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4 more officers for police

Focus is on community connections

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The Shafter Press

The Shafter City Council Tuesday added four new officers in the Shafter Police Department by a unanimous vote on Tuesday night.

Chief Kevin Zimmermann had looked for authorization to hire the officers “to better serve the community.”

“These are excellent additions to a department that has already been lauded throughout the county recently,” Interim City Manager James Zervis said.

Shafter was reported as the safest community in Kern County by BackgroundCheck.com, a human resources website. The site conducted an analysis of crime statistics that found Shafter was the 73rd safest city in the state of those with at least 10,000 residents. This was the top city in Kern County, according to Zimmermann.

The move to expand the Police Department will cost the city about \$393,000 a year, with a one-time cost of equipment, such as vehicles, of about \$312,000. The funds will come from a general fund surplus of \$789,000 created by unexpected sales tax collections, Zervis said.

Chief Zimmermann said that the four positions will be two patrol officers, one dedicated traffic officer and one dedicated community relations officer. The last will be in charge of public relations with the community, as well as helping the department get some programs back in operation, such as the Police Activities League and the Citizens Patrol Units.

Mayor Gilbert Alvarado suggested that the new hires be allocated as two dedicated traffic officers and two patrol officers, with the community relations function distributed among officers instead of one dedicated to the job.

Councilmember Chad Givens said that he thought the idea of a community relations officer was “a very good one” and an important one to help dealing with the community and the relationship between the officers and the

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A digital depiction of what the new stadium will look like.

‘New’ Generals stadium

\$7M overhaul to expand, improve facility

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Shafter Generals will be calling a new stadium home starting in the fall of 2021 as a result of a \$7 million rebuild of their current stadium site.

Principal Russell Shipley said that the dream began when he was appointed principal of Shafter High. There were talks of a new stadium with new bleachers, press box and concession stand. This dream grew

into the state-of-the-art stadium to be completed for the 2021 season.

The project will include new bleachers on the home and visitor sides of the stadium, a new ticket booth, an additional concession stand, a state-of-the-art press box, an all-weather track with nine lanes, a new scoreboard and a brand-new sodded field.

The project is made possible by a bond measure that was passed by voters in November 2016. Shipley

said the original plan was to give the school a replacement stadium along the lines of the normal stadium plans. But Shipley’s vision was different.

“I told the district that we really wanted to have a stadium that would be unique to Shafter. We wanted something special that would set us apart from the rest, and I think that we got it.”

If the timeline remains as it is

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Martinez retiring after 45 years at Richland



A view of the map on the city’s website, courtesy of the CitizenRIMS application.

Inside look at crime

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

For those interested in how Shafter is fighting crime on a daily basis, there is a valuable tool that can give residents a peek into what is going on in their city, even their neighborhood.

At the urging of Chief of Police Kevin Zimmermann, the Shafter Police Department added a functional tool for the Shafter community to access crime activities and

other police-related data in an effort to continue the Police Department’s transparency and accountability efforts.

The department utilizes a computer-aided dispatch and records management program, the Records Information Management System, or RIMS. This program was implemented over 10 years ago and captures all the call activities by the police. There are a number of add-ons the de-

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Richland Chevrolet is saying goodbye to one of its most senior executives as Santos Martinez is parking his career in the garage after almost 45 years of serving the community.

Martinez, originally from Brownsville, Texas, moved to Wasco after his stint in the Marine Corps. Martinez served in the U.S. Marines and had a tour in Vietnam in 1969. During his stint, Martinez received a Commendation Medal from the Navy for his contributions to numerous battles in which he fought to protect his troops as they pressed forward.

After Martinez was discharged from the Marines, he moved to Wasco to help his father. It was there that he met his future wife. They were both from Brownsville but didn’t meet until after both had moved to Wasco.

Martinez began his automobile career in 1972 when he went to work for Central Valley Ford in Wasco. He then went to work in sales for Richland Chevrolet in 1975. Martinez excelled in the sales department at Richland, connecting with the customers and their needs, and getting them to take the plunge and make that important purchase.

Martinez worked for Richland for almost 45 years, except for a couple stretches where he ventured out, only to return to Richland. At one point, Martinez opened



Martinez.

his own car lot for two years, but realized that he was happier working for a dealership. Martinez was also away from Richland for two years when he went to work for Holiday Ford in 1988.

Martinez said that Richland has truly been his home. Manager Cameron Hunter said, “We

are sure going to miss Santos around here. He is just like family, and I have learned a lot from him. He is a good man. I am going to miss him, but I know he will do great things after he leaves here. He already has a gig lined up.”

The gig Hunter is referring to is the band that Martinez plays in. In his spare time, Martinez loves to play guitar and the accordion. George Lopez, a new salesman at the dealership, said, “I am really going to miss him. I have learned so much from him in just the short time I have been here. He is a really good guy,” commented Lopez.

