

# Sign of the time: Wear a mask

## Who's responsible to ensure compliance?

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

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The city of Shafter has begun a campaign encouraging residents to wear a mask in public, aiming to slow the spread of the coronavirus. Digital signs have been placed at different points of Lerdo and Central Valley highways. Several residents are still concerned that not

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Shafter is encouraging residents to wear masks.

## Some businesses thrive during pandemic

**TONI DeROSA**  
The Wasco Tribune

**WASCO**

In spite of the covid-19 business closures, several local businesses have managed to stay open despite the decrease in customers and loss of income.

Some local businesses have even been able to expand. Wasco's Delicias Sinaloenses Ice Cream Shop, at

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Valentina Valencia works on a virtual assignment.

# Students are coping as they learn virtually

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

**SHAFTER**

Richland School District students are getting acclimated to their new reality, which includes raising their hand in class with the click of a button, and only being able to see their friends from a picture on their screen. With the governor's ruling making it necessary for all schools on the watch list to operate virtually, challenges abound but are being handled by a dedicated teaching staff and administration.

Superintendent Rosa Romero, who was recently appointed permanently to the post, said this was not her first choice for starting the school year, but the current curriculum and programs are the next best thing to having in-person classes.

"Nothing can take the place of in-person instruction, but we are doing a wonderful job in giving our kids the best education possible, given this situation," she said.

Sixth-grader Valentina Valencia was logging on to her class on Tuesday morning, awaiting the flag salute, roll call, and then going over the day's assignments. Valentina's mother, Yanira Valencia, said the program is easy to understand and gives the kids a chance to get their work done with plenty of help from the teacher.

Valencia, who is a single mother raising two school-age children, had just come home from

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# Shafter keeping up with fundraising events

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

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With many businesses closed or offering reduced services, the challenge of raising funds for local clubs and organizations has been daunting. There can be no events with large gatherings or events that do not follow the safety guidelines put forth by the governor and Kern County.

But Shafter and its non-profit organizations are finding creative solutions to today's challenges. For example, the Shafter Kiwanis Club, continuing a tradition that has been going for decades, is holding its annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 6:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church. The event is take-out only.

Other clubs in town are contemplating how to raise funds for the causes they contribute to throughout the year. According to Rotarian Cathy Prout, the Shafter Rotary Club is deciding which fundraising events they will be able to hold. The club holds a popular Reverse Drawing every year, but this year the event, if held, will probably have a very different look.

Prout said the Rotary is considering having the event be virtual. It may mean lowering the prices of the Reverse Drawing and holding the actual dinner that comes



The Shafter Kiwanis Club will be holding its annual Pancake Breakfast on Sept. 12.

with the event at a later date.

Other clubs and organizations are still holding car washes, which is usually a sure-fire way to raise funds.

The coronavirus has restricted what the clubs can do to help the community as well. The Rotary Club usually holds an event every year at which the elementary schools are presented with new dictionaries. But according to Prout, this is not yet on the calendar, as the club keeps an eye on the governor's announcements and the county guidelines.

"We usually have an assembly, handing out the dictionaries to the different classes, but this year that is not possible," said Prout.

# WUESD successful at distance learning

**TONI DEROSA**  
The Wasco Tribune

**WASCO**

So far, the local schools are pleased with the newly created distance learning being delivered to the students, and they are very pleased with the responses by students engaging in the new system of attending school.

Updates at the following sites have been collected:

**KARL F. CLEMENS**  
**ELEMENTARY (PK/K-5)**  
Principal Sam Torres

Torres admitted he had a lot of concerns about the beginning of school once the state was mandated to distance learning after opening up for a couple of weeks.

"We were going to have a rotation schedule in all the schools," Torres said. "We



Independence High staff: L—R: Angie Benavides, Monica Adams, Mayra Medina, Jaira Rodriguez, Angie Wedel, Mike Rolwand, Vianney Gonzalez, Rusvel Prado, Marlene Matson, Victor Castro, violeta Okolonwamu, Bernardo Palacios and Carlos Barraza.

had provided teacher training and professional development services by Zoom.."

Torres said district staff was worried about student safety and students getting exposed to the coronavirus. He added that the district purchased several hotspots for families with no internet service. "Hotspots need a cell phone device and the district has a good handle on that," he said.

**PALM AVENUE MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**

Principal Oscar Luna

Luna said the first week of school was great. "We

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# Community Calendar

As activities restart and businesses reopen, we will try to update readers on the status of events and activities throughout the area. Please contact Erica Soriano with additions and changes at [esoriano@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:esoriano@TheShafterPress.com) or call 661-292-5100 by Monday at 4 p.m. for that week's paper.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wasco/Shafter:** Free Virtual Citizenship Services will be provided by the United Farm Workers (UFW). Beginning October 2, 2020, fee wavier forgiveness will be eliminated. Call (661)324-2500 for information. Clases de ciudadanía virtual gratis servicios echos por United Farm Workers (UFW) empezando Octubre 2/2 /2020 para más información llame (661)342-2500

**Wasco/Shafter:** Saturday Aug. 29 at 10 a.m. Wasco Free Will Baptist Church, 944 7th Street will be hosting a food distribution for anyone in need in Wasco/Shafter community. Food will be passed out beginning at 10 a., but people should show up early because food will be passed out while supplies last.

**NEW: Wasco:** The City of Wasco wishes to remind residents that our official city website is the only authorized avenue to pay your Utility Bill online.

**NEW: Wasco:** COVID-19 testing to anyone free, if you have insurance they will be billed. Located at the Wasco Library 1102 7th St., Wasco. Appointments made at <http://lhi.care/covidtesting> or call (888)634-1123. Donde? Biblioteca de Wasco 1102 7th St, Wasco. Si no tiene acceso de internet llame al (888)634-1123.

**NEW: Shafter:** Shafter City Hall closed to public effective July 24 until further notice. Oficina-Cerrado Al Publico: Efectivo el Viernes, 24 de Julio-Hasta Nuevo aviso. (Por orden del Gobernador)

## HEADLINES IN HISTORY



From The Shafter Press archives

**20 Years Ago: 2000**  
Former S.H.S student Eli Espericueta graduated from West Point Military Academy. West is the oldest Military Academy's in the nation.

**30 Years Ago: 1990**  
Judy Soto was crowned S.H.S Homecoming Queen. She was escorted by Robert Hernandez.

**40 Years Ago: 1980**  
S.H.S student Jamie Stewart started writing sports articles for the Shafter Press.

\*Today, Jamie is our present editor for the Shafter Press.

## ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

**Aug. 23**

**Rogelio Barajas**, 32, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: alcohol. **Edwin Hernandez**, 21, of Shafter, was arrested on an outside agency warrant

**Aug. 22**

**Jose Reyes Soto**, 37, of Shafter, was arrested for burglary in the first degree, burglary in the state of emergency and obstruction of a public officer.

**Michael Shaye Roberts**, 59, of Shafter, was arrested for driving with a suspended license and on an outside agency warrant.

**Aug. 21**

**Jose A Colli Tzuc**, 137, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

**Kailin Robert Beckemeyer**, 22, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: alcohol and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

**Aug. 20**

**Jesus Lopez Pimentel**, 35, of Shafter, was arrested for battery.

**Aug. 19**

**Oluwakayode Ajayi**, 21, of Shafter, was arrested for grand theft and conspiracy to commit a crime.

**Frank Martin**, 22, of Shafter, was arrested for conspiracy to commit a crime, burglary: second degree, and grand theft.

