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WHS Tigers fall in State title game, 27-6

JAMIE STEWART

Wasco Tribune

The Wasco High Tigers saw their season end on Friday, dropping the State title game to St. Vincent de Paul, 27-6, at Pasadena City College.

The Tigers played a tough game, and the contest was actually a lot closer than the score would indicate. Led by Head Coach Chad Martinez, the Tigers sparred with the Mustangs in the first half, holding the powerful offense of the Mustangs to

just one score.

The Mustangs opened the scoring with a short touchdown run in the first quarter. Wasco, led by quarterback David Manzo, answered the score with a long drive ending with a five-yard touchdown run by Juju Granados. The point-after was no good, keeping the score 7-6. That is the way the first half would end. The Tigers had an opportunity late in the half, but they went for

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The Tigers take the field for the State Championship.



'Goldilocks on Trial' captivates 1,100 students

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

The Wasco High School advanced drama class recently enchanted an **WASCO** audience

of 1,100 elementary school students with a vibrant and entertaining performance. The play staged in the historic auditorium was alive with loud cheers, applause and excitement.

"Goldilocks on Trial" was a spin on the classic "Goldilocks and the Three Bears," with a twist of being put into the courtroom and dish-

For Jules Wimberly, who played Mamma Bear, it was her first time performing in a play of any kind. "I

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Natalie Acosta and Noah Sanchez reenact a flashback scene where Goldilocks steals some food from Mr. Pig's rib joint.

Aquatic Center gets contractor for June finish

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Shafter City Council voted unanimously to award the \$3 million Shafter Aquatic Center Improvement Project contract to James E.

Thompson Inc. Currently, the estimated cost of the project is \$2.8 million, with \$2.4 million coming from the Clean California Grant. The remaining \$380,000 is coming from the city's General Fund.

The project includes replacing the decking, landscaping, ADA improvements and resurfacing the pool.

With the approval, the city can move forward, with the See AQUATIC Page 7



This puppy is one of the two missing from the shelter. (Photo courtesy of Shafter Animal Shelter)

2 puppies stolen from shelter

On Friday morning at approximately 5:10 a,m., two suspects broke into the Shafter Animal Shelter, 1849 S. Shafter Ave., and took two young dogs there.

"The two puppies were scheduled to go to one of our rescue partners from out of state. They are still missing, and we just want to get them back," said Animal Control Officer Nick Riddick. "They were scheduled to go and start their new lives. This is sad, and we encourage anyone with information on the case to please contact the Shafter Animal Shelter or the Shafter Police Department."

The shelter staff can be reached at 661-746-2140, and the Shafter Police number is 661-746-8500.

-Jamie Stewart

City looks to a Zipper for better roads

VERONICA JACUINDE Wasco Tribune

The Wasco City Council approved the purchase of equipment from Asphalt Zipper Inc. to increase city roads rehabilitation and reduce the cost of that work.

At present, the city undertakes numerous road and alley rehabilitation projects each year. Other than minor repairs, most is completed by contractors. Even though

much of this work is paid for with grant funding, escalating material and labor costs and contractor workforce shortages limit the number of road projects completed each year.

Asphalt Zipper Inc. manufactures a line of equipment that makes pavement repair and rehabilitation efficient, quick and cost-effective. The "Zipper" is at-

tached to a standard loader and contains its own engine, which grinds existing pavement in place rather than traditional removal, hauling and important steps. The Zipper will simultaneously incorporate additional base material if needed, preparing the roadbed for final grading, compaction and rolling.

In October of this year, a demonstration of the Zipper was conducted in Was-

co. The Asphalt Zipper company brought

one of their units to rehabilitate the alley between G Street and Highway 43, from Poso Avenue to 12th Street

A complete job of grinding, mixing, and leveling of approximately 500 feet of poor-quality alley surface to a depth of 10 inches was completed. The alley was then compacted with a rented roller, ready for vehicle traffic and paving. This work was completed in about four hours, including

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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

Christmas at the Shafter Depot—Come and see the Christmas tree display! Saturdays, Dec.16, 23, 30 and Jaan. 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Don't miss Santa and the Shafter Brass Band Saturday, Dec. 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Light up Wasco Community Cruise— Dec. 18-19 at the Veterans Hall at Barker Park, 1202 Poplar North Side, 5-7 p.m. Say hello to the Gingerbread Man. Drop off your letter to Santa. Get an event map. Pick up some hot chocolate and a cookie. Need a ride for the cruise? Dial a ride at 661-758-7222. Seats are limited.

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 offlocation is 329 Central Valley Hwy.

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

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.wascouhsd. 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 Free farmer's market - Westside Fam-

ily Fellowship hosts every fourth Thursday of the month, 8-10 a.m. 2150 Palm Ave.,

FRIDAY

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

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

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

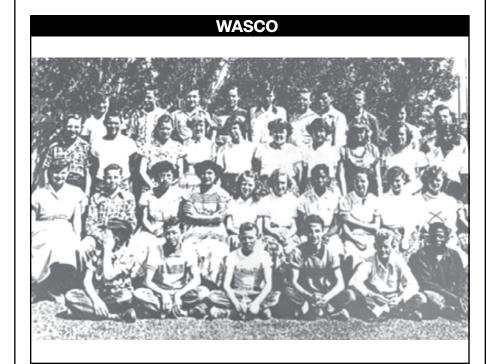
Wasco Museum - Open every second Saturday of the month 1-3 p.m. at 918 6th St. Free to the public. Wasco High School artifacts from over the last 100 years are featured.