Martinez said that people are still looking for a good deal and want to be dealt with honestly and fairly. “A lot of the challenge is to treat the customer fairly and make sure that they know that you care about them. They are not just a number or a faceless customer,” said Martinez.

In addition to his music, Martinez said that he is looking forward to spending quality time with his wife, four daughters, and his 14 grandchildren.

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Community Calendar

The Press accepts calendar items as received from non-profit and public organizations.

To add a meeting or event, or correct an item, call 661-292-5100 or email calendar@TheShafterPress.com. Please include contact name, phone and email. Items may be edited for available space and content.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: Garden class -- Edible School Yard Course for 3rd and 4th graders Fridays 9/6, 13, 27 and 10/4 at the Shafter Learning Center from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

NEW: Volunteer training -- Optimal Hospice is hosting a new volunteer orientation training Thursday, Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 1675 Chester Ave., Suite 401, Bakersfield. Call 661-716-4000 or email mkapitza@optimalcares.com. A light lunch will be provided.

NEW: Wasco Shafter Elks car show -- Blaine Willard Memorial Car Show

Saturday, Oct. 5, at 16694 Wasco Ave. Show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call Jerry Bo at 661 747-8831.

NEW: Free rides for students -- Kern Transit is offering free rides to all students enrolled at Bakersfield College with valid student ID, through finals week Saturday, Dec. 24.

Library events -- Every day/all day events at the Shafter Branch Library. Kids Coloring Craze, Game On! Puzzlemania.

MONDAY

NEW: Influencers -- Women's group in Shafter. Mondays at 6 p.m. at 350 Pine St. in the Fellowship Hall. A journey guiding women into an intimate relationship with Christ. For more information, call. Rebecca, 661-549-0237.

NEW: North Kern 4H -- Meetings at 7 p.m. second Monday of each month. Located at 523 Broadway St. at the Karl Clemens Elementary School Cafeteria, Wasco.

SRPD --The Shafter Recreation and Parks Department Board of Directors meets on the second Monday at the Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset, at 6 p.m.

SWAT -- Senior Wellness 55 years + at 5, 6 and 7 p.m., at 505 Sunset Ave.

Richland school board -- Richland School District board meets on the third Monday at Golden Oak cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

Alliance Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault -- Services available on Mondays in Shafter: case management 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (English and Spanish); Peer support group 3-4 p.m. Spanish; peer support group 4-5 p.m. English. Meetings held at 329 Central Ave. Information, 661-322-0931. 24-hour Crisis Line 661-327-1091 or 800-273-7713.

Kern High School District board -- Meeting the second Monday at 5801 Sundale Ave., Bakersfield at 7 p.m.

NA -- Meeting is held every Monday at the Shafter Veterans Hall, 301 California Ave., at 7 p.m.

AARP -- Meetings for the American Association of Retired People are held on the third Monday at the Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., at 1:30 pm.

AMVETS - The Shafter post of the AMVET meets the first and third Monday at 7 p.m. at the Veterans Hall, 301 California Ave.

Kern County Library -- Weekly events include trivia all day, Knitting Club at 11:30 a.m., Scholar Hour at 2:30 p.m. at the Shafter branch, 236 James St.

TUESDAY

No-cost community yoga -- White Wolf Wellness partners with Kern Behavioral Health & Recovery Service, every other Tuesday starting at 7:15 p.m., Sept. 10, Sept. 25, Oct. 8, Oct. 22 and Nov. 5. At the Wasco Community Center, 1280 Poplar, Wasco.

Zumba -- Classes Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 7:10-8:10 p.m. at the Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

Food Pantry -- Food giveaway the third Sunday, Shafter Christian Fellowship, 632 James St., starting at 1 p.m. First come, first served.

Lions Club -- Meetings second and fourth Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. at the Veterans Hall.

Chair exercise 55+ -- 11 a.m. at W.C. Walker Center.

Arts & crafts 55 years + -- Meeting 10 a.m. at W.C. Walker Center.

Community Bible study -- Nondenominational study

Mystery history



This week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. Send your educated (or semieducated) guess to *The Press*, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to mystery-photo@TheShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week, along with the facts behind this photo and a new one to challenge you. **LAST WEEK:** The original Kattenhorn covered wagon, used in May of 1963 for the Potato & Cotton Festival Parade. Top, from left, Wimpy Bender, H.W. "Pat" Kelly, Ben Grundy and Harvey Gaede. Lower: Lawrence Kattenhorn, E.B. "Doc" Stringham and Mrs. and Mr. Kattenhorn.



meets 10 a.m. at Valley Bible Church.

City Council --Shafter City Council meets the first and third Tuesdays at 336 Pacific Ave. at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission-- Shafter Planning Commission meets second Tuesdays at 336 Pacific Ave. at 7 p.m.

PTA -- The Richland Parent Teachers Association meets the first Tuesday at Sequoia Elementary School, 500 East Fresno Ave., in the library at 6:30 p.m.

American Legion Auxiliary -- The American Legion Auxiliary meets on the first Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Veterans Hall. The auxiliary also hosts a potluck dinner at the Veterans Hall, 301 California Ave. on the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Alzheimer's -- Shafter Healthcare holds Alzheimer's support group meetings on the third Tuesday, 2-4 p.m., at the Shafter Convalescent Hospital, 140 East Tulare Ave. Information, 661-746-3912.

SWAT -- Senior Wellness 55 years + at 5, 6 and 7 p.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

WEDNESDAY

Zumba -- Classes Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 7:10-8:10 p.m. at the Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

Youth program -- Awanas Club Program 6:15-8 p.m. at Valley Bible Church, 350 Pine St.

Shafter Community Task Force - Meets the second Wednesday, 9-10 a.m., at the Shafter Police Department Briefing Room.

SWAT -- Senior Wellness 55 years-plus at 5, 6 and 7 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

Folklorico -- Dance classes are available Wednesday evenings at Golden Oak Cafeteria. Pee wee ages 5-8 at 4 p.m.; intermediate ages 9-12 at 5 p.m., advanced ages 13 to adult, 6 p.m. Information, 661-746-4352.

Shafter Collaborative -- Meets the third Wednesdays in the Shafter Police Department conference room at 9 a.m.

Women's Club --Shafter Women's Club meets the first Wednesday the Shafter Police Department Conference Room. at 11:30 a.m.

Lions --Shafter Lion's Club meets the first and third Wednesday of every month at China Cuisine Restaurant at 7 a.m.

Kiwanis --The Shafter Kiwanis Club meets Wednesdays at noon at the Shafter Veterans Hall.

Airport board--Shafter Minter Field Airport District Board meets the second and fourth Wednesday of every

month at 5 p.m. in the District office at Minter Field, 201 Aviation Street.

Prop 36 -- Spiritual meetings for Prop 36 or others in recovery from addictions at Free Will Baptist Church, 155 Redwood, at 7 p.m. or Home Fellowship Church, 520 California Ave., at 7 p.m.

Rotary -- Shafter Rotary Club meets at 6:30 a.m. at the Shafter Veteran's Hall for breakfast.

Al-Anon -- Al-Anon meetings are held at St. Therese's Catholic Church, 300 W. Lerdo Hwy., from 9-10 a.m. Information, 562-948-2190 or 888-425-2666.

Prayer night -- Community Night of Prayer and Worship at the Ford Theater offers a chance to gather together as a community to pray together and to worship the Lord. All are welcome at 7 p.m. For more information, call Michelle at 661-630-4059.

THURSDAY

Sack Day 55+ -- Every first and third Thursday at 10 a.m., W.C. Walker Center.

Commodities -- Commodities will be given out at 11 a.m. the fourth Thursday of every month at the Shafter Youth Center at 455 E. Euclid Avenue. First come, first serve. For more information call 661-746-8235.

Turning Point -- Jesus Saves Church offers a nine-week program that is Bible-based and will teach you the biblical principles to become free of a life-controlling problem. The classes are held every Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. at 425 South Shafter Ave.

SWAT -- Senior Wellness 55 years + at 5, 6 and 7 p.m. at 505 Sunset Ave.

FRIDAY

Arts & Crafts 55+ -- 11 a.m. at W.C. Walker Center.

Chair Exercise 55+ -- 11 a.m. at W.C. Walker Center.

Karaoke potluck -- Usually every second and fourth Friday starting at 5 p.m. at W.C. Walker Center.

Minter Field Air Museum -- is open every Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tours on other days are by appointment. Call 393-0291 for more information. Admission is free.

SATURDAY

Hiking group --Shafter Christian Fellowship Church, 632 James St., hosts a hiking group every second Saturday.

Men's Fellowship -- High Vision Ministries welcomes all men for fellowship the third Saturday. Information, call Paul at 661-910-2317 or Art at 661-863-8565.

Drug and alcohol alternative program -- Seventh Day Adventist Church, Poplar and West Lerdo Hwy., 7-8 p.m. This program is nondenominational and encourages each participant to depend on the strength God provides to deal with issues related to addiction.

ARREST REPORT

As reported by the Shafter Police Department.

Aug. 28
Osbaldo Ezequiel Ochoa Esquivel, 25, of Shafter, was arrested for DUI in the 200 block of West Lerdo Highway.

Aug. 29
Ignacio Brisenio Ramirez, 38, of Shafter, was arrested for possession of controlled substance paraphernalia and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Jesus Martinez, 38, of Shafter, was arrested for possession of controlled substance paraphernalia, obstruction of public officer and possession of open container in public.

Aug. 30
Matthew Lee Parker, 42, of

Bakersfield, was arrested for disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Elias Estrada Jr, 23, of El Monte, was arrested on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Gabrielle Alene Purdin, 26, of Visalia, was arrested for DUI.

Isaac Arellano Murillo, 23, of Delano, was arrested for DUI.