**Addison Tamura**, 22, of Shafter, was arrested for grand theft, conspiracy to commit a crime and evading police.

**Aug. 18**

**Carlos DeLeon**, 41 of Shafter, was arrested on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

**Aug. 17**

**Virginia Mendoza**, 67, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

**Sierra Reina**, 24, of Shafter, was arrested on a felony bench warrant and a misdemeanor bench warrant.

**Maria Guadalupe Torres**, 31, of Shafter, was arrested for child cruelty and battery.

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**Aug. 18**

**Sylvia Suzanne Sanchez**, 41, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 20000 block of Tracy Avenue for disorderly conduct: alcohol. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

**Jacob Villa**, 22, of Wasco, was arrested in the 14000 block of Warren Street in Lost Hills for being in possession of stolen property, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance, resisting, obstructing, delaying a peace officer, false ID to a peace officer, child abuse, being in possession of a firearm with an altered serial number and on a misdemeanor warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

**Lorena Chavez**, 49, of Wasco, was arrested in the 14000 block of Warren Street in Lost Hills for child abuse, being in possession of a firearm with an altered serial number, being in possession of a controlled substance and being in possession of drug paraphernalia. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

## 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*, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to [mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com). Winners will be revealed here next week.

**LAST WEEK:** Ron Pierce answered correctly, identifying Bank of America in 1944, as photographed by Don Little.



### WASCO



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**LAST WEEK:** Easter and Hoyett Smothers, owners of Hoyett's Sandwich Shop, in the 1940s



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# Despite pandemic, Rotary still keeps giving

**JAMIE STEWART**  
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The Rotary Club of Shafter is finding ways to keep busy despite the restrictions of the pandemic. The club has been serving the community recently in a variety of ways, giving of their time, money, and

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efforts. After spending the summer trying to evaluate what they should do, the club began the fall by presenting different groups with care packages.

In one instance, the Rotarians delivered 20 packages

to local veterans. Debbie Anderson, of the Veterans Assistance Foundation, was on hand to assist with the Rotary Club of Shafter to deliver care kits for veterans including toiletries and essentials. Several members gathered with Anderson as they prepared the kits.

In addition to the care kits, Rotarians also put together 40 meals that were delivered with the help of Meals on Wheels. Club members were finishing with the preparation of the meals just as staff from Meals on Wheels were getting ready to deliver meals to locals in need.

The Rotarians also showed local and national pride as they displayed over a dozen American flags along Lerdo Highway in early July.

In addition to time and effort, the Shafter Rotary Club gave financially to a worthy cause in the community. The brainchild of non-profit Listen to Shafter, a mural is being created next to Apple Market, using the large wall at the back of the building. Local children, along with Melissa Bergen and Sharon Wiebe of Listen to Shafter, planned the mural to beautify the area and do something positive for



**Cathy Prout, Lisa Marie Mendez and Debbie Anderson with some of the Care kits being delivered to local veterans.**



**Cathy Prout, Lisa Marie Mendez and Garry Nelson assist with Meals on Wheels staff as they prepared 40 meals for locals in need.**

the community. The Rotary Club showed its support of the project by presenting the group with a \$500 check.

It was also announced that the Shafter Rotarians won several awards at a virtual regional conference. Member Cathy Prout said the local club was recog-

nized in several areas. "For being such a small club, we were honored with receiving these awards," she said.

Among the awards were the Best Small Club Award for Foundation Giving, and a Small Club award for Club Service.

They also received the

Humanitarian Award for Community Service, and for Branding Awareness With Community.

They received a Peace Builder Club, along with an engraved Rotary Wheel.

President Lisa Marie Mendez accepted the awards for the club.

# Mobile car detailer has developed the Midas touch

**BY JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

For Shafter residents who want to give their vehicle a thorough cleaning, it usually means a trip into Bakersfield, or a long two hours in the sweltering heat to do it yourself, battling the weather and the bugs.

Fortunately, there is a better alternative, with a full cleaning and detail just a phone call away.

The Midas Touch Mobile Car Wash is open seven days a week, offering a variety of levels of service, depending on your needs.

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Victor Gonzales started his business about four years ago, growing it into a thriving enterprise.

Gonzales grew up in Shafter and spent years toiling in the fields, working hard for himself and his family. He always enjoyed washing his own vehicles, appreciating the time doing it and the challenge of creating a great wash.

His friends commented on the good job he always did on his car and asked him to wash theirs. Word

spread and before long, Gonzalez was in a position to make the leap and equip himself to do it as an occupation. Geared up with a trailer, portable water container, pressure washer, and other necessary equipment, he now makes his living offering customers a great cleaning.

He washes any type of vehicle, be it a small sedan, a pickup, or a big rig. Gonzalez said he prides himself on washing anything the customer drives. "I would detail a train if they wanted me to," commented Gonzalez, giving a wry smile, as with Gonzalez's reputation for hard work, he may not have been joking.

Gonzalez said he has lived in Shafter all his life and loves the city, the people, and the sense of community Shafter has. "I just love everything about Shafter."

If you are interested in getting your vehicle done by Midas Touch, he does



**Gonzalez offers detailing services, inside and out.**

require one-day advance notice to schedule your appointment. Prices depend on the size of the vehicle and what kind of detail you want. "I can do everything from a straight wash job, to a detail inside and out," he

said.

Gonzalez said business is still very good despite the pandemic, but the details may be a little different. "I am getting quite a few customers who are wanting their vehicles detailed and

disinfected, which we do offer, no problem," he said.

So, the next time you are dreading going a couple of rounds with the soap bucket, hose and heat, just call the man who really has that Midas Touch.



**Victor Gonzalez is fully equipped to make "house calls."**

# Wonderful's \$1M covid relief fund closes Aug. 31

**TONI DEROSA**  
The Wasco Tribune

Wonderful Company's senior manager for community programming Kaitlyn Yates wants to remind everyone that the company's \$1 million Wonderful Covid-19 Relief Fund grant opportunity for the Central Valley closes Aug. 31.

Those interested are encouraged to apply online before that date.

The relief fund was established to support non-profit organizations and schools in the Central Valley. It prioritizes local programs, services and resources that were impacted by the pandemic, either by state and federal budget cuts or in direct response to

new critical needs.

Priority Eligibility is:

The applicant is a 501(c)3, including schools, Grant will be implemented in one or more of the following communities:

Kern County: Wasco, Delano, Shafter

Kings County: Avenal

Fresno County: Mendota, Sanger, Del

Rey, Firebaugh

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If you think you might be eligible but want to find out more visit [www.wonderfulcommunitygrants.com](http://www.wonderfulcommunitygrants.com)

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# More contestants for Miss Wasco Rose Queen



## Idaly Flores Landeros

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Idaly Flores Landeros is the daughter of Elizabeth Landeros and Maurillo Flores. She has one younger sister.

"I want to be Rose Queen because I want to empower the young generation to believe in them and to not let their past determine who they become in the future," she said. "I want them to let their struggles be a learning experience to better them. I want kids who don't have as many opportunities to realize hard work can get you far and it's okay to have bad days, but push yourself and be a hard worker and a good person."

Her favorite part about living in Wasco is how close the community is. "We are all supportive of one another," she said. "I like to be friends with everyone I meet, but if I had to choose, I would say my boyfriend Alejandro Prieto, who is more like my bestie than my boyfriend. My closest friends would be, of course, Daisy Cedejas and Gladis Castillo, who always find a way to convince my mom into anything."

Idaly participated in the Wonderful Academy College Prep program, FFA, yearbook, class office and having the chance to raise an animal for the Kern County Fair. She is also this year's ASB publicity manager at Wasco High. and she looks forward to the new and creative things the school will be trying in order to keep students at WHS involved through distance learning.

Her passion in life is to be there for others the same way that she would want others to be there for her. "We live in a world where hat is thrown so easily, so having the ability to make someone smile when they are having a rough day brings me joy," Idaly said. "I would also like to repay my parents one day for all they have given me and be able to fulfill their dreams, just like they are supporting mine."

Idaly's favorite teacher is Mrs. Castruita. "She doesn't know it, but sometimes when she'd talk to me in AP English after a question, I'd actually tear up knowing we had a teacher like her at WHS," she said. "She always knew what to say and never made students feel silly for asking a question."

Her favorite subject at school is art, but if she couldn't choose art, she would choose English, because she admits she could talk for days.

Idaly was involved in student government by being the publicity manager for the junior class, and this year she is the ASB publicity manager.

She would like to attend California State University, Chico after she graduates from WHS. In five years she sees herself with a degree and living in a small ranch out in the country where she can ride horses off into the sunset. She also wants a lot of animals around her.

