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High-Speed Rail lives here



Construction site at HSR as of this morning, notice the columns and crane.

TONI DEROSA
 Wasco Tribune

Effects on Amtrak passengers and its Wasco station, and the still-to-be-determined location of a maintenance yard, highlighted the California High-Speed Rail Authority's update meeting last week at the Wasco Veterans Hall.

California voters approved the HSR in the 2008 election, which at that time was budgeted for \$40 billion. However, Gov. Gavin Newsom stated in a February address that it could cost anywhere from \$77 billion to \$100 billion, and until the state budgets more money for the project, the only portion that could be completed is the Merced-to-Bakersfield section running through Wasco and Shafter. Construction continues on this proposed 178-mile portion in the valley.

Diana Gomez, Central Valley regional director of the California High-Speed Rail Authority, presented an overview of the progress on the construction to date. "We have all the funding to build from Bakersfield to Merced," Gomez said. She showed a video of the Central Valley construction and said that around Labor Day weekend, the HSR had over 3,000 workers on site. "80-90% are from the Central Valley," she emphasized.

Antonio Canete, who represents California RR Builders LLC, the contractor building the 21-mile segment between the Kern County line and Poplar Avenue, showed photographs and explained the construction on that segment. He anticipated completion of the segment in 2021.

A question was raised about the "deplorable" state of the Wasco Amtrak station and how HSR was going to handle Amtrak passengers during construction. Canete said the Amtrak station would be demolished, but that a platform would be maintained. Once construction is complete, the station will be ready for HSR.

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The 21-mile segment between the Kern County line and Poplar Avenue is anticipated to be completed in 2021.

5 options for treating city water

TONI DEROSA
 Wasco Tribune

The city is investigating several options to reduce the amount of TCP 123 and nitrates in its water supply, Public Works Biridiana Bishop explained in an interview this week.

The city awarded a professional services agreement to Dee Jasper and Associates, Inc. to prepare an analysis of options for developing a treatment strategy for the water supply. These could cost the city millions of dollars, depending on the direction of the work needed to bring contaminant levels into compliance with state requirements.

At the Sept. 17 City Council meeting, Bishop said that the city's water

system relies on groundwater provided by six existing wells. She presented the several options and reported the findings to the city council:

- Option #1 was blending the water from different wells. "Blending works well to address nitrate contamination but it does not work for 123 - TCP," Bishop said. "Therefore, this is not [really] an option."
- Option #2 is to dig four new wells.
- Option #3 is treatment at the well head. This method requires treatment directly installed at each well site. "This means that each well site would have its own separate treatment," Bishop said.
- Option #4 is centralized treatment at one location. This recommendation

would have a centralized treatment facility with a one-million-gallon storage tank at the Well 12 site. This site is located at the SE corner of McCombs and Griffith.

■ Option #5: The report recommended treatments at multiple locations, at the Well #12 site on the southeast corner of Griffith and McCombs; the Well #13 site at 1400 J Street and the third location on the northwest corner of Sunset and Palm avenues.

"Five of the wells exceed TCP 123 levels, and three exceed nitrate levels," Bishop said at the Sept. 17 meeting.

She added that in addition, the city will be conducting a hydrogeologic study to analyze how much water is actually circulated, at a cost of \$10,000.



The African mosquito is very aggressive and targets humans.

New mosquito threat in county

JAMIE STEWART
 Wasco Tribune

There is a new threat to Kern County residents, and it's aggressive and potentially dangerous. According to Gene Abbott, director of Kern Vector and Mosquito Control, there is a different species of mosquito that has exploded on the scene this year.

"The last few years, we might find a couple per year, but this year it has

been crazy. There are not too many areas of Kern County that have not seen at least some activity of the pest."

It is called *Aedes Albopictus*, a species of mosquito that originally was found only in Africa. It is also referred to as the Yellow Fever mosquito. In addition to yellow fever, this species can carry the Zika virus, dengue fever, and chikungunya.

The first reported case of the mos-

quito here in Shafter was two weeks ago. Erica Soriano, a Shafter resident, reported to the county what her family thought might be mosquitos, though they didn't look like regular mosquitos.

A technician came out with some traps to collect some of the insects. Soriano's husband had already caught one of the creatures alive, enabling

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Hospice volunteers join a special team

TONI DEROSA
 Wasco Tribune

As a team, Optimal Hospice combines compassion with the art and science of medicine to help patients and families live life to its fullest. To continue this care, Optimal Hospice is always searching for volunteers to assist hospice patients.

Optimal Hospice Volunteer Coordinator Alicia McGowan explained the need for volunteers from throughout Kern County to assist end-of-life or chronically ill patients on a daily basis.

Doctors refer patients in need to a hospice organization, such as Optimal Hospice, and once that is done, McGowan is contact-

ed to create a match between the volunteer and the patient. "We have to make sure the patient and the volunteer have a good bonding experience," McGowan said.

"We've had a veteran patient who could not connect with a young volunteer; however, once we were able to connect her with another veteran volunteer, the volunteer was able to get the patient to talk about her war experiences, which provided the patient with a peace and calm and best of all, relief from the burden she was carrying.

In order to become an Optimal Hospice Care volunteer a person must complete an application, submit paperwork for a back-

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Optimal Hospice Care staff, from left, Office Manager Megan Kapitza, Patient Care Director Cory Garoutte, Executive Director Tina Black, Community Education Representative Anabel Hernandez, Community Relations Director Todd Jeffries and Volunteer Coordinator Alicia McGowan.