Sept. 1
Jessica Hobbs, 29, of Bakersfield, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a controlled substance and walking on roadway.

Sept. 2
Andy Martinez, 23, of Shafter, was arrested for

obstruction of public officer and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

BUTTONWILLOW
Aug. 27

Jamie Arezoca-Perez, 28, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 14000 block of Lost Hills Road in Lost Hills for annoying/molesting a child under the age of 18 and for being in possession of drug paraphernalia.

Aug. 29
Alma Cepeda, 24, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1900 block of Fern Tree Close in Wasco for possessing a dangerous weapon, possessing/purchasing cocaine base for sale, keeping a place to sell a controlled

substance, possessing an assault rifle, willful cruelty to child and conspiracy.

Angelo Yander Cepeda, 24, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1900 block of Fern Tree Close in Wasco for possessing a dangerous weapon, possessing/purchasing cocaine base for sale, keep place to sell controlled substance, possessing an assault rifle, willful cruelty to child and conspiracy.

Aug. 30
Danny Sandoval, 29, of Buttonwillow, was arrested in the 400 block of Cotton Avenue in Buttonwillow on a felony bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Local volunteers help kids in rural Mexico

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

Shafter volunteer Angel Jimenez spends a lot of his time and talent helping the community. In particular, Martinez uses his skills as a sound technician at many Shafter

Church in Shafter makes a trek south, helping the kids in the small village of San Luis Rio Colorado in Sonora, Mexico to prepare for the school year.

Jimenez, Agustin Jimenez Sr. and Rosario Lopez headed there just before school started and helped many families

Thanks to the collaboration of community members in Shafter, Wasco and Bakersfield, Jimenez and company had enough supplies to outfit a large group of kids in the village. They received a lot of great feedback from lots of friends and many donated backpacks, notebooks, pencils, pens and other supplies.

It is a big help for many of these families to receive these items. Jimenez said. "One family told us that it is very expensive to buy all of these products because many of them only make 160 pesos a day. The kids were excited to see them pull up to the area and bring the items. Some families walked three miles just to receive back to school supplies."



St. Therese Church makes a trip every year to help kids in Mexico prepare for their school year.

events.

But one of his passions are the kids in a small town in Mexico.

Every year since 2004, the St. Therese



Angel gives out backpacks to a group of excited kids.

Jimenez said that he wants to thank all who made this trip possible: "May God bless you all for your generosity." Their trip was very short. They left Saturday and were back in Shafter on Sunday evening. He said that the event was a success.

"It is always nice to see the happiness and smile on these kids faces and even

more to see the tears of joy of the parents."

He said knowing that their kids are cared for is one less thing that they have to worry about. One parent told them that it is very stressful because it is very hard to buy these items with the money they make and it is very expensive to buy in Mexico on the little they make.

65th anniversary



Shafter residents George and Joan White were married Aug. 25, 1954.

New tool watch police work

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partment purchased in order to make broad use of RIMS capabilities. For example, one add-on, Mobile RIM, allows for the officers in the field to access the data system in their patrol vehicles through the use of a laptop.

Chief Zimmermann recognized that although officers may be efficient and effective in the field, the ability to keep the community apprised of situations which may have occurred in their neighborhoods could be enhanced with this added feature, bringing greater transparency and notification.

"The ability for the community to know and see what may be occurring in their community is important to a lot of people who contact the chief," according to police Captain Jeff Bell. "Both myself and Captain [Carol] Burnett, the department's operations captain], receive calls constantly from members of the community and local businesses wanting to know what is going on down their street, or something that they had heard about occurring somewhere else in the city."

The interest in criminal activities in the city isn't anything new. Upon first being appointed chief, one of his first priorities was to create greater awareness and transparency with the community.

"Instead of waiting for quarterly reports, or information that may be posted inside the police lobby, is just

made sense to the chief to put information virtually immediately into the hands of the community we serve," Bell said.

He also said that those who are interested don't even have to take the time to go to the internet. "If they want, they can sign up for alerts. The site allows anyone to sign up for alerts, which will provide them with an email notification either daily or weekly for specific information types the person may be interested in," Bell continued. Bell said that you simply have to provide an email, and the program will automatically send a notification -- usually in the morning -- of any of the particular alert types chosen by the user.

He added that the public needs to understand that it only provides information on cases that are approved and may not provide information on cases that have been restricted because of an active investigation. He also said that the department does not receive any kind of notice if a person signs up or unsubscribes.

"It is a closed feature to us, and it really wouldn't matter anyway. Everyone is entitled to the information, and we do our best to ensure that confidential information or that which might jeopardize a case are not released by the program."

But, Bell said, "it will give a pretty fair picture of what is going on overall in the city."

The CitizenRIMS is accessed by going to the city website (at Shafter.com) and then choosing the Police Department portion of the site. Once there, the viewer would select the chief of police tab and then department reports to get to the link.

A brief welcome page will open, and from there the program opens to a map of the city core showing a variety of colored balloons which identify the most recent activity, usually within the last few days.