Mystery history



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@The ShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. LAST WEEK: Snow in Shafter in 1962.





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SHAFTER As reported by the Shafter

Police Department DEC. 3

Robert Earl Smith, 25, of Shafter, was arrested in the 300 block of Chris Street for battery onto spouse, child abuse and family offense violation.

Fernando Quevedo, 23, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of James Street for possession of unlawful paraphernalia and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

DEC. 7

Jose Vega Jr., 39, of Shafter, was arrested at Venable and Hicks for driving without a license.

DEC. 8

Rogelio Vil-Anthony

legas, 20, of Shafter, was arrested in the 300 block of Olson Avenue for use/under the influence of a controlled substance and obstruction of a public officer.

Erick Alcala Arellano, 33, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Colvard Street for battery onto space and child abuse.

DEC. 9

Dauvivont Toriki, 24, of Shafter,was arrested in the 100 block of West Lerdo Highway for battery onto

Sandra Kristine Mcintosh, 47, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of West Lerdo Highway for

battery onto spouse. Anthony Rogelio Villegas, 20, of Shafter, was ar-

ARREST REPORT

rested in the 200 block of Rodriguez Avenue for battery with serious bodily in-

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

DEC. 8

Frank Rodriguez, 34, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 300 block of Central Valley Highway in Shafter on a misdemeanor warrant. He was cited and released at the

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

Box 789, Shafter, CA 93263.

DEC. 4

Lori Ramirez, 39, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of H and 6th streets on felony and misdemeanor bench warrants. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Michael Yniguez, 34, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Poso Drive and Birch Street on a felony bench warrant and for misdemeanor possession of controlled substance paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Ruben Sanchez, 35, of Wasco, was arrested in the

1700 block of Highway 46 for misdemeanor obstructing ant officer: resisting arrest. He was booked into the

Kern County Jail. DEC. 6

Miguel Lagunas Alvarez, 48, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Maple Avenue and Highway 46 on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Alexander Joseph Regalado, 29, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of F Street and Poso Drive on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

DEC. 9

Flavio Pacay, 24, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Beckes and 7th streets for misdemeanor hit and run. He was booked into the Kern

County Jail. **DEC. 10**

County Jail.

Martin Chomo Chec, 44, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of 12th streets for misdemeanor willful cruelty to child, contributing to delinquency of a minor and battery, and on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern

CORRECTION

In the past few issues, the Wasco football page was missing the results of the Shafter-Wasco game. That score is included on today's page. Also, a formal picture of the Valley Champion Tigers was incomplete due to changes in the team after picture was taken. A complete list of current players and coaches is also on that page today.

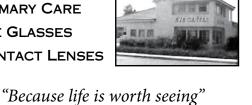
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There were volunteers from throughout the community. RIGHT: Parents were able to shop for their children at the Christmas Store.

Store gives families a happy holiday

JAMIE STEWART The Shafter Press

A few years ago, a few Shafter residents were looking for a way to help the community celebrate the holidays without giving a bunch of hand-outs. Melissa Bergen and Katie Wiebe looked into Pride for Parents, hosted by FCS ministries in Atlanta. It emphasized the need to highlight that both donors and recipients want to bring something to the table and that desire should be

honored. Though their resources may be limited, parents would rather know that they are providing for their children rather than being given a handout.

And so the Shafter Christmas Store was born. This year's event was held Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Veterans Hall. The store, under the umbrella of the

Shafter Chamber of Commerce, partners with Shafter Healthy Start to select fami-

lies that are invited to the store. Shafter Healthy Start works with families in the Richland School district to build bridges between the schools and the community and to promote the welfare of children and

Healthy Start connects the Shafter Christmas Store with families, which have an established relationship with the staff. This foundation of trust is critical, as families likely have never participated in an event like this before.

Throughout the fall months, community members, service groups, churches and businesses work together with the Shafter Christmas Store team to collect new toys that are then offered to parents at a oneday shopping event in December at an 80-90% discount.

The Shafter Christmas Store is a special time where the community comes together, not as givers and receivers, but as parents, grandparents, friends, and neighbors celebrating and recognizing each other's worth.

Church festival celebrates Christmas



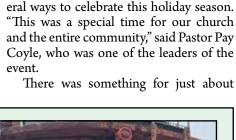
Festive celebration

The Shafter High School Band performed.

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Mennonite Brethren Church of Shafter held a Christmas Festival event on Sunday night, giving the community sev-





Santa met children last year in the museum's caboose. (Photo by Stephanie **Bonito | Depot Museum)**

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anybody at the event, including hay rides, Christmas music, story time, arts and crafts, and so much more. "I just love this thing," said Fred Marsh, who was at the event with his granddaughter. "This is so much fun, having a safe and positive event

There was also food vendors, baked goods for sale, and a few vendors who were selling their holiday fare.

In the Fellowship Center, participants had their choice of creating stars out of sticks and jewels, or playing activity games, or have a great time in the inflatables that were in the gymnasium. Among the entertainers who were in

the church sanctuary, the Shafter High Band performed a few Christmas carols, as well as a Girls Choir from the local elementary schools.

According to Pastor Coyle the event was well above expectations. "We had over 400 people there, it was great," said Coyle.