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Community Calendar

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: Job Fest 2019 — Job Readiness Workshop at the Wasco Adult Education Center, 1445 Poso Drive on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 10-11:30 a.m. Workshop #1: "Fail to Prepare, Prepare to Fail." Topics: master application and resume building.

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 10-11:30 a.m. Workshop #2: "Ace Your Interview." This program in collaboration with Bakersfield College and Kern County Department of Human Services.

NEW: Job Fair -- Kern County Department of Human Services will hold job fair on Thursday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. in the community center at Barker Park, Wasco.

Wasco Festival & Parade —Saturday, Oct. 12, 8 a.m - 5 p.m. Parade starts from 7th Street to Barker Park.

Wasco-Shafter Elks car show -- Blaine Willard Memorial Car Show Saturday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at 16694 Wasco Ave. For more information, call Jerry Bo at 661-747-8831.

Free rides for students -- Kern Transit will be offering free rides to all enrolled in Bakersfield College with valid student ID. Through finals week, Saturday, Dec. 24.

Class of 1969 —Wasco High School Class of 1969 is looking for members for its 50th reunion. The classes of 1966-1972 also are invited. Contact Earl Grizzell or email grizzell@comcast.net or 550-300-4410.

ONGOING

Senior lunch -- Senior center serving meal Monday-Friday at 11:25 a.m., 1280 Poplar St.

MONDAY

UPDATE: Movie -- Sept. 30, 3:30 p.m. at the Wasco Branch Library.

North Kern 4H -- Meetings 7 p.m. second Monday of each month at Karl Clemens Elementary School cafeteria, 523 Broadway St.

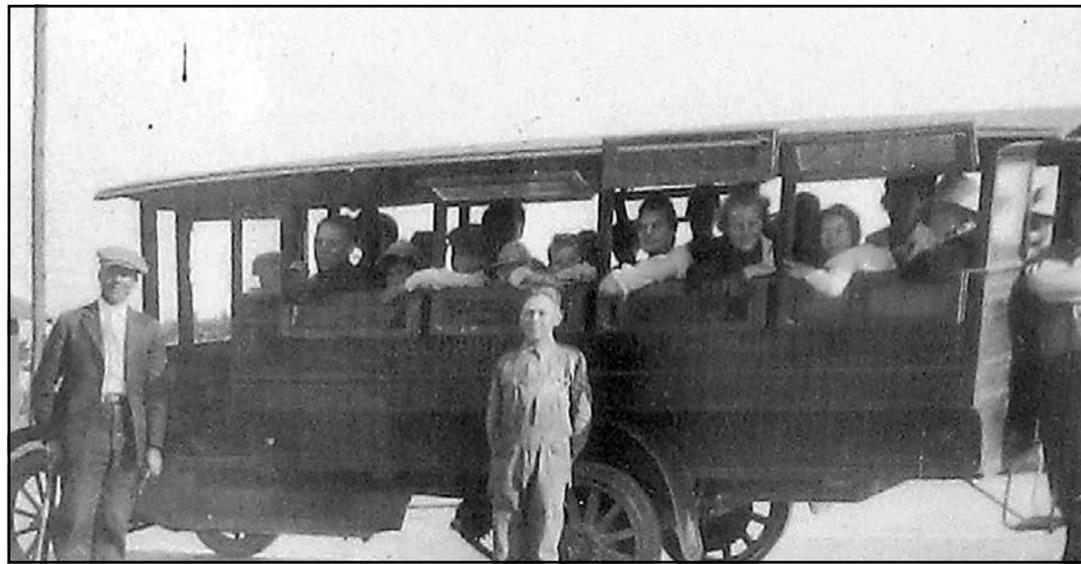
Mayor's office hours -- Mayor Alex Garcia holds office hours on the second Monday, 3-6 p.m., at 810 8th St.

Rotary Club -- Wasco Rotary Club meets every Monday at the Wasco Recreation Center at noon.

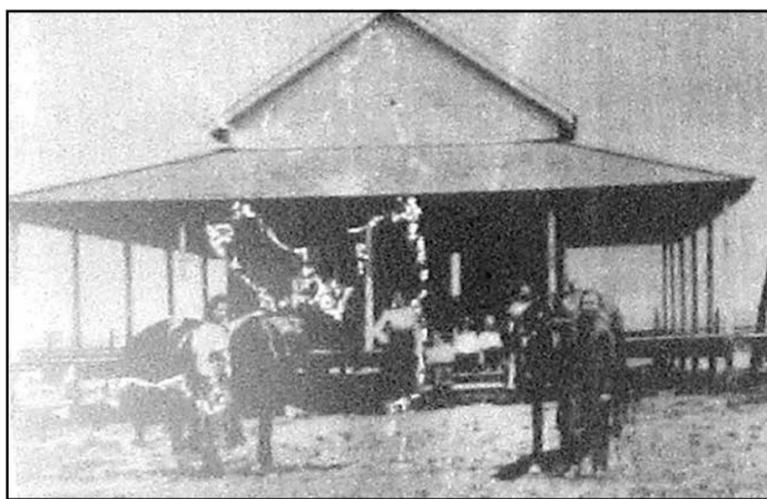
Fishes & Loaves -- Free dinner every first Monday 5-7 p.m. at 408 Griffith Ave.

Adult education -- Enroll for classes at 1445 Poso Drive.

Mystery history



Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Wasco 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 *Tribune*, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@WascoTrib.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** Historical Society Building at 880 Shamrock School in 1880.



High school diploma program, ESL, citizenship and Microsoft Office.