Viewers can select or deselect on the opening page from five types of past activity: Animal Control calls, alarm responses, loud music, scavenging, and traffic related activities. Viewers can also click on any of the balloons and a brief amount of information will display such as dispositions and an incident number.

If you were interested in Animal Control calls since January, or the amount of loud noise calls in a certain neighborhood, this might be a problem. The amount of information is limited, and it will not display more than the last 500 records of any one specific category. If someone were interested in more information, a request to the Police Department would have to be made.

The mapping is also adjustable; the map can be enlarged to the Gossamer Grove area or zoom in on any other area of the city.

Shafter Police will get 4 more officers

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public. Chief Zimmermann echoed those sentiments, thinking that it is important to have a good working relationship with the

community.

Ultimately, it was a unanimous decision to approve the new positions. The proposal came on the heels of comments by the mayor. In a recent interview with *The Press*, Alvarado said, "I don't know if it is a hiring issue or what, but there seems to be a need for more police presence in the community. There needs to be more involvement between officers and the community."

The action brings the department to a total sworn force of 33.

In other city action, Melissa Bergen and Katie Wiebe introduced their organization, Listen to Shafter, to the council. This organization has been involved in several public service projects, including Lit-



Melissa Bergen of Listen to Shafter speaks to the council.




Chief Kevin Zimmermann tells the council of the plans for the department's future.

tle Free Libraries of Shafter and the Shafter Christmas Store.

"We listen to the needs of the community and try to do what we can to get things done. We are always looking and listening

to the concerns of the community, helping how we can to make things happen," Wiebe said.

Information on the group is available at ListenToShafter.org.



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‘Still going strong’ after 40 years

Montgomery's at insurance worked out

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Wayne Montgomery didn't always want to go into the insurance business. He already had a successful psychology practice in Bakersfield during the 1970s, while Sally was a homemaker raising their kids.

In all started with an insurance company's expansion plan.

"In 1977 Travelers Insurance wanted to establish 100 insurance businesses in California," Wayne said. Delbert Bowles was attending a seminar at California State University, Bakersfield, where two representatives from Travelers gave a presentation on the insurance company. The representatives, Alan Hine and Mr. Parrott, talked to Bowles, and he referred them to Montgomery.

Hine called on the Montgomerys, and Wayne told him he was not interested in selling insurance. Hine then invited them out to breakfast and dinner. "He opened up and

presented a lucrative contract," Wayne Montgomery said. "I told him I wasn't going to give up my counseling practice, but I would give Travelers a chance for 180 days."

After that, the Montgomerys came to a mutual agreement with Travelers before they left for a vacation in Texas.

The agreement was signed in October. By December, Montgomery had reached a goal that was unattainable by most agents. "I sold \$1 million in life insurance and made the 'Million Dollar Round Table,'" Montgomery said. He was then invited to visit Travelers headquarters in Hartford, Conn., where he was wined and dined. His picture was displayed at their home office.

Also during the 1970s, Travelers agreed to have Montgomery sell property and casualty insurance. In 1978, he passed the state exam with flying colors. Now Sally and



The Montgomery grandchildren when Sally and Wayne were Festival of Roses grand marshals. Back row, from left, are Marjie Greenfield, Sally Montgomery, Tiffany Pierce Bell, Clint Pierce, Mitchell Greenfield. Front row is Mallory Greenfield, Bryan Greenfield, Wayne Montgomery, Nate Scharpenberg and Molly Greenfield. (Missing are Lauren Montgomery, Chris Montgomery and Tyler Montgomery.)

Wayne both have their insurance licenses.

Wayne Montgomery's first office was located in Bakersfield; however, in 1985, he opened up at the agriculture office on Highway 46; he then proceeded to buy his present office at 456 E Street.

"I've been selling insurance for over 40 years and am still going strong."

The Montgomerys have been married for 64 years and have four children, 12 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. All of their children are Wasco High graduates.

Their oldest and youngest daughters are school nurses, while a middle daughter is a retired insurance agent. Their son is in the insurance business and runs Montgomery Insurance

at 5500 Ming Avenue in Bakersfield. "Our oldest granddaughter is a medical doctor at Kaiser. The oldest grandson is a public defender in Bakersfield. Our second granddaughter works for MGM and is waiting for the outcome of her recent bar exam, and another grandson works in the movie industry." Their youngest granddaughter is finishing college in Monterey.

There is no question; the Montgomerys are proud of everyone in their family.

In addition to being involved with their family, they take time to travel. They recently returned from a trip to Texas and New Orleans, with some family members joining or meeting up with them at different destination points.

Meanwhile, the Mont-

gomerys are still active in Wasco community organizations. Sally is a past president and current member of the Wasco Woman's Club and has served on the California Federation of

on the PTA at Palm Avenue and Thomas Jefferson, while Wayne served on Wasco's Planning Commission and the Kern County Civil Commission, and was a board member of



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Women's Clubs' board, spent years as a county 4-H leader, served in the Wasco Chamber of Commerce and was a commissioner on the Kern County Parks and Recreation Board.