"If I could live anywhere in the world, I would like to live in Italy," she said. "Not because my name is Idaly, but to live in Italy on a ranch filled with green grass, tons of trees, hills, flower fields and horses. As long as it's beautifully green and rustic and I have horses, I'll be happy."



## Mikayla T. Orozco

Sponsored by Wasco Historical Society

Mikayla T. Orozco is the daughter of Juan and Merissa Orozco. She has one brother.

"I would like to be Rose Queen to show my community that I am a young lady with self-confidence and am instilled with great morals and values," she said. "And to be more involved in my community and to be a great role model for young girls in the city of Wasco."

Mikayla loves living in Wasco because of the small community feeling and knowing almost everyone in the city.

Her best friend is Carina Leyva.

Mikayla participated in cheerleading her freshman and sophomore years. During her four years of high school, she also participated in FFA and raised and showed market swine.

She has a strong passion for agriculture and her favorite teachers are all her FFA teachers while her favorite subject in school is math.

Mikayla was the Wasco FFA Historian during the 2019-2020 school year.

She plans on attending Texas A&M or the University of Arizona. She sees herself in five years still at the university studying veterinary medicine.

"If I could live anywhere in the world, I would live in Pismo beach," she said. "I chose Pismo Beach because of the great coastal weather, and it has a small-town community feeling just like Wasco."

## Photos by Vincent Martinez



## Elizabeth Padilla

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Elizabeth Padilla is the daughter of Nancy Elizabeth and Jesus Reyes Padilla. She has two younger brothers.

"I want to be Rose Queen because I would like to inspire little girls and boys and teenagers in my community to love themselves for who they are," she said. "I would like to be positive about any situation and keep up with everything that goes on in Wasco."

Elizabeth's favorite part about living in Wasco is she likes it it's a small town and easy to get to our favorite spots in town. "There is so much to do such as participating in community activities," she said.

Elizabeth's best friends include Ingrid Gonzalez, Miguel Leon and her mother.

Some of her activities that she participated in include FFA, Future Woman Leaders of America Club and club treasurer, sophomore class publicity manager, junior class treasurer, JV and varsity cheerleading and ASB treasurer.

Her passion is baking. Elizabeth's favorite teacher is her sophomore history teacher Mrs. Bradley and her favorite subject is math. "Even though math is very challenging and hard at points," she said. "I enjoy challenging myself and that is why math is my favorite subject."

Elizabeth wants to go to Cal State University, Stanislaus. "I want to go there because of the nursing program they offer," she said. "What I want to do is be a nurse anesthetist because I would like to be there for my patient during their surgery and making sure they are responding well to the anesthesia."

If Elizabeth could live anywhere in the world, it would be Japan because of their culture and food. "I would meet new people in a foreign country and learn new things," she said.



## Isabella Guiliiana Garcia

Isabella Garcia is sponsored by Planet Dance

Isabella Giuliana Garcia grew up in Shafter. She is the daughter of Daniel and Veronica Garcia. She has one brother.

"I want to be rose Queen because as a competitive dancer, I have represented the City of Wasco for six years and brought home a National Championship Title," she said. "I have been able to represent my town through my skills as a dancer and I would love the opportunity to have the town get to know me personally as their Wasco Rose Queen."

Isabella likes Wasco because of the pride everyone has by being part of a tight-knit community. She loves the support and encouragement that she has found from the people who live in the city.

Her best friends are Janet Gonzalez, Ashley Servin and Jackie Mendez.

During her school years, Isabella spent most of her time dancing at Planet Dance Studio and being a varsity cheerleader, in FFA, theater and band.

Isabella's passion is dancing and she loves to perform in front of an audience.

Her favorite teacher at school is Arturo Navarrete and her favorite subject in school is English.

She is involved in ASB and is the 2020-2021 cheer rep.

Isabella plans on attending cosmetology school. In five years, she sees herself as a licensed cosmetologist doing photo shoots, print work, videos and movies. "I would also like to train and teach dancers who want to work commercially," she said. "I also want to be a dance teacher."

If Isabella could pick any place in the world to live she said that she doesn't know if she could pick just one place because she loves to travel and would like to travel around the world. "I want to be able to use my gifts and talents to give back to people," she said.



## Irene Vargas

Sponsored by Frank Sanchez Ag

Irene Vargas is the daughter of Yanitsy Diaz and Alberto Vargas She has two sisters and one half-sister.

"I feel like being Rose Queen would be an amazing experience and opportunity for me," she said. "I have always loved this little town I call home and being able to represent it would be a huge honor."

What Irene enjoys most about living in Wasco is that the community gets together every year during the parades held every year. "That's the one time of the year where you see all the locals participating," Irene said. "The feeling of being there and eating donuts from Donuts to Go is amazing."

Irene's best friend is her older sister Marisel Vargas. "She is one of the only people I can be myself around without feeling like I'm being judged," she said.

She was involved in FFA during her freshman and sophomore years. She also served as a class officer her freshman year. She participated in the yearbook club her junior year and has been a part of the Wonderful Academy College Prep Program for three years.

Irene's passion these days is mental health. "I want to be able to go to college and pursue a career in psychology so I can help others when they feel like there isn't anyone else they can go to," she said.

Her favorite teacher is chemistry teacher Mr. Martinez because he is very helpful when students need help in any of their classes.

Irene's favorite subject is math. "I love math," she said. "it's the subject that has always come easiest to me."

She plans on staying local and attending Cal State, Bakersfield.

In five years, she sees herself done with college and working as a therapist or school counselor. She has chosen to be either a therapist or school counselor for her career path.

"If I could live anywhere in the world, it would probably be Greece or the state of Washington," she said. "I love how beautiful the scenery is there."

The Miss Wasco Rose Queen pageant has been set for Thursday, Sept. 10, though in what format it will be produced is still to be determined by organizers. The rest of this year's 22 contestants will be featured in next week's *Wasco Tribune*.



## Bianca Edith Rodriguez

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Bianca Edith Rodriguez is the daughter of Esperanza Luz Rodriguez and Jose Manuel Rodriguez. She has one sister and four brothers.

"I want to be Rose Queen because I want to represent my town and be the voice of everyone living in Wasco," she said.

Bianca likes living in Wasco because of the small-town feel it offers. "Everyone knows everybody and we all help each other when someone needs it," she said.

Her best friend is Rose Queen candidate Cassandra Hinojosa. Bianca has participated in cheer, drama club, Students for Community Change Club and has been in two competitions for her advanced drama class.

Bianca's passion is music. "I love to sing my heart out, listen and write music," she said. Her favorite teachers are Mrs. Yasechak, Mrs. Bradley and Mr. Huddleston and her favorite subjects in school are English and Science.

Bianca wants to attend either Chapman University, Cal. State University Monterey Bay or Fresno State. She wants to be an anthropologist.

In five years she sees herself close to graduating from college.

"If I could live anywhere in the world, I will always choose a small town because of the feeling of knowing and getting along with everyone," she said.

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# WUESD successful at distance learning

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are ready for the second week of distance learning," he said.

Luna was proud to announce that the school had 93% attendance. "Our students are logging into our distance learning platform and engaging in live online learning," he said. "We still have a number of challenges ahead of us, but we have a resilient team at Palm Avenue."

Luna also said the teachers are working hard every day to ensure that students are engaged and connected.

He said one concern is that not everyone has internet access in the district.

"The WUESD is working diligently district-wide to make sure that all students have a Chromebook device and have internet access," he said.

Palm Avenue daily schedules for the first quarter are shown as 6th Grade as Document #1 and 7th and 8th grades as Document #2.

**JAMES A. FORREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (PK//K-5)**

*Principal Steffanie Pollard*

"School started exceptionally well under the current circumstances," Pollard said. "Our attendance was over 93% for the first week."

Pollard said it was sad not being able to see the students on campus last spring, "but seeing them so engaged in distance learning sessions with their teachers is still very fulfilling."

Pollard also said students want to learn and want to be in school.

