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ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

June 22

Jose Reye Soto, 27, of Shafter, was arrested for burglary in the second degree, burglary in the state of emergency and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

June 21

Rogelio Barajas, 31, of Shafter, was arrested for possession of open container, possession of identify information, trespassing on private property and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Jesus Antonio Amador Rodriguez, 25, of Shafter, was in possession of a firearm within a vehicle, concealed firearm not in lawful possession, willful cruelty to a child and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

June 20

Jamie Chaves, 28, of Shafter, was arrested for driving with a suspended license, stop required, DUI and violation of parole. Jose Alejandro Mendez, 20, of Shafter, was arrested or felony bench warrant.

June 17

Richard Reyna, 52, of Shafter, was arrested for inflicting corporal injury onto spouse.

June 16

Isai Uriel Barrios, 25, of Shafter, was arrested for misdemeanor bench warrant.

WASCO

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

June 15

Tomaza Antonio, 48, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 5th Street and Broadway for driving without a license, expired vehicle registration and no vehicle insurance. She was cited and released at the scene.

Mia Flores, 27, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of North Maple Avenue for driving on a suspended license and having a vehicle tail lamp out. She was cited and released at the scene.

Aaron Garcia, 21, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of H Street for

possession of a stolen vehicle, vehicle theft, possession of unlawful paraphernalia and providing a false ID to peace officers. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Jason Garcia, 22, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 7th Street and Palm Avenue for possession of open container and possession of unlawful paraphernalia. He was cited and released at the scene.

Israel Noel Esquivel, 23, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1300 block of Willow Place on an active felony warrant and for carrying/concealing a dirk or dagger, on an active misdemeanor warrant, and for obstructing a peace officer, possession of burglary tools and riding a bike without a headlight. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Robert Daniel Ornelas, 49, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2600 block of Camelia Street for inflicting corporal injury on a spouse, false imprisonment, possession of a controlled

substance and destroying/concealing evidence. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Ademar Ruiz, 25, of Wasco, was arrested in the 900 block of 16th Street for inflicting corporal injury on a spouse and child cruelty resulting in possible injury or death. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

June 16

Tomaza Antonio, 48, of Wasco, was arrested in the 900 block of D Street for driving without a license, expired vehicle registration and driving a vehicle without insurance. She was cited and released at the scene.

Ezequiel Cabeda, 28, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of Maple Avenue on an active felony warrant and possession of burglary tools. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Priscilla Olivo, 25, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2600 block of Poso Drive for child cruelty resulting in possible injury or death. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

June 17

Gary Ramos, 54, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of G Street and 12th Street on an active misdemeanor warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Jerell Ringold, 34, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of H Street for trespassing. He was cited and released at the scene.

June 18

David Gutierrez, 33, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of North Maple for false imprisonment with violence, inflicting corporal injury on a spouse and an active misdemeanor warrant. He was booked and sent to the Central Receiving Facility in Bakersfield.

June 20

Nancy Avila, 21, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of F Street for domestic battery. She was cited and released at the scene.

June 21

Eduardo Espinosa, 43, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1600 block of Olive

Court for battery with serious bodily injury and trespassing. He was booked into the Kern County jail.

Oscar Tre Borja, 26, of Wasco, was arrested in the 400 block of Woodside Drive for spousal battery. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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June 15

Jhonny Poggio, 38, of Shafter, was arrested at Shafter Court, 325 Central Valley Highway in Shafter, on a felony court remand. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

June 17

Skylar McKensie Hampton, 29, of Buttonwillow, was arrested in the 400 block of Sudan Avenue on a felony warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

June 18

Desiree Rivera, 20, of Buena Park, was arrested in the 20200 block of S. Highway 58 for battery on person and use of tear gas as a weapon. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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The annual Fireworks Extravaganza will be held on Labor Day weekend, Saturday Sept. 5. The location of the event still is to be officially announced.

# Chamber carries on despite pandemic

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# Fiesta Supermarket made from scratch

**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

Around the corner from F Street on Poso Drive, Fiesta Supermarket sits within walking distance from seniors at the Poso Senior Apartments.

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regular supermarkets, such as fresh garbanzo beans. "We have foods from South America and Mexico," said store manager Attas Obaid.



Store Manager Attas Obaid stands next to the sanitizing table where disinfecting sterilizer is available to customers entering the store.

The store is filled with food items familiar to the Hispanic community. It offers its own bakery, meat market and a large selection of items often not found in

The meat market offers a fresh selection of meat as well as a section of packaged meats. "Some people prefer to purchase their meat packaged," Obaid said.

All their baked goods are made from scratch, and their display is filled with colorfully decorated desserts.

"Our most popular item is our cornbread," Obaid said. "We grind our own corn and use no flour in our cornbread. The same goes for our homemade tortillas."

Obaid was born in South Yemen and arrived in California with his family in 1992. "My father came to this country when he was just 17 years old," Obaid said. "He



Fresh meat, including chicken mixed with vegetables and spices for fajitas.

# Fireworks postponed until Sept. 5

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

The Shafter Chamber of Commerce has been busy at work, even as the majority of city businesses were at a virtual standstill for the past couple of months.

The organization has been a go-to source of information when it comes to the status of eating establishments in town, as well as resources available to local businesses and individuals.

At a recent meeting, after a lengthy discussion, the Chamber decided not to cancel the popular Fireworks Extravaganza, instead opting to postpone it until Saturday, Sept. 5, which coincides with Labor Day weekend. This decision was made in part because of the inability to hold the show at their usual location at the Shafter High Football Stadium. With the Kern High School District imposing a freeze on any events taking place on any of their facilities, the chamber would have had to find an alternate venue to have the event.

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According to Rachel Zermeno of the chamber, "The future of the event was really in the hands of the guidelines put forth by the state and the county. We are following their direction and plan on holding a great show in September."

In other action, the chamber have been advising local businesses adversely affected by the Covid-19 crisis. They have given the businesses information on different programs available to them for short term and long term solutions to help them keep their businesses afloat.

One such recommendation was the Kern Recovers program, a forgivable loan for nonessential businesses that had significant restrictions placed on their operations, including restaurants, hotels, tourist attractions, dentists and optometrists.

The chamber suggests affected businesses apply for the program at Mission Bank in Shafter.



One of the streetscapes lining the walls of the store to give the impression of a street marketplace.

worked in the fields and moved to the Great Lakes and worked around the Panama Canal in the Merchant Marines."

"Our father started Fiesta Supermarket on 7th Street as Fiesta Latina Market," Obaid said. "When we decided to open a bigger store, we looked all over for a building we could use; however, we ended up building our own from the ground up."

The decorations on the walls imitate Spanish-style homes overlooking a street market. "Our artist created street scenes out of Styrofoam and painted them to look like real homes overlooking a market along the walls," Obaid said.

According to Obaid, Fiesta Supermarket and other small, family-owned stores were able to succeed during quarantine largely because they carried essential items that

big-box stores ran out of. "I would say the first item we ran out of when the quarantine began was Lysol and disinfectants."

One of the advantages Fiesta Supermarket has had during this time is owning their own semi truck that travels to Los Angeles and Mexico for products.

However, Obaid admitted that at times they were scrambling to get essential items for their customers like every other store.

In its current location for six years, Fiesta Supermarket is well lit, clean and offers a variety of foods enjoyed within the community.

Beyond groceries, Fiesta Supermarket wants to offer other basic services for its customers. The store is working on an agreement with the city to allow residents to pay utility bills at the market.



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# Tigers roar back to the mats

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

Tigers’ Taekwondo, with studios in Shafter and Wasco, were back in action as training sessions began on Monday June 15. The studios had been closed for almost three months due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Returning students were met with a different setup, including a hand sanitizer station at the entrance and a laser thermometer that takes every student’s temperature upon entering the building.

A reading that is not within the normal range requires the student to return home and resume training when it is back to normal.

The students also are required to wear face masks. “This is just common sense,” said owner Rigo Solorio. “The safety of our students and our staff are the most important thing,” said Solorio.

“We are so excited to be

back open, but we also want to make sure that we are doing it the right way.”

The announcement of the closure back in March caught the students and parents by surprise. Several of the parents tried to arrange smaller class sizes, and scheduling more classes instead of closing the studio temporarily. Solorio considered those options, but ultimately decided that the safety of his kids was the main objective. “We might have been able to try it, but it just wasn’t worth the risk of any of my kids or staff getting sick,” he said.

The studio is big enough to have students spread out enough to meet the state’s requirements. “We have numbers on the mats where each student is to be



Training at Tigers’ Taekwondo “kicked off” last week with regular training sessions.

stationed at. There is even an extra foot of clearance above the requirements.”

With the return of the training comes the expectations of the competitive tournaments resuming as

ships, the studio has a student, Kaitlyn Taberna, who is ranked #1 in the nation in her weight class and has qualified to represent the United States in the World Championships. “There is

to around 70% by the end of next week.

With the expansive area they have in the studio, and to help those in the community that might not have been as active dur-

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## Revenue cut leads to deficit

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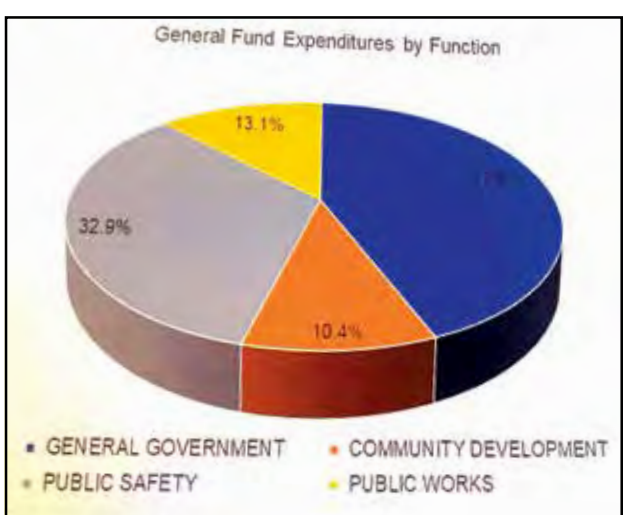
But it could have been worse.

“Because Wasco does not depend on tourism as a source of money revenue to the city and because the city has the largest local sales tax [due to Measure X] that continued during the “shelter-in-place” order by the governor,” the city was not as impacted by the virus pandemic as it could have bene, Ortiz-Hernandez said at a meeting.

Expenditures increased by \$10.6 million due to the cost of the labor camp’s demolition, the inclusion of the Street Maintenance Division in the General Fund for the first time and the funding of funding of high-priority capital projects.

Those projects include completion of a new water well and repairing of two others, plus any TCP 123 treatment that is necessary, along with the razing of the former labor camp buildings on the property.

Required road work also will be included in capital projects as necessary.



Where the money is spent.

## Shafter plans for sales tax decline

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it is unlikely that the city will spend all of its allotted funds by the end of the fiscal year. In addition to these “savings,” the Police Department is cutting almost \$37,000 out of its budget to contribute to the hirings.

When asked by Councilmember Chad Givens and Cathy Prout if these savings were actual savings or just assumptions that the city would not use

all of its funds by the end of the year, Gonzales said, “Yes, it is assumed that the city will not use all of its allotted funds so there will be a savings there that will cover the cost of the additional officers.” Givens asked what would happen in the unlikelihood that the money was spent, and he was told that they would have to approach the council at that time for the funding.

According to Prout, the aim was to

not have to dip into the “unassigned” monies that the city has saved.

The approved budget depends on the relatively strong performance in the sales tax revenue that is being projected for this coming fiscal year.

The budget delays the majority of the capital improvement projects originally scheduled for completion in the 2020-21 fiscal year ending June 30.

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# Personal decisions on masks

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and in parks as well.

In Shafter, several local businesses have posted signs encouraging customers to wear masks, as well as requiring their employees to wear them.

Enforcement of the mandate has been a different matter. Very few of the businesses in Shafter and Wasco are enforcing the wearing of the protective gear. Customers have been turned away at a couple of local businesses in both cities. AM/PM Mini-market in Shafter and Dollar General have both turned customers away who were not wearing masks upon entering the stores. This was the case at two businesses in Wasco as well, with Advance America, a pay-day loan and check-cashing business, and Status Belize IMAGE Salon, with both businesses requiring both employees and customers to wear masks.

The majority of the businesses in both cities are having their employees wear masks but don't make it a requirement for customers to wear them. Luis Fernandez of True Value Hardware said that both of the locations, in Shafter and Wasco, have all

employees wearing masks, but they are not enforcing their customers to wear them. "We follow what our corporate office asks us to, but as of yet, we haven't received anything regarding the wearing of masks for customers. We wear them as employees to protect ourselves and the public."

Walmart issued a statement in which they emphasized that "maintaining customer and associate safety remains our top priority." It also goes on to state that they have posted signs reminding customers of the importance of wearing masks. "We are requiring our associates to wear masks." Walmart, along with the True Value locations and the City of Wasco, are not enforcing the wearing of masks by the public.

The City Hall buildings in Shafter are requiring all customers to wear masks inside of the city buildings. They also are doing business in several of the departments by appointment only.

The public seems to be split on the mandates, too.

Over half of the residents observed in Shafter are wearing masks into businesses that require masks, as well as with those who do not require them.

But this does not mean that it is done without reservations.

Local photographer Colleen Diltz said, "I don't like wearing the masks. They are hot, I have trouble breathing in them, they fog up my glasses, and I can't see expressions on people's faces."

Diltz did say that she will not buck the system and will comply and wear the mask while it is mandated to do so. This was not the case with local resident Luis Partuda.

"I cannot wear the mask," he said. "I can't breathe in it and I don't like the idea of anyone telling me that I have to do it."

Partuda said that he will not patronize those businesses that require people to wear them. "I don't see how they can enforce it anyway. Unless they make it a law, I don't think that they should be able to make people do something that they don't want to do."

"I mean, this is not like telling people not to speed, or assault somebody. Me not wearing a mask doesn't make me a criminal, and I refuse to be treated like one."

Wasco Tribune Editor Toni DeRosa contributed to this story.



Tin Cup Manager Shakira Willis wears a mask as she cleans up tables.

# Chief asks for help in video

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community. "The best-case scenario we have is if a resident sees the activity and knows either who is doing it, or the precise location of the activity. A lot of people don't want to go as far as a private citizen arrest, but even the precise location of the activity while it is going on, can help us tremendously in catching the lawbreakers."

Zimmermann said that it is not only the fireworks they are dealing with this year, but also a number of acetylene bombs, which put off a very big explosion. "It is not only the fact that our pets go crazy, or the noise and nuisance of the activity, but there is a real danger of physical harm with these illegal fireworks. I would hate to think what would happen if one of those landed on an older roof. It would

be so dangerous."

Zimmermann thanks the community for their cooperation in this effort and continues to encourage the entire community to get involved and help them in their fight against these primarily faceless criminals.

If you see someone lighting off these fireworks, residents are asked to contact the Shafter Police Department at 661-746-8500.

## OBITUARY

**Marjorie Dell (Myrick) Siemens**  
Oct. 21, 1931 –  
June 18, 2020

Marjorie Dell Siemens was born in Sterling, Okla., to Millard Hugo and Mable Ethel Myrick. She grew up in Shafter, attending Shafter schools and graduated from Shafter High School in 1949. As a child she was known to be very happy. Thus, she received the nickname of "Happy." All the nieces and nephews called her "Auntie Hap."

Marjorie was baptized on Nov. 25, 1942, at the First Baptist Church in Shafter by Pastor Ernest M. Anderson. She later was baptized at the Wasco Mennonite Brethren Church in 1975 by Pastor Arthur Bederio. She was a member at Wasco Mennonite Brethren Church until they closed and transferred membership to the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church.

Marj met John E. Siemens in 1951 while serving at an ice cream parlor in Shafter where China Cuisine is currently located. They married June 2, 1951,



in Las Vegas.

Marjorie worked various jobs in her lifetime. The last was owning Shirley's Dress Shop from 1969 until it closed in 1994. Not only was she the store owner, she was also the seamstress and no doubly completed hundreds if not thousands of alterations through the years.

Marjorie had three children, Gary Gene born in 1949, Pamela Kay born in 1952, and Jonathan Jay born in 1957. She was very involved in all the kids' activities, including Sunday School, 4H, FFA and a multitude of sports for all three kids.

She was a "farmers wife," always keeping busy and was rarely seen sitting still. It would be completely

normal for her to occupy her time with sewing, canning, crafts, porcelain dolls, canvas oil paintings and gardening. She even took a washing machine repair class after my grandfather passed away saying, "I'm going to need to know how to repair things now that Dad is gone."

She was a member of the Shafter Historical Society and Shafter Chamber of Commerce. While president of the chamber, she even brought in Christopher Reeve (the "Superman" movie star) to help dedicate the historical site for the Gossamer Condor at Minter Field.

Marjorie loved all her family very much, and always told her kids how being connected to your family and God were the two most important aspects of life.


Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband, John E. Siemens; son Jonathan Jay Siemens; parents Millard Hugo Myrick, Mable Ethel Sloas and John L. Sloas; two sisters, Joy Laverne Myrick and Delores June Hambaroff; a niece, Jahn Strauser; friend Tom

Knudson; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She is survived by Gary Gene Siemens (Debbie). Pamela Kay Garcia and husband Americo (Med); daughter-in-law Roberta Siemens; brother John Sloas II; 16 grandchildren, Stacy Giles and husband Sean, Danny Garcia and wife Veronica, Faith Price, Christy White and husband Marcus, John Siemens and wife Monica, Suzanne Cagle and husband Justin, Matthew Siemens, Stephanie Brascum and husband Eric; two step grandsons, Phillip Dery and Christopher Dery; 23 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren (one being named after Marjorie).

Funeral and committal services were conducted earlier this week, interment was at Shafter Memorial Park, with Pastor Pat Coyle officiating. We wish to thank the caregivers of Carrington Assisted Living and the team from Hofman Hospice.

In her memory, donations may be made to North Kern Christian School, 710 Peters St., Wasco 93280.



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## COUCH'S CORNER

# Cooling center opening here

### SUPERVISOR DAVID COUCH

With the summer months starting to get into full swing and triple-digit temperatures heading to the Fourth District, our office is pleased to announce that cooling centers will be open again this summer. Please see the attached information below. Our office will notify you what days and locations these cooling centers will be open.

For the health, safety and comfort of our residents, the Kern County Parks Division, in cooperation with the Department of Aging and Adult Services, other Kern County agencies and/or districts and PG&E, will open cooling centers throughout Kern County when the temperatures are forecast by the National Weather Service to exceed certain highs.

The cooling centers daily report will be issued by 11 a.m. on the day before the centers open. Weekend cooling center openings will be released by 11 a.m. Fridays.

Residents using the cooling centers are encouraged to bring their favorite nonalcoholic beverages, snacks, reading materials, games, etc., to better enjoy the centers.

In an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19, all cooling center visitors:

■ Are encouraged to wear a face covering.

■ Will be screened for temperature and symptoms upon entry. Visitors who have a fever or are exhibiting symptoms will not be allowed in the center

■ Must practice physical distancing at all times.

The cooling center in Shafter at the Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

### PASTOR JIM NEAL

*"Few men during their lifetime come anywhere near exhausting the resources dwelling within them. There are deep wells of strength that are never used."*

—Admiral Richard E. Byrd

Born in the later 19th century, Admiral Richard Byrd was one of those men given to adventure and the intrigue of the unknown. He was best known in my memory as the one who braved frigid temperatures for long periods of time as he explored the then-unexplored regions of the South Pole and Antarctica. However, he was also instrumental in the early stages of transatlantic flight.

Admiral Byrd was not the first nor the last to challenge men and women to dig deeper to find the strength and courage to plumb the depth of their inner innate power. Those of us who love sports cannot help but think of Vince Lombardi who said, "Man's finest hour is the moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle victorious."

Theodore Roosevelt, a man with a like passion for adventure and exploration, had this famous quote, "No man is worth his salt who is not

## PASTOR'S CORNER

# Build on the good stuff

ready at all times to risk his well-being, to risk his body, to risk his life, in a great cause." Therein lies the secret ... a great cause. That cause will vary from person to person, and can be fueled by love of family or country, or love for the Savior. That inner power often lies dormant until a spark flies from the flint of love and ignites the combustible fuel of desire.

Dr. Viktor Frankl and Corrie ten Boom were two such people whose deep love and devotion helped them to survive the atrocities of Nazism and the Jewish concentration camps of WWII. Both reached deep within to survive unbelievable living condition to come out stronger and more loving people. Dr. Frankl was a Jewish neurologist and psychiatrist who had a passion for the psyche of man. This passion allowed him to withstand the brutality of the camps by observing other prisoners' attempts to cope with their challenges.

On the other hand, Miss ten Boom was a Dutch Christian who along with her family hid hundreds of Jewish families in their home, saving many families from the concentration camps. They were caught, and although Corrie was a Christian, spent

many years detained in a concentration camp meant for Jews. Her deep love for Christ and the Scriptures allowed her to be a further witness for Christ while detained.

Her power came from an abiding belief in the absolute truth of Scripture. There was one in particular that she hung to, and it is one that you and I can grasp onto today as well.

Want hope today? It is our choice: We can either build our foundations on gold, silver and precious stone or with wood hay and straw. The difference is this when the fires of trials, temptations and tumultuous times come, and they will, one foundation will be refined and become purer and stronger; the other will "go up in flames" and -- poof -- be gone.

So, build on the good stuff, although more costly they will last forever. Remember the old hymn of the faith as you build:

*My hope is built on nothing less*

*Than Jesus Christ, my righteousness;*

*I dare not trust the sweetest frame,*

*But wholly lean on Jesus' name.*

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;*

*All other ground is sinking sand,*

*All other ground is sinking sand.*

*Jim Neal is pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Shafter.*

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of Dixie Lee Crane, aka Dixie L. Crane, aka Dixie Crane, Decedent Case Number: BPB-20-002400

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dixie Lee Crane, aka Dixie L. Crane, aka Dixie Crane

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Mattie Lemmons in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Mattie Lemmons 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: JUL 16, 2020 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: P

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metro Justice Building.

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.

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: Joshua G. Wilson, Esq.  
Darling & Wilson PC  
1626 19th Street, Suite 23/  
PO Box 2411  
Bakersfield, CA 93303  
661-325-5075  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Shafter Pediatrics 2020-B2408

501 Munzer St, Suite C  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
P.O. Box 22694  
Bakersfield, CA 93390  
Shafter Pediatrics  
501 Munzer St, Suite C  
Shafter, CA 93263  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Corporation  
Date the business commenced:  
09/19/2016  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Guadalupe Reyes-Garcia  
Date Statement Filed: 06/03/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/03/2025  
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other under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Ayodeji Ayeni, President  
Date Statement Filed: 05/27/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 05/27/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Healing Vine Counseling Services 2020-B2464 The Healing Vine 2020-B2465 Guadalupe Maria 2020-B2466

455 Kern Street Suite D  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
455 Kern Street Suite D  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Guadalupe Reyes-Garcia  
560 Butte Ct  
Shafter, CA 93263  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Jennifer Neufeld  
Date Statement Filed: 06/4/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/04/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

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9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: Joshua G. Wilson, Esq.  
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1626 19th Street, Suite 23/  
PO Box 2411  
Bakersfield, CA 93303  
661-325-5075  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Ramona Herrera State Farm Insurance Agency 2020-B2474

551 Central Avenue  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
551 Central Avenue  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Ramona Herrera  
1912 Classen Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced:  
07/01/2001  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Jennifer Neufeld  
Date Statement Filed: 06/03/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/03/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Ramona Herrera  
Date Statement Filed: 06/03/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/03/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Fresh Journey 2020-B2480

340 Mannel Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
340 Mannel Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Jennifer Neufeld  
340 Mannel Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Jennifer Neufeld  
Date Statement Filed: 06/4/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/04/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

a. Date: JUL 02, 2020 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: P

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metro Justice Building.

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10. Attorney for petitioner: Joshua G. Wilson, Esq.  
Darling & Wilson PC  
1626 19th Street, Suite 23/  
PO Box 2411  
Bakersfield, CA 93303  
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b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metropolitan Division.

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10. Attorney for petitioner: Stephen H. Boyle, Esq.  
1430 Truxtun Ave., Ste. 900  
Bakersfield, CA 93301  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SHAFTER NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Shafter on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the following officers:

For Three (3) Members of the City Council (Full Term of Four Years)  
The nomination period for these offices begins on July 13, 2020, and closes on August 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. If no one or only one person is nominated for elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by California Elections Code 10229. The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Those wishing to file may obtain nomination papers from the City Clerk at City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave., Shafter, CA, 93263.  
Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk  
Dated: June 19, 2020  
Publish *Shafter* Press June 25, 2020

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

a. Date: JUL 02, 2020 Time: 8:30a.m. Dept.: P

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metro Justice Building.

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the charges set forth in the Report. Any person wishing to make any objection to the Report may appear and make such objections at the public hearing.

At the conclusion of the public hearing, the City Council may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any charge in the Report or overrule any or all objections to the Report and shall make its determination upon each charge as described in said Report, which determination shall be final. If the City Council finds that a majority of the owners of the parcels of property described in the Report object to the Report, the Council shall not adopt the Report and shall collect the sewer and refuse services charges separately from the tax roll and the changes set forth in the Report shall not constitute a lien against any parcel or parcels of property described therein.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and be heard at the time and place specified above regarding the matter under consideration. All supporting documents are available for review during normal business hours of the City of Shafter at the City Clerk's office, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the public hearing and that the Report has been completed and is available for public review until the City Council hearing.

Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, in person participation by the public will not be permitted and no physical location from which the public may observe the meeting will be available. You are strongly encouraged to observe the City Council meetings live via YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofShafter/>. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 to the City Clerk at [CityClerk@shafter.com](mailto:CityClerk@shafter.com). If you wish to make a written comment to the City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting, callers must first register with the City Clerk at 661-746-5012 before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. Please call by 5:00pm on the Monday prior to the Council meeting to allow ample time for sign up. You will need to provide your name, phone number and the item number you wish to address. All public comments are provided to the City Council and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Board prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the Council meeting.

All written comments concerning this matter should be directed to the following address: Shafter Engineering Department, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA. Written comments should be submitted by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, so they may be reviewed prior to consideration of the matter; comments sent via facsimile to (661) 746-9125 will be accepted. If you challenge any of the foregoing actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing for final action described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.  
Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk  
Dated: June 19, 2020  
Publish *Shafter* Press June 25 and July 2, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Gerald Zinn Trucking 2020-B2669

3410 Fruitvale Ave.  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
3433 Heath Rd.  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Gerald A. Zinn  
3433 Heath Rd.  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
The business is conducted by: Individual

vidual  
Date the business commenced:  
09/01/2001

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Gerald A. Zinn  
Date Statement Filed: 06/18/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 06/18/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/R Roberts-Martin  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE SHAFTER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT NOTICE TO ADOPTION 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET (Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 5788.1 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE BE ADVISED that the Board of Directors of Shafter Recreation and Park

District will adopt the 2020-2021 budget at the regularly scheduled Board meeting on July 13th, 2020.

The preliminary budget is available for inspection at the District office located at 700 E. Tulare Avenue, Shafter California during normal business hours. Please be further advised that the Board will meet to adopt the final budget at 6:00 p.m. on July 13th, 2020, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the District Board, at 505 Sunset Avenue, Shafter California. Any person may log on to ZOOM at that time and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items. If you have any questions, please email us at [district@shafterrec.com](mailto:district@shafterrec.com)

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) ADVISORY

To ensure the safety of the members in our community, SRPD Staff and Board members, we ask the public to follow the California Department of Health Services' advice and refrain from events to maintain social distancing regulations.

Executive Order N-29-20 "allows local legislative or state bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference without having to provide a physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment, as long as members of the public are allowed to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, subject to specified notice and accessibility requirements."

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE  
We will be broadcasting our meeting on ZOOM. To enter through ZOOM, you will have to provide an ID Meeting Number: (825 6769 2650) and Password: (587241). Further instructions are included below.

Public Instructions  
ZOOM:

Please use the following information to join the ZOOM broadcast ID Meeting Number: (825 6769 2650) and Password: (587241)

Participants will be muted on entry. If you would like to speak during designated public comment times, please "raise" your hand or enter your question in the chat.

If you would like to do this through your mobile phone, press (\*)9 to raise and lower your hand.

Meeting Information:

Topic: Regular Meeting – 07/13/2020

Time: July 13, 2020 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Meeting ID: 825 6769 2650

Password: 587241

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## OBITUARIES

### Sidney Toliver Jr. 1934-2020

Sidney Toliver Jr., a long-time Wasco resident and a fixture in the Wasco/Shafter farming community for 55 years, passed away June 22, 2020, at age 86.

Visitation will be held at the Basham & Lara Funeral Care chapel, 343 State Ave., Shafter, on Monday, June 29, from 5 to 8 p.m. Services will be Tuesday, June 30, at 10 a.m. at Truelight Missionary Baptist Church, 1104 14th St., Wasco.



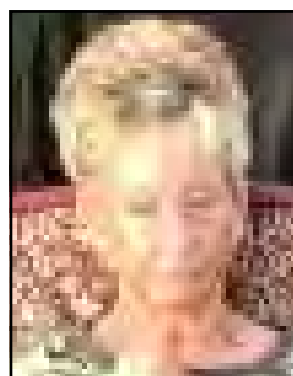
Masks/face coverings are required at both locations/events.

### Shirley O'Dell Oct. 12, 1941 – June 13, 2020

Shirley O'Dell was born Oct. 12, 1941, as the first child of Delmer and Mildred Mettler of Shafter. She passed away suddenly on June 13, 2020, in Delano.

Shirley graduated from Shafter High School, where she met her first husband, Kenneth Walker. She moved to Lompoc, where they had two children together. Brent Walker and wife Pamela of Bakersfield and Kim Barbour and husband Clyde II of Bakersfield. After five years in Lompoc, they moved to Pond to work on her dad's farm. The marriage ended after 25 years.

Later, she met a gentleman by the name of Joe O'Dell, who had two daughters of his own



from a previous marriage, Cindy O'Dell and Mindy Sandoval. They fell in love and got married a few years later. They resided on the family farm in Pond for 28 years of marriage until her untimely passing.

She is preceded in death by her father, mother and brother. She is survived by her brothers Ron and Don Mettler, her husband Joe O'Dell, her children

and stepchildren Brent Walker, Kim Barbour, Cindy O'Dell and Mindy Sandoval, seven grandkids and five great-grandkids. Throughout the years, Shirley did many things. After getting married she was active in softball and volleyball. With us kids in school, she was always there helping out in the classroom for parties or fund-raising carnivals. She loved to make quilts and blankets for friends, family members and baby showers.

She spent many years gambling with her mother at Eagle Mountain Casino. One of her favorite things was family gatherings, where she could play with the grandkids and later the great grandkids.

She especially liked our family tradition that we did for 18 years, which was

camping on the beach at Oceano Dunes for the week of Thanksgiving with family and friends. She loved to make her specialty items for gatherings, which were German buns called zwieback, potato salad, peanut butter-chocolate-oatmeal cookies and, of course, her famous cherry cream pie with a homemade graham cracker crust.

Finally, there is the cabin in Pose, Calif., where her and Joe would go to escape the valley heat and meet up many friends that they made over the years. She was deeply loved and will be missed by family, friends and all who got to know her.

A viewing was held at Peters Funeral Home on June 18, with a graveside service June 19 at Shafter Memorial Park.

## DEATH NOTICE

**Mario Mejia**, 72, of Wasco, passed away June 17 in Wasco. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Jerry Wayne Worthy**, 56, of Bakersfield, passed away June 15. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Charles Ray Bohannan**, 85, of Wasco, passed away June 18. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Alejandro Carlos Lopez**, 68, of Wasco, passed away June 21 in Wasco. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

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Board President Joel Ackernecht.



Attendees at the WIHS graduation ceremony.

# Class of 2020 has quiet celebrations

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ditions. Superintendent Lori Albrecht addressed both graduating classes and praised retiring principal Martin Lonza for his 35 years of service to the district and 16 years at WIHS. WIHS held its ceremony on Wednesday, June 17 at 8 p.m. on the WHS football field. 105 students graduated from their three programs: Adult Education, Continuation School and Independent Studies.

WIHS Principal Martin Lonza opened the program by welcoming everyone to the unique graduation. In the past, WIHS ceremonies have been held in the auditorium; however, it was decided that the class needed to be outside on the field in order to maintain social distancing.

## Words of hope

WHS Valedictorian Christopher Lopez reached out to the *Tribune* to place a special message to his fellow classmates:

"To the community of Wasco, as well as to anybody who may be reading this. I just wanted to say, stay strong and stay united. It's been a rough ride these past few months, in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, but we've gradually begun to adapt and find ways to be happy and smile, regardless of the circumstance.

"Continue to be united in whatever you do, whether that be with your families to remain safe, or with those who are in full support of ending the systemic racism that bleeds through this nation.

"Stay strong and fight for what you believe in.

"Together we'll get through this. All of this. Black Lives Matter. Do your part and stay safe."

"I learned that in order to succeed in life, we have to face our problems and our fears instead of running from them," he said.

The next speaker, Lucio Rivera, admitted that his senior year was not his best.

"I spent my high school years prepping for what it should have been, that I lost sight of what really mattered," Rivera said. "I lost sight of going with the flow and enjoying the little things, whether it was going to a rally with friends or getting scolded by [a teacher] or getting to class every morning, and lunch. Each of those moments mattered, so it completely threw me off course that my senior year became what it was."

"It's okay to say what you want in life," Rivera said.

Speakers for the school included Ryan Rodriguez from the Adult Education program, Lucio Rivera from Independent Studies and Pearla Hernandez from Continuing Education.

Rodriguez shared his story of leaving high school his senior year. "I felt it was the right thing to do," he said. "I was absolutely wrong." At the time, he did not realize he was making a mistake — one that kept him from moving forward.



National anthem singers from left, Dessy Claffy, Stephanie Wymer and Polly Hughes.

"How many are willing to work for what they want?"

Hernandez, the third speaker, thanked her family and friends for helping her throughout her senior year.

"We've faced tough times and challenging moments throughout our high school years," she said. "But we were able to graduate during a pandemic by leaning on our family and friends and working hard. I know we can handle whatever life throws at us. This is just the beginning of our real lives. As we move forward in our lives, always remember to work hard and be kind to one another."

Respect and dignity could be seen throughout WIHS's ceremony. Students were respectful of safe distancing, attendees were quiet during the speeches, and everyone on the stage and field wore a face mask.

The WHS graduation was held on Thursday NIGHT. With twice as many graduates and attendees as WIHS, the event took up most of the football field.

Principal Kevin Tallon announced that graduates were required to wear masks while receiving their diplomas, but could choose to remove the mask for their graduation pictures.

Board Superintendent Lori Albrecht addressed the graduates, mentioning two staff members retiring from the district this year, WIHS Principal Martin Lonza and WHS counselor Russ Shafer. Replacing Lonza will be Wasco High Assistant Principal Rusvel Prado, who is a former championship football coach and a past teacher at the

with an associates degree from Bakersfield College as part of the Wonderful Ag Prep Academy.



Valedictorian Christopher Lopez.



Ag Academy salutatorian Edith Vidales.

row.

Unlike previous graduation ceremonies, both groups left the field, quietly reaching out to friends and family.

school.

Albrecht declared that students are beginning a new chapter in their lives and encouraged them to meet the challenges ahead with optimism.

She also mentioned the different graduate categories reflected on diplomas:

■ 105 graduates received the State Golden Maintenance Award Seal,

■ 8 graduated with the State Seal in bilateral language.

■ 21 California Federation Scholarship graduates made honor roll six or more times during their high school years.

■ 51 students graduated

Wasco High had four speakers: WHS valedictorian Christopher Lopez, WHS salutatorian Edith Vidales, WHS Ag Academy valedictorian Alexis Quintero and WHS Ag Academy salutatorian Evelyn Heredia.

"Believe in yourself," valedictorian Lopez said. "Know what drives you." He also encouraged his classmates to keep up their work ethic. "Embrace your mistakes," he said. "Learn from them."

Salutatorian Vidales said each graduate needs to believe in themselves.

"You are what you choose for yourself," said Ag Academy valedictorian Quintero.

"This is more of a stepping stone," Ag Academy salutatorian Heredia said. "We are the authors of our own story."

"Be careful of social media," warned Board President Joel Ackernecht. "It can affect your future." Ackernecht then asked each graduate to continue their life with honesty and integrity.

Graduates' names were then read off as students lined up to receive their diplomas. Tallon then accepted the class of 2020 and asked students to move their tassels to the opposite side of their cap.

Then everyone was dismissed by

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**  
**BY THE WASCO CITY COUNCIL**  
**ORDINANCE NO: 2020-712**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Wasco adopted Ordinance No. 2020-712 entitled:  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING TITLE 8. HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, ADDING CHAPTER 8.30, CONTROL OF BACKFLOW AND CROSS-CONNECTIONS TO WATER SYSTEMS**  
**SUMMARY:**  
The purpose of this chapter is to protect the public water supply system from contamination due to potential and actual cross-connections. This shall be accomplished by the establishment of a cross-connection control program as required by state regulations. These regulations are adopted pursuant to the California Administrative Code, Title 17, Section 7583-7605, inclusive of California Code of Regulations.  
The Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:  
AYES: CORTEZ, ESPITIA, GARCIA, PALLARES, REYNA  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
A copy of the full text of Ordinance No. 2020-712 is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Wasco, 746 – 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280. You may contact the City Clerk at (661) 758-7214 with questions regarding this proposed Ordinance.  
DATED: 6/22/20  
S/MARIA O. MARTINEZ  
City Clerk of the City of Wasco and  
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Date Statement Filed: 05/14/2020  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of:**  
**Johnny Dean Ogborn aka John Dean Ogborn aka John D. Ogborn**  
**Case Number: BPB-20-02283**  
1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Johnny Dean Ogborn aka John Dean Ogborn aka John D. Ogborn  
2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Candice R. Amos in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern  
3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Candice R. Adams be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination

in the file kept by the court.  
5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
a. Date: August 27, 2020 Time: 10:30a.m. Dept.: P  
b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metropolitan Division  
7. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.  
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10. Attorney for petitioner: Stacy H. Bowman, Esq.  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**Notice of Public Hearing**  
City Council Meeting Date of July 7, 2020  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Wasco City Council on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at 6:00 P.M. or soon thereafter in the City Council Chambers located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, California, to consider the following:  
Public hearing to consider the adoption of a Resolution approving the Fee Schedule Authorized by Title 3, "Revenue and Finance," Chapter 3.29, "Master Fee Schedule" of the City of Wasco Municipal Code. The changes and any supporting documents may be reviewed during normal business hours at City Hall located 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, or requested information via email to the City Clerk at cityclerk@cityofwasco.org. Any person wishing to testify on the above changes may appear before the City Council at their hearing of July 7, 2020, or may submit written comments on or

before July 7, 2020.  
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, 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 City Hall at (661) 758-7215.  
/s/Maria Martinez, City Clerk  
Publish Wasco Tribune June 25, 2020

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District**  
NOTICE of Board Meeting Time & Date Change  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the July 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors of Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District will be held Wednesday, July 7, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 16294 Highway 43, Wasco, CA 93280 (corner of Kimberlina Road and Hwy 43). Subsequent meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
Dated: June 11, 2020  
Dana S. Munn  
General Manager-Secretary of the Board of Directors  
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