Vendors included Aguas by Karen, and a couple of other food trucks selling delicious tacos and a variety of Mexican food.

Downstairs in the Children's Sanctuary, there was kids creating masterpieces that they could take home with them, as well as listening to stories from the Bible in the Story Time station.

at the Depot Museum The Shafter Depot Museum will be Band will be playing Christmas music from 11 a.m. until noon. Featured will playing host to some special visitors on Saturday, including the main man from be 12 beautiful trees, each very different, which will fill the Shafter Depot the North Pole. Santa Claus will arrive

at the museum and will be setting up in the museum's new caboose to meet all his little friends.

He will have a stuffed animal for each child. He will be on site from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The Shafter Brass

Museum during its open hours, Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. through the end of the year.

Come and vote on your favorite tree. The theme for this year's entries is "the 1940s."

–Jamie Stewart

Toys for Tigers spreads holiday cheer

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

Toys for Tigers brought joy to hundreds of children during its annual event, distributing gifts during this special time to ensure that every child in need experiences the magic of Christmas.

The event on Saturday at Grace Community Church was a collective effort, with the organization raising funds throughout the year to purchase toys to serve over 300 families in 2023.



Flor Olvera of the Democratic Women of Kern and Donna Ward of Toys for Tigers.

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"Yearly, we raise between \$10,000 and \$20,000, and all of that stays in Wasco," Madeline Nicol said. "This time, we partnered with Macy's, and they really rolled out the red carpet for us and treated us well, and we couldn't do what we do without the community's support."

There were other donors, such as Flor Olvera of the Democratic Women of Kern, who provided toys and gift cards. "I was born and raised in Wasco. This year, the organization decided to give back to a rural community, and I was excited to be an advocate for Wasco.'

"It's important to help local organizations like Toys for Tigers, because they are the ones that put in the work to make it happen and help disadvantaged youth." Many volunteers joined the distribu-

tion to help hand-select the toys that were

tailored to be age-appropriate. Leila Marin, a Wasco High School FFA student, was one of the volunteers. "I've always done this. It's my 12th year. I do it because I like the charity work, and I think this is a great charity project."

Another volunteer and WHS FFA student, Arturo Nunez, said, "What we are doing here is good for our community. We



Wasco High School FFA students volunteered to lend a hand.

are giving Christmas gifts to kids that otherwise wouldn't have them." "The best part of volunteering is know-

ing that we are helping people that are

struggling." Donna Ward has been involved for a decade. "This is my second year running it, with it being my first year officially taking

over the organization." "These last two years have been exciting and fulfilling, and I feel humbled by all of our community support and what we get

to do for our community." "Over the last 10 years, what I have

enjoyed most has been distribution day when we get to give out the toys and food baskets to our families."

One of those families includes the Santacruz. "We received many gifts. I feel very blessed and excited for my kids. It is a true act of kindness."

"With these tough economic times, there just isn't enough money for Christmas presents, and I'm so grateful."

Fatima Rufino echoed that sentiment. "It means a lot to our family. Our kids are going to have a nice Christmas thanks to this great organization."



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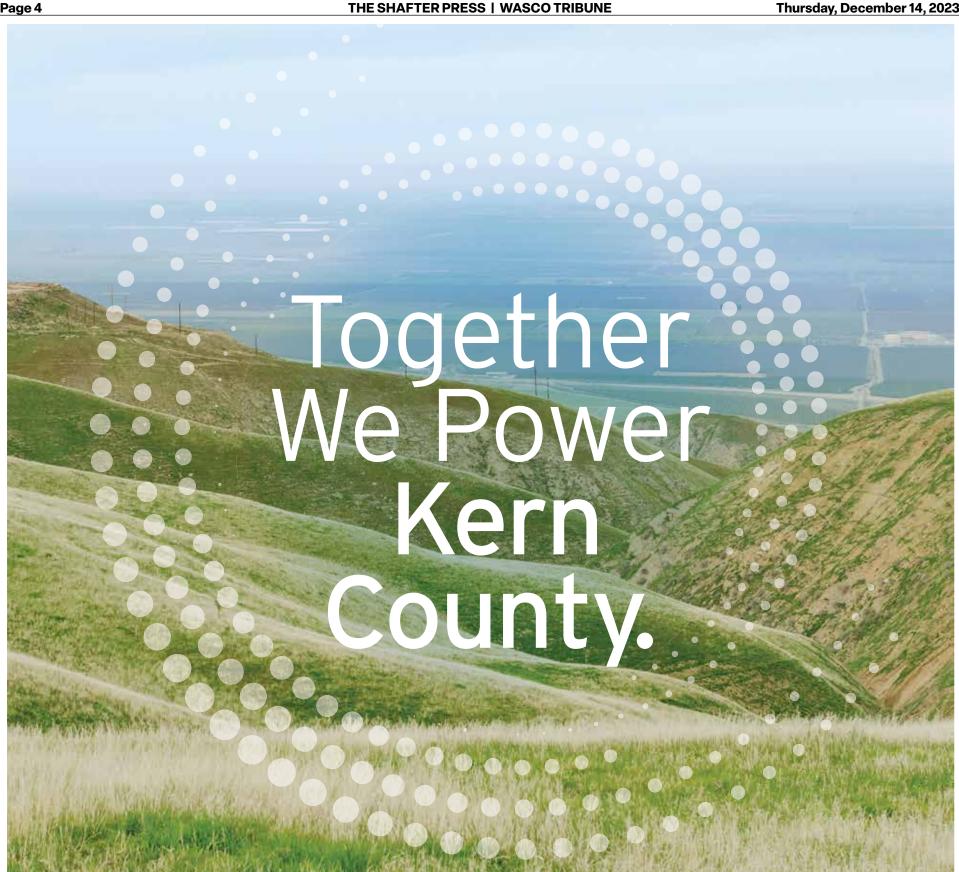




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Francisco J. Leon, President and CEO of California Resources Corporation





Wasco Rec's magical Christmas home tour

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

The Wasco Recreation and Parks District will hold its annual "Light up Wasco Community Cruise" event on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 18 and 19. Participants can drive in their vehicles or take the Dial-a-Ride bus to tour over 23 homes that are colorfully decorated and brightly lit with Christmas lights.