If you happen to need to stop by the school, secretary Kristi Vaughn, secretary Rebecca Pallares, clerk Patty Munoz, liaison Mary Lou Gonzales, health clerk Toni Beltran, librarian Patricia Torres, school counselor Maribel Esquivel, academic coach and Pollard are all working diligently to ensure that students have what

they need to be successful in the distance learning environment. "We anxiously anticipate the return to in-campus instruction," Pollard said.

**TERESA BURKE (PK/K-5)**

*Principal Monique Goodwill*

Goodwill said attendance averaged around 87% for the first week for grades PK-5. "This is phenomenal," Goodwill said. "All grades except for PK/K were given Chromebooks and students and parents both were obviously excited about engaging with their teachers and peers as was reflected in the attendance as well as the academic engagement of distance learning."

Furthermore, she said, teachers, staff and administrators were excited to see school begin.

"It has been a challenge; however, we are tackling it a lot better than we did in the spring," she said. "The district had been planning and preparing since then, and we have gotten off to a great start."

**JOHN L. PRIETT (PK/K-5)**

*Principal Rosalinda Chairez*

Chairez said that the school had 97% attendance during the first week.

"We are so proud of our parents because we had 96-97% of our parents pick up their student's Chromebook and packets," Chairez said. "The only problem we've faced is when the internet gets overloaded and the district can't control that – the internet providers do."

Chairez also said the school has been able to maintain 94% attendance since the first week of school.

**THOMAS JEFFERSON (6-8)**

*Principal Danny Arellano*

Arellano said that the first week of school was promising. "The first day



**Palm Avenue staff L-R: Top: Outreach Liaison Kim Rodarte, School Counselor Elena Contreras and School Secretary Elsa Gutierrez. Bottom: Librarian Noemi Gomes, Academic Coach Melinda Churchwell and Dean for Palm Avenue and Thomas Jefferson Sandra Bailey.**

we had about 74% of our students logging in and engaging," Arellano said. "By the end of the first week attendance increased to 91%."

Breakfast and lunch are being served Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to noon by drive-thru only from the four elementary sites.

Arellano also said that before the first week of school, the school site set up specific dates for distribution of Chromebooks, student schedules and packets. "All students are receiving all core subjects, an elective and P.E. via distance learning," he said. "Apart from a few technological issues, the majority of our students have been able to participate daily in distance learning."

Arellano wants to assure parents the district is prepared and committed to

supporting and providing all students with a positive learning experience; however, he stated that this best can be accomplished by working together.

**WASCO HIGH SCHOOL**

*Principal Kevin Tallon*

Tallon said that the first week of school was very successful.

"There was a successful distribution of 500 new Chromebooks to 9 graders and supplies to the rest of the students," Tallon said. "10-12-graders already had Chromebooks and received supplies."

Tallon said the school distributed care packages with the textbooks, novels and art supplies.

"Our schedule is working well," he added. "You can find it on the school website."

Tallon also said the

students are joining their teachers in real time.

He mentioned that not having students and teachers in their normal environment is a challenge. "We are used to working closely with students and staff," he said. "And you lose that element." But he is proud of the students and staff for being able to work through the challenges and starting the school year with live instruction and other supports that are needed for learning.

Tallon also said students continue to receive breakfast and lunch at Wasco High, James Forrest, Karl Clemens and Teresa Burke between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Wasco Independence High School

Principal Rusvel Prado

Prado said the first week of school went as expected.

"One hundred percent of our students participated in

the registration and orientation process," Prado said. "Both students and parents know our expectations, which were explained during the intake meeting."

In addition, each student met with the school's team to discuss WIHS expectations. The counselors at the school will continue to have virtual counseling sessions available every afternoon.

"The entire staff at WIHS has been working hard and are excited about the new school year," he said. "During the first week, teachers went over and above to get our students comfortable in this new virtual classroom setting."

Prado said students showed up virtually and worked hard.

"It's been a great start for the school year for Independence High School," he said. "Go Falcons!"

## Students are learning from afar

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working the night shift at a local hospital. She helped her first-grader, Camila, log on to the internet for her class, and made sure Valentina was squared away before going to the other room and helping Camila if needed.

"I usually help Camila get logged on and spend about an hour with her in case she needs some help with the computer. Then my older daughter, who has started virtual classes at Bakersfield College, takes over while I get some sleep," Valencia said.

Valencia is fortunate to have an older child who is available to give her a hand in the process. "I have to be back at work tonight for another shift, so staying up all day would be impossible or very hard on me," she said.

Valentina has a textbook in front of her, reading the work as she goes over the questions asked by teacher Candie Springer, before typing the answers on her laptop. Each assignment is graded by Springer after it is turned in. Valentina can work on her assignments throughout the day, with Springer online and ready to help. There is time for a

lunch break, and also time when Springer is online but not engaged with the students, allowing the kids to work on their own, knowing that Springer is just a click away.

Valencia said that through the Classroom Dojo app, the physical education teacher is able to give the kids their assignments for the day and the week. "All we have to do is log onto the app and their assignments are there, with the different exercise routines and programs on there," she said. She added that she also feels better about the experience knowing they are not alone in the program, trying to navigate the work and procedures on their own. They can always count on their teacher who is more than willing to help.

"We are very lucky to have Mrs. Springer for a teacher. She even gave us her phone number so we could call her if we have a question after the school hours are over," said Valencia.

Valentina said she really likes the classes and the programs that they work on online, but that she would rather be going to school in person, able to see her



**Camila Valencia gets help from her mother, Yanira, in logging in for her class.**

friends. "I like it but it's not the same, she said.

Yanira Valencia said she understands, probably better than most, being in the medical field, that the distance learning is necessary until the children can go back to in-person school safely. "We saw a second

spike in cases, right before school was scheduled to start, so I understand the governor's concern and thinking," she said.

Until they can return to school safely, Valencia said she believes her children are still thriving in this challenging time.

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# Wasco bids farewell to a local favorite

## Hoyett's closes after 72 years of serving hungry diners

**TONI DEROSA**  
The Wasco Tribune

There was only one table available at Hoyett's on a recent Saturday after 9 a.m. The favorite spot for good food was shutting its doors at 1 p.m. that afternoon.

Hoyett and Easter Smothers owned Hoyett's until 1996 when employee Terri Anderson bought it from the couple.

Hoyett's opened in 1948, and Hoyett Smothers started working there that year. A friend of Easter's suggested that she head over to the burger place in town and see the new employee, who was Hoyett. Hoyett and Easter married

in 1951. Easter Smothers began helping out at the restaurant as well.

Eventually they sold the restaurant to employee Terri Anderson, who owned Hoyett's from 1996 to 2010.

"I've worked here since 1983," Anderson said in an earlier interview.

Anderson sold the restaurant to Kevin Newcomb, and "told him if he needed

me, I would be available to help him out," Anderson said.

Newcomb previously worked at SavMart for 25 years, but once Walmart was approved by the city, he knew Sav Mart wouldn't last long. After Newcomb bought Hoyett's, his parents, Max and Linda Newcomb, would often stop by

*Television personality Huell Howser would stop by on his California Gold tour. He really enjoyed the chili.*

to help out with the crowd. Hoyett's was known for its chili and charburgers.

Since June, loyal customers took advantage of the warm weather and outdoor dining by spending time chatting with the staff. Everyone was friends.

Jill Drescher, Marlene Swan, Easter Smothers and Pat Stanley Pat Stanley enjoyed a last lunch with this

writer at Hoyett's Friday afternoon. The restaurant was busy and all the tables were taken by noon.

Before the pandemic, Thursdays were Tri Tip day and dinner on Friday evening offered a special catfish meal.

On May 12, 2019, Hoyett's celebrated its 75th anniversary with rock-n-roll music, free charburgers and a celebratory cake for guests.

At one time, there was a Hoyett's in McFarland as well as the one in Wasco; however, the Wasco restaurant was the only remaining location.

American television personality Huell Howser "stopped by on his California Gold tour years ago," Anderson said. "We also had a visit from country singer Victor Sands. Howser used to come by every morning when he was here. He really enjoyed the chili."

Newcomb made Hoyett's a family affair with the help of his wife, Christine, and his son Bradley.



