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From left, candidate John Kim, candidate Vince Martinez, moderator Jill Drescher, Wasco Women's Club President Cheryl Woody, candidate Florirene Olvera and candidate David Ward.

City Council candidates forum helps inform voters

TONI DEROSA The Wasco Tribune

The six City Council candidates - four from District 2 and two from District 4 — gathered Oct. 7 for a forum at Life House Church.

Wasco Women's Club member and forum moderator Jill Drescher, President Cheryl Woody and timekeeper Marlene Swan insured the event ran smoothly. Video and audio recording was provided by Richard Peters of Peters Funeral Home.

There were two different sections to the forum. First District 2 candidates John Kim, Vince Martinez, Florirene Olvera and David Ward answered questions and then. District 4 candidates Tilo Cortez and Eddie Saldana answered questions.

District 5 candidate Alex Garcia

is running unopposed. Drescher introduced City Coun-

cil member Garcia who led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The candidates each introduced themselves to the attendees and

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provided a brief biography of their qualifications and dedication to Wasco. These biographies ran in the Sept. 17 and Oct. 1 editions of The Wasco Tribune.

Drescher began the forum by asking the candidates if elected, do any of them plan on reviewing the current city ordinances.

Martinez stated that the ordinances are constantly being changed and there could be some that are outdated. He also said that he wasn't sure which ordinances the author of the question was referring to.

"Many people are trying to navigate and go around them," Martinez said. "I think the city has done a good job.'

Olvera added to Martinez's comment by stating that some of the ordinances are outdated, but believes they are the best way to comply and see how they affect residents.

"There are way too many and

they are outdated," Ward said.

"These are the rules that the city has agreed to live by," Kim said. "They should be refined and streamlined. We need a more coherent set of rules."

Drescher then asked each candidate how they felt about the High Speed Rail and the loss of Amtrak in Wasco.

"The High Speed Rail should not have been started or even completed," Ward said. "I don't know how we can get Amtrak to stay."

Kim responded by saying, "I'm sad about the loss of Amtrak. We should try to get the High Speed Rail to stop in Wasco." Kim then added that the city needs to change Wasco to a destination where the High Speed Rail wants to stop. He added that if Wasco is to become a more fast-forward, technological community, it needs the High Speed

Martinez responded that there is See FORUM Page 4

City moves into red tier

TONI DEROSA

The Wasco Tribune

Many think the number 13 is an unlucky number, but for Kern County and Wasco residents, Tuesday, Oct. 13 was a lucky day.

The county officially

moved from the purple tier to the red tier, which means movie theaters, hair salons, restaurants, places of worship and gyms may resume limited indoor operations; however,

the city is taking it slow this time instead of fully opening up to the public.

"We are still in the process of purchasing basic protective barriers for office lobbies," City Manager Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez said. "We are also providing separations."

Wasco will be slowly moving into the red tier in hopes that the county will be able



Pizza Factory Owner Russ Akins serves a customer.

to move into the next tier up, orange.

Once Wasco gained its red tier, several businesses said they have plans in the works.

Owner Russ Atkins of Pizza Factory on Highway 46 See SAME Page 8

More businesses to open under red tier

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

Kern County entered the red tier on Tuesday, opening the doors of more businesses and public buildings.

The tiers, determined by the state and Public Depart-

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ment of Human Safety's Virus Grading Scale, dictate how the county is handling the pandemic.

The red tier, up from the purple tier where the county had been, means residents can now eat inside restaurants, as well as go to the gym and go inside other public buildings. Social distancing guidelines apply.

During the past two weeks, the increase in new cases has

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Library opening some inside services, masks required

TONI DEROSA

The Wasco Tribune

The Wasco Library will be opening up and providing limited service.

Kern County is attempting to keep as many libraries open as possible during this pandemic. As the county moves from the purple tier to the red tier, it allows for more indoor activities.

Since the county recently moved to

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the red tier, libraries are beginning to open their doors with some rules set in place. There is a time limit of 30 minutes per visit.

All visitors to the library need to have a purpose-driven appointment such as checking out a book you placed on hold. You can request an appointment online at kernlibrary.org.

Everyone entering a library must be wearing a face mask that covers the nose and the mouth.

The libraries continue to prefer curbside services such as pick up holds, genre grab bags, carryout crafts (while supplies last), prizes for reading challenges (while supplies last), Grab-N-Go

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Forum announced for WUHSD candidates

TONI DEROSA

The Wasco Tribune

On Monday evening, Oct. 19, the Wasco Union High School District board candidates will have a forum beginning at 6 p.m. **WASCO** The forum will be avail-

able for attendees on Wasco Is on Facebook at that time. Even though Kern County is now in the red tier, many are playing it safe by continuing with virtual meetings.

Candidates running include incumbents Joel Ackerknecht and Sharon Nicol as well as new candidate John Steward.

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Community Calendar

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: Wasco Women's Club: Meeting every second Tuesday of the Month at 1601 7th Street, Wasco. Lunch will be at 12 p.m. and meeting at 1:30 p.m.

NEW: Wasco Recreation & Park Board Meetings are on every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Hall at Barker Park in Wasco.

NEW: Shafter: City of Shafter CAPK and the County of Kern "FOOD2DOOR Program." The program delivers once a month 70lbs of food to seniors 65 and older. Call (661) 498-7831 ext. 1310 to out if your eligiable for the program and enroll

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Wasco/Shafter Fridays: Griffith Avenue Baptist Church Baptist Church "Impact Program," 408 Griffith Street will be hosting a food distribution for anyone in need in Wasco/Shafter com-

Food will be passed out beginning at 7:00 a.m., but people should show up early because food will be passed out while supplies last.

Wasco/Shafter

Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month: Griffith Avenue Baptist Church Baptist Church 408 Griffith Street will be giving senior sack program lunches out at 11 a.m. Sponsored by Golden Gleaners.

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

Wasco: COVID-19 testing to anyone free, if you have insurance they will be billed. Located at the Wasco Library 1102 7th St., Wasco. Appointments made at http:// lhi.care/covidtesting or call (888)634-1123.