The festivities begin at 5 p.m. at the Veterans Hall across from the WRPD office, 1202 Poplar Northside. Santa will be there, as well as the Gingerbread Man. There, you can pick up a cruise map, some hot chocolate and a cookie to take on the cruise route.

WRPD Manager Chris Serna said, 'The Light Up Wasco event is a fun way to ring in the holiday season by bringing our community together to celebrate the beauty and magic of Christmas with family and friends."

Families and community members who go in their cars follow the Dial-a-Ride bus/buses and cruise throughout the city, looking at all the beautiful Christmas lights and decorations of those who registered their homes for the event.

WRPD provides a panel of judges that go out to participating homes to

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determine 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner, which will be announced Friday, Dec. 22, on the WRPD social media platforms. 1st place receives \$100, 2nd place \$75 and 3rd place \$50.

The event was inspired by the covid-19 pandemic. WRPD wanted an event that would get the community involved in the joy and spirit of Christmas "and also allow our families/community members to get out of their homes as a family unit to take a cruise and see the beautiful lights/ decorations of the homes of those who participated. It began as a noncontact event," Serna said.

The Dial-a-Ride component came to be in 2021 with a partnership with the City of Wasco to provide rides for those families, community members, seniors and others who may not have a car to take the cruise or may not be able to afford to fill up their gas tank to cruise around to see the Light Up

"It's a really neat partnership I appreciate the city for."

Anyone interested in getting transportation on either Dec. 18 or 19 must call Dial-a-Ride at 661-758-7222 to reserve a seat; there will be two one-hour tours per night. Seating is limited.



A decorated home at last year's "Light Up" event.

There is still time to register your home on the WRPD website (wascoparks.recdesk.com); the deadline is Saturday, Dec. 16.

Serna said there also will be Christmas music. "To spread the joy of this beautiful time of year" and said it will be entertainment for the whole family.

"You can take your loved ones, your kiddos, siblings, spouses, parents, grandparents, aunties/uncles, nieces/nephews, friends, friends and so on to get out and see the beautiful lights/decorations that Light Up Wasco participants worked so hard for you to see and to get into the Christmas spirit all while enjoying each other's company!"

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Children played a major role in start of playground construction.

Ribbon cut on new playground

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Shafter Youth Center was the site of the city's latest ribbon cutting ceremony. Local dignitaries, along with representatives from CAPK, the Wonderful Company and a representative from Supervisor David Couch's office were on hand to celebrate a new playground at the Shafter Youth Center complex on East Euclid in Shafter.

Director Angie Nelson said that the new playground is more than just a play structure. "This is so much more than equipment and wood chips," said Nelson. "This is a symbol of the positive relationship that we share with the City of Shafter, our wonderful kids, their families and our fantastic business partners such as The Wonderful

Wonderful's representative, Alondra Lewell, said, "We as a company pledge to support our communities, its residents, businesses and families. We are so proud to be a part of the legacy that is the Shafter Youth Center."

Company."

The ceremony also included some touching remarks by a few of the kids that the project is aimed to enrich.. Noe and Nick Flores spoke about the new playground. "I love the new playground and going to the Youth Center. I have

fun with my friends." Nick said, "I get my homework done there. I also like playing games and being on the playground." Eileen Webb, another



Noe Flores was one of three children who spoke at the event.

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participant, said, "The center is a lot of fun. It also helps my parents because they can go to work and not worry about me. They

know I will be taken care of here and will learn a lot."

Wonderful Company and BMO Financial were the business partners that worked with CAPK to made the project possible.



NOTICE OF VACANCY

Interested persons are hereby notified that pursuant to Government Code 1780 there is a vacancy at the **Shafter** Recreation & Park District Board of Directors.

The position to be filled is for a term ending December 2026. The seat will go up for election or appointment on January 9, 2024 for the final 36 months of the term.

Applications are available at the Shafter Recreation & Park District Office located at: 700 E. Tulare Shafter, CA 93263 Phone #: (661) 746-3303 Website: ShafterRecreation.com

Applications are due by: January 4th, 2024 This district board has 60 days from the date the board is

notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later, to fill the vacancy by

Pursuant to Government Code 1780, this notice will be posted for 15 days at the Shafter Recreation & Park District Office, The Shafter W.C Walker Senior Center, The Shafter City Hall and the Shafter Press from dates December 14,

2023 to December 28, 2023.

appointment or call a special election. Gov. Code 1780.





