblings, Longino Gonzales, Jr. married to Sandra, Christina Smart married to Wesley, Peter Gonzales, and Andrea Hernandez married to Chon.

Marina was preceded in death by her father, Longino Gonzales; her brother Longino Gonzales, Jr. and her great niece Hope Gonzales.

She had many nieces and nephews who she loved as her own. Marina was a 1984 Shafter High School graduate, who also attended San Diego State University in San Diego.

Marina was an entrepreneur in life. She worked as a business professional in property management for 15 years. She was a Realtor

and business owner, and worked in sales. She won many awards throughout her life and even made the cover of Property Management Magazine.

Marina loved her dogs and cats as if they were her children. Marina was very beautiful, charismatic, charming, giving, caring, a social butterfly, smart and

faithful to God and always counted her blessings.

Marina had a smile that could light up a room. She enjoyed listening to music, dancing, making people laugh and knew how to have fun in any situation with her family and friends. Her quote was, "What's the worst that can happen - that you have fun?"

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement Pantaleon & Sons Trucking 1960 Shamrock Ct Wasco, CA 93280 County: KERN

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement The Urban Press 2024-B2069 106 W Sherwood Ave McFarland, CA 93250 County: Kern

This statement of Abandonment filed on: 03/29/2024 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

Date Statement Expires: 03/07/2029 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: Z Arellano Publish Wasco Tribune March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2024

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.

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Kay Property Plaza 2024-B2099 1005 Trenton St Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement The Urban Press 106 W Sherwood Ave McFarland, CA 93250 County: KERN

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Templo Emmanuel 2024-B1366 1324 E Street Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Carnitas El Jesse 2024-B1486 834 5th St Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Integrity And Quality Systems And Fabrication LLC 2024-B1935 IQ Systems and Fab 2024-B1936 930 Redwood Avenue Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern

NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 5/8/2024 Time: 10:00 A.M. Dept: B b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN, 1122 Jefferson St, Delano, CA 93215 Superior Court of California County of Kern, North Division

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Integrity And Quality Systems And Fabrication LLC 1401 21st Street #7835 Sacramento, CA 95811 State of Incorp. or org.: CA The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company*

451 N. F Street Wasco, CA 93280 ONLINE Auction Storagetreasures.com Ending 4/19/24 @9am Cleaning Deposit \$50 72 Hours Clean-out U0209 Adriana Castillas household U0300 Jerome Madston household U1415 Michael Munoz household U0815 Ruben Garcia Household Publish Wasco Tribune April 11, 18, 2024

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Stream of Serenity Therapy 2024-B1863 2783 Bettis Ave Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE- CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER DCV-24-000002 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: Luis al Berto Pulido filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: