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## Council moves on pedestrian safety

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

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The Shafter City Council approved extra striping and signage to protect pedestrians on a stretch of West Tulare Avenue from Poplar Avenue and Highway 43.

Residents have voiced their concerns on the amount of speeders on West Tulare, especially at the intersection of West Tulare and Santa Maria avenues, near a church and an apartment complex.

Councilmember Gilbert Alvarado said at Tuesday night's council meeting that he is very concerned about the safety of pedestrians at this intersection. "I attend the church at Santa Maria, and we held a Vacation Bible School there a couple of weeks ago. We were

very concerned with the amount of people speeding down West Tulare. We ended up putting up some cones around the shoulder to try to get the drivers to slow down."

The city looked at traffic data, and Public Works Director Michael James said that according to the California Manual, requirements for a four-way stop do not include speeders. He said that a stop sign would not fix the speeder problem along that stretch of road.

If the city elected to place stop signs at the intersection without the Manual's direction to do so, it could become liable for any accident that occurred there.

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## Alex Garcia enters race for Kern County supervisor

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

Mayor Pro Tem Alex Garcia announced his candidacy for the Kern County Supervisor District 4 position earlier this week. David Couch has held the seat since 2013, and is the only other announced candidate.

"I am running because the Board of Supervisors can use a fresh perspective and a rural voice in leadership," Garcia said. "Kern County is at a pivotal point, and now more than ever, I think our rural communities can be a part of what the future looks like in Kern."

He was born and raised in the county and has lived his entire life in Wasco.

Upon returning to Wasco after college in 2015 to work for the state Assembly, he knew that his destiny was in service to others, he explained.

In 2016 he joined the Wasco City Council in various capacities, including being elected twice as a councilmember, twice as mayor and in his current position as mayor pro tem.

Garcia believes his experience with the council has prepared him for the supervisor role.

"I have leveraged those relationships to advocate for environmental justice for the city of Wasco, including the demolition of the old farm labor complex, advocating for a new Police Department and helping to launch the covid-19 vaccination clinics that are running to this day."

Garcia said he has a deep connection with the community he holds dearly.

"I have built collaborations with community leaders, including non-profits, faith and public safety."



Mayor Pro Tem Alex Garcia is excited about the opportunity to serve the Kern County community.

He feels he is qualified for the job.

"I plan to work hard to get to know and talk to as many voters as possible to present my best qualities and platforms without bringing down the incumbent," he said. "Voters will be able to choose the best representative that reflects their values and lived experiences."

Garcia said he will fight to empower the community and espe-

cially those communities that have been traditionally underserved.

"Given the opportunity, I will not be afraid to step up and fight for Kern families."

The primary election is set for Tuesday, March 5. If a candidate wins a majority of the votes cast in the nonpartisan race, they will take office in April. Otherwise, a general-election runoff will be held in November.

## A pastor's message of salvation

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

Johnny Martinez has been a pastor with Westside Family Fellowship for 17 years. Over this time, he has touched many lives through the word of Christ.

He said the church's mission is to proclaim Christ, which is salvation to the human soul.

"We want to project love. That is why we do the programs that we do."

The church provides a vital role in helping to feed the community. Every fourth Thursday, there is a farmers market for people that not only come from Wasco, but from as far as Delano and Bakersfield.

They give away fresh produce, canned goods and bread. The next farmers market will take place on Aug. 29 from 8 to 10 a.m.

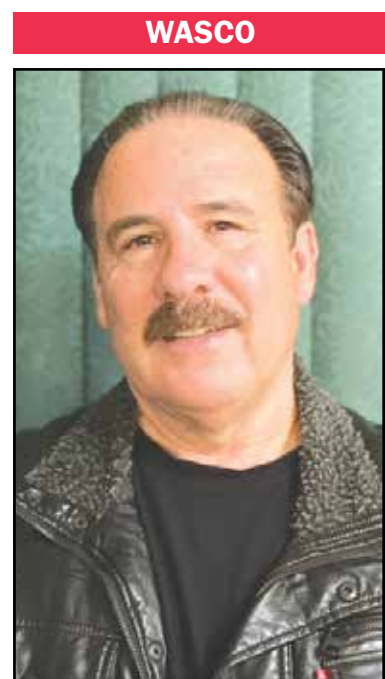
Every fourth Tuesday of the month, there is a senior program for ages 60 and above where they receive a 35-pound box of grocery essentials. The next one will be on Aug. 22 from 9 to 10 a.m.

His goal as a pastor is to teach according to the doctrines of the Bible.

"Being a pastor is more than preaching. It's about leading, instructing, doing the work of God and being an example. The goal is to tell people about the love of God. Not only with the congregation but in the community spreading the word of God and the good news of God's salvation."

He wants to spread the gospel, which he said is that God loves us.

"His love is out of this world. That's what I want people to hear."



Pastor Johnny Martinez said his work is a calling from God.

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## 'Pickers' looking for unique treasures

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

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The History Channel's "American Pickers" will be returning to the West Coast soon and are looking for local collectors who would be interested in having their collections on display for a national audience.

Joshua Kerlin, producer of the popular show, said that they will be looking to meet with collectors who might have some unique and interesting items for their show to feature in an upcoming episode. "We are looking for different, unusual and unique items, something we have never seen before with an extraordinary story."

Local farmer Marc McCaslin was featured in an episode of the show during their most recent West Coast trip. "They were so nice and it was a wonderful experience," said McCaslin.

Kerlin said that they are looking for in-

dividual collectors who would like to share their finds with America. "A lot of the items we feature have such a unique and interesting history and story behind them," explained Kerlin.

Those interested in sharing their collection can contact the show at 646-493-2184 or AmericanPickers@cinetflix.com. Include full name, city and state, contact information and a brief description of your collection. "American Pickers" only feature private collections, so no stores, malls, museums, auctions, businesses, or anything open to the public will be chosen.

The team will contact individuals who they think would make a good story. "Everyone has things that mean so much to them, and sometimes those items can mean so much to our audiences, be they big items or small."



American Pickers' Mike Wolfe and Danielle Colby will be returning to the West Coast. (History Channel photo)



# 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](mailto:esoriano@TheShafterPress.com) or call 661-292-5100 by Monday at 4 p.m. for that week's paper.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Free farmer's market** – Westside Family Fellowship hosts every fourth Thursday of the month, 8-10 a.m. Also, free senior food bank every fourth Tuesday of the month, 9-10 a.m. 65 or older (ID required). 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

**Waste collection** – Shafter-Wasco-Kern County Public Works is hosting a household hazardous waste collection event Saturday, Aug. 12, at 17621 Scofield Ave., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Accepted materials include batteries, motor oil, paints, light bulbs, pool chemicals, automotive supplies, cleaning products and more.

**Recolección de Residuos** – Kern County Public Works evento de recolección de residuos peligrosos del hogar, Sábado 12 de Agosto, 17621 Scofield Ave, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. Materiales aceptados-baterías, aceite de motor, pinturas, bombillas, objetos punzantes, productos de limpieza, ya mas!

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

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

**Live entertainment** – Shafter Free Will Baptist Church welcomes Aaron and Matt from Listener 88.3 Life FM Tuesday, Aug. 8, 3-5 p.m.

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

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

## ONGOING

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

**PRIDE Pantry donations needed** – Help hurting families at Shafter High through donations of personal hygiene items, clothing, household items and non-perishable 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 2nd Tuesdays of the month. Located at 505 Sunset Ave. 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.

## WEDNESDAY

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

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

**Shafter Woman's Club** – Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month, September through May, starting at 11 a.m. at the Shafter Youth Center, 455 Euclid Ave.

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

## THURSDAY

**Wasco High School board** – Meetings the second Thursday of the month at 1900 7th St. in Room 202, or alternatively in Library Room 1101. Visit [wascouhsd.org](http://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 Ave.

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

## FRIDAY

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

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

# Mystery history

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Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to *The Press*, 455 Kern St., Suite E, Shafter, CA 93263, or e-mail it to [mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com). Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** Em. H. Mettler workers in Edison in May 1950



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## SATURDAY

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

**Green Hotel tours** – Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information about renting the hotel for events, email [thegreenhotel@gmail.com](mailto: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.

# ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

### JULY 25

Ampelio Pelayo Gutierrez, 67, of Shafter, was arrested at Smith Corners and Orange for driving with a suspended license and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

Jesus Antonio Ibarra Medina, 23, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of West Tulare Avenue for driving with a suspended license from a DUI, carrying a concealed weapon and on an outside agency warrant.

### JULY 26

Mariah Nicole Gonzalez, 24, of Shafter, was arrested on Mayer Lane for possession of unlawful paraphernalia, driving without a license or financial responsibility, driving an unregistered vehicle and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Miguel Angel Ortega Franco, 39, of Shafter, was arrested at East Orange and Fuller for possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

### JULY 29

Luis Fernando Leon Maceda, 25, of Shafter, was arrested on Thompson

Street for carrying a loaded firearm and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Brandy Laray Smith, 28, of Shafter, was arrested in the 3000 block of Santa Fe Way for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

## BUTTONWILLOW

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

### JULY 24

David Fajardo, 32, of Buttonwillow, was arrested at the intersection of Mirasol Street and East Front Street in Buttonwillow for being under the influence of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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

### JULY 25

Andy Magallanes, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of D Street for felony infliction of corporal injury on spouse, attempted burglary, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance and obstructing officer: resisting arrest. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Veronica Martinez, 49, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of D Street for misdemeanor will-

ful cruelty to child and under the influence of a controlled substance. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### JULY 26

Bryona Tidwell, 30, of Bakersfield, was arrested near the intersection of D and 6th streets for misdemeanor driving without a

license and possession of a controlled substance. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### JULY 27

Antonio Rios, 49, of Wasco, was arrested in the 400 block of Poplar Avenue for misdemeanor possession of controlled substance, obstructing an

officer: resisting arrest, and on felony and misdemeanor bench warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### JULY 28

Jermain Maston, 38, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of 16th Street for misdemeanor battery on a person, damaging a

wireless device, and on a felony bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### JULY 29

Pedro Javier Olivas, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2500 block of 9th Place for misdemeanor DUI. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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# Dial-A-Ride bus shelter project planned

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

The city plans to spend over \$34,000 to build Dial-A-Ride shelters in town, using Kern County Low Carbon Transit Operations Project funds to pay for them.

"The idea is that we have locations where we routinely pick up and drop off Dial-A-Ride riders," City Manager Scott Hurlbert commented on the Transit Bus Shelters project, "We are looking for the funding to establish bus stop-style shelters, a place for people to wait under the shade."

"They are more expensive than you think. This is a good step in moving forward with the design and installation."

Also at Tuesday's regular meeting, Mayor Vincent Martinez presented a proclamation to long-time educator Kelly Richers.

Richers has served as superintendent of Wasco Union Elementary School District since 2014 and retired from his post on June 1, after serving the district for 30 years.

As superintendent, he oversaw the pas-

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sage of bonds totaling \$36 million for the construction of a new elementary school and the conversion of the Palm Avenue Elementary School into a middle school with a new gym.

Richers also initiated the addition of special education buses, renovations to other schools, expansion of services through supplementary funds directed at those students most in need, expanded nursing staff, liaisons at each school and college-directed programs.

"He also successfully and courageously led the district in its most unprecedented time during the Covid-19 pandemic by providing support for students and staff," Mayor Martinez said. "He remained committed to fostering a learning environment that focused on continuous improvement, preparing every student to become a life-long learner and responsible citizen."

Richers was happy about the honor. "I'm deeply appreciative of it. It's unexpected, and I thank the city very much. It's



Kelly Richers accepted his certificate of recognition from the City Council.

been an honor to work in Wasco," he added Councilmember Gilberto Reyna said, "I knew him since he first arrived in the district. I'm happy to call him a friend."

"He is a visionary and has made our school system better for our students."

Also, at the meeting, it was announced that the next SNIP (spay and neuter clinic) event would occur on Wednesday, Aug. 23, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the parking lot in the back of the old Wasco courthouse. To register a pet, call 925-788-1763.

# 'Willy Wonka' comes to life at Ford

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

The Shafter Children's Summer Theater presented the Roald Dahl classic "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory," this past weekend. Headed up by Cris Starrh, the theater group has been entertaining audiences for over 25 years, showcasing the local children's passion for the arts.

In this production, the title character was portrayed by Camryn Yasenchek, who brought a vulnerable edge to the character that touched audiences. In the story, Wonka decides to open the doors to his factory to five lucky youngsters, ultimately to hand the keys to the kingdom to a very special child.

That special kid, Charlie Bucket, was played by Archie Dransoff, who had a perfect mix of wonder and playfulness, push-



The Rising Stars opened the show.

ing the candymaker to face the future with him at the helm.

The cast was full of talented children, showing their singing, acting and dancing skills to the delight of the crowd. Grace Givens, who

was wonderful in the group's production of "Seussical," was hilarious as the wise-cracking, gum-popping Violet. She knew just what buttons to push to get reactions from the crowd and her fellow cast members.

Also a standout was Caleb Kohler, whose accent and mannerisms were spot-on for his character, the ever-eating Augustus Gloop. The Oompa-Loompas were a great addition to the cast of characters, giving the show a heart along the way. They were played by Faith Givens, Anthony Figueroa, Jude Jaime, Penelope Scialabba and Adilina Montoya. Charlie's Grandpa Joe was also a

highlight, played by Micah Neufeld.

The small but mighty band accompanying the show was outstanding. The members included Chad Givens on the bass guitar, Sam McKinne on the drums, Cris Starrh playing the synthesizer, and Meg Wise on the piano.

The evening opened with a performance by the Rising Stars group, previewing the future of the Children's Theater. Directed by Lauren Givens, the show included several numbers that showed the talent of the very young performers.

This Children's Summer Theater group is the brainchild of Starrh, who was looking for something to occupy her children's summer over 20 years ago. It has grown into a group that gives local children an outlet for their artistic passions, feeding their spirits and feeding the community.



Camryn Yasenchek starred as Wonka.

# Sequoia Elementary welcomes new teachers

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

The Richland School District is welcoming three new teachers at Sequoia Elementary School for the coming school year. Superintendent Rosa Romero said that the new teachers come with years of experience and a passion for helping students reach their full potential.

"We are excited to welcome these wonderful teachers to our family," said Romero.

Jill Morrison will be the new principal at Sequoia Elementary School, bringing with her 24 years of educational experience,

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in a number of positions. She has been a teacher, an academic coach, a coordinator focusing on professional development for the district, and as an assistant principal.

"Throughout my time in education, I've had the privilege of working at title and non title schools, gaining understanding of needs and components very unique to each one."

Morrison is originally from San Gabriel, near Pasadena. She has been married to her husband, Kevin, who is a teacher at Shafter High, for 22 years. "We have five children, two in college, two in high school

and one third-grader."

Also new to Sequoia is Wendy Wilson. Wilson has been in education for several years. Wendy has been involved in various forms of education since 1997, when she began her career at Richland Primary School, teaching third grade. Before that, she taught flute lessons all through high school and college.

After having children, Wilson worked in part-time capacity as a music teacher at a small Christian school, but was primarily a stay-at-home mom. She even home-schooled her children for four years. After the kids went back to public school, Wendy volunteered in her children's classrooms

and served on PTO committees, including serving as president of the Richland Jr. High PTO for a few years.

In December 2019, Wilson decided to start subbing. There is always a need for credentialed substitute teachers to take long-term assignments, so she was immediately asked to take a third grade class in January of 2020. She spent the past four school years doing long-term substitute teaching, sometimes for three quarters of a school year. Wilson loves to make an impact on students' lives and views teaching the children of Shafter as a ministry. She is excited to return to a full time position.

# Westside pastor's message of salvation

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Church services are held on Sundays at 10 a.m. with a Bible study on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Both are presented in English and Spanish.

Services are lively and interactive with music, prayer and fellowship. Over 200 attend.

"The main purpose is to come together to worship God and learn his word."

There are also women's, men's and youth fellowships.

Pastor Martinez said the best part of being a pastor is seeing people grow and families restored.

"I like to assist them and help them in any way, whether spiritual, physical or emotional. I'm there to fill the gap and encourage them."

He said his role in the church is a calling.

"When you begin to walk with God, he will put the desires in your heart. God will equip and instruct you."

Pastor Martinez intimately knows the power of the teachings of God and believes that prayer is the path to communicating with him.

"I have been addiction-free for 44 years. The reason I was freed from that was because of Christ. The bible says that Jesus

Christ came to set us free from sin."

"Whatever was destroying me, like alcohol and drugs, when Christ came into my life, that is what helped me into liberty and freedom. Those addictions no longer bound me."

He believes there is no substitute for prayer.

"A family that prays together stays together."

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# A Wasconian through and through

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

Iola Moore-Smiley was born in 1935 and moved to California with her family in 1938, first making their way to Pond and later moving to Wasco in 1941, where she lived for almost 20 years.

She wrote a book, "The Moore Kids," about her experience growing up in Wasco. Originally from Oklahoma, the family moved west because her father couldn't find work.

Iola attended elementary, junior high and high school in Wasco. Some of her most cherished memories are of these times, she said.

"I loved school. All my teachers were just wonderful."

There she was active in sports, girl's glee and camera club.

The family was poor, she said, but she never knew it.

"Having all the chickens, pigs and cows, we didn't even know we were poor because we had such good food."

"Though, I don't remember going shopping for clothes."

Her grandmother had an old Singer sewing machine, and she learned to make gathered skirts out of flower sacks with patterns and pretty colors, she said.

They lived on a farm, and the entire family worked.

"We picked potatoes, chopped and picked cotton. We did everything, and my

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mom worked alongside us."

To supplement the family income, her mother saved money selling butter and eggs, and her father raised and sold greyhound dogs.

"Men would come from Los Angeles to buy the dogs for racing up in Oregon."

Hers was a lively home as her father played the fiddle, and there was always music. "We loved to dance," she remembered.

On the weekends, every Saturday after cleaning house, she went to the movies with her three siblings. Then it only cost a quarter for the movie, popcorn and a Coke.

She also enjoyed going to Hoyt's for hamburgers.

Iola married John Howard in 1953.

"He worked for his folks in the hay business throughout high school. He was a real good mechanic and helped with the machines."

Both attended WHS. They went on to have three children together, Keith, Sharon and Annette, who also attended all Wasco schools, including graduating from WHS.

Iola said Wasco helped shape her into the woman she is today and is where she learned the value of hard work and the importance of education.

In elementary school, Ms. Bartlet, her 4th-grade teacher, encouraged her to read, which would later in life lead to her passion



Iola with her business partner and brother, Lonnie Moore.

for writing.

In 1996, she started a self-publishing business, I & L Publishing, with her brother, Lonnie.

The business thrived.

"I got a typist and a gentleman who did the book covers."

Iola would go on to write two more books, including "A Hummingbird Named Friendly" and "Ashlee's Smile Quilt."

Since leaving Wasco in 1961, she last visited in 1990 with her son, who took her to see all of her favorite spots.

Iola said the city has changed a lot.

"It was a world of difference from when I lived there. I can remember 7th Street. We only had a couple of grocery stores, so we had to go to Shafter or Delano."

Now in Oroville, she has a subscription to the Wasco Tribune and enjoys keeping up with local news.



Iola and her sister Betty and classmates sitting on the steps of Pond Ham School, which is now the Wasco Historical Society Museum.

"I am thankful I grew up in Wasco. I've always considered it my hometown."

# Charles Craig Classic returns to WHS

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

The Wasco FFA chapter and Wasco AG Boosters will host its 4th annual Charles Craig Classic for Wasco, Shafter, Delano,

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Taft and McFarland students.

The competition will be held at the WHS farm laboratory on Saturday, Sept. 9, and Sunday, Sept. 10.

The event honors the late Dr. Charles Craig, who served as an ag instructor for many years in the Wasco Union High School District. While serving the district, he overcame many obstacles that would have otherwise prevented students from experiencing hands-on learning.

At the Classic, students will have a chance to showcase their animals, and over the two-day event, six categories will compete: swine, goats, sheep, pygmy goats, rabbits and chickens.

Marissa Juarez is the AG Boosters president.

She said the club's mission is to support WHS FFA students by feeding them at the Kern County Fair, helping them attend local, state and national conferences, and providing scholarships for them.

Juarez first became involved six years ago



The inaugural Charles Craig Classic 2020 swine team.

when her daughter was in FFA.

"I'm a teacher at Teresa Burke. I enjoy seeing former students going through FFA and seeing how it's benefited them. My son is also currently a senior in the FFA program."

"It's a small fair before the Kern Coun-

ty Fair, so they can know what to expect there, especially the new students coming in," Juarez said.

The Classic started in 2020 at the height of the covid pandemic.

"Since the Kern County Fair was canceled, we wanted something for the kids to

showcase and sell their animals."

With the Classic, she said students learn from it and prepares them for the Kern County Fair.

"They not only gain teamwork skills, but it takes dedication to have an animal, especially throughout the summer. It teaches them responsibility."

She enjoys seeing students and what they need to work on ahead of the Kern County Fair.

"Between the Kern County Fair and the Classic, it will be a busy two weeks for them."

In the past, the event has been well attended. "Last year, we sold out of our trip sandwiches. That is how busy we were."

She expects to have another good turnout again.

"Many parents and supporters come to see their students. It coincides with the Rose Festival, so people can go back and forth."

Juarez encourages the community to join in on the festivities.

"Come out for not only students from Wasco but surrounding communities to see what it takes to show an animal at the Kern County Fair and Charles Craig Classic," she said.

For more information, email wascoagboosters@gmail.com.

# Council moves on pedestrian safety

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The department recommended pedestrian safety improvements, such as striping of the road and additional signage. Alvarado questioned the effectiveness of just having the signs and striping at the location. James commented that the city could conduct further traffic studies for the area, including car counts, and also video that

could be used to register how many speeders, as well as any near-collisions that occur at the location that would possibly steer the council in the direction of adding a four-way stop sign at the location.

The item was then approved, with the addition of ordering additional traffic studies to be done that would better equip the city with information that would make

the installation of a stop sign at the location viable and necessary.

On that stretch of road, there are no stop signs or anything to slow the traffic down all the way from Poplar Avenue to Highway 43.

In other city action, the council thanked recently retired Assistant Chief of Police Diana Burnett for her 30 years of service to

the community. Burnett worked her way from officer, to sergeant, to assistant chief, and collected numerous awards and accolades for her outstanding performance. "We thank Assistant Chief Burnett for her dedication and passion for our community, and she will be missed by so many," Mayor Chad Givens said during a recognition ceremony.

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Wisely handling criticism

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The old saying goes, "Everyone's a critic!" How true this is in a world where all of us are sinners with keen eyes to find faults in others. Critics quickly pounce on other's flaws and point out failures. A lesson more valuable than gold is how to handle criticism. "He that refuses instruction hates himself: but he who listens to reproof acquires understanding." Proverbs 15:32). There is a difference between constructive criticism and destructive criticism. Destructive criticism notices the faults and failures of others and seeks to tear them down. The one

who is destructively critical will dwell on the faults of others with no interest in their good or improvement. The destructive critic is sinning in violation of the central commands of Christianity, including being unloving, unforgiving, lacking grace, insensitive and harsh (Galatians 5:22; Ephesians 4:32).

Christians are to of-

fer constructive criticism and encouragement to others that will help them improve. Constructive criticism can be viewed as the process of offering well-reasoned positive comments about the work of others in a friendly manner. Constructive criticism helps someone improve so that further growth is promoted. Constructive criticism helps people improve and strive for excellence, which is pleasing to the Lord (Philippians 1:10).

Destructive criticism has its roots in sin. We always want to check ourselves first to make sure we are not offering hypocritical or mean-spirited criticism upon others (Matt 7:1-5). Sins related to destructive criticism include

pride as we set ourselves up as judges over others to build ourselves up as we tear others down. Sometimes there is sinful pleasure from criticizing others to feel better. If we are angry at someone, criticism becomes a weapon to tear others down and to hurt them with words. Jealous and envious people often become critics of those who have things that they want.

It is very important how we receive criticism that comes our way. Beware of negative responses to criticism like ignoring it, running away from it, making excuses, shifting blame and attacking the critic with destructive criticisms of your own. Deflecting constructive criticism may leave you unhappy and unfulfilled

(Proverbs 1:30-32). Ignoring constructive criticism may leave problems unaddressed until they cannot be fixed (13:18). Arguing against criticism can lead to poverty and shame (29:1). Denying all criticism is foolish, and the wise person gladly accepts council in the form of correction to improve (12:1).

Criticism can be for our benefit and improvement (Proverbs 27:5). Receiving criticism well will lead to a more productive and fulfilling life and will yield greater wisdom and understanding (10:17a; 15:31-32). Responding well to criticism or correction will bring greater joy and may result in honor from enemies (13:18; 27:9b). Finally, responding well to criticism is part of the refin-

ing and sharpening process for faith and growth in maturity (27:17).

Sometimes it may be our place to give constructive criticism, correction and encouragement. As Christians, we want to put off destructive criticism and to put on giving encouragement. We want to think through what Scripture says before we give a loving rebuke or corrective counsel (2 Timothy 3:16). I pray all Christians grow in the wisdom of both receiving and giving constructive criticism for the growth of the church and for the maturity of the faith. "But speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up [in maturity] in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ." (Ephesians 4:15).

OBITUARIES

**Doris Cathryn Unruh**  
 July 19, 1928 –  
 July 16, 2023



Doris Cathryn Unruh was born in Bakersfield on July 19, 1928, and died peacefully on July 16, 2023, with several family members by her side.

Her parents, Cornelius Peter (C.P.) Eitzen and Mary (Harder) Eitzen, were married after losing previous spouses. The family, including two brothers and a sister, lived in rural eastern Bakersfield, where her father built a home and several poultry barns. During the Depression years, she enjoyed a secure family life with large gardens, chickens, eggs, and a milking cow. Her mother, an accomplished seamstress, made most of her clothing. The family attended the Bakersfield Mennonite Brethren Church, where Doris accepted the Lord, was baptized and became a member.

Doris enjoyed school, but her primary interest was music. She began piano lessons at an early age and became very proficient. Attending East Bakersfield High School, she accompanied several school choral groups, and she also played for church activities. She also enjoyed freedoms and learned responsibilities, including riding the city bus downtown to her job at a lunch counter or an afternoon of fun with her cousin.

During her senior year of high school, she began to date Elmer Unruh, who had recently completed his military service. They were married in August of 1946, and first lived in a residence located south of Minter Army Air Field. They moved to Wasco to a residence adjacent to the Maple Leaf Company's cotton gin. In 1952, they purchased a residence in Shafter on Mannel Avenue. The family now included three children and they enjoyed the friendships in a neighborhood without fences.

In 1961, the family moved to the residence on Pine Street, and a fourth child was born. This home remained the center of family activity for many years including 23 years Doris lived alone after Elmer unexpectedly passed in 1995.

Doris enjoyed many diverse activities during her lifetime. In the early years of marriage, these included making pork cracklings with wives of other Maple

Leaf employees, which were frozen and later greatly enjoyed for breakfast by the family. Doris continued to play the piano and the organ and accompanied the choir and other choral groups at the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church. She also played for numerous weddings and memorial services.

Doris began working outside the home in 1959, beginning an approximately 34-year career with the Richland School District. She began as a library assistant and soon became the secretary to the principal for the junior high school. She worked many extra hours to meet task deadlines related to class schedules and grade reports. She became acquainted with countless students and enjoyed their greetings even years later.

Upon retiring in June 1993, Doris and Elmer enjoyed a cross-country road trip with close friends. They particularly enjoyed Branson, Mo., on their way to North Carolina. After Elmer's passing, she continued driving to visit family and friends. Doris also continued her participation in the Bakersfield Masterworks Chorale, singing in many concerts over a period of 25 years, and supervising the volunteer ushers for Bakersfield Symphony concerts.

As Doris became older, she suffered several injuri-

ous falls and illnesses but always recuperated. Shortly after her 90th birthday she experienced a fall requiring hospitalization with a broken pelvis. She loved her home and garden but knew it was time for change and moved to Carrington, which became her home for almost five years. She never complained and always enjoyed visits from family and friends. She continued her lifelong enjoyment of reading, listening to music and watching Dodger baseball. She considered the staff at Carrington to be her dear friends and they in turn treated her with great kindness. The family will be forever grateful for their efforts.

Doris was in the presence of several family members when she passed away to be with her Lord on the evening of July 16, 2023. She was predeceased by her husband, Elmer; her daughter, Shirley Carlton; and her grandson, Jerry Unruh. She is survived by son Darrell Unruh and spouse Karen, son Sid Unruh and spouse Marcy, and son Ron Unruh and spouse Malise. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren to whom she was "Gigi."

A memorial service and celebration of life will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 18, at the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church.

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# Recreation Dept's new sports season

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

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The Shafter Recreation and Parks Department's summer sports program is underway, with the first week of volleyball action and the beginning of the Summer Tennis Camp beginning this week.

After the first week of action, the league, with 19 teams competing in different divisions, saw the 11U team coached by Rosa-

maria Villagomez in first place with a 2-0 record. Luz Pelayo's team is 2-1 to end the first couple of weeks in second place. In the 14U division, Isabel Gonzalez' team is tied for first place with Rose Villagomez's team, with identical 2-0 records. Michael Garcia's team is 2-1.

In the 8U division, Gloria Verdugo's team is 1-0 in their first week of competi-

tion.

The Summer Tennis Camp has over 20 players in the sessions, with the students learning basic techniques in the forehand, backhand, and serve strokes.

In other Recreation Department action, the Shafter High girls volleyball team gave of their time and experience to help current players with a volleyball clinic. The girls learned basic set, strike and serve techniques. Philip Jimenez, district direc-

tor said, "We really appreciate the girls from Shafter High who so generously gave our girls this training and help."

There are only a few days left for registration in their Shafter Striders Cross Country program, which will give kids training in technique, strategy and workout regimens in the sport. Contact the department by calling 661-746-3303 or visit the office at 700 E. Tulare Ave. for more information.

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Shafter, CA 93263  
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Date the business commenced: 08/02/2013  
/s/Filemon Gonzalez  
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California Auto Leasing  
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Karrie Lynn Rendon  
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Trustee Sale No. 164978 Title No. DEF-523032 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 09/25/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 08/28/2023 at 10:00 AM, The Mortgage Law Firm, PLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 10/02/2007, as Instrument No. 0207201338, in book xx, page xx, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Kern County, State of California, executed by Paul D. Baldwin and Lowell G. Baldwin and Naomi L. Baldwin, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/ CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment 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 of Trust in the property situated in said County and State, described as: FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE DEED OF TRUST AND ATTACHED EXHIBIT A. APN 090-070-35-00-0 EXHIBIT A THE LAND HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO IS SITUATED IN THE AREA OF SHAFTER, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL 1: THE NORTH 74 FEET OF THE EAST 2/5THS OF THE S1/2 OF THE S1/2 OF LOT 32 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 28 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, M.D.B.M., IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER THE SALES MAP OF THE LANDS OF KERN LAND COMPANY, RECORDED FEBRUARY 11, 1913 IN THE OFFICE OF SAID COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL AND GAS IN, ON AND UNDER SAID LAND, AS RESERVED INPREVIOUS DEEDS OF RECORD. PARCEL 2: THE NORTH 173 FEET OF THE EAST 50 FEET OF THE WEST 100 FEET OF THE EAST 2/5THS OF THE S1/2 OF THE S1/2 OF LOT 32 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 28 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, M.D.B.M., IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER THE SALES MAP OF THE LANDS OF THE KERN COUNTY LAND COMPANY, RECORDED FEBRUARY 11, 1913 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL AND GAS RIGHTS IN AND UNDER SAID LAND, AS RESERVED INDEEDS OF RECORD. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 30793 Elliot St, Shafter, CA 93263 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: \$250,683.45 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: 07/28/2023 THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM, PLC Adriana Durham/Authorized Signatory 27368 Via Industria, STE. 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 to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying

off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.auction.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case: 164978. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale, or visit this internet website www.auction.com or https://tracker.auction.com/sb1079/ for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case Tsf 164978 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. A-4792181 08/03/2023, 08/10/2023, 08/17/2023 Publish Shafter Press



# OBITUARIES

## Harold Eddie Westbrook July 6, 1936 – July 15, 2023

Harold Eddie Westbrook, 87, passed from this life into eternal life July 15, 2023, in his Lavaca, Ark., home with his wife by his side.

Ed was born July 6, 1936, in Bakersfield as the youngest of three sons of Joseph Hardy and Esther Loraine Westbrook. He was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Walter Winfred Westbrook and Joe Hiram Westbrook.

Ed was raised in Shafter and graduated from Shafter High School in 1954. He was inducted into the US Army in 1959, and served



in Munich, Germany, as an infantryman as well as the drum major of the 24th Division Drum and Bugle Corps. Ed's enlistment was extended for four months due to the Berlin Wall crisis in 1961, before finally being honorably discharged in 1962.

When Ed returned to Shafter, he met LaVonne at Nick's Drive-In, and they were married on July 8, 1963, at her brother's home in Delano. Ed worked at Atwood Crop Dusters, for Marshal Unruh at Minter Airfield. He also worked at Biofirm Chemical Co. in Wasco before starting his job with the Richland School District as gardener/groundskeeper, bus driver and custodian. Upon retirement from the school district in 1996, they relocated to Lavaca, Ark., in 1997, where they had purchased some acreage and built their home.

Ed always had a deep appreciation for the out-

doors. He loved gardening, and he loved to fish, camp, hike and explore new places. He took his family with him, teaching them to enjoy nature as well. Ed loved cars and would share stories of the "hot rods" he had as a young man. He even took flying lessons for a while. Snow skiing was also tried.

After they married, they finished the boat he had started, and they would go water skiing and fishing at Huntington Lake. Eventually, he found a '34 Ford, "rust bucket" that needed lots of attention! After much time rebuilding it, Ed and LaVonne would take it to car shows and out-

for drives around the area. They even found themselves in Louisville, Ky. one year at a car show.

Ed served as a deacon for many years at the Shafter Church of Christ. He led singing, taught Sunday School classes and occasionally would preach a sermon.

Ed is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, LaVonne Westbrook; his daughter, Regina Waldron (Robert); and a son, David. Papa Ed will be missed by his five grandchildren, Rebecca (T.J.), Rachel (Ed), Justin, Leann and Alex. He adored his five great grandchildren, Leia, Berlynn, Joshua, Raegan and Eddie. Ed was lovingly

called "Uncle Eddie" by his nephews and nieces.

Ed kept his Bible handy. He was always reading, searching and discovering new truths. Ed loved the Word. He loved the Lord, and he is now in the presence of his Savior and King, Jesus.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Aug. 12, at 10:30 a.m., at Central Christian Church in Fort Smith, Ark., where he was a member for 19 years.

Ed will be laid to rest with military honors at the Fort Smith National Cemetery, with his family present. Arrangements are being handled by Lewis Funeral Chapel, Fort Smith, Ark.

## Dianne Marie Stewart July 2, 1947 – July 14, 2023

Dianne Marie Stewart was born July 2, 1947, in Brookings, S.D. She passed away July 14, 2023, in Bakersfield, after a long 4-year battle with dementia.

Dianne is survived by her husband of 59 years, Robert; her son, Bobby and his wife Krystal; sister, Jeanne Cathaway; grandkids, Philip Wolfe and his



wife Sarah, Taylor Stewart and Brody Stewart. She is

preceded in death by both parents, John And Doris Miller; brother, Michael Miller; and daughter, Teresa Wolfe.

Dianne enjoyed family vacations to the beach, Morro Bay or Cayucos. She loved the game of UNO (Robert may have accused her of cheating a few times). Dianne loved the season of Christmas and had quite the collection of Santa Clauses. Di-

anne's homemade chocolate frosting was a must have for the kids birthday cakes.

Teresa and Bobby's friends were always welcome at any time and still reminisce of their time with "Mom." You could find Robert and Dianne regularly at China Cuisine.

We will miss Dianne dearly, her laugh, her smirky remarks, but mostly her love.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Ramona Gerdon**, 85, of Shafter, passed away July 16, in Shafter. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Arlene Rachele Alberico**, 71, of Bakersfield, passed away July 6, in Shafter. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Jose Trinidad A. Medina**, 79, of Wasco, passed away July 21, in Wasco. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Jerry Akman**, 81, of Shafter, passed away July 27, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Bobby "Bob" J. Williams**, 87, of Tehachapi, passed away July 30, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE RECRUITMENT

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### PUBLIC NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Public Hearing City Council Meeting Date of August 15, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Wasco City Council on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. or soon thereafter in the City Council Chambers located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, California, to consider the following: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 698 AND AMENDING WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.14 RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CITY CLERK AND CITY TREASURER The Municipal Code text changes and any supporting documents may be reviewed during regular business hours at City Hall located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280. Any person wishing to testify on the above may appear before the City Council at their hearing on August 15, 2023, or submit written comments before August 15, 2023.

If you challenge this proposal or any aspect of it in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or written correspondence delivered to the City of Wasco City Clerk's Office, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, at or prior to the public hearing. If you need special assistance to participate in the meetings described in this notice, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (661) 758-7215 to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to these meetings. Telephone (661) 758-7215 or via California Relay Service (Hearing Impaired Only). Requests for assistance should be made at least two (2) days in advance whenever possible. If you have any questions, you may contact the City Clerk's Office at (661) 758-7215. /s/Monica Flores, Deputy City Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune August 3, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Wasco Mini Storage

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### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF WASCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Proposals for the work entitled: Request for Proposals for HISTORIC DOWNTOWN TRANSFORMATION FUNDED BY THE CLEAN CALIFORNIA GRANT will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the CITY OF WASCO, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California, until 2:00 PM on September 12, 2023, when they will be publicly opened and read. General work description:

The work to be done includes but is not limited to, the following: saw cutting, demolition, concrete, minor asphalt paving, block work, landscaping, electrical, irrigation, and other items not specified here but required to complete the work as shown in the plan set. A non-mandatory but highly recommended Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2023, at 9:00 AM. Meet at the intersection of G Street and 7th Street in the City of Wasco. Any Contractor wishing to bid on the project is highly recommended to attend. This meeting is to inform bidders of project requirements and subcontractors of subcontracting and material supply opportunities. Questions in writing will be accepted until 5:00 PM on September 1st, 2023. Bids are required for the entire work described herein. Bids must be submitted as described in the specifications provided by the City of Wasco. The bidder who is awarded the project contract will be allowed, pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300 to substitute securities for the payment of funds withheld under the contract. All documents submitted in compliance with the requirements of this bid package and the contract must be scannable and photocopiable. This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990. A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded. Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications, or estimate must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to bid opening. Any such inquiries or questions submitted after the bid opening will not be treated as a bid protest. Technical questions should be directed to Kameron Arnold at [Kaarnold@CityofWasco.org](mailto:Kaarnold@CityofWasco.org). PDF copies of the Bid Documents may be obtained after 12:00 PM on August 3rd. Email [CITYCLERK@CITYOFWASCO.ORG](mailto:CITYCLERK@CITYOFWASCO.ORG) to request a PDF copy of the RFP at no charge. If hard copies are needed, you can email the City Clerk requesting this, but some time will be needed to prepare the documents, and the charge will be \$50 per set. Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at CITY OF WASCO City Hall, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California, and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet website at <https://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/DPreWageDetermination.htm>. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations, are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates. The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free hotline to report bid rigging activities. Use the hotline to report bid rigging, bidder collusion, and other fraudulent activities. The hotline number is (800) 424-9071. The service is available 24 hours, 7 days a week, and is confidential and anonymous. The hotline is part of the DOT's effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. CITY OF WASCO, CITY CLERK /s/ Maria O. Martinez DATED: 7/27/2023 Publish Wasco Tribune August 3, 2023