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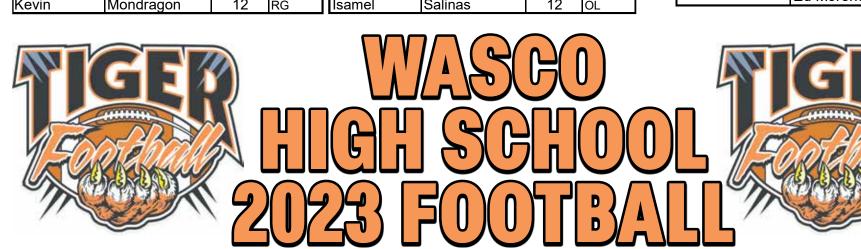


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| Benny | Juarez | 12 | TE |
| Isaiah | Acosta | 12 | RB, S |
| Elijah | Gonzalez | 12 | WR |
| Jacob | Lawrence | 12 | Р |
| Braydon | Ricks | 10 | WR, DB |
| Moroni | Carranza | 9 | Special |
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| Diego | Cortez | 12 | LG |
| Simon | Granados | 10 | RB |
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| Asst. coaches | Joe Dominguez | |
| | Kyle Wedel | |
| | Jessie Granados | |
| | Stephen Nored | |
| | Ed Moreno | |



THE TIGERS' SUCCESSFUL SEASON AT A GLANCE

| Friday, August 18 | 7 p.m. | South (Bakersfield) | L, 32-8 |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|
| Saturday, September 2 | 6:30 p.m. | at Monache (Porterville) | W, 23-21 |
| Friday, September 8 | 7:30 p.m. | at Tehachapi | L, 25-6 |
| Friday, September 15 | 7:30 p.m. | McFarland* | W, 49-8 |
| Friday, September 22 | 7 p.m. | Golden Valley (B'field) | L, 28-16 |
| Friday, September 29 | 7:30 p.m. | at Kennedy (Delano)* | L, 42-0 |
| Thursday, October 5 | 7:30 p.m. | Chavez (Delano)* | W, 36-23 |
| Friday, October 13 | 7 p.m. | at Delano* | W, 27-7 |
| Friday, October 20 | 7:30 p.m. | Taft* | W, 26-21 |
| Friday, October 27 | 7 p.m. | Wasco | W, 49-6 |
| Thursday, November 9 | 7 p.m. | Reedley | W, 28-21 |
| Friday, November 16 | 7 p.m. | Liberty (Madera)** | W, 27-10 |
| Friday, November 24 | 6 p.m. | Bishop Union** | W, 42-41 |
| Friday, December 1 | 7:30 p.m. | Cerritos (at Artesia)*** | W, 7-6 |
| Friday, December 8 | 4 p.m. | St. Vincent de Paul*** | L, 27-6 |

*SSL games **CIF Central Section playoffs ***State playoffs

FOLLOW THE TIGERS EACH WEEK IN THE WASCO TRIBUNE AND ONLINE AT WASCOTRIBLEOM

SHS reunion a success; Gary Kern honored

SUSAN GRISHAM

For The Shafter Press

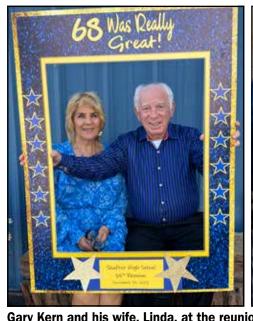
Generally speaking, high school reunions are not written about after the event is over. That is not the case with the Shafter High's Class of 1968 latest get together. Their 55th reunion was held on Sept. 30 at Mettler's Racing Barn. Of the original 209 graduates, 48 attended with additional spouses and friends; total attendance was 78. The evening featured music, a catered meal and lots of mingling and storytelling.

The highlight of the evening was awarding Gary Kern (a 1967 graduate of SHS) the first ever "Curly James Award" for his undying loyalty and support of the Shafter High Generals. Curly James was an avid and vocal supporter of the Generals and never missed a football game or opportunity to encourage any and all SHS students. During and after the Vietnam War, Curly counseled many boys returning home and

helped them with VA paper work as they transitioned to civilian life.

The Class of 1968 recognized Gary Kern not only for his support of the Generals, but for his many years of dedication to SHS as a teacher and counselor. Gary also was recognized for his willingness to provide information and tours of Shafter High School to returning graduates or groups who expressed an interest in learning about the history and growth of Shafter and Shafter High.

In recognition of the many times he has assisted the Class of 1968, Gary was designated "an honorary member of the Class of 1968." He is entitled to all rights and privileges that go along with the award, including an invitation to any and all Class of 1968 reunions. Thank you, Gary, for your continued support. "Once a General, Always a General."





Gary Kern and his wife, Linda, at the reunion. RIGHT: Gary Kern receives an award from Judy James Zeller, daughter of longtime Shafter High supporter Curly James. (Photo by Susan Grisham)

WHS Tigers fall in State title game, 27-6

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a first down on fourth and 2 yards to go and came up short.

In the second half, the Mustangs beat the Tigers at their own game. Wasco normally operates their double-wing offense to grind out yardage and time off of the clock. This time, it was the Mustangs who managed to keep the Tiger defense on the field for long stretches of time, eating up the clock and yardage down the field.

St. Vincent scored to make the lead 13-6, after stopping the Tigers on another fourth and short situation, giving the Mus-

tangs s short field. They made the Tigers pay with a quick scoring drive.

They managed another score to widen the lead as time was running out on the Tigers.

The Tigers ended the season as runners-up in the state's Division 6AA.