TUESDAY

No-cost community yoga -- White Wolf Wellness partners with Kern Behavioral Health & Recovery Services, 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.

Woman's Club -- Meeting second Tuesday at noon until

May at clubhouse, 1601 7th St.

WUESD -- Wasco Union Elementary School District meets second Tuesday in the board room at 6:30 p.m.

Coloring -- Color Me Happy! At the Wasco Library from 4-5:30 p.m.

City Council -- Meets first and third Tuesdays at 6 p.m. on 8th Street.

WEDNESDAY

NEW: STEAM -- Scholar Club, Oct. 2 at 3:30 p.m. All ages participate in academically enriching activities.

THURSDAY

ACTS Class -- Alcohol and chemical treatment series meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the Sounds of Pentecost, 2000 Palm Ave. Rides are available.

FRIDAY

Storytime & Craft -- At 3:30 p.m. at the Wasco Library.

Seniors exercise -- Wasco Senior Center exercise class, starting at 10 a.m. 1280 Poplar St.

Family Storytime & Crafts -- 3:30-5 p.m. at the Wasco Library.

SATURDAY

NEW: Movie -- Oct. 5 at the Wasco Library, 12 p.m.

NEW: Museum on the Move (Museo En Movimiento) — Stamp Art (Fall Edition)

Saturday, Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. at the Wasco Branch Library. Sponsored by The Bakersfield Museum of Art.

Museum on the Move (Museo En Movimiento) — Come make chalk pastel creations at the Wasco Branch Library. Saturday, Sept. 7, at 4 p.m.

Movie -- At the Wasco Library. Sept. 7, at 12 p.m.

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PET OF THE WEEK

Bones is looking for a new home

You must visit the Wasco Animal Shelter to see Bones. Bones is a young male golden retriever/German shepherd mix. He is a large dog with red, chestnut and orange coloring. He has a medium-length coat. Bones is friendly, lovable and very social. Golden Retrievers are known for their mindfulness and playfulness, and Bones is great with other dogs and children. Come visit the shelter for this special little guy. The shelter is located at 5409 7th St. and can be reached at 661-758-7240.

—Wasco Animal Control



Bones is a golden retriever/German shepherd mix.

ARREST LOG

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

Sept. 16

Juan Carlos Rios, 21, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of F Street and 7th Street for possession of controlled substance paraphernalia, driving without a license and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Michael Angel Valdez, 26, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on an active felony warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Sept. 18

Jose Luis Perez, 43, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1900 block of Tuscan Way for driving with a suspended license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Sept. 19

Narcisco Martinez, 38, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 5th Street and Maple Avenue for driv-

ing without a license, unregistered vehicle, failure to stop at a crosswalk, possession of controlled substance paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and on an active misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Guillermo Rosales, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of 7th Street for possession of controlled substance paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Alvaro Valencia, 32, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of Highway 46 for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Gracy Vazquez, 29, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of D Street and 7th Street on an active fel-

ony bench warrant and two active misdemeanor bench warrants. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Sept. 21

Oscar Villanueva, 29, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Highway 46 and Griffith Avenue for driving without a license and driving under the influence of alcohol. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Marcell Garvin, 44, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Griffith Avenue and 10th Street for possession of a controlled substance paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Juan Vargas, 22, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Gromer Avenue and Maple Avenue for possession of a controlled substance, possession of burglary tools, possession

of stolen vehicle and driving with a suspended license. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Sept. 22

Vanessa Beltran, 35 of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Broadway and 7th Street on a misdemeanor warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

Sept. 22

Gabriela Alvarenga, 19, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Oak Avenue and 7th Street for possession of a controlled substance paraphernalia. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Sarah Gonzalez, 33, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of Broadway for possession of a controlled substance paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and possession of narcotics. She was cited and released at the scene.

Maria Antonio, 21, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of J Street and

6th Street for driving without a license. She was cited and released at the scene.

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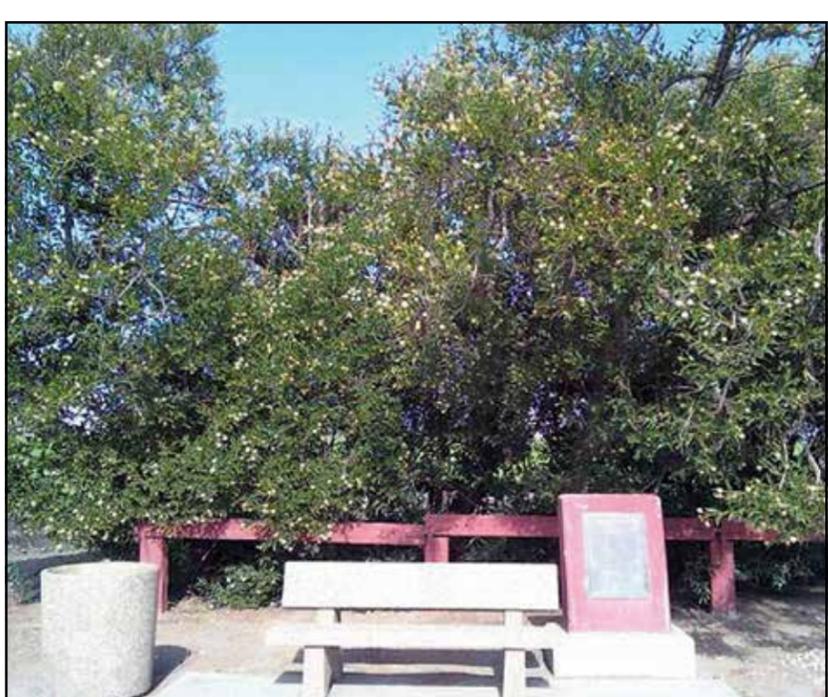
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A tree of life

Tradition guides Buttonwillow

JAMIE STEWART
Wasco Tribune

The names are familiar: Banducci, Antogiavani. Tracy. Selvidge. Houchin. Ghilarducci. These are all names forever entwined with the town of Buttonwillow. Shafter's sister to the west has not changed much in the last 50 years, either in population or economically. They have a rich tradition of farming, which is the town's mainstay and offers employment to most.

When visiting Buttonwillow, you must check out the tree that the town of Buttonwillow was named after. Now a historical landmark, this button bush was a meeting place for the Yokut Indians. This is where hunts were planned and rites observed by the Yokut Indians. In later years, stockmen used the Buttonwillow Tree as a rendezvous spot along a transvalley trail.

The original town site was first laid out in 1895 and was proposed to name the town Buena Vista. The land was bought by the Miller-Lux Co., and they established their ranch subheadquarters and store in the vicinity of the tree. The town had a population of 1,508 in 2010, and it is about the same today, at 1,680.

The farmers, for years, were wallowing in a gold mine, with rich soil, great for crops such as cotton, alfalfa and vegetables, such as carrots and beets. Water was plentiful at the time, but with the dry years not letting up, Buttonwillow, like the rest of the county, had to its strategy.

A lot of the farming families turned their attention to grapes, almond orchards and other nonrow crops. There are also a good number of cattle in the area, raised for market and for show. Buttonwillow is also the home of Raceway Park, that attracts racers from all over the country. The track was built 20 years ago by the Sports Car Club of America. They hold several racing events throughout the racing season. Even in the off-season, the track is busy almost every weekend with teams using it as a testing facility.

Buttonwillow recently celebrated its annual Fall Festival. There were food booths, games and rides, as well as a car show that featured over 100 cars from classics to hot rods. There was also a parade, in which Mayor Mario Delfino, Grand Marshals Albert and Sharon Ghilarducci, and a host of entries includ-

ing bands, horses, tractors, classic cars, were on display.

Without having a municipal government, Buttonwillow still manages to keep their town moving forward and prospering. There are activities for the kids, with an outstanding Little League program and Babe Ruth. There is also a pool and lighted tennis courts.

A big park sits at the edge of town, complete with the ball fields, playgrounds and the pool.

Buttonwillow also has a unique way of picking their "leader." They hold a dinner and auction, with the person selling the most tickets for the event being named Honorary Mayor of Buttonwillow. This year, it is Delfino.

The town also has an abundance of riches at its fingertips for those who love nature. Within 20 minutes, there is the Tule Elk Reserve, which is home to one of the largest collection of elk in California, as well as Buena Vista Lake, for those who want to fish, swim or water ski. It has a variety of activities that you can participate in.

Three miles east of Buttonwillow is Interstate 5. There are plenty of places to eat and get gas, along with a collection of motels and convenience stores. Asked what was special about Buttonwillow, Manuel Labana said that "it is just a great place to live. People are friendly, it is clean, the school is good, and it is within distance of a bunch of things to do."

The same sentiments were spoken by employees at the Buttonwillow Market at the interstate. Jessica Moreno took time out from her shift for a picture, saying, "You need to see the Buttonwillow Tree, that is a must."

ABOVE: This Buttonwillow Tree is the namesake of the town. **RIGHT:** Mayor Mario Delfino made his appearance on this John Deere in the parade. **BELOW:** Grand Marshals Albert and Sharon Ghilarducci wave to the crowd.



At Buttonwillow Market, Jessica Moreno pointed to the Buttonwillow Tree as the town's centerpiece.

Rail project has life here

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tion of the HSR roadbed begins in the City of Wasco, a "shoofly" would be built to carry the BNSF Railroad around the area of construction, and the platform would then be relocated. Once the high-speed rail is completed, the BNSF would return to its original right of way and a tunnel would be put in to allow pedestrians to access the platform for Amtrak trains.

The City of Wasco is working with the HSR on a plan for Amtrak passengers, and input is welcome, officials said. If Amtrak patrons find the area in poor condition, they should lodge their complaints with the California RR Builders office just north of town.

Gomez stated that stations are planned for Merced, Fresno, Hanford and Bakersfield. "There will not be a station in Shafter

or Wasco, although it is expected that Amtrak will continue to serve Wasco." In response to an inquiry, Gomez said, the maintenance yard site "hasn't been determined yet."

Resident Petra Rueda suggested to Gomez that since the migrant housing was relocated, that space would be an ideal spot for a maintenance yard.

Then, attendee Vince Martinez asked Gomez if the HSR had done a ridership plan on this model. Gomez replied, "Yes, it would be available in the 2018 report; however, it has not been added to the updated report."

"At our next meeting, we will focus on the Amtrak station and the undercrossings in Wasco at Poso Avenue and Highway 46 and what they will look like," Gomez said.



Diana Gomez, Central Valley regional director of the California HSR.

African mosquitos find new home in county



A trap was set on the Soriano's property.

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him to give it to the agency. Randall Abernathy, of the KVMC, collected the traps and they were taken to the agency for evaluation.

They received a call some time later, telling them that they were indeed the Aedes Albopictus. "They are very aggressive and will bite you over and over," Abbott said.

An entomologist for Kern Vector and Mosquito Control, La Khang, said that the species is very hard to eradicate. "They are very smart and sneaky insects. They can survive and lay eggs in as little as a bottle-cap full of water."