Donde? Biblioteca de Wasco 1102 7th St, Wasco. Si no tiene acceso de internet llame al (888)634-1123.

Shafter: Shafter City Hall closed to public effective July 24 until further notice.

Oficina-Cerrado Al Publico: Efectivo el Viernes, 24 de Julio-Hasta Nuevo aviso. (Por orden del Gobernador)

HEADLINES IN HISTORY



From The Shafter Press archives:

10 Years Ago: Nov. 11, 2010

The Shafter Police Department received a new device called FAST ID. It links into the California ID system within 20-25 seconds to identify a suspect by their fingerprints.

20 Years Ago: Nov. 15, 2000

G.H. Ben Grundy was honored for his 36 years of service to the Shafter Community with a luncheon at the Green Hotel. Eighteen years of his service was being a chairman on the board of the Shafter/Wasco Kern County Cemetery.

30 Years Ago: Oct. 31, 1990

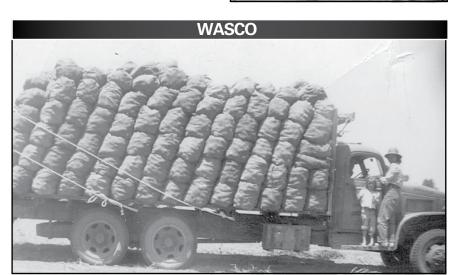
A few of Shafter's players of the week were Colonel's running back Fortino Valdiva, offensive and defensive guard for the Buc's Loreto Lara and Veronica Garza for the Shafter Varsity Volleyball.

Mystery history



Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/ or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to The Press, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@The ShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. LAST WEEK: 1941 Shafter Aerial View E. Lerdo Hwy Water Tower Carnival Photo by Bill Rodgers.





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ARREST REPORT

As reported by the Shafter Po-

lice Department

Nicholas Medrano, 22, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence drug.

Luis Angel Perez Sanchez, 19, of Shafter, was arrested on a felony bench

warrant.

Mayra Alejandra Peralez, 41, of Shafter, was arrested on an outside felony warrant.

Eleazar Reyes Leyva, 37, of Shafter, was arrested for child cruelty, inflicting injury onto child and burglary in the first degree.

OCT. 8 Michell Leeann Anderson, 28, of Shafter, was arrested on an outside felony

warrant. **OCT. 7**

Andres Fidel Gonzalez, 39, of Shafter, was arrested for possession of controlled substance and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Carlos DeLeon, 41, of

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Shafter, was arrested on vandalism in the amount of more than \$400.

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into the Kern County Jail.

of Shafter, was arrested at Shafter Court, 325 Central Kern County Jail.

Richgrove, was arrested at the intersection of Twisselman Road and Shelco Drive in Lost Hills for grand theft and conspiracy. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Eulogio Garcia, 44, of Richgrove, was arrested at the intersection of Twissel-

Robert Ortiz, 40, of Shafter, was arrested in the 18000 block of Beech Avenue in Shafter for resisting arrest, destroy or conceal evidence, drug paraphernalia, on a misdemeanor warrant and for an unsafe turn or no signal. He was booked

Angelica Zamora, 26, Valley Highway in Shafter on a misdemeanor remand. She was booked into the

Elio Hernandez, 28, of

man Road and Shelco Drive in Lost Hills for grand theft and conspiracy. He was booked into the Kern Coun-

Ricardo Lopez-Badajos, 35, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of Highway 46 in Wasco for grand theft, conspiracy and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Andres Ramirez, 23 Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Karina Velasquez Gomez, 29, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

Mindy Moreno, 32, of

Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

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Selena Castaneda, 25, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2600 block of Parkside Drive for felony child cruelty with the possibility of injury or death and misdemeanor willful cruelty to a child. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Vincent Rafael Osuna, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2100 block of Sunset Street on two active felony warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Vincent Rafael Osuna, 30, of Wasco, was arrested at the Central Receiving Facility for misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

CORRECTION



Wasco Union High School District board candidate Sharon Nicol was misidentified as Stacy Nichol in the October 1, 2020 edition on page 3. We apologize for this error.

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K-9 team joins the Shafter Police Department

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press The Shafter Police Department has an

active K-9 Unit that has been serving the city since the reinstatement of the program. The team consists of Senior Officer

Kevin Green and his K-9 partner, Ecko. Ecko is a 2-year-old Belgium Malinois born in Germany. At the beginning of 2020, Chief Kevin

Zimmermann presented the need for a K-9 Unit for the department to the City Council. Council members approved and the search was on for a suitable partner. Green was chosen to train with the K-9 partner, which was an intense period that challenged both canine and man.

The training consisted of over 45 days in narcotics detection, patrol training, and obedience training with the Bakersfield

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Police Department K-9 Bureau. Upon successful completion of training, Ecko was state certified in patrol and narcotics detection in March. Green and Ecko began working in the city in April. Ecko is utilized to conduct building,

area, and vehicle searches for criminal suspects and narcotics. Since the K-9 team has been working the streets of Shafter, Ecko has located narcotics during searches of vehicles, bicycles and residences. Green and Ecko continue their training together on a monthly basis which consists of both patrol and narcotics detection to maintain Ecko's state certifications. Green has been with the Shafter Police

Department since 2010. Since being hired by the department, he has worked patrol as-



Senior Officer Kevin Green and his K-9 partner Ecko.

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Garcia said attract-

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signments and is also an instructor at the Shafter Police Department Range. Green and Ecko work patrol shifts together and continue to form a bond that benefits both the Police Department and the residents of Zimmermann said that the reinstatement

of the program is a real benefit for the department, as well as being a useful tool for interacting with the public. "People and children seem to gravitate

to the \bar{K} -9 units at public functions and I believe that it is a positive asset in the relationship with the city of Shafter, as well as being a valuable tool that aids us in our investigations in drug and theft cases," the chief said.

Zimmermann said that the K-9 team provides a tremendous boost to their ability to locate and apprehend suspects in a manner that protects both the officers and the community from harm.