Martinez said that it wasn't the ending that they had hoped for, but he was very proud of his time for their work and dedication, accomplishing something that no other team in Tiger history has done. "We are still a young team too, so we plan to be back next year, and finish the job that we



Isaiah Acosta blocking St. Vincent de Paul's ball. (Photo by David Hernandez | for the Wasco Tribune)

Aquatic Center project gets contractor

project's completion expected in June, said Public Works Director Michael James. He expected the construction to begin in

A map available at the meeting showed

the work that is to be done.

In other action, the council approved a resolution that would take \$20 million of Shafter's finances and invest it in California CLASS, which would result in a higher yield on the money than the city

has been making. The LAIF, which the city has used in the past, gives the city a 3.5% interest rate. The California CLASS earns 5.5%.

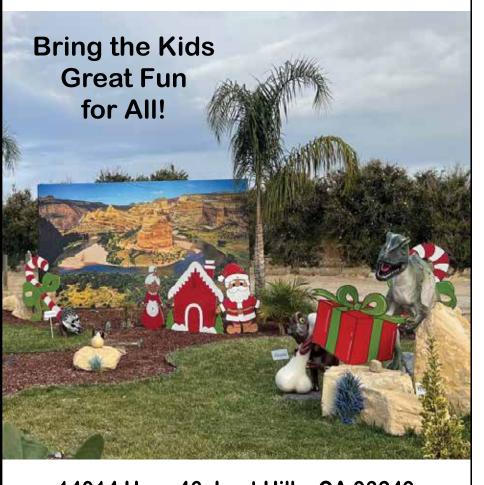
Skatepark Equipment Upgrades Project.

The city contracted with Spahn Ranch to complete the project, which includes installing new ramps, jumps and concrete surfacing. New lighting and landscaping also part of the \$500,000 project, It is ex-



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City looks to a Zipper for better roads

unloading the Zipper, overview by company representatives, safety and operations training with city staff and hands-on completion of the work by city staff. Once having some experience, staff believes the actual work could have been completed in less than half the time.

The Public Works Department found

savings with the Zipper would be significant, with a 69% reduction on the grinding, grading and compacting tasks across four sample projects.

Further, it was found that dollar savings would vary by up to \$2 per square foot. When in-house paving was added to the analysis, only minimal additional savings were projected.

In the end, the council agreed that purchasing the Zipper would address the rising costs of street and alley rehabilitation. The analysis by the Public Works Department showed significant potential savings, recouping capital costs in as few as three

A quote for the equipment in the amount of \$296,307.31 was received from Asphalt Zipper, and the purchase of the equipment will be funded from High Speed Rail Resolution Agreement Funds already held by the city.

"Acquisition of the Asphalt Zipper will give our Public Works Department a fantastic new tool to maintain and improve the city's streets and allies," City Manager Scott Hurlbert said.

Mobile pet clinic back next week

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

The City of Wasco, in partnership with SNIP, will hold a free mobile spay and neuter clinic for residents on Friday, Dec. 22. Earlier this year, the city received a

\$288,000 grant to hold monthly no-cost spay/neuter clinics for three years, completing an estimated 1,800 surgeries. Recently, it was decided to host the clinics twice a month.

"This will allow people a better time frame to make their appointment, every two weeks versus once a month. It gives everyone a better shot to fit it in their

schedule," Director of Public Works Luis

He said the primary goal of the clinics is to promote healthier lives for the animals. "And to keep down the pet population and strays running in the streets. Also, to reduce the number of calls to animal control and reduce potential animal bites from

There are also benefits to having your animal spayed or neutered, such as helping to stop pets from needing to roam and preventing accidental litters and other reproductive diseases.



SNIP clinic earlier this year.

The clinics help save people money they could use on other things. "Spaying and neutering is expensive and costs roughly

\$125 to \$160 depending on the animal's size," Villa said. "Înstead, that money can be put back into their household, like to pay for food for their dog or cat or utility bills. A little money helps, especially when you are on a fixed income."

In addition to spaying and neutering for cats and dogs, SNIP will offer the parvo vaccine for \$15, the rabies vaccine for \$15, microchipping for \$25, medication for \$10 and licenses for \$16.

The clinic will be held from 8a.m. to 12 p.m. in front of the Public Works yard at 801 8th St. One must have an appointment; to schedule one, call 925-788-1763. ID is required to show proof of residency.

Play captivates elementary students

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was nervous, but thrilled to work with the cast. Everybody in the whole cast was welcoming. It was so much fun, and doing it in front of the kids was just amazing."

She said there was a special energy in the room. "From the beginning to the end, you could feel it throughout. It was just so However, she found that there was a

challenge. "It was hard for us to try to slow down because we are all fast speakers, and we wanted to keep at a pace so that the kids could keep up with us so it could be more enjoyable for them." There were many memorable moments

for her, including when her friend's brother approached her after the show. "I was flattered that he was excited to meet me. At that age, kids are impressionable, and I felt like I made a positive impact on him."