Diners on Aug. 15, Hoyett's last day.

"At one time," Newcomb said, "you could get a burger for 20 cents."

Because of the covid-19 shutdown, Hoyett's was closed for several months, except for take-out only; however, once businesses were allowed to open, staff quickly let the community know it was up and running, until it was forced to close again and only take-out was available. With the second loss of in-house dining, Governor Newsom said outdoor dining would be all right and Hoyett's adapted to that. They closed off the parking lot behind the restaurant and opened up the back patio with tables and chairs. Wait staff worked through the back door and served food with a smile.



Hoyett Smothers, the original owner of Hoyett's.



More diners on Saturday, August 15.



Current Hoyett staff, from left, Christi Newcomb, Bradley Newcomb, Kevin Newcomb and Terri Anderson.

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# Shafter launches wear-a-mask campaign

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enough people are wearing a mask in the downtown and residential areas. Deanna Rodriguez-Root, a member of the Richland Board of Trustees, said more needs to be done to make sure residents are adhering to the recommendations of the Kern Public Health Department.

When Rodriguez-Root contacted the health department, she asked how the mask recommendation could be enforced. Was it the city's job to enforce the recommendation, the police department's job, or the job of the residents themselves? She was told that it is neither the city's nor its police department's job to enforce

the recommendation.

"I was told that it is the county's job to police this recommendation," Rodriguez-Root said. "People need to call them when observing violations by businesses that are not following the county's guidelines."

"I really think it is the mayor's duty to get something done in this area," Root continued. "I think that it starts with him."

At this point, the recommendation by the county is just that, a recommendation that residents wear masks in public. Businesses have been told that they have to see to it that their customers wear a mask for the safety of themselves and their

staff.

The city has been reluctant to police the mask policy, deciding to use peer

mask in the fight against the virus.

Meanwhile, the city has been trying to navigate mu-

*"People need to call the county when observing violations by businesses."*  
— Deanna Rodriguez-Root, member of Richland Board of Trustees

pressure, which has been recommended by the county, and a clear message on the advantage of wearing a

municipal operations. Kern County remains on the state watch list. All non-essential businesses are closed to

inside business, relegating those that want to stay in operation to do so outdoors.

This week saw a decrease in new virus cases in Shafter, with a total of 1075 confirmed cases, while Wasco has over 1,200 as of Aug. 24. There were under 100 new cases in Shafter. However, the decrease could be because of the lag time in cases being confirmed due to a backlog of tests being processed.

City Manager Gabriel Gonzalez issued an executive order allowing Shafter businesses to use their outdoor space for operation without having to obtain special permits with fees attached to them. The fees were waived, allowing busi-

nesses to operate in parking lots, or any outdoor areas on site.

This has resulted in several restaurants setting up outdoor dining areas, complete with misters in some instances to keep customers as cool as possible.

With the rising temperatures, the city has also opened its cooling center at the Walker Senior Center, from 1 to 8 p.m., on days that the mercury passes 105 degrees. Operated by the Shafter Recreation Department, the cooling center offers a safe and cool place to endure the heat wave. Residents are encouraged to bring a book, games, or other hobbies to help them fill the time.

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LLANAS, GERONIMO R & JUANITA E  
089-051-13-00-7 \$928.62  
LOPEZ, JAVIER  
026-080-32-00-5 \$316.39  
LUNDHOLM, B E  
099-050-04-00-7 \$48.52  
MARQUEZ, FRANCISCO  
026-484-12-00-1 \$661.01  
MARTELLO, JOSEPH C & TAMARA L  
091-280-10-00-5 \$142.48  
MC NABB, SUSIE M  
090-040-02-00-4 \$1,044.63  
MILLER, ROBERT & ALLEN, OLIVIA  
028-430-04-00-9 \$638.87  
ROBERT & SHIRLEY MIZNER LIV TRUST  
090-131-27-00-1 \$2,508.41  
NIETO, MARIO DURAN  
026-080-47-00-9 \$3,818.74  
OCAMPO, ELADIO  
026-310-17-00-8 \$2,879.49  
PANTAGES, RODNEY A TR & LLOYD ET AL  
099-240-16-00-7 \$75.81  
PAUL & THAYER TRUST  
100-200-23-00-4 \$127.19  
QUANTUM LAND SERV, LLC  
099-280-09-00-9 \$583.05  
REA, JOSE A & GARCIA, BULE  
090-110-05-00-4 \$625.42  
REED, PAUL

026-030-23-00-4 \$821.99  
RILEY, WILLIAM A JR & VERA L  
087-110-02-03-8 \$2,215.52  
RODRIGUEZ, VICTOR  
026-661-20-00-5 \$1,157.33  
ROMERO, MARIA C  
089-051-20-00-7 \$33.55  
SALAZAR, JOSEPHINA C  
090-222-10-00-4 \$2,636.36  
SANCHEZ, ANDELA MEZA DE  
026-331-02-00-7 \$2,131.79  
SANCHEZ, SANDRA  
026-064-03-00-3 \$1,143.10  
SEKHON, GURMIT S & PREMJI  
026-220-05-00-7 \$13,191.40  
026-260-11-00-6 \$17,321.56  
SHARROCK, JODY L  
026-191-01-00-4 \$4,960.67  
SMITH, JOE E JR  
090-040-39-00-3 \$573.84  
SMITH, JOSEPH EARL SR  
090-040-43-00-4 \$321.85  
SUFFIN, STEPHEN H TRS ET AL  
086-312-39-00-4 \$46.06  
TAVAKOLI, RAY F  
102-190-35-00-1 \$67.39  
TORABI FAMILY TRUST  
087-250-13-00-4 \$31.12  
WILSON, JULIA  
090-120-43-00-7 \$1,365.28  
NOSREDNA A YHTOMIT TRUST  
101-052-16-00-2 \$1,468.34  
101-052-27-00-4 \$337.17  
101-150-20-00-8 \$183.74  
101-051-09-00-5 \$1,717.29  
101-051-31-00-8 \$614.05  
101-052-01-00-8 \$706.21  
ZAVALA, JUAN  
028-131-09-00-1 \$1,228.84  
ZIRANGUA, LEOPOLDO  
101-181-01-00-9 \$4,026.97  
DATED THIS 17th DAY OF AUG 2020  
Publish Shafter Press August 27, September 3, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Tjaarda Farming Co 2020-B3261

34929 Flyover Ct  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
34929 Flyover Ct  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
Wegis & Young Property Management, LLC  
34929 Flyover Ct  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by Limited Liability Company  
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/Michael C. Young, President  
Date Statement Filed: 07/25/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/25/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
Publish Shafter Press August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Wasco Agro Services 2020-B3067

17455 Wasco Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
P.O. Box 1025  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Jason Wayne Keillor  
17455 Wasco Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 01/01/1970  
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/Jason Keillor  
Date Statement Filed: 07/13/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/13/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Statement of Abandonment Of Use Of Fictitious Business Name Wasco Agro Services

281 Pine St  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: KERN  
Mailing address of business:  
P.O. Box 1025  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Jason Keillor  
17455 Wasco Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
I declare that all information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)  
Business was conducted by: General Partnership  
/s/Jason Keillor, Partner  
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2016-B0715  
Original FBN Statement Filed on: 02/01/2016  
This statement of Abandonment filed on: 07/13/2020  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco, Deputy  
Publish Shafter Press August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Dermscapes Medical Spa and Laser Center, Inc. 2020-B3322

Dermscapes Medical Spa  
2020-B3323  
9840 Brimhall Rd Ste 200  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
9840 Brimhall Rd Ste 200  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
Dermscapes Medical Spa and Laser Center, Inc.  
9840 Brimhall Rd Ste 200  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Corporation  
Date the business commenced: 04/20/2009  
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/Belinda A. Senar, President  
Date Statement Filed: 07/27/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/27/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/R Edmiaston  
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9840 Brimhall Rd Ste 200  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Corporation  
Date the business commenced: 04/20/2009  
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/s/Belinda A. Senar, President  
Date Statement Filed: 07/27/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/27/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/R Edmiaston  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement kern keys 2020-B3205