The canine's speed, agility, and heightened sense of smell make them a powerful tool in apprehending dangerous criminals and detecting discarded evidence," he said.

Garcia vying to complete vision for city

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

There are three seats available on the City Council being contested between six candidates including the three incumbents of those seats. SHAFTER Current mem-

bers Manuel Garcia, Gilbert Alvarado, Chad Givens are joining newcomers Kris Lawrence, Pete Espinoza and Rafael Zamudio in the race. Council members make policy for the

city, as well as create a budget for the year and make decisions regarding the financial status of the city and the infrastructure.

This week we are featuring incumbent Manuel Garcia.

Garcia has been a lifelong Shafter resident, graduating from Shafter High School. He was a star quarterback for the Generals and was given a scholarship to continue his football career at Bakersfield College. After playing for BC, Garcia continue playing football at Weber State, majoring in criminal justice. He also has a degree in sociology.

Garcia returned to Shafter after college and has worked for the Kern High School District at Shafter High School for over 30 years. His tenure included a stint as head football coach for the Generals, coming full circle in his Shafter High career. Garcia was elected

to the City Council four years ago, aiming to make a difference in his community.

Garcia said that he is proud for the success that Shafter has enjoyed, having one of the most credit-worthy cities in the state.

He said that he also sees public safety as



Garcia is looking to serve another term on the City Council.

businesses afloat," he said.

He said the council recently helped local businesses by waiving permit fees along with issuing tax breaks for incoming businesses.

"We need to keep Shafter a desired destination for companies, letting the businesses know that the city wants them here and will do what it takes to keep them here," he said. Garcia also said that he is very pleased

with the work Public Works has done improving the look of the city, including the James Street project and the new park that is being planned. "Shafter looks so much better and we need to keep it a top priority for the next

few years, revitalizing our downtown area," he said. Garcia said Shafter could also benefit

from a dog park in town. "Bakersfield has a few dog parks and residents want to let their dogs off their leashes, letting them play and have some fun," he said.

Garcia said the city is heading in the right direction and would love to be a part of it.

"I would love to see this vision for Shafter be realized and be a part of the process," he said.

Adventist Health thriving one year after opening

TONI DEROSA The Wasco Tribune

Adventist Health owned by Dr. Isaac Sanchez opened up a year ago at 1040 7th

Inside the office, the waiting room chairs are now safely distanced and each patient is greeted by a receptionist behind a protected counter. After stepping through the door, each patient is also screened for a fever.

Sanchez is originally from McFarland and his wife, Vanessa, is from Soledad. The two decided to move to Bakersfield, which was a compromise from rural McFarland and the much-larger Soledad community. Prior to arriving in Wasco, Dr. Sanchez treated obstetrics patients.

"There have been a few patients I look forward to seeing each visit," Sanchez said. "They might have a dire diagnosis, but they have the best attitude. They are always upbeat and positive."

His family medicine practice consists mainly of patients with cold-like symptoms, diabetes and high blood pressure.

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Adventist Health takes Medi-Cal, Medicare and PPO insurance plans. The practice does not take any HMO plans. There is also a discount medical insurance plan for those without medical coverage.

Adventist Health recently welcomed Nurse Practitioner Amberlee Montarella. The clinic covers preventative medicine, wellness exams, women's health and chronic disease management.

Sanchez obtained his residency at Adventist Health White Memorial in East Los

Montarella has a master's in nursing/ family nurse practitioner from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. as well as a bachelor's in nursing from the University of Central Arkansas. She is certified in the American Association of Nurse Practitio-

Sanchez is currently seeing new patients and an appointment can be made at 661-758-7801. Call for office hours.



Dr. Isaac Sanchez with Practice Administrator Julce Belo

Wasco Library opening with restrictions

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lunch for kids ages 2-18 (at select location) and the Kern Recovers PPE program.

Many indoor express services are now available such as browsing, making copies, sending faxes, accessing public computers, customer account services and reference services.

Library cards are not required for online services such as virtual programming or reading challenges.

Currently in-person programming, study spaces, restrooms and water fountains are not available.

The library will be resuming more ser-

You can now go inside to make copies, access the computers or use reference services among other things.

vices as the county moves through its reopening phases.

Call 661-868-0701 or email info@kernlibrary.org for more info.



Everyone who enters the library must wear a mask.







WUHSD district preparing for reopening

TONI DEROSA

The Wasco Tribune

Special education, English learners, homeless and at-risk students could return to in-person instruction as soon as Oct. 27, reported Assistant Superintendent Rob Cobb at the Oct. 8 board meeting.

Cobb said since the county moved into the red tier on Tuesday, schools must wait an additional 14 days prior to reopening for in-person instruction.

"At the present time, Wasco Independent High School, Special Education, English Language, homeless and at-risk students could start school Tuesday, Oct. 27," Cobb said. "However, Wasco High School students will not start until after Martin Luther King's birthday, Jan. 19. We are taking great care to protect the safety of our stu-

The district sent out parent surveys to determine how many students will return for in-person school. In addition, the district will send out staff surveys to determine

the climate, support and potential need for

Students at Wasco High School are not scheduled to return until after Jan. 19, if the county is in the red tier or better.

"We will follow the Kern County Health Department's recommendations as always," Cobb confirmed.

Anticipation for the return to class is high on everyone's list for a brighter outlook on the new year. In other business, the board named Cobb as superintendent beginning Jan. 1, at

\$150,000 a year plus benefits for a one-year Cobb also spoke during the meeting on Career Training Education, which replaced North Kern Vocational Training Center af-

ter North Kern closed its doors in 2019. "All students need minimum academic skills," Cobb said. "All students should have opportunities for further education."

everything because they have limited resources.

The three areas of education in high school are Vocational Education, Career Training Education and Early College.

Career Training Education involves a multiyear sequence of courses that integrates core academic knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge to provide students with a pathway to postsecondary education and careers.

The Early College Pathway allows high school students to begin college course work using dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment and connected credit to begin a certificate or degree.

Some of the pathways offered at the school include plant/soil science, ag mechanic, animal science, wonderful ag prep, wonderful ag prep - ag mechanics, wonderful ag prep – ag business, multimedia, culinary arts, allied health, public safety and industrial automation.



Assistant Superintendent Rob Cobb was named superintendent beginning on Jan. 1 during the board meeting.

From left, candidate Tilo Cortez and candidate Eddie Saldana.

Forum discusses water concerns, High Speed Rail

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very little the city can do to stop the High Speed Rail from continuing. "The voters voted it in in 2007," he said. "The HSR cannot receive any public funding, and the city has little control."

Martinez continued that Amtrak is subsidized by the city, and won't be stopping

Drescher then asked, if elected, how do you plan to dispose of the old "Labor Camp" site without it costing so much money?

Ward responded that maybe the city can provide a buyer to clean it up and make it into some kind of park.

Another idea Ward suggested was to bring an industrial park into Wasco and/or the city could offer tax incentives.

Kim said he didn't think finding a buyer will happen because of the price; however, if the price is right, a sale could happen. "I

would sell it," he said. Olvera acknowledged that the site is not marketable for sale; however, she envisions negotiation opportunities. "We are experiencing a public health issue," she said. "We could have 20 acres of land available for growth," she said.

Martinez said that it would cost the city \$10 million to tear down because of the asbestos in the buildings. "We have to spend the money," Martinez said.

Drescher then asked each candidate to discuss how they would approach the homeless problem in the city and what steps would the candidate take to alleviate it.

Kim responded that it wasn't just homeless problem. "It is a poverty problem," he said. "I know some homeless people and the situation is sad. Many can't get a job," he said.

Martinez responded to the question by stating that the Kern County Board of Supervisors has been addressing this issue and is doing a good job in trying to help the homeless.

"It is a mental health or drug issue," Martinez said. "They don't want to be

helped." Martinez added that because the courts

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Shafter man dies after crashing ATV near Wasco

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

A Shafter man was killed on Saturday when the ATV he was riding crashed into a power pole near Wasco.

Jesus Manuel Luna II, 28, was riding on Wildwood Road south of Highway 46 near Wasco. California Highway Patrol officials said that at approximately 12:05 a.m. officers were sent to the area after receiving a report of a collision. When they arrived at the scene, they found a man, later identified as Luna, had suffered fatal injuries and he

was pronounced dead at the scene.

The department said that officers learned that Luna had been riding a 2019 Yahama Raptor southbound on Wildwood Road when, for unknown reasons, he drifted to the right and off the road before striking a

The rider was ejected from the Yahama and was killed. The highway patrol also said that Luna was wearing an approved helmet. The collision is still under investigation.

Man wounded in shooting near Shafter

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

A 35-year-old Shafter man was seriously wounded after a shooting Saturday morning on the outskirts of town.

Kern County Sheriff's Office said that deputies were dispatched to the area of Poplar Avenue and Burbank Street after receiving reports of shots fired. When deputies arrived, they found the 35-year-old man suffering from multiple gunshot wounds.

The man was taken to Kern Medical Center for treatment. The injuries were considered non-life threatening. The de-

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partment said that the injured man was uncooperative when providing information about the shooting.

According to the Kern County Sheriff's Department, the reporting party said that they heard shots fired as a vehicle drove by, but at this time, it has not been determined whether it was a drive-by shooting. No suspect information is available at this time. Anyone with information regarding this shooting is encouraged to contact the department at 661-861-3110.

Man in critical condition after shooting

TONI DEROSA

The Wasco Tribune

A man was seriously injured Saturday after a shooting in Wasco.

On Oct. 10, deputies were dispatched at 9 p.m. to the 1000 block of 16th St. where a man was found with multiple gunshot wounds.

The man was alert and conscious and

WASCO airlifted to Kern Medical Center because

his injuries were serious. The identity of the victim is unknown. Anyone with information about the shooting is asked to call 861-3110 or Secret Wit-



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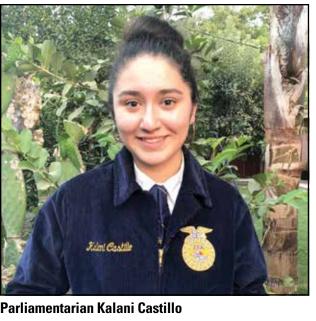
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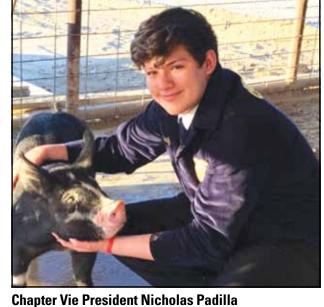
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FFA presents 2021 officers

TONI DEROSA The Wasco Tribune

The new FFA officers for the 2020-21 school year were

recently announced. The students include President Makinley Wankum, Re-

porter Sofia Reyes, Parliamentarian Kalani Castillo, Chapter Vice President Nicholas Padilla, Member Vice President Lindsay Lee, Treasurer Gladis Castillo, Community Vice President Nicholas Gutierrez, Historian Jessica Corcuera, Sentinel Rafael Torres and Chaplain Joshua

The Wasco Ag Boosters also hosted a virtual show and livestock sale with sheep, swine and goat exhibitors.

Farao said that the students took care of each of their animals from June through the fair auction.

"The students made more money because of the outpouring of support from the community then if they had gone to the Kern County Fair," Ag teacher and FFA Advisor Anthony Farao said.



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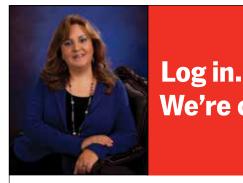
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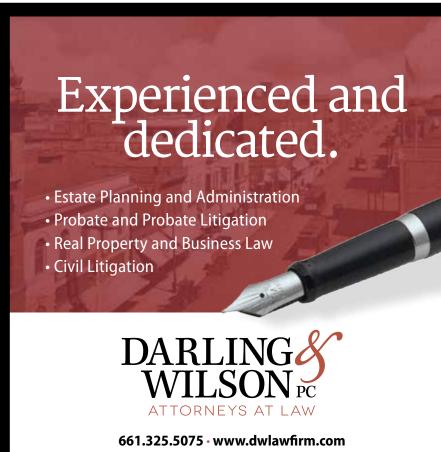
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Family-owned Frosty King impresses with its service

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The Wasco Tribune

Frosty King has been in the same family for over 35 years, and Mohamed Pazou is currently running the Wasco restaurant.



Owner Mohamed Pazau, right, with his nephew Zahran Gazali.

The family is originally from Hanford where they owned a liquor store until they moved to Wasco.

"The liquor store was sold to an uncle in

WASCO

Hanford," Pazou said.

Pazou added that that the restaurant is closed during most legal holidays; how-

ever, they open for Christmas which is one of the busiest days of the year for them.

They only employ family and currently have four family members that work at Frosty King.

"The restaurant was turned over to a woman for five years; however, she couldn't keep it open and closed it down," Pazou said. "It was empty for five years and we reopened it." Pazou said that at that time, it was for lease or sale; but the family decided to reopen it and it's been successful since that

the best milkshakes," Orchdea Ocampo said. "Their Supreme Nachos are great!"

King

"Frosty

Pazou worked with his older brother at the restaurant and he said that

business was always good.

The COVID-19 pandemic did not affect Frosty King because most of their customers are take out. There is a small seating



A street view on Highway 46 of the front of Frosty King.



Just a few of the menu items.

area in the front of the building; but most customers use the drive-thru.

Working alongside Pazou on Wednesday, Sept. 23, was his nephew Zahran Gazali. Both were enthusiastic about the number of customers who come by.

Their motto is that customers are treated

like family.

Some of the more popular menu items include their shakes, Texas Burger, Nachos

Supreme and Pastrami. Frosty King at 1032 Highway 46 can be reached at 661-758-2606 for take-out or-

Students receiving meals during pandemic

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Richland School District Food Services department has been hard at work since the pandemic forced the school buildings to close its doors.

Though the students are not able to attend school in-person, they are still in need of a nutritious breakfast and lunch, which have been provided by the staff.



The Golden Oak operation includes delivering to students in the Smith Corner's/La Colonia area.

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This week, The Shafter Press is featuring the staff at Golden Oak Elementary. Led by Team Leader Jennifer Ashmore, the staff at Golden Oak serve between 650 and 715 students daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Monday through Friday each week. This includes meals that are delivered to the Smith Corner's/ La Colonia route as well.

> Staff members pack around 7,000 food items daily into bags to hand

Between 150 to 250 cars pass through the drive-thru in the 90 minutes the staff members serve between noon and 1:30 p.m. Most staff are split between an early morning group and a mid-morning to afternoon group to allow them to maintain social distancing. Masks and gloves are worn throughout the shifts and surfaces are sanitized.

In addition to Ashmore, the staff at Golden



The Golden Oak late crew prepare grab and go lunches.

Oak includes Benita Hernandez, Alissa Cortez, Claudia Espinoza, Ana Hernandez De Perez, Maria Hernandez, Patricia Hiriarte, Frances Luna, Jessica Jimenez, Brandie Rockey and Yolanda Villavicencio.

Nutritional Services Director Mason Hollingsworth said that his staff works hard to provide a nutritious and delicious meal for the students and this goal is met with such an amazing, hard-working staff.

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Kern County Animal Services reaches no-kill status

DAVID COUCH

District 4 Supervisor

As Fourth District supervisor, I work with Kern County Animal Services on efforts to reduce the euthanasia rates in our

Recently, KCAS announced for the first time on record, that the shelters operated by the department reached no kill status. Nokill shelters prevent the killing of animals based on arbitrary criteria such as color, age or breed. Furthermore no-kill shelters find a placement for 90% of their population. Reaching this important community

achievement took unified leadership and was a personal goal of mine when you elected me to the Board of Supervisors. So while I am very pleased that we have achieved this I am especially grateful to Nick Cullen and his department who have worked so hard to get to this point. Let's reflect on the successful measures our community enacted to reach this point.

In November of 2015, the board approved my referral to KCAS, requesting a report on a plan to convert the county's shelter into a no-kill shelter. One month later, Director Nick Cullen responded to the board and provided a presentation on attaining the goal of becoming a no-kill shelter within a five-year time frame. To witness the progress Kern County continues to make treating our animals humanely is truly remarkable. In September of 2020, KCAS eutha-

nized only 40 animals. In other words, 94% of the animals are alive or found new homes last month. The 94% save rate presents a significant improvement from 2011, when they euthanized over 18,000 animals. Eleven programs administered by KCAS assisted the community with achieving the goal set by the board and Director Nick Cullen five years ago. The following programs include: KCAS Trap Neuter Return program

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KCAS Pet Retention program

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The KCAS Foster program allows members of the community to care for animals that do not receive adoption immediately upon arrival to the shelter because they are too young, ill or injured. After completing an application, folks from the community take in these animals with a time commitment ranging from a weekend to several months. In most cases the temporary stay turns into an adoption. In 2017, the program helped 1,148 animals and continues to surge in 2020.

During this difficult year of isolation and uncertainty, I admire our friends and neighbors of this county for supporting our Animal Services by providing safety and care to our most vulnerable animals through the adoption and foster program. Also, thanks to the community for collaborating with our local rescue organizations to save pets off the street and for their assistance with reducing the number of stray animals in our shelter. In October, let's continue maintaining our county's no-kill status by working together as a community to advance this progress.

If you have any questions about this or any other matter, feel free to contact us at district4@kerncounty.com or at 661-868-

Candidates talk city economy, goals

are unable to enforce court programs at this time, the homeless have been approached about help and say, "they are fine."

"It's hard to find a solution if they don't want to be helped," he said. Olvera responded that the economic

downfall is a factor, not drugs. "We need to form a task force on this is-

sue and we need to enforce drug issues," Ol-Ward acknowledged that a lot don't want

"We need to be able to enforce our codes

and laws," he said. "We need to make it uncomfortable for them so they move. We do not need to spend more money on this. More enforcement is needed." Drescher then asked each candidate how

compared to continuing with the Kern County Sheriff's Office. Martinez replied that a city police department would be expensive in cost because the

they felt about a Wasco Police Department as

city would have to hire a chief, a couple of lieutenants and more deputies. Ward stated that Wasco now pays for officer training and once that is completed, a lot

of the officers leave for larger cities for more money. "By having our own force, we should pay for our own officers' training," he said. Wrapping up the questions for District 2

candidates, Drescher asked what one special thing the candidate recommends for the city. Olvera said that the labor camp should

be demolished. "There are 20 acres of land available for growth," she said. Ward would like the people to come see

Wasco after improvements to the entrance to town and Palm Avenue are completed.

Ward again stated the city needs to get its own police force, and the city needs more high-paying jobs. "I think I can do these things well for the city," he said. Kim said that he would like to see a better

ty website and provide residents with a way to pay their utility bills automatically. Martinez complimented Shafter and its

industrial complex. "Shafter is forward thinking," he said. "We need to be more creative." Martinez closed by saying he feels Wasco

has one of the best city managers in the San Olvera closed by stating that the children of Wasco need to see something different and

the city needs to improve the quality of life.

Kim closed by stating that he believes he could solve all Wasco's problems. "We all need to put effort together," he said.

Drescher thanked the council candidates for District 2 and brought the two candidates on stage for District 4. Both presented their introductory remarks

and stated that they were excited for the fu-"I've been on the council for 16 years,"

Cortez said. "For the first time, I feel like I am finally able to take a leadership role." He further explained this by saying he will be the council member with the most longevity. "Our city manager has phenomenal direc-

tion and so do the employees with the City of Wasco," Cortez said. Saldana said that he is running to serve

the city. "I feel there are many issues and they

need to be addressed," he said. Drescher then asked each candidate if it was correct that new tracts of homes would put money in the city's coffers. If they get

built, do we have the water, do we have a

large enough sewage facility and would we have the money to do our part? Saldana said that since 2007 some of these items have been addressed, changed or solved. "We need to continually work on all of these," he said.

Cortez said that with new housing developments, traffic, safety and water all must be Drescher then asked each candidate how

redistricting the city affected their approach to governing. "I take the 'whole-city' approach," Cor-

tez said. "Rather than be a part of the lawsuit demanding redistricting and costing the city money, the city chose to redistrict."

Drescher then asked each candidate what they consider to be the main issue for the city. Saldana said that the water issue has been the most important issue.

Cortez stated that the High Speed Rail is a big issue and he is constantly dealing with the High Speed Rail authority and is meeting with them to show them firsthand what the city has been going through.

Cortez then stated he is most proud of the city finally archiving the City Council meet-

"It took me more than 15 years to get this accomplished," he said. "My statement has

always been transparency improves the quality of life." Both were asked about the High Speed

Rail and the fact that Amtrak would cease service in Wasco. Saldana said that the city should meet

with the right people and hold the High Speed Rail accountable for maintenance. Cortez then stated that Wasco needs Amtrak and that the High Speed Rail and Am-

Who is responsible for maintenance of the underground tunnel?" Cortez said. "It's never an easy or direct answer as so many think it is."

trak are two separate things.

the farm labor camp and what should be one Saldana stated that he knows the camp is

Drescher then asked each candidate about

on the city's radar. Trash needs to be removed from the property on the weekends. "The problem was created when the city accepted the mitigation from the HSR," he said. "There are still vacant facilities and it

will cost \$6 million to demolish the camp," Saldana said. "The HSR caused the prob-Cortez stated that the city is currently

seeking a resolution to this issue and it will cost \$10 million to demolish the buildings, due to the asbestos in the homes. Drescher then asked how the candidates

felt about the recent water crisis the city Cortez said that during the summer

months, the water pressure in parts of the city was an issue of concern. The city manager pushed water conservation after city staff identified where the water issues were and the water rationing worked. "The city is applying

for a \$20 million loan from the state to repair its water issue," Cortez said. "Currently, the city is out of the critical zone."

He added that in the past electric water meters were used and the meters were

"When residents complain about their water bill. the city investigates each claim individually, Cortez added. "The city will send someone out to inspect the meter."

Saldana stated that the city needs to quit cutting corners and solve the problem.

Drescher then asked each candidate how he felt about a city police force as compared to the sheriff's office.

not adequate to get the city's own police department. Maybe in the future, this is something the city can look into further.

Saldana stated that the current budget is

Cortez mentioned that the Kern County Sheriff's Office fees go up each year.

"The big problem is the sheriff is not responding to our concerns," Cortez said, "The problem comes from the top. We either need a new sheriff who cares about the city of Wasco or we need a top-notch police depart-

Cortez also said that regarding the fire contract, that too, is going up every year. The city is currently looking into an alternative for this.

Wrapping up the second forum, Drescher asked each candidate what they feel the most important issue is.

Cortez said that he is excited about how the staff analyzes the city's problems. "I have never been more excited about the future of the city of Wasco," he said.

Saldana said that he, too, is excited to be a part of the community and to reach out to residents. He is also looking forward to interacting with the community members.

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He will be available for adoption/ rescue on Oct. 21. If you are interested in him, please give the shelter a call to get more information and set up an appointment to meet him. Staff will get a hold of you during hours of operation. The shelter is closed and open by appointment only. If this is your dog, please con-

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neral Home Shafter.

Andres Velasquez Salgado, 52. Wasco, Oct. 14, 2020, in Shafter, Peters Funeral Home Wasco.

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Same indoor dining reopens

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said that he was planning on opening up his dining room with scattered seating for safe distancing.

Atkins said that it's been tough with just take-out or-



Adolfo's Barber and Beauty Salon is fully open.

dering and pick up, but he is looking forward to people dining in again.

"That's how we make our money," he said.

Another local dining spot is Catrina's, which is eager to welcome indoor

slowed. The total number

of positive cases in Shafter

is now 175 fewer than in

Wasco. Wasco has had over

1,700 cases since the begin-

In Shafter, the major-

ity of restaurants have been

open with take-out service

or outdoor dining. The city

ning of the outbreak.