The play was entirely student-directed and produced. Sidney Zavala was one of the directors. "Most importantly, we wanted to focus

on finding a play that would make the kids

laugh, and a lot of the kids normally don't go on field trips, so we wanted to make the trip memorable for them." "And after seeing all the kid's reactions

and wanting autographs and greeting us, I felt like we accomplished that. I was really proud of myself and of the actors." She said she and the other director,

Jorge Cabrera, were pleasantly surprised. "During the play, Jorge and I added music for our actor's entrance. We were worried that the kids might not like it, but they ended up dancing and singing to it. Behind

the scenes, we were smiling and laughing." The ensemble included Sidney Zavala,

Jorge Cabrera, Isabel Rubalcado, Amber Newby, Elliot Garza, Jennifer Lopez, Giovanni Lopez, Natalie Acosta, Noah Sanchez, Jaime Galvan, Elijah Rodriguez, Maria Castillo Salgado, Jules Wimberly and Kathryn Vargas.

"My desire is that we can keep this tradition alive for as long as possible. We've already done it for ten years, and I hope that that continues," drama teacher Melanie Yasenchak said.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

T.S. No. 109081-CA APN: 030-222-13-00 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEED. ING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 2/7/2024 at 10:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 4/13/2021 as Instrument No. 221068474 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Kern County, State of CALIFOR-NIA executed by: OSCAR RAMIREZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BID-DER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK Drawn on a state or national BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR a check drawn by a state or FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN AS-SOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIA-TION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 1501 TRUXTUN AVENUE, BA-KERSFIELD, CA 93301 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 928 2ND ST, WASCO, CA 93280 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$241,493.40 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of

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on a lien, not on the property itself.

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ING.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 109081-CA. 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: Effective January 1, 2021, 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 (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 109081-CA to find the date on which the trustee's

sale was held, the amount of the last

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RECON CORP 8880 Rio San Diego Drive, Suite 725 San Diego, California Publish Wasco Tribune December 7, 14, 21, 2023 **PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE-CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER:** SCV-23-000032

FORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

I. Petitioner: Brekell De'Jai Sanders filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name Brekell De'Jai Sanders Proposed Name Brielle De'Jai Sanders 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all per-

sons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without

NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 01/12/2024 Time: 8:30 AM

b. The address of the court is: SU-

PERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN, 325 Central Valley Highway, Shafter, CA 93263 Kern County Superior Court-Shafter 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive

weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation: (for resident of this county) printed in this county (specify paper): The Wasco Tribune

455 Kern St, Ste E Shafter, CA Date: 10/25/23 /s/Judge Marco Camacho Judge of the Superior Court

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21, 28, 2023 and January 4, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Leo's Honey Farm LLC

659 Camp Ave Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern 659 Camp Ave Shafter, CA 93263 Leo's Honey Farm LLC 659 Camp Ave Shafter, CA 93263 State of incorp. or org.: CA The business is conducted by: Cor-Date the business commenced: 01/01/2023 /s/Leoncio Rodriguez, President Date Statement Filed: 11/01/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/01/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: T Cabrera

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement **Botanica Luna Nueva** 2023-B7520 846 7th St

Wasco, CA 93280

1540 Primrose Ct

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Wasco, CA 93280 Martha Villa 1540 Primrose Ct Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: Indi-Date the business commenced: 04/07/2019 Date Statement Filed: 12/01/2023 Date Statement Expires: 12/01/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Hernandez Publish Wasco Tribune December 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023

Fictitious Business **Name Statement** Taqueria Los Primos 2023-B7502 2110 17th Pl Delano, CA 93215

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County: Kern 2110 17th Pl Delano, CA 93215 Marcelino P. Hernandez Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: 02/05/2018 /s/Marcelino P. Hernandez Date Statement Filed: 11/30/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/30/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Hernandez Publish Wasco Tribune December 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Name Statement La Mexicana Bakery 2023-B7341 615 F St Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern

Fictitious Business

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S

Trustee Sale No. 166240 Title No. 230139370 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/20/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE AC-TION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE.

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THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING

AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CON-TACT A LAWYER. On 01/05/2024 at 10:00 AM, The Mortgage Law Firm, PLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 05/02/2006, as Instrument No. 0206107723, in book xx, page xx, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Kern County, State of California, executed by Jose G. Arredondo, A Single Man, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of pay ment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), At the front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed Trust in the property situated in said County and State, described as: FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE DEED OF TRUST. APN 030-442-17-00 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1650 F Street, Wasco, CA 93280 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said 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 said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$138,898.58 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Dated:12/06/2023 THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM, PLC Adriana Durham / Authorized Signature 27368 Via Industria, Suite 201 Temecula, CA 92590 (619) 465-8200 FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (800) 280-2832 The Mortgage Law Firm, PLC. may be attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. 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

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PASTOR'S CORNER

The first Christmas morning

PASTOR PAT COYLE

Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church

I'm sure you'd agree that it doesn't seem possible that another Christmas Day is drawing near! All of the preparations of shopping for gifts, purchasing and cooking meals, planning the day with family or friends, and that's not to mention attending Advent services leading up to Christ-

Have you ever wondered what you'd do if it wasn't true? What if Jesus was nothing more than an invented figure to rally the people of his day? For bestselling author and former investigative reporter Lee Strobel, those are the kinds of questions he asks and answers in "The Case for Christmas" published in 1998.

Our church family has been using his

little book as a guide for our Advent season this year and finding solid answers to tough questions. Here's some of the highlights: • Eyewitness evidence - Can the biog-

- raphies of Jesus be trusted?
- Scientific evidence What does archaeology reveal? • Profile evidence - Did Jesus fulfill the
- attributes of God?
 - Fingerprint evidence Did Jesus

uniquely match the identity of the Messiah? Lee Strobel answers each of the previ-

ous questions with well-researched evidence that only reinforces the Biblical accounts I'd encourage you to read his little book as a way of celebrating Christmas and strengthening your understanding of who Jesus really is.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year in 2024!