8609 Winlock Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
8609 Winlock Street

Bakersfield, CA 93312  
Madeline Najarian  
8609 Winlock Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 10/11/2017  
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/Madeline Najarian  
Date Statement Filed: 07/21/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/21/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
Publish Shafter Press August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Big Joe's Tacos 2020-B3291

230 Elm St.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
230 Elm St.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Jose Luis Ayon Espinoza  
230 Elm St.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 07-10-2020  
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/Jose Luis Ayon Espinoza  
Date Statement Filed: 07/25/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/25/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
Publish Shafter Press August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Touch of Shine Mobile Wash 2020-B3408

456 Golden West Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
456 Golden West Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Daniel Ramos Silva JR  
456 Golden West 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/Daniel Silva JR  
Date Statement Filed: 07/30/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 07/30/2025  
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By: /s/R Edmiaston  
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Date the business commenced: N/A  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Shafter-Wasco IRRIGATION DISTRICT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ROTATIONAL FOLLOWING PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District (SWID) plans to adopt a negative declaration for the Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District Voluntary Rotational Land Following Program Project. The public hearing will be held by the District's Board of Directors on Monday September 30th, 2020 at 1:00pm, at the District Office, 16294 Central Valley Hwy, Wasco, CA 93280.

To comply with SGMA, a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) was developed for crucial groundwater basins in California. The Kern Groundwater Authority (KGA) is one of eleven (11) Groundwater Sustainability Agency's (GSAs) within the San Joaquin Valley. SWID is a member of the KGA. In 2015, SWID began implementation of the SWID Recharge Project to help achieve sustainable groundwater levels and avoid the corresponding adverse environmental and economic burden associated with groundwater declines, including increased use of power and energy resources as well as the potential for following of agricultural lands in the District.

The main sustainability goal is to maintain an economically viable groundwater resource. One of the multi-pronged approaches is to provide a program to allow the following of agricultural lands for the purpose of reducing water demands relying less on groundwater sources for agricultural irrigation. Long-term groundwater sustainability goals are to implement project and management actions to both increase water supplies and reduce demands within SWID's management basin. Specific to the reduction in irrigation demand, SWID proposes a Voluntary Rotational Land Following Program. The SWID Board of Directors would decide annually if there is a need to fallow land to reduce irrigation water demand and if there would be a sufficient budget available in the Program and Management Action portion of the SWID Management Area 2 (MA-2) budget to compensate the landowners for fallowing efforts.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study/Negative Declaration has been prepared, describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The District has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this proposed project and has determined that they will be less than significant. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review at the District Office, 16294 Central Valley Hwy, Wasco, CA 93280. The public review period during which the District will receive comments on the proposed Negative Declaration will begin on August 27, 2020 and end on September 28, 2020. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Dena Giacomini at Provost & Pritchard, 1800 30th Street, Suite 280, Bakersfield CA 93301, or at dgiacomini@ppeng.com. The site has been reviewed in accordance with Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not listed as hazardous waste or materials site. Publish Shafter Press August 27, 2020

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# Despite pandemic, some businesses thrive

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2330 Highway 46, is one of the lucky ones. Opened in April 2019, the shop is owned by Fabiana Hernandez and her husband, Miguel Garcia. Daughter Brianda Garcia manages the business.



**Delicias Sinaloenses: Alva Quintero with Brianda Garcia.**

"You should have seen how busy we used to be on Sundays," Briana Garcia said. "We were packed."

She said sales have dropped about 50% since the pandemic began. Even though it's been slower than last year, two part-time employees have been hired since the opening.

In addition, she mentioned that her parents are thinking of opening another location in Bakersfield.

A variety of food items are made and sold at Delicias Sinaloenses such as their popular hot dogs, several varieties of Sopas and many ice cream dishes from a regular cone to a banana split and ice cream sundaes.

"Our most popular item is Tosti Ceviches (shrimp, potato, onion, cucumber and chili seasoning on a tortilla)," Garcia said.

They also serve containers of fresh fruit, canned sodas and different flavored smoothies.

"My mother creates her own ice creams such as Bubú Lobo (chocolate and marshmallows), Garrito (chocolate with cheese) and



**Peterson's Auto Supply L-R: Matthew, Greg and Marcus Wankum.**

Frese Con Queso (like a chocolate-covered Twinkie with a strawberry cream center made into an ice cream)," Garcia said.

"We are good because we are still here," a smiling Garcia said. Assisting Garcia at the shop was good friend Alva Quintero.

Another local business able to weather the covid-19 shutdown is Peterson's Auto Supply, at 1348 F Street.

Owner Greg Wankum has worked in the business since 1978 and has owned Peterson's with his wife, Dianna, since 1991.

In an earlier interview, Wankum said the biggest change he has seen in automobiles is the computerization, and in 2018 he

wasn't happy about that change.

Peterson's handles repairs on agricultural machinery more than automobiles; however, he also said that they carry everything you might need to fix your automobile.

"When I bought the business, I knew we would have to diversify," Wankum said. "I continued with the auto parts (hydraulics, filters, belts, etc.) and began offering agricultural machine parts." He said that there is also a machine shop on the premises.

Peterson's is also a family-owned business with owner Wankum and one of his sons, Matt Wankum, as assistant manager.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE PROPERTY TAX

#### DEFAULT(DELINQUENT) LIST

Pursuant to Sections 3371, Revenue and Taxation Code, the Published Delinquent List in and for Kern County, State of California, has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in said county, for publication of a portion thereof in each of said newspapers.

#### NOTICE OF DELINQUENT TAXES

I, Jordan Kaufman, Kern County Treasurer and Tax Collector, State of California, certify as follows:

Notice of non-payment of the amount due for taxes, assessments, and other charges levied in the Year 2018 for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019, are shown in dollars and cents opposite the names contained in the list below. The real properties on which such amounts were liens, by operation of law, in my office at the Kern County Administration Building, City of Bakersfield, Kern County, declared to be in default at the close of business on the 30th day of June 2019.

Tax-defaulted real property may be redeemed by payment of all unpaid taxes and assessments together with additional penalties and fees as prescribed by law since the default date above, or may be redeemed under an installment plan of redemption. The amount published is the amount owing if paid on or before 8/31/2020.

All information concerning the amount to redeem after 8/31/2020, or initiation of an installment plan of redemption will, upon request, be furnished by the County Treasurer-Tax Collector, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Second Floor, Bakersfield, California, (661) 868-3490, E-Mail:

[TTC@kerncounty.com](mailto:TTC@kerncounty.com)

Website:

<http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us> I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

JORDAN KAUFMAN

TREASURER AND TAX

COLLECTOR

COUNTY OF KERN

Executed at Bakersfield, Kern County on August 21, 2020.

PARCEL NUMBERING SYSTEM EXPLANATION

A parcel numbering system is a numerical system for referring to each parcel or property within Kern County. The standard parcel numbering system consists of, first, the map book number; secondly, the page number within the map book, and block number if one exists; and the parcel number within the block. By this system a county is divided into geographical areas called map books, each map book into geographical areas called pages, each page into blocks, and each block into parcels as owned and used. The maps referred to are available for inspection in the office of the Kern County Assessor - Recorder at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Second Floor, Bakersfield, California 93301.