When her children were in school, she maintained a presence

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Historic house moved

SUSAN GRISHAM

One of the last known original North Shafter Farm labor houses has been moved to the Kern County Museum in Bakersfield. The house has been sitting in a Shafter backyard since the Labor Camp was remodeled in 1968.

At the time of the remodeling, the camp houses were sold for \$25 each and moved to make room for larger more modernized homes. The new homes were fitted with more comfortable and larger features.

This particular house, which was moved on July 31, had been in the backyard of the Roland Grisham family home in Shafter since 1968. The family used the house as storage for seasonal items. Whenever an item was needed or could not be found, the family would say, "Check the little house!"

Susan Grisham, who still resides in the family home,



House loaded on truck for museum. (Photo by Susan Grisham)

donated the house to the Kern County Museum after the Shafter Museum was unable to raise funds to move the house and declined her offer of the house. The house will reside next to another original farm labor house from the Sunset Labor Camp, located in Arvin.

The houses were actual-

ly upgrades from the original Army surplus tents from World War I that formed the camp. The tents were replaced by the wooden structures in the mid-40s. The wooden houses were a tremendous upgrade, were used to house the farmworkers and their families until 1968, when they were

replaced with the cinder block structures now there.

Although the house is in pretty good shape, it will be rehabilitated and restored to as near original condition as possible. Once it is restored, the two houses will be dedicated and opened for public display at the Kern County Museum in early October.

'New' stadium for Generals

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Right now, the demolition will begin in the fall of 2020. "It will start about this time next year," said Shipley. "It is about a one-year process from demolition to completion."

"There were several options when the issue was originally discussed, including building a stadium on the land that is now used by the Agriculture Department. There was talk of building the stadium and the track separately in different locations, but this plan will be more beneficial for everyone," he added.

The nine-lane, all-weather track will enable Shafter to host sanctioned events, such as championship-caliber meets.

It has not yet been decided where the scoreboard will be located. Some people believe it should remain on the north end of the stadium, which enables people driving by to glimpse the score, while some think the board should be moved to the south end, making it necessary to attend the game in order to see the score. There are hopes to upgrade the scoreboard,

too.

"Coach [Jerald] Pierucci will be doing some fundraising to get a video scoreboard, enabling it to do instant replays and show video on it," Shipley said.

The additional concession stand will be on the northern end of the stadium, next to the new ticket booth. The current ticket booth is on the south end of the site, but with the addition of the nine-lane track, it will be necessary to move the ticket booth to the southwest. "Right at the entrance, there will be a ticket booth with visitor and home windows. There will also be the additional concession stand to the left of it, with new restrooms in back of the stand."

There will be more seating in the new stadium. Currently, the seating capacity is around 1,600 on the home side and 750 on the visitor side. "The new stadium will have seating for 2,269 on the home side, and the visitor side will have 1,410," said Shipley.

There are still issues to resolve regarding alternative venues during the

construction for the events that the stadium normally hosts. In addition to football, the stadium is also the site for the soccer team and track team. "If the schedule goes according to plan, Shafter will have to find a stadium to play the last couple of games in the 2020 season. We have Wasco there in 2020, which is good, leaving us the challenge of finding a venue for the couple of remaining games that are on the schedule for the 2020 season."

Shipley said that he will also be contacting the Chamber of Commerce regarding the annual 3rd of July Fireworks Show. He doesn't think the July 2021 show will be able to take place at Shafter High – or the graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2021, either. "We don't know yet what will be able to take place at the stadium at that point in the construction. We will have to look into maybe going with a different venue, such as Rabobank Arena or another location. We would, of course, supply transportation for students and parents for wherever we end up holding the event."

OBITUARY

Harold "Hal" Arthur Onsum
Dec. 25, 1956 —
Aug. 27, 2019

Harold "Hal" Arthur Onsum, 62, of Bella Vista, Ark., passed away on Aug. 27, 2019, in his home after battling cancer. He was born in Bellingham, Wash., to Keith and Betty Onsum. He was a devoted Christian and loved studying the Bible. He mentored many people.

After graduating in 1974 from Hoover High School in Fresno, he served in the Air National Guard and Air Force from November 1975 to November 1987.



Hal moved to Shafter and started his law enforcement career at the Wasco Police Department in 1979

and transferred to the Kern County Sheriff's Department in 1980. After retirement, he went to work for Maple Leaf Farms and Semitropic Water Storage District until 2012.

Harold is preceded in death by his father, Keith Onsum; father, Gordon Graves; mother, Betty Graves; brother, David R. Graves; and brother, K. Eric Onsum.

He is survived by his wife, Tammi Onsum; daughter Heather (Reese) Stoops; daughter Rachel (Eric) Gravin; son Keith (Rachel) Onsum; six grandchildren, Tatum Stoops,

Lydia Ingram, Emma Gravin, Hannah Gravin, Hailey Gravin and Andrew Onsum; sister Mary Graves; brother Steve Graves; sister Ruth Onsum; sister Carol Onsum Pierce; and sister Janis Onsum Ghazel

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Oct. 5 at 1 p.m. at the Valley Baptist Church, 4800 Fruitvale Ave., Bakersfield.

Memorial gifts may be made to Circle of Life in memory of Harold Onsum to support patient care and family service at Circle of Life, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762 or at GiveToCircle.org.

DEATH NOTICES

Alberto Pelayo Arechiga, 58, of Shafter, passed away in Wasco Aug. 23.

Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Rebecca Cortez, 24, of Shafter Shafter passed away in Bakersfield Aug. 29.

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Jesus Munoz, 71, of Shafter passed away in Dinuba.

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Generals rally comes up short



ABOVE: Jensen Boyt grabs a Scot while he was getting held on the play. **RIGHT:** Joey Sanchez lays out to take the back down for a loss. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Dozhier looks for an open receiver.



Loss to Highland ends long win string

The Shafter High Generals lost a regular season game for the first time in over a year as a rally against the Scots of Highland High came up just short, losing the game 22-16. The Generals spotted the Scots a big lead midway through the second quarter as the Generals offense just could not get anything going in the first half of the contest.

The Scots opened the scoring on their second possession. The General defense stopped the Scots on their first drive, forcing them to punt. But, the Generals gave the ball right back to Highland with a three and out series, a pattern that emerged in the first half as the General offense, for the second week in a row, had trouble moving the ball and keeping possession of it. The Generals had three three and out series in the first half, as well as two turnovers. The Scots first score came when they started with a short field as a result of a good kick return, giving the Scots the ball on the Generals' 25 yard line. A blown coverage resulted in a touchdown for the Scots.

On their next possession, Shafter faced a fourth and long situation deep in their own end of the field. After a mishandled snap, the punt was blocked into the Scots' endzone, re-

sulting in a safety for the Scots, making the score 9-0.

It looked like the Generals were back in the game early in the second quarter when they managed a couple of first downs, giving them the ball on the Highland side of the field. But, the drive ended after a couple of miscues that resulted in a forced punt. Late in the first half, trying to keep the deficit in single digits, the Generals gave up a late touchdown with the clock winding down, going down at the half by a 16-0 score.

The second half saw the Generals' offense getting a couple of impressive drives, the first one resulting in a 28 yard field goal, cutting the Highland lead to 16-3. Shafter's defense, who were impressive for the majority of the game, gave the offense the ball back on the next series after an interception at the goal line prevented the Scots from extending their lead. A quick slant pass to Sebastian Montgomery resulted in the Generals' first touchdown of the game, making the score 16-10. In one of the few mistakes the Generals made on defense, the Scots were able to up the lead to 22-10 on a long pass play.

The Generals will continue their homestand as they will host the North High Stars on Friday night.

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Friday	Oct. 11	Arvin	H		7:30
Friday	Oct. 25	Kennedy	T		7:30
Friday	Nov. 1	Wasco	H		5:00

EDITOR'S NOTE | JAMIE STEWART

In college sports, should it be pay for play?

As the college football season gears up for another year of polls, league rivalries, mail-biters and, of course, some early season blowouts, there is once again the topic of paying college athletes playing about the airwaves, print media and television. This issue has been batted about for so many years, ever since the college programs became the gigantic moneymakers that essentially support their school's entire athletic programs. This brings up a point that always comes up every year: Should the players get paid for playing college sports?

The proponents of the idea to pay the players say that the schools make so much money off of the players and their performance that it is only fair that the player get some money for their efforts.

If you do open that up and start playing the players, what players do you pay and how much? Are you going to pay a star quarterback the same amount as a backup punter, or a third-string tight end? I think that this would start an ugly debate that would cast a bad light on the entire college sports programs.

There is also the issue of what sports you pay for. Are you going to pay the soccer

players, or volleyball players as much as the football teams, which generate the majority of the revenue for the schools? Colleges today get revenue from how the teams perform, such as bonuses for playing in a bowl game, and also get money from television deals and other media sources.

It is a billion-dollar industry and is integral for the schools in this time where budgets for schools are being slashed across the country and tuitions are being raised.

Well, I might be getting old, but I don't think the players should get paid for their participation in their college sport. I can't help but listen to the debates for paying the players, and I never hear the players referred to as "student athletes."

They are, essentially, supposed to be student athletes, with the student part coming first in the phrase. It seems that to the majority of the guys going through the college ranks, the "student" part is just a formality. It has really been that way for years. Decades ago, there were the unearthing of cheating scandals, where student athletes were getting "special help" in the classroom to keep them eligible to compete in sports. The schooling part of the college experience is an afterthought for a lot of the

players.