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diners for a full menu. Outdoor dining will also be available.

With the reopening of hair salons and barbers, Kayla Dorsey, of Status Beliz Image Salon & Spa on

> 7th Street, said that all customers must wear a mask while in the establishment.

"We are full service," Dorsey said. "Our doors have been open since the governor allowed us to open several weeks ago."

Barber Adolfo Ocampo, of Adolfo's on 7th Street, said that because his wife is a teacher, he hasn't worried too much about losing business.

"My clients are coming back now," he said. Walk-ins are welcome.

Ortiz-Hernandez also mentioned that the animal shelter remains closed to the public, but animal control is now picking up strays, and if owners have

Schools continue to

ing permits.

use distance learning

had waived the outdoor din-

had not affected schools,

which have been continu-

ing with distance learning.

Students and staff had been

getting ready to return to

campus in August; however

the governor announced all

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lost their pet, contact the shelter at 758-7240 and ask if they have found it.

In other city business, Ortiz-Hernandez said that the mayor and others met with the High Speed Rail last week to discuss the High Speed Rail's responsibility for demolishing the former labor camp.

"The HSR is not taking responsibility for what is left of the former labor camp; however it will try to work with the city to find a solution," Ortiz-Hernandez said. Ortiz-Hernandez

that during the pandemic, the city has not had to lay off any employees. In fact, he said that the city hired a new maintenance techni-Ortiz-Hernandez

said that the residents responded well to the city's request to curb water consumption during the peak summer months.

"We are working on getting the new well operational," he said. "We are out of the critical season."

He also said that residents were good about cutting back, which helped the

using distance learning.

The Richland staff has

been implementing the dis-

tance learning curriculum

along with offering free

breakfast, lunch and dinner

programs. Staff is also mak-

ing plans to welcome stu-

dents in special education

classes to return to campus.

After one of the City Council candidates stated at the candidate forum that residents were complaining about high water bills, Ortiz-Hernandez responded that he hasn't heard from any residents about high water bills to date.

He did say that the state moratorium on disconnecting water continues through December. Once the moratorium is over, if anyone has any problems with their water rates, they are to contact the city and the city will review that person's water bill. If necessary, a physical inspection will be made



Kayla Dorsey, from Status Beliz Image Salon and Spa, tends to a customer.

of the property to ensure the water meter is working properly.

"Several water meters have been replaced," OrtizHernandez said. "With the new meters, we can track daily usage and determine exactly when water usage has increased or decreased."

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Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/N Franco Publish Wasco Tribune September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

SECTION 00 11 13 SOLICITATION NOTICE NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS **CALLING FOR BIDS**

OWNER: Wasco Elementary School District

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION NAME: Walk-in Refrigerator & Freezer Box District Project Number: 20-06

PROJECT LOCATION: 1017 Palm Avenue, Wasco, California 93280

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Demo existing freezer and assemble new refrigerator/freezer unit. Make accessibility improvements to existing restroom and related minor work on fire alarm system. This project is anticipated to start on approximately 30 November 2020 and shall have a 100 calendar day performance period from the Notice to Proceed to complete the Work.

BID DEADLINE: Bids are due on 12 November 2020 at 2:00pm PST or at any other date or time as modified by Addendum. PLACE OF BID RECEIPT: Wasco Elementary School District, District Office

1102 Fifth Street, Wasco, CA 93280 METHOD OF BID RECEIPT: Personal delivery, courier, or mailed via United States Postal Service to above address. PLACE PLANS ARE ON FILE: Availability of Contract Documents (plans,

specifications and bid forms) are at regional builder exchanges in the Kern County and nearby areas. SEALED BID MARKING: Print the Project Name and Project Number on the

ALTERNATES: If alternate bids are called for, the contract will be awarded to

the lowest responsive and responsible bidder on the basis indicated below:

The lowest bid shall be the lowest bid price on the base contract without consideration of the prices on the additive or deductive

The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the combined bid prices on the base contract and alternates [specify]. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base

, taken in order, up to a maximum amount to be publicly disclosed before the first bid is opened. The lowest bid shall be determined in a manner that prevents any

information that would identify any of the bidders or proposed subcontractors or suppliers from being revealed to the public entity before the ranking of all bidders

from lowest to highest has been determined Not applicable to this project, as no alternates are requested

JOB WALK (NOT MANDATORY): Meet at: Palm Avenue MS, 1017 Palm

Avenue, Wasco, CA 93280. Date: 28 October 2020 Time: 2:00 pm Location: Job Site - Wasco California 1017 Palm Avenue

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AVAILABILITY: Plans and specifications available

download or review from regional builder exchanges only. This is a prevailing wage project. OWNER has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute this contract. The rates are posted on the California Department of Industrial Relations website, the URL is www.dir.ca.gov. Contractor shall post a copy of these rates at the job site. ALL PROJECTS OVER \$1,000 ARE SUBJECT TO PREVAILING WAGE MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT BY THE LABOR COMMISSIONER.

It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded (CONTRACTOR), and upon any SUBCONTRACTOR, to pay not less than the specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. A Payment Bond for contracts over \$25,000 and a Performance Bond for all

contracts shall be required prior to commencement of work. These bonds shall be in the amounts and form called for in the Contract Documents.

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 22300, CONTRACTOR may substitute certain securities for any funds withheld by OWNER to ensure CONTRACTOR's performance under the contract. At the request and expense of CONTRACTOR, securities equivalent to any amount withheld shall be deposited, at the discretion of OWNER, with either OWNER or a state or federally chartered bank as the escrow agent, who shall then pay any funds otherwise subject to retention to CONTRACTOR. Upon satisfactory completion of the contract, the securities shall be returned to CONTRACTOR.

Securities eligible for investment shall include those listed in Government Code Section 16430, bank and savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest bearing demand deposit accounts, standby letters of credit, or any other security mutually agreed to by CONTRACTOR and OWNER. CONTRACTOR shall be the beneficial owner of any securities substituted for funds withheld and shall receive any interest on them. The escrow agreement shall be in the form indicated in the Contract Documents.