Khang also said that unlike a lot of species of insects, these mosquitos like to bite

humans. "Humans are a big target for these mosquitos. They also can bite you over and over, instead of just biting and feeding one time."

There was a map of Kern County on the wall at the agency, and red squares were indicative of the spots where this type of mosquito was found. There were not many places on the map that did not have a little red on it.

"Homeowners can help us fight this insect by eliminating the sources of water and moisture that the insect thrives on," Khang said.

One of the things that homeowners can do is to dump and scrub containers that have standing water. "You can also dump and scrub plant saucers holding water and fill them with dirt and sand," said Khang. "It

is not enough just to rinse or wash the pots and saucers out. It needs to be scrubbed because the eggs will attach themselves to the bottoms and sides of the containers."

Khang also recommends that residents wear long-sleeve shirts and long pants when outside, as well as repellent containing DEET, picaridin, lemon eucalyptus or IR3535.

This insect is much smaller than a regular mosquito - around a quarter of an inch in diameter. They have a black body, with black and white stripes on their legs.

If you suspect that you have this mosquito on or near your property, residents are asked to contact the Kern Vector and Mosquito Control agency at 661-589-2744.

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Plenty of reasons to join SAL, club told

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

The local coordinator of the Sheriff's Activities League described some of the important benefits of joining SAL at the Wasco Woman's Club's September meeting.

Deputy Patrick Basquez, the SAL coordinator in the Wasco substation, told the group about what SAL does to aid the community.

"SAL is a program that teaches leadership, responsibility and helps create productive citizens by preventing juvenile delinquency, crime and disrespect," he emphasized.

"At the present time, we have 126 members registered at the Wasco SAL," Basquez said. He described some of the annual fundraisers SAL holds, such as the fishing derby, which is usually in March but will be in February in 2020, a countywide SAL barbecue held in Bakersfield at L and 22nd Street, and an annual golf tournament, which is held in November.

"We expose them to museums and other special places," he said. "These are

all bonding trips. Another great trip we've taken is to the Getty Museum."

"The SAL kids work hard, and we celebrate by taking them on special trips," Basquez said. "We've gone to Magic Mountain, the coast and hiking." Basquez added that some of the kids had never been to the coast before, and the SAL trip was their first visit to the beach.

SAL kids are well-known for their efforts in working community cleanups, held a couple of times a year. "We need adults to take leadership positions on the cleanups, whereby they can guide the kids during their cleaning efforts," he added.

In addition, Basquez mentioned the boxing program offered by SAL and said there were several SAL kids enjoying the sport. "Twenty-four have signed up from Wasco," he said.

Basquez told the club members SAL is in need of volunteers for the program in several areas, such as community clean ups and after-school programs.

He mentioned that Wasco High School Principal Kevin Tallon will have the football players and cheerleaders helping out



Rose Queen Elisa Flores enjoyed being at the luncheon.

with this year's fall cleanup. "The kids are divided into small groups, and each group is given a specific section to clean up (pick up trash, call for large item pickups and general maintenance of an area," he said. "We usually have them start in alleyway sections. We need adult leaders to lead these groups of kids."

He said SAL could use canopies, computers, games, gym equipment and boxing equipment. "SAL operates strictly on donations," Basquez said.

He also mentioned that the boxing ages are 12 to 13 years old and over, but kids ages 10-17 can join SAL.

"Every kid involved in the SAL program has to be enrolled in school," Basquez

added. "I worked with a student who had dropped out of school, but participated in the program over the summer."

He said that the student re-enrolled in school to be able to participate in the program.

In addition to the guest speaker, the Wasco Rose Queen Elisa Flores also made an appearance. She was the Woman's Club Rose Queen contestant. "Thank you everyone in the Woman's Club for selecting me as your contestant for Rose Queen," Elisa Flores said. "Everyone has been so kind and helpful to me."

The SAL program is located at 1445 12th St. Information is available by calling 661-758-7266.

Women's & Girls' Fund offers grants

The Women's & Girls' Fund, a leadership initiative of Kern Community Foundation, announced up to \$50,000 in grant allocations in its 13th cycle of competitive grant making to Kern County nonprofit organizations that serve local women or girls within the focus area of education and training.

The WGF values social change grant making that emphasizes finding long-term solutions to societal problems facing women and girls in all parts of Kern County.

"Since its inception, the Women's and Girls' Fund has provided over \$370,000 in grants to local nonprofits that serve women and girls, primarily in the area of educational attainment," said WGF Vision Committee Vice-Chair Cathy Bennett, who is also the facilitator of the fund's Grants Allocation Committee.

"The Grants Allocation Committee at the Fund is always impressed and inspired by the breadth and depth of service our local nonprofits provide, which always makes

it hard to choose our grant recipients," she said. "The future is our youth, and last year's grants recognized two agencies who serve teen girls:

- We provided Latina Leaders of Kern County with a capacity-building grant to allow them to increase the number of high schools where their program can help more girls succeed in school and go on to college.

- We were similarly happy to provide funds to Teen Success to support their Kern County program working with teen mothers to assure they graduate from high school, not increase their family size and prepare for meaningful occupations or college. Both organizations are very successful, and we are thrilled to partner with them this year.

- The first step in this competitive grant cycle is to submit a letter of intent through Kern Community Foundation's Online Grants Platform, which can be accessed at kernfoundation.org/grants, by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8.

Organizations interested in applying should have a 501(c) (3) nonprofit designation or fiscal sponsor. All organizations seeking funds must have a presence in Kern County and all programs must benefit women and/or girls within Kern County.

Funding is typically for one year only; and while multiyear grant requests may be considered, applicants should also be prepared to accept one year's funding only. All requested followup reports for previous grants received from Kern Community Foundation, including The Women's and Girls' Fund, must be on file before an agency can apply for additional funding. Agencies must also comply with Kern Community Foundation's grant-making guidelines, which include:

- Being registered with Kern Community Foundation through the same Online Grants Platform that can be accessed via the hyperlink above; and
- Having a Silver or higher transparency rating on GuideStar.org, a database of non-

profits. Please refer to the "WGF's Grant-making Policy and Focus Area Document" (at kernfoundation.org/WGF > Grantmaking) for more details.

Following evaluation of LOIs by the WGF's Grants Allocation Committee, agencies will be invited in early December to submit full grant applications. The maximum individual award is \$25,000, and the total monies to be awarded are \$50,000.

The Women's and Girls' Fund was launched in 2005 as a leadership initiative of Kern Community Foundation. It is primarily a volunteer effort guided by the leadership of the Vision Committee and community advisors. The assets of the fund are professionally managed and invested by the Kern Community Foundation, which also provides oversight of fund grant decisions.

For more information, contact the fund at the Kern Community Foundation, 661-328-5212, or cbennett@kleinlaw.com

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Ankle bracelet didn't stop suspect

A Buttonwillow man wearing a Kern County Probation Department ankle bracelet was arrested for stealing a tractor recently.

Detectives of the Kern County Sheriff's Office Rural Crime Investigation Unit responded to the 30000 block of San Diego Street in Shafter. They located a stolen John Deere Gator in the area, and developed

probable cause that 38-year-old Daniel Holder from Buttonwillow stole the tractor while wearing the ankle monitor.

Two weeks ago, Rural Crimes Investigation detectives served a search warrant in the 1600 block of Buttonwillow Drive and discovered the stolen tractor on the property. Three days later, Holder was located and arrested

for two counts of taking a vehicle without the owner's consent, two counts of possession of a stolen vehicle and possession of a stolen vehicle with priors.

The Sheriff's Office asked anyone with additional information to call 661-861-3110 or the Secret Witness Line at 661-322-4040.

—Kern County Sheriff's Department



From left, Alfred Miller and his son, Charles, show a display from his recent book publishing.

Author at Festival

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

The Wasco Festival has added a newcomer to its line of events.

Alfred F. Miller has been added to the lineup of talent at this year's Wasco Festival, where he will be selling his book *From Cows to Space with God as My Copilot: My Career and Family Life*.

Born and raised in Wasco, the 89-year-old Miller attended Wasco schools and graduated from Wasco High in 1948. Immediately after high school, he went to the University of California at Berkeley, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and statistics in 1953.

Miller started out on a dairy farm in Wasco and describes how he had a front-row seat in the right place at the right time to witness the unsung heroes who worked in flight testing. He was part of the test personnel that made the space industry what it is today.

He managed the Flight Test Center, as well as many NASA X-Planes at the Armstrong Flight Research Center. He is also considered one of the "fathers" of the Utah Test and Training Range, which was established for cruise missile testing and Air Force combat training.

"I never flew," Miller admitted. "I worked behind the scenes to provide all the

flight test support needed. I worked in research and development and often evaluated what occurred at the AFFTC."

Miller added that he always had the intention of writing a book, but after a medical experience, felt that it was finally the time to begin writing. He started his book when he was 88, just a year ago. He also added that it's been 50 years since the Apollo Mission, and it was "just time."

Miller and his wife share eight children – four boys and four girls – in that order. They celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary this year.

Miller brags about his wife, saying that she is not only brave, but very strong. His wife, Dorothy (Worley) Miller, raised all eight children and is also a Wasco High graduate and former high school valedictorian. Dorothy went back to school at California State University, Bakersfield and became a registered nurse. "She did this throughout raising the children," Miller added. "She is a very determined and focused woman."

Miller retired in 1991 and keeps busy with his family. They have family reunions almost every year, and to Miller, family is everything.

Miller will have a table at the Wasco Festival on Saturday, Oct. 12, signing his books for the public.

DEATH NOTICES

Concepcion A. Chavez, 94, of Wasco, passed away Sept. 9. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

Josefina Diaz, 71, of Wasco, passed away Sept. 14 in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

Army looking for a few good men – and women

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Sergeant Negron Cruz of the U.S. Army was the guest speaker at Rotary this past Monday.

Cruz shared his journey in the Army and explained that he served three tours in Liberia.

"The Army offers 150 different careers," Cruz said. "I was a commander in the Delano recruiting office, and we have a lot of recruits out of that office." He said that the Army doesn't get that many recruits from Wasco.

He described his journey from mathematics to engineering to human resources, and how he found his passion in HR.

He explained that math and engineering did not trigger much enthusiasm in him. After enrolling in some courses, he knew he wasn't meant to be a mathematician or an engineer. When he landed in human resources (recruiting), he knew he had found his passion.

Cruz discovered that he was more of a "people person" than a "numbers" guy.

He loves to interact with new recruits and assist them in their journey to finding a career path. Cruz listed several

career paths for recruits such as aviation, medicine, human resources, mechanics, engineering, law enforcement, legal, auto mechanics and computers.

He also mentioned that Army Reserve recruiting allows reserve members to stay close to home. "Many of the young recruits are just out of high school and don't want to be too far away," he said. "Reserves do have times where they are called away from home, though."

"If an older person joins the Army with a degree in hand, he/she could be classified as an E-4. If he/she passes the entrance exam with a score of 110 or higher and has a clean record, he or she could get the E-4 pay. In the Army, you are paid by rank, not by job title."

Cruz also mentioned that Wasco High is the only high school in Kern County that gives the Army entrance exam, even though there aren't normally a lot of new recruits from Wasco.

"The Army deals with combat requests carefully," Negron said after a Rotary member posed a question about combat duty.

"In a month's time, we need 39 active duty recruits and 3 reserves when we are recruiting," Cruz said.



From left, Sergeant Negron Cruz, Rotary Club President Kevin Tallon, Staff Sergeant Merlin Martinez and Sergeant Logan Bender.

Hospice volunteers join special team

From Page 1

background check and DMV record, take a TB test or provide documentation that a current test has been taken, attend volunteer orientation and then start volunteering.

For hospice training through Optimal, a 10-hour training module is offered, which can be done at home or during a session. Following that, there is a one-to-two-hour orientation, which can be done at home. After the volunteer has completed two hours of training, he/she will go out on a supervised hospice call.

Optimal Hospice was a family-owned organiza-

tion that was founded in 1968 by Bakersfield pharmacist Clark Gustafson, who recognized a need for quality healthcare services in the valley.

It was opened in 1998 and now has locations spanning from Kern County all the way north through Santa Clara County.

Optimal is a healthcare program that focuses on comfort rather than curing. Hospice is designed to meet the physical, emotional, practical and spiritual needs of terminally ill patients and their families as well as their caregivers.

Hospice offers the patients the following:

- Pain and symptom management for the patient,
- Medical supplies, medications and assistive equipment,
- Support, education and resources for caregivers,
- Volunteer and grief care services.
- Continued support for 12 months after the death.

"Patients will get better and pass out of hospice," McGowan said. They see this in large part because under hospice care the patient is regularly taking prescribed medication and

following doctor's instructions with assistance by the assigned volunteer.

To qualify for hospice care, a doctor must refer the patient; however, in some cases, the patient will not be accepted by hospice. "When that happens, the patient has the right of obtaining a second opinion and should check with another hospice organization," McGowan said. "It is then time to get a second opinion."

She emphasized that Optimal Hospice Care wants every patient to have good quality of life at the end of life.

McGowan cited psychologist and author Elizabeth Kubler Ross' book, "On Death and Dying," which outlines the five steps of grief. "This book empowers people who are dying to take charge of their

death," she said.

She said that when a nurse is visiting a hospice patient, she has the training to read facial and body signals the patient may be giving off without verbalizing pain. "You can usually tell

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Wasco High beats McFarland

MATTHEW ROBLEDO
For the Wasco Tribune

The Wasco High Tigers came out with complete fire on Friday night in their home game against McFarland, 48-21, in their first game of the South Sequoia League season.

Leading the team was star running back Christian Alvarez, with 212 yards and four touchdowns. Rodrick Scott was not far behind him, rushing 139 yards and gaining two touchdowns.

There was also a great passing connection between the quarterback, Jacob Villanueva, and Sean Sharp, resulting in another six points for the Tigers.

On the other side of the ball, the Tigers had two big interceptions by Alejandro Prieto and Julius Manzano (#10). These big plays kept the ball in Wasco's possession, which helped them control the ball and continue to be a powerhouse running team.

The players of the game honors were credited to the whole offensive line that helped the offense produce a total of 447 yards.

In preliminary contests, Wasco defeated McFarland in both preliminary contests. The freshmen team won on Thursday, 14-0, and the junior varsity took their Friday contest, 48-0.



The team captains head to the middle of the field for the coin toss. (Photo by Danny Eusabio)

This Friday night, the Tigers go up against Delano on the road at 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity action starts at 5 p.m.



Rodrick Scott runs the ball for a gain in the fourth quarter. (Photo by Severiano Anaya)



Quarterback Jacob Villanueva hands off the ball to running back Christian Alvarez. (Photo by Severiano Anaya)

Registering cameras to help crimefighters

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The Kern County Sheriff's Department is looking for assistance from homeowners with their Camera Registry Program that is aimed at making neighborhoods safer.

According to Public Information Officer Angela Monroe, residents can help the Sheriff's Office prevent and solve crime by being their digital eyes and ears.

Residents can partner with the Sheriff's Office as part of their voluntary civilian camera registry. Surveillance cameras already keep homes and businesses safer, and this program gives residents the chance to keep their entire

neighborhoods even safer.

You can register your camera with the KCSO so that in the event of a crime in the area, they will know you have video footage. The information will help deputies contact you quickly and identify those suspected of committing crimes. Other law enforcement agencies across the U.S. are using similar programs.

To be a part of the program, you just have to register your camera online at kernsheriff.org, give them your contact information and tell them what kind of surveillance system you have.

This is a voluntary program and residents are under no obligation to partici-

pate.

Once you register your cameras, you will get a confirmation email initially, and then annually. You will only be contacted again if a crime happens in your area. Sheriff's Office personnel will request a copy of your surveillance video that may help in an investigation.

This program is being met with enthusiasm in the local area. Victor Medina, a Shafter resident, said he thinks this program is a great idea, almost like neighborhood watch. "We have a camera system and I would love to think that there are other homes with cameras working together to keep our neighborhoods safe."