EXAMPLE: Parcel Number: 052-623-13-01-1

052 - Book 52 of Assessor's Maps

623 - Map Page 62 and Block 3  
13 - Parcel 13 within Block 3  
01 - Indicates partial ownership when not 00

1 - Check digit for numerical processing integrity

PROPERTY TAX-DEFAULTED IN THE YEAR 2019, FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 - 2019

A & L PARTIDA, LLC	030-160-02-00-2	\$10,514.05
AGUAYO, EMMANUEL P	069-056-05-00-3	\$799.97
069-056-06-00-6	\$882.84	
ALMAZAN, FEDERICO	069-076-20-00-2	\$3,482.30
ALVAREZ, JUAN & EVA	488-303-08-00-8	\$1,010.95
AMADOR, DARIO O & PELAYO, MARIA D YERENA	029-232-10-00-9	\$855.30
ANDRADE, CHAVEZ JOSE	488-301-18-00-3	\$2,933.45
ARCEO, ROSARIO	069-065-23-00-1	\$1,109.11
AYALA, ALEJANDRA ROA	489-252-55-00-0	\$603.00
BALLESTEROS, JESSICA	058-173-01-00-5	\$843.91
BAUTISTA, DAVID	488-303-09-00-1	\$1,765.51
BRAVO, JOSE	069-074-11-00-2	\$4,818.40
BRAVO, JOSE S & CHRISTINA C	069-052-02-01-5	\$2,448.05
069-055-01-00-4	\$1,512.94	
069-055-03-00-0	\$1,353.47	
069-055-12-00-6	\$229.51	
069-065-22-00-8	\$1,140.05	
069-072-01-00-9	\$241.06	
BRAVO, JUAN RAMIRES & ACOSTA DE RAMIRES, MAT	490-162-32-00-7	\$1,335.01
CASTRO, RAMON H	029-091-17-00-3	\$1,576.67
CHAVEZ, HECTOR M	490-191-03-00-5	\$1,831.36
CHAVEZ, JORGE C R	489-262-08-00-7	\$490.00
CLARK, GARLAND W & DICKSEY W	030-291-02-00-7	\$367.79
DENIS, ANTHONY	489-251-11-00-5	\$209.34
DURAN, JUAN C	490-121-14-00-6	\$4,197.07
FIERRO, RODRIGUEZ & DURAN, OLGA CABRERA	487-121-27-00-0	\$371.71
FLORES, MARY J	487-020-17-00-5	\$4,632.08
GONZALEZ, SILVESTRE U & IRMA G	069-065-17-00-4	\$980.70
GRAY, MICHEAL DEWAYNE & SASHA LEIGH	490-191-01-00-9	\$2,346.55
GROSECIOS, DENNIS M	029-261-13-00-0	\$2,308.82
GROSS, RICHARD P	058-300-23-00-5	\$71.62
HERNANDEZ, MARIO & MARIA E	069-036-10-00-1	\$1,183.21
HERNANDEZ, ROGELIO	487-393-04-00-6	\$3,299.25
HERNANDEZ, VIRGINIA ZARATE	487-116-13-00-4	\$194.12
HINOJOSA, OLGA J	489-262-01-00-6	\$1,113.21
HURTADO, JOSE AARON LUPERCIO	487-102-05-00-7	\$447.28
HUSEIN, SHADY A	487-343-11-00-1	\$108.35
LOPEZ, ABRAHAM & ELIZABETH	488-231-12-00-5	\$224.25
LOPEZ, LOURDES	490-162-36-00-9	\$1,198.13
LUNA, JESUS	029-040-21-00-2	\$2,000.54
MAGANA, PEDRO M & GRACIELA H	487-234-13-00-2	\$3,086.57
MARISCAL, ANTONIO G & BECERRA, MARIA DE L A	490-162-19-00-0	\$611.63
MARTINEZ, BELINDA GARZA	488-303-18-00-7	\$1,155.33
MILLAN, ANGEL RODRIGUEZ & RODRIGUEZ, LETICIA O	029-243-04-00-2	\$877.45
MUNOZ, MICHAEL	490-162-31-00-4	\$1,304.15
NEUFELD, RUTH	487-103-28-00-1	\$45.85
PENALOZA, ALEJANDRO & EUNICE	030-120-06-00-2	\$3,347.92
490-100-02-00-8	\$3,364.66	
030-160-22-00-0	\$1,565.85	
POWERS FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST	069-370-42-00-1	\$25,920.43
RAMIREZ, IGNACIO & CRUZ	029-021-19-00-8	\$821.72
069-041-06-00-8	\$1,910.78	
RAMOS, NOEMIH ABIGAIL	490-191-02-00-2	\$2,418.03
WILLIAM A JR & VERA L RILEY REVOCABLE TRUST	069-192-05-05-1	\$107.42
RIVERA, PEDRO & ESPERANZA GUERRERO DE	490-162-29-00-9	\$1,335.01
RODRIGUEZ, GUSTAVO L	489-091-03-00-6	\$997.62
RUIZCABALLERO, MARIELA	487-393-05-00-9	\$1,950.99
SALINAS, JOHNNY	488-301-35-00-2	\$3,242.54
SANCHEZ, DONATO R & ROSARIO P	489-061-16-00-5	\$2,508.44
SAUCEDO, ERIKA PRIETO	069-051-16-00-0	\$2,790.56
SERRANO, MARBELLA	030-311-03-00-5	\$2,759.29
SILVA, JUVENTINO	488-311-03-00-2	\$1,347.70

SOLANO, DIANA J	487-393-06-00-2	\$2,048.16
SOLORIO, NOEMI	488-303-28-00-6	\$2,187.62
STOUT, TONY LANE & SHARI LYNN	029-200-41-00-6	\$2,802.24
THOMAS, JAMES C III & MARYANN	030-191-16-00-9	\$45.85
TOP GREEN SOLUTIONS, LLC	488-010-09-00-6	\$69,709.99
TORRES, ANTONIO RODRIGUEZ	030-191-16-00-9	\$12,295.85
TORRES, YVONNE F	490-162-35-00-6	\$1,304.15
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030-434-07-00-3	\$4,046.25	
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### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF WASCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for the work entitled:

#### BID BOOK FOR

Re-Roofing of the City Annex Building will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the CITY OF WASCO, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California, until 2:00 AM on September 22, 2020 at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

General work description: The work to be done includes, but is not limited to the following: Demolition of old roofing material on both flat and pitched roof. Repair or replace broken roofing lumber including roofing support braces for exterior decorative wall, re-install new roofing material and other items or details not mentioned above, that are required by typical construction, Standard Specifications or these special provisions.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2020 at 9:00 AM, at WASCO City Hall, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California. This meeting is to inform bidders of project requirements and subcontractors of subcontracting and material supply opportunities. Questions in writing will be accepted until September 15, 2020 by 3:00 PM.

The contractor shall possess a City Business License and a Class "A or C-39" license at the time this contract is awarded.

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 bid opening, will not be treated as a bid protest.

Technical questions should be directed to Wayne Jackson, telephone (661) 758-2746.

RFP bid documents may be obtained after noon on August 24, 2020, for a NONREFUNDABLE FEE OF \$10.00 per set from:

#### CITY OF WASCO

746 8th Street, WASCO, CA 93280 (661) 758-7215

An additional charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per set will be made for mailing.

OR

Email [CITYCLERK@CITYOFWASCO.ORG](mailto:CITYCLERK@CITYOFWASCO.ORG) to request a PDF copy of the Plans and Specifications.

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 web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>. The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the books issued for bidding purposes entitled "Bid Book," and in copies of this book that may be examined at the offices described above where project plans, special provisions, and proposal forms may be seen. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of "Bid Books." 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.

Attention is directed to the Federal minimum wage rate requirements in the books entitled "Bid Book." If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The Department will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal minimum wage rate that most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

CITY OF WASCO, CITY CLERK /s/ Maria Martinez  
DATED 8/20/20  
Publish *Wasco Tribune* August 27, 2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE Shafter-Wasco IRRIGATION DISTRICT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ROTATIONAL FOLLOWING PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District (SWID) plans to adopt a negative declaration for the Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District Voluntary Rotational Land Following Program Project. The public hearing will be held by the District's Board of Directors on Monday September 30th, 2020 at 1:00pm, at the District Office, 16294 Central Valley Hwy, Wasco, CA 93280.

To comply with SGMA, a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) was developed for crucial groundwater basins in California. The Kern Groundwater Authority (KGA) is one of eleven (11) Groundwater Sustainability Agency's (GSAs) within the San Joaquin Valley. SWID is a member of the KGA. In 2015, SWID began implementation of the SWID Recharge Project to help achieve sustainable groundwater levels and avoid the corresponding adverse environmental and economic burden associated with groundwater declines, including increased use of power and energy resources as well as the potential for following of agricultural lands in the District.