To bid on or perform the work stated in this Notice, CONTRACTOR must possess a valid and active contractor's license of the following classifications: (B) General Building Contractor. No CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of § 4104 of the Public Contract Code, for a public works project (submitted on or after 1 March 2015) unless currently registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code § 1725.5. No CONTRACTOR or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded after 1 April 2015) unless registered with the DIR. DIR's web registration portal is:

CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors must furnish electronic certified payroll records (eCPR) to the Labor Commissioner [specify weekly, bi-weekly or monthly]

Reporting.html is required to use the eCPR system. The following notice is given as required by Labor Code Section 1771.5(b)(1): CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors are required to review and comply with the provisions of the California Labor Code, Part 7, Chapter 1, beginning with Section 1720, as more fully discussed in the Contract Documents. These sections contain specific requirements concerning, for example, determination and payment of prevailing wages, retention, inspection, and auditing payroll records, use of apprentices, payment of overtime compensation, securing workers' compensation

insurance, and various criminal penalties or fines which may be imposed for violations of the requirements of the chapter. Submission of a bid constitutes CONTRACTOR's representation that CONTRACTOR has thoroughly reviewed these requirements. [check only one]

(a) OWNER will retain 5% of the amount of any progress payments. OWNER will retain 10% of the amount of any progress payments because

the project has been found to be substantially complex. This Project □ requires ☑ does not require prequalification pursuant to AB 1565 of all general contractors and all mechanical, electrical, and plumbing

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PUBLIC NOTICE **Statement of Abandonment Of Use Of Fictitious Business Name Central Valley Local Network LLC**

15343 Sequoia Grove Ave Bakersfield, CA 93314 County: KERN Mailing address of business: 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave

Bakersfield, CA 93314 Gilbert F. Granillo 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave Bakersfield, CA 93314 Central Valley Local Network LLC 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave Bakersfield, CA 93314 I declare that all information in this

Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) Business was conducted by: Limited

Liability Company /s/Gilbert F. Granillo, CEO Original FBN Statement File Number:

2017-B7419 Original FBN Statement Filed on: 11/03/2017

This statement of Abandonment filed on: 09/02/2020 I hereby certify that this is a correct

copy of the original statement on file in my office. Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/R Edmiaston, Deputy Publish Shafter Press September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 2020 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Fictitious Business Name Statement **Essential Business Media LLC** 2020-B3881 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave

Bakersfield, CA 93314 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave Bakersfield, CA 93314 Essential Business Media LLC 15343 Sequoia Grove Ave Bakersfield, CA 93314

State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company Date the business commenced: 09/27/2017

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.) /s/Gilbert F. Granillo, CEO Date Statement Filed: 09/02/2020 Date Statement Expires: 09/02/2025 Mary B. Bedard, CPA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/R Edmiaston Publish Shafter Press September 24,

October 1, 8, 15, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of: **Khaled Mohamed Hussein**

Case Number: BPB-20-002513 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors,

contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Khaled Mohamed Hussein 2. A Petition for Probate has been

filed by: Sabah Boobk Hussein in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Sabah Boobk Hussein be ap-

to administer the estate of the de-4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any

pointed as personal representative

codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. 6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

a. Date: 12-17-2020 Time: 8:30a.m. b. Address of court: Superior Court of

California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metropolitan Justice 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. Attorney for petitioner: F. L. Thompson 424 Truxtun Ave

Bakersfield, CA 93301 661-322-8899 Publish Shafter Press October 1, 8, **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Fictitious Business Name Statement **Johnson Farms** 2020-B4135 16212 Becky Ave.

Bakersfield, CA 93314 County: Kern

Mailing address of business: 16212 Becky Ave. Bakersfield, CA 93314 Mark Johnson 16212 Becky Ave.

Bakersfield, CA 93314 Kathie Jayne Johnson 16212 Becky Ave. Bakersfield, CA 93314 Michael Jay Johnson 541 Superior Road Bakersfield, CA 93314

State of Incorporation or Organiza-The business is conducted by: Gen-

eral Partnership Date the business commenced: 08/08/2002

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/Kathie Johnson Date Statement Filed: 09/16/2020

Date Statement Expires: 09/16/2025 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/N Franco Publish Shafter Press October 1, 8,

15, 22, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE Statement of Abandonment Of **Use Of Fictitious Business Name Johnson Farms**

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I declare that all information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) Business was conducted by: General Partnership

/s/Kathie Johnson, Partner Original FBN Statement File Number:

2017-B4032 Original FBN Statement Filed on:

06/02/2017 This statement of Abandonment filed on: 09/16/2020 I hereby certify that this is a correct

copy of the original statement on file

in my office. Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/N Franco, Deputy Publish Shafter Press October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE **Fictitious Business** Name Statement **G&G Truck Repair** 2020-B4315 3301 Henry Ln

Bakersfield, CA 93308 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 414 Santa Maria Way Shafter, CA 93263 Gilberto R Piña 414 Santa Maria Way Shafter, CA 93263 Gerardo R Salas 4753 Judd St Bakersfield, CA 93314 The business is conducted by: General Partnership Date the business commenced: N/A

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Busi-

business and professions code.) /s/Gilberto R Piña Date Statement Filed: 10/01/2020 Date Statement Expires: 10/01/2025 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

ness Name in violation of the rights of

another under federal, state or com-

mon law (see Section 14411 et seq.,

By: /s/N Franco Publish Shafter Press October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2020

Fictitious Business Name Statement **Stewart Home Services** 2020-B4351 4205 Tweeddale Drive

Bakersfield, CA 93311

4205 Tweeddale Drive Bakersfield, CA 93311 **Bobby Allen Stewart** 4205 Tweeddale Drive Bakersfield, CA 93311

Karen Michelle Stewart 4205 Tweeddale Drive Bakersfield, CA 93311 State of Incoporation or Organization: CA

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