WASCO HIGH TIGERS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| Day | Date | Here/Away | Opponent | Teams | Time/Varsity Score |
|-----|-------|------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|
| Thu | 8/15 | Scrimmage | Away | Independence | Scrimmage |
| Fri | 8/23 | Non-League | Here | Tehachapi | JV/V |
| Fri | 9/6 | Non-League | Away | Madera South | JV/V |
| Fri | 9/13 | Non-League | Away | North | |
| Fri | 9/20 | League | Here | McFarland | JV/V |
| Thu | 9/26 | Non-League | Away | Delano | F |
| Fri | 9/27 | Non-League | Away | Delano | JV/V |
| Thu | 10/3 | League | Away | RFK | F |
| Fri | 10/4 | League | Away | RFK | JV/V |
| Thu | 10/9 | League | Here | Cesar Chavez | F |
| Fri | 10/11 | League | Here | "Cesar Chavez" | JV/V |
| Thu | 10/17 | League | Away | Arvin | F |
| Fri | 10/18 | League | Away | Arvin | JV/V |
| Thu | 10/24 | League | Here | Independence | F |
| Fri | 10/25 | League | Here | Taft | JV/V |
| Thu | 10/31 | League | Away | Shafter | F |

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business Name Statement
GW School Supply
2019-B6019

9501 Flushing Quail Rd Bakersfield, CA 93312
County: Kern
Mailing address of business:
1704 N. Cindy Ave
Clovis, CA 93619
Aboujaoude, Inc.
1704 N. Cindy Ave
Clovis, CA 93619
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA
The business is conducted by: Corporation
Date the business commenced: 09/01/2019
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/Patricia L. Aboujaoude, President
Date Statement Filed: 09/18/2019
Date Statement Expires: 09/18/2024
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: /s/J Chaides
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER:
SCV-19000023

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: José Mauricio Ruiz Villegas filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present Name
José Mauricio Ruiz Villegas
Proposed Name
José Mauricio Moreno Villegas

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes de-

scribed above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 11-1-19 Time: 9:00 am Dept: B

b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF
325 Central Valley Highway Shafter, CA 93263

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: *Wasco Tribune*
Date: 8-27-19
/s/José R. Benavides
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business Name Statement
MGS Glam Beauty Salon
2019-B5231

1302 High St Unit A
Delano, CA 93215
County: Kern
Mailing address of business:
1302 High St Unit A
Delano, CA 93215

Oscar Villegas Herrera
2616 San Savino Dr.
Delano, CA 93215
The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A
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/s/Oscar Villegas Herrera

Date Statement Filed: 08/12/2019
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By: /s/A Zubeldia
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business Name Statement
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2019-B5766

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Stacey Suzanne Kirschenmann
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The business is conducted by: Individual

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/s/Stacey Suzanne Kirschenmann
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2019-B5768

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Clint Payne Kirschenmann
29507 W Tulare Ave
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/s/Clint Payne Kirschenmann
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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: RUBEN VARGAS
CASE NUMBER: BPB-19002778

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

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2019-B5923

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Wasco, CA 93280
County: Kern
Mailing address of business:
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held in this court as follows:
a. Date: OCT 10, 2019 Time: 8:30AM
Dept.: P
b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metropolitan Division.

7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
10. Petitioner: Maria Del Carmen Maya
618 Ebell St.
McFarland, CA 93250
661-375-9204
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business Name Statement
GW School Supply
2019-B5198

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Aboujaoude, Inc.
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I declare that all the 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.)
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/s/Patricia Aboujaoude, President
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2019-B5198
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Statement of Abandonment Of Use Of Fictitious Business Name
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PASTOR'S CORNER

The benefits of being still

PASTOR JIM NEAL

"Be still and know that I am God..." -- Psalm 46a

No, I am not going to preach you a sermon this morning; this verse is just apropos to what I have been thinking about and dealing with -- thought maybe some of you have, also. Have you ever just wanted to stop the world for just a few minutes? We move at such a rapid pace in 2019 -- used to be we'd had to wait for the evening paper or Walter Cronkite to come on the 6 o'clock news to let us know what was happening around the world. Now, all we need do is "move a mouse," click a button and *shazam!*-- we are current. We hop in cars and speed to work, drive

thru McD's or C.J.'s on the way grab a muffin or biscuit sandwich and "woof" it down in the car, as we walk to work or in front of our business computer as it warms up. Some even jump on airplanes and traverse endless miles to complete transactions and return home for supper in the evening. Those of us old enough remember life when things seemed so much slower and serene, although our Wheaties for breakfast were probably not any more nourishing than their fast food counterparts today.

So, when we try to slow down, as the Psalmist suggests, it seems such a monumental task. You see, we might sit somewhere quiet and pause for a season of solitude; however, our world does not slow

down, does it? We close our eyes to meditate and maybe even attempt to get in touch with the Almighty and what happens? Our minds take over. It is like "ping-pong balls" in a popcorn machine going every which way with a plethora of thoughts (good and bad).

Why is that? A couple of ideas: First and foremost, if your reason for quietness is actually to meditate on the good things God has provided you, then the enemy is upset and does all in his power to thwart those moments. Secondly, and sadly, we have not been disciplined to exercise our minds to direct them toward meditation, quietness and spiritual conversation, have we?

I promise you this: If you will begin to

discipline yourself for a mere 15 minutes a day to this regimen; the rewards will be astronomical. Oh, you might not become a spiritual guru, or a master at closing every sale, nor you will probably not solve any gigantic world problem. But I will bet my last dollar that you will become a better you, a better spouse and co-worker, and even someone with whom others look forward to being around -- and you know that won't be all bad, will it?

Hey, "Be still and know that He is God" and watch and live a much more peaceful and joyful life.

Have a great week *being still*.

Jim is pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Shafter.

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