OBITUARIES

Lance William Nickelsen Jan. 8, 1963 -Nov. 20, 2023 Lance William Nickelsen, 60, a beloved son, brother, uncle and friend, passed away on Nov. 20 at

his home in Caliente. Lance was born on Jan. 8, 1963, in Bakersfield, to John and Virginia Nickelsen of Shafter. He attended Richland Schools and Shafter High, graduating in 1980. Growing up, he ran track and swam com-

petitively with the Shafter Stingrays and SHS swim teams. Through 4-H, he raised livestock, learned woodworking and entomology, and excelled at

photography, turning the household kitchenette into a dark room and traveling to Europe on a photo tour.

He played the trumpet and was a talented writer. He was industrious from an early age, building and fixing things - he erected a radio tower on the side of the house controlled from his bedroom and rebuilt the engine of his yellow Toyota Hilux on a break from college. Lance earned a bachelor

of science degree in agricultural engineering technology from Oregon State University. He returned home on summer breaks to work for his dad, checking fields up and down the Central Valley with Supervised Control Service.

He started his career with John Deere at South Kern Machinery. He ran the shop for many years, becoming fluent in Spanish and earning respect from colleagues nationwide for his expertise in tractor design, mechanics and repair. Later, he worked as an engineer for Cannon & Associates in the Bakersfield field office and at Esys, the Energy Control Company. For the past 15 years he

was with KSI Engineering. As principal process and I&C engineer, he managed all process piping and facility design, instrumentation and controls for clients in North Dakota, Kansas, Texas, Wyoming and Colorado. He had a brilliant mind — once solving a design problem by hand calculations that Shell Petroleum's modeling software could not replicate. He learned ballroom

dancing, gracing the floor at his wedding — he was married for a short time. He was also a self-taught musician, playing rhythm and bass guitar and performing with the Dirt Road Band at venues around Bakersfield.

Always ready with an analogy or one-liner, Lance formed memorable relationships and lightened the tone of any conversation — even on air where radio personality Jim Rome knew him as "Lance from Bakersfield." He was resilient, kind, caring and loyal.

He set up shop on his property in the foothills and took meticulous notes of all of his projects. He tended to his land and watched after his neighbors. It was his respite from the world. He had more life to live and plans for that just not enough time.

He is survived by his mother, Virginia Nickelsen; sisters Dana (Ron) Lessley, Kara (Steven) Anderson and Nona (George) Matthews; and niece Scarlett Matthews. His father, John Nickelsen, passed away in 2021.

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Date Statement Filed: 11/29/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/29/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: Z Arellano Publish Shafter Press December 7,

14, 21, 28, 2023 PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Business Name Statement LJS Insurance Services 2023-B7525 14909 David Ct.

Bakersfield, CA 93314 County: Kern 14909 David Ct Bakersfield, CA 93314 Louie John Shepherd 14909 David Ct Bakersfield, CA 93314 The business is conducted by: Individual

12/01/2023

/s/Louie John Shepherd Date Statement Filed: 12/01/2023 Date Statement Expires: 12/01/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

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December 7, 14, 21, 2023 **PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business**

Name Statement **Monarch Home Services** 2023-B7339 301 Espee St Suite B

Bakersfield, CA 93301 County: Kern

301 Espee St Suite B Bakersfield, CA 93301 Hanover Operations, LLC 301 Espee St Suite B Bakersfield, CA 93301 State of Incorp. or org.: CA $\,$

The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company* Date the business commenced: 05/01/2008 /s/Mark DeVries, President Date Statement Filed: 11/20/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/20/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement **Phillip Jesse Campas Legacy** Proiect 2023-B7334

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/s/Christine Campas, Managing Member Date Statement Filed: 11/20/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/20/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business

Name Statement **Sport Lab Academy LLC** 2023-B7307

11508 Talladega Ct Bakersfield, CA 93312 County: Kern 11508 Talladega Ct Bakersfield, CA 93312 Sport Lab Academy LLC 11508 Talladega Ct Bakersfield, CA 93312 State of incorp. or org.: CA $\,$ The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company* Date the business commenced: 11/17/2023 /s/Daniel Dinsing Date Statement Filed: 11/17/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/17/2028

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Bakersfield, CA 93314 County: Kern 22148 Stricklind Ct. Bakersfield, CA 93314 Erin Alyse Larson 14964 Pams Wav Bakersfield, CA 93314 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Erin Alyse Larson Date Statement Filed: 11/08/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/08/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: Z Arellano Publish Shafter Press November 23, 30, December 7, 14, 2023

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165 Beth Eden Street Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern 165 Beth Eden Street Shafter, CA 93263 Eduardo Garcia Buruel 165 Beth Eden Street Shafter, CA 93263 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Eduardo Garcia Buruel Date Statement Filed: 11/15/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/15/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: T Cabrera Publish Shafter Press November 23, 30, December 7, 14, 2023

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vidual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Nicholas Isaiah Lopez Date Statement Filed: 11/14/2023 Date Statement Expires: 11/14/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: T Cabrera Publish Shafter Press November 23,

30, December 7, 14, 2023 **PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business** Name Statement Bakersfield Hydro Jetting and Plumbing 2023-B7242 2023-B7243

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