The main sustainability goal is to maintain an economically viable groundwater resource. One of the multi-pronged approaches is to provide a program to allow the following of agricultural lands for the purpose of reducing water demands, relying less on groundwater sources for agricultural irrigation. Long-term groundwater sustainability goals are to implement project and management actions to both increase water supplies and reduce demands within SWID's management basin. Specific to the reduction in irrigation demand, SWID proposes a Voluntary Rotational Land Following Program. The SWID Board of Directors would decide annually if there is a need to follow land to reduce irrigation water demand and if there would be a sufficient budget available in the Program and Management Action portion of the SWID Management Area 2 (MA-2) budget to compensate the landowners for following efforts.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study/Negative Declaration has been prepared, describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The District has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this proposed project and has determined that they will be less than significant. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review at the District Office, 16294 Central Valley Hwy, Wasco, CA 93280. The public review period during which the District will receive comments on the proposed Negative Declaration will begin on August 27, 2020 and end on September 28, 2020. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Dena Giacomini at Provost & Pritchard, 1800 30th Street, Suite 280, Ba-

kersfield CA 93301, or at [dgiacomini@ppeng.com](mailto:dgiacomini@ppeng.com).

The site has been reviewed in accordance with Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not listed as hazardous waste or materials site.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE Wasco Mini Storage

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County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
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Delano, CA 93215  
Christopher Butler  
1317 Rounds Street  
Delano, CA 93215  
Isis Butler  
1317 Rounds Street  
Delano, CA 93215  
The business is conducted by: General Partnership  
Date the business commenced: 08/03/2020

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/Christopher Butler  
Date Statement Filed: 08/11/2020  
Date Statement Expires: 08/11/2025  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Statement of Abandonment Of Use Of Fictitious Business Name Grand Slam USA

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I declare that all information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)  
Business was conducted by: Individual  
/s/Christopher Butler, Owner  
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2020-B2444  
Original FBN Statement Filed on: 06-01-2020  
This statement of Abandonment filed on: 08-07-2020  
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## OBITUARY

### Ana María Barajas de Esparza Dec. 11, 1953 – Aug. 18, 2020

Ana María Barajas de Esparza, 66, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Aug. 18, 2020, at her ranch in Buttonwillow.

Ana María was born in Mexicali, México, on Dec. 11, 1953, to her father, Miguel Barajas, and mother, Maria de la Luz Rico del Rio.

Ana María grew up in San Diego Buena Vista, Michoacán. She helped raise her eight siblings with her mother, while her father worked in Fresno as a migrant Bracero farm laborer. Life in the ranches of México was different than that of the United States. In México, Ana María would carry pails of water from the community well throughout the day to drink, bathe and clean. Washing machines were nonexistent, so she would do her entire family's laundry with an unrelenting effort against hard rock surfaces.

Ana María would also work on her family's ranch and help plant and sow garbanzos, pinto beans and corn. She would then take raw corn to grind at the tortilleria for masa so that she could make tortillas on the wood-burning stove. Ana María worked tirelessly to help raise her eight siblings and support her family, which made her into the matriarch she will forever be



remembered as.

Ana María married Enrique Esparza in 1971 in San Diego Buena Vista, Michoacán. They were happily married for 14 years until his passing in January 1985. During their marriage, Ana María and Enrique lived in Nayarit, México, for a short period and relocated to Tijuana, Baja California, México, where they began a family.

While in México, Ana María began to sprout roots to lay the foundation for her garden, giving birth to Virginia Esparza, Enrique Esparza and Jesus Esparza. Soon after Jesus was born, Ana María and Enrique immigrated to the Central Valley to work in farm labor as migrant workers. Ana María and Enrique worked with undefeatable strength in the cotton fields, grapes, plum trees and other agriculture work throughout the Central Valley, in towns including Dinuba, Hanford, McFarland, Shafter, Pixley and Parlier. Soon after, Ana María and Enrique grew their garden grove with more

saplings; Jose Esparza, Everardo Esparza, Alonzo Esparza and Rogelio Esparza.

After a few years of toiling the earth in the Central Valley, Ana María and Enrique began their new family home in Buttonwillow, where they began to firmly extend their roots that began in México. After Enrique's passing, Ana María raised her seven children with the unrelenting help of her eldest daughter, Virginia, both working tirelessly to support their family.

Ana María later sowed three more saplings to her family garden: Pedro Garcia, Monica Garcia and lastly Erineo Garcia (her 10th child).

Ana María, the matriarch of this blossoming garden that is her family, is survived by eight children, 15 granddaughters, 10 great-grandchildren, 7 siblings and many close relatives. After an incredible life filled with so much love, laughter and joy, Ana María Barajas de Esparza will be remembered as a hard-working, loving and inspirational matriarch.

A viewing and Rosary will be held at Basham & Lara Funeral Care in Shafter on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. A second viewing will be held at Doña Ana's Ranch in Buttonwillow starting at 8 p.m. onward on Sunday, Aug. 30. Church services will be held at St. Theresa's Church in Shafter, at 10 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 31, with burial at Shafter Cemetery.

## Local man reported missing

### TONI DEROA

The Wasco Tribune

The Kern County Sheriff's Office is currently searching for 88-year-old Melvin Emmett Rogers.

Rogers is 5 feet 6 inches and 150 pounds with gray hair and brown eyes. He was last seen on Aug. 25 at about 7 p.m. in the 100 block of Annin



Avenue in Wasco. His family reported him missing. He was last seen wearing a brown button-up shirt, blue jeans, black socks with black shoes.

Rogers suffers from dementia and takes medication for high blood pressure. If located, contact the Kern County Sheriff's Office at 661-861-3110.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### PASTOR FRANK CABRERA

Truth Church, Shafter

Covid-19, civil unrest, political unrest, earthquakes, fires, division, corruption, fear, hate, riots, wars, explosions, killer insects, unemployment, suicide, child trafficking – Welcome to the reality of 2020 in just eight months! Do we have a solution? Do we have an escape from this barrage of negativity and overwhelming bad news? Many people are losing their minds! Some to drugs, others to alcohol. Some to sexual immorality, others to fantasy. Some to work, others to corruption. Some people are just simply going crazy!

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have lost my carnal, human, negative thinking mind and put on the mind of Christ. I have lost my mind to love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, and self-control. 1 Corinthians 10:13 states, "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it."

I have lost my mind to the best escape, solution, and hope for the world today. I have lost my mind to the Word of God and to the will of God's Spirit. I have lost my mind to the Way, the Truth, and the Life. I have lost my mind to Jesus Christ! Have you lost your mind?

## DEATH NOTICES

**Nohemy Argueta Garcia**, 62, of Wasco, passed away Aug 18 in Los Angeles. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Marcelino Fuentes**, 70, of Wasco, passed away Aug 17 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Justin Tyler Herzberg**, 36, of Wasco, passed away

Aug 19 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Sergio Arturo Rodriguez**, 63, of Shafter, passed away Aug 23 in Shafter. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Gilberto Bocanegra, JR.**, 38, of Shafter, passed away Aug 24 in Shafter. Basham-Lara Funeral Care,

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**Laura Deon Smith**, 50, of Bakersfield, passed away Aug 22 in Bakersfield. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Guadalupe Cisneros Sanchez**, 63, of Bakersfield, passed away Aug 24 in Bakersfield. Basham-Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

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**\$3,695**



~~\$4,290~~ **\$595**



*Rosette*

**\$3,350**



~~\$3,990~~ **\$640**



*Leo Brushed Ruby*

**\$3,295**



~~\$3,790~~ **\$495**



*Bailey*

**WHY ARE THEY  
charging over  
\$800 MORE ?**

**\$2,950**



~~\$3,790~~ **\$840**



*Leo Painted White*

**\$2,595**



~~\$2,990~~ **\$395**



*Libra Harvest Brown*

**\$2,295**



~~\$2,490~~ **\$195**



*Ascension Sienna*

**\$2,195**



~~\$2,390~~ **\$195**



*Pisces Sand*

**ITEMS SHOWN ABOVE ARE IDENTICAL**

and prices are taken from casket price lists dated -  
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