16289 Western Ave Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern 16289 Western Ave Wasco, CA 93280 Katherine Marie Braun Moreno Date Statement Filed: 07/06/2023 Date Statement Expires: 07/06/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: A Goodwin Publish Wasco Tribune July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement M.A.C. Automotive Service 2023-B4874 MAC Lube 2023-B4875

624 F Street Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern 624 F Street Wasco, CA 93280 Miguel Angel Calderon 1541 Poppy Ct Wasco, CA 93280 Magdalena Ayala Calderon 1541 Poppy Ct Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: General Partnership Date the business commenced: 01/01/2013 /s/Miguel Calderon Date Statement Filed: 07/26/2023 Date Statement Expires: 07/26/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: P Del Villar Publish Wasco Tribune August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Neveria Los Vega 2023-B4856

1300 7th St Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern 1300 7th St Wasco, CA 93280 Silvestre Vega 1300 7th St Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Silvestre Vega Date Statement Filed: 07/25/2023 Date Statement Expires: 07/25/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: P Del Villar Publish Wasco Tribune August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement Neveria Los Vega

837 7th Street Wasco, CA 93280 County: KERN Mailing address of business: 837 7th Street Wasco, CA 93280 Silvestre Vega 12047 Benner Ave McFarland, CA 93250 Business was conducted by: Individual /s/Silvestre Vega, Owner Original FBN Statement File Number: 2022-B0129 Original FBN Statement Filed on: 01/06/2022 This statement of Abandonment filed on: 07/25/2023 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/P Del Villar Publish Wasco Tribune August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: Gertrude Mullins Case Number: BPB-22-003211

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Gertrude Mullins 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Angela Mullins in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Angela Mullins be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. A hearing on the petition will be

held in this court as follows: a. Date: 10/26/2023 Time: 8:30AM Dept.: J-1 b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Probate Court 7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. 10. Attorney for petitioner: Philip M. Flanigan 4082 N. Cedar Ave., Ste. 104 Fresno, CA 93726 559-435-0455 Publish Wasco Tribune July 27, August 3, 10, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: Raymon Allen Reaves, Jr. Case Number: BPB-23-002768

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Raymon Allen Reaves, Jr. 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Christine Reaves in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Christine Reaves be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: a. Date: 8/24/2023 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: J-1 b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Juvenile Justice Center 7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. 10. Attorney for petitioner: Vincent J. Oddo, Esq. Klein, Denatale, Goldner, Cooper, Rosenleb & Kimball LLP 10000 Stockdale Highway, Suite 200 Bakersfield, CA 93311 (661) 395-1000 Publish Wasco Tribune July 20, 27, August 3, 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/25/2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: JOSE MARTINEZ, A SINGLE MAN AND ROCIO SANCHEZ PEREZ, A SINGLE WOMAN, AS JOINT

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

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dicksey G. Clark, aka Dicksey Geraldine Clark, Dicksey Clark, and Dicksey Walpole Clark 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Richard G. Walpole in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Richard G. Walpole be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 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: 08/11/2023 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: J-1 b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305, Juvenile Justice Center 7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. 10. Attorney for petitioner: Vincent J. Oddo, Esq. Klein, Denatale, Goldner, Cooper, Rosenleb & Kimball LLP 10000 Stockdale Highway, Suite 200 Bakersfield, CA 93311 (661) 395-1000 Publish Wasco Tribune July 20, 27, August 3, 2023

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TENANTS Duly Appointed Trustee: ZBS Law, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 8/31/2017, as Instrument No. 217117879, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, Date of Sale: 8/16/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale At the front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301. Estimated amount of unpaid balances and other charges: \$198,251.56 Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 909 CEDAR AVE WASCO, CA 93280 Described as follows: As more fully described on said Deed of Trust A.P.N #: 029-272-02-00-8 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 683-2438 or visit this Internet Web site [www.Xome.com](http://www.Xome.com), using the file number assigned to this case 20-61011. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (800) 683-2438, or visit this internet website [www.Xome.com](http://www.Xome.com), using the file number assigned to this case 20-61011 to find the date on which the trustee's sale will be held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Dated: 7/11/2023 ZBS Law, LLP, as Trustee 30 Corporate Park, Suite 450 Irvine, CA 92606 For Non-Automated Sale Information, call: (714) 848-7920 For Sale Information: (800) 683-2438 [www.Xome.com](http://www.Xome.com) Michael Busby, Trustee Sale Officer This office is enforcing a security interest of your creditor. To the extent that your obligation has been discharged by a bankruptcy court or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy, this notice is for informational purposes only and does not constitute a demand for payment or any attempt to collect such obligation. EPP 37650 Pub Dates 07/20, 07/27, 08/03/2023 Publish Wasco Tribune