In fact, one of the earliest scams that was uncovered was done so with the help of a couple of former Shafter Generals. In the '70s, our publisher, Michael Schroeder, was the editor of the *Daily Trojan* at the University of Southern California, and he had Jane Zachary on the newspaper staff at the time, when they broke open a scandal in which students were getting grades that they did not earn and getting credit for going to classes that they never attended or did not do the work themselves.

So, this is not a new subject and it really all comes down to what the students want to get out of their college experience. It seems that a lot of the kids are just looking for a place to play where they know there will be plenty of exposure for those NFL scouts to get a look at them and make a name for themselves.

A lot of schools these days, in football and basketball, are nothing more than a minor league team for the NFL or NBA. I think that getting a full-ride education that would cost a normal student anywhere from \$100,000 to \$250,000 is plenty compensation for throwing a football or dunking a basketball. There are students that

get good grades all through school, work hard to achieve their goals, maybe become an engineer or an architect, only to have to owe a fortune in student loans after they graduate, or some who don't get to go for their dreams because they cannot afford the school and the financial obligations.

An athlete that gets a full-ride scholarship receives a free education, meals, room and board, and the opportunity to show their prowess on the court or on the field to thousands, if not millions of people on a weekly basis. This does not seem to be enough for a lot of the kids who don their uniforms of their respective schools. Therefore, it comes as no surprise to me when you hear of so many NFL or NBA players who become famous for getting arrested for this or that, because they don't have any other skills or goals other than making it to the Big Show. If they would put as much effort into becoming something other than athlete, they might be better prepared for "the real world" that they don't seem to be able to exist in.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Peace starts in the soul

PASTOR FERNANDO SEGURA

Do you find it difficult to find peace in a chaotic world? At the rhythm that our world is spinning it is difficult to pump the brakes and simply breathe. I know that I have been there various times in my life.

Peace is listed as a virtue of the fruit of the Spirit because God knew that we would face chaotic times.

As the Holy Spirit does His perfect work in us, we can rest assured that we can

find ourselves in tribulation but yet be at peace in our soul. Unless we don't find peace internally, we

Peace isn't a feeling, but a person.

will never see peace in our world because of the internal wars in our soul.

As we run to Jesus whose yoke is easy and bur-

den is light (Mat 11:28-30), we get to abide in Christ (John 15) and we discover that peace isn't a feeling, but a person. Do you need peace in your life? Do you feel like a training astronaut and you are spinning out of control?

Brother and sister, come to Jesus, and He will give you rest. You will find the peace that surpasses all understanding in Christ alone.

Fernando Segura is pastor of Wasco Canyon Hills Church.

COUCH'S CORNER

End of fiscal emergency

The Board of Supervisors adopted the fiscal year 2019-20 budget on Tuesday. In addition, we also adopted a resolution declaring the end of the County of Kern's fiscal emergency.

By the end of this fiscal year -- June 30, 2020 -- the county will have addressed the structural deficit in the General Fund that occurred with the large drop in the price of oil in 2016 which, in turn, resulted in a large decrease in the property tax from oil-producing properties. Progress has also been made in addressing and mitigating the deficit in the Fire Fund. That work continues.

Declaring the end of the fiscal emergency doesn't mean a start to wasteful spending. It doesn't mean there won't be challenges in the future. It doesn't mean an end to our LEAN/Six Sigma efforts that have produced

savings and efficiencies across departments. A culture of continuous improvement and getting the most out of each hard-earned tax dollar must continue.

It does mean that the county employees and the supervisors have done the hard work and made the tough decisions to address and confront our budget deficit. It means that in next year's budget, if, among other factors, our local and national economy continues on its current trajectory, the board will be able to replenish reserves that have been used. It means we will be able to consider cost-of-living adjustments for our employees that have patiently stuck with us. It means we will hopefully be able to address at least a few in a litany of major maintenance projects that have been deferred for many years.

Fully mitigating the General Fund deficit has been a difficult and often painstaking achievement. Thanks are due to our current and former chief accounting officer, their staff, all of our department heads, all of our employees (some of the best people I've ever met) and all of our bargaining units for their patience and professionalism. Many of our service providers and suppliers have also stepped up to help the county through the last few difficult years.

This is a great moment for Kern County. We should take a little time to reflect on what we've been through and congratulate each another on completing the task.

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Big Yard Sale: Sat. 9/7, 1017 Cedar Ave., Wasco. 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tools, dressers, collectibles and lots of misc.

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HOUSE FOR RENT in SHAFTER -- 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$600 for rent and \$600 for deposit. 661-319-4313.

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16 APARTMENTS FOR RENT
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Work Schedule may vary

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17 REAL ESTATE
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921 Rose Ave. 3/2 **\$170,000 PENDING**
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Transfer any Pre-Plan Arrangements and receive one item below:

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Coupon/Certificate exp. 9/30/2019

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- \$200 Discount** on pre-planned Cremation Arrangement **-OR-** **\$400 Discount** on any pre-planned Burial arrangements

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