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Shafter man charged with molesting Wasco girl, 14

VERONICA JACUINDE AND JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press and Wasco Tribune

No date has been announced for the arraignment of a Wasco middle school counselor arrested last week on charges of sexually molesting a 14-year-old student at the school.

The employee was arrested on Jan. 30 after the girl charged he had touched her "inappropriately," according a release from Kern County Sheriff's Office. The incident allegedly occurred in May of

The employee, Jose Solis, 37, of Shafter, is a

counselor at Thomas Jefferson Middle School and has been with the district for five years.

Solis was booked into the county jail, charged with conducting lewd and lascivious acts with a minor, sexual battery and misdemeanor, and annoying and molesting a child under 18 years old.

An investigation began on the evening of Jan. 29. Solis was taken into custody and was booked on \$25,000 bail.

Kelly Richers, superintendent of the Wasco Union Elementary School District, said in a statement issued on the day of the arrest, "Today, we

were notified that a counselor at Thomas Jefferson Middle School was arrested due to allegations unknown to the district at this time. The Kern County Sheriff's Office is leading the investigation into the allegations that initiated the arrest, and we are fully cooperating with them.

"Since this is a personnel matter, I am unable to share any additional details at this time. The counselor has been put on paid administrative leave."

Richers further stated that Solis was an academic counselor for all 6th to 8th-grade students, focusing on social, personal and career counseling.

Wasco Mayor Vincent Martinez of the arrest

shared, "The City takes these kinds of allegations very seriously, and we will continue to monitor the situation. The criminal investigation is being conducted by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, and the school district will conduct an internal investigation. I have confidence both the criminal and internal investigation will be handled appropriately and fairly once all the facts are known."

Anyone with information about the case is urged to contact the Sheriff's Office at 661-861-3110 or the Secret Witness hotline at 661-322-4040.



Barbara Gladden from the Shafter Woman's Club is with two Carrington staffers

Woman's generosity keeping community warm

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

A local woman, who has spent over 35 years crocheting blankets and beanies, has used this talent to help keep locals in need warm, as well as loved. Joy Duke, or "Grandma Joy," has been donating blankets and beanies that she crochets to local organizations. This year, she donated 36 blankets to the Carrington House in Shafter, with help from the Shafter Womans Club, who delivered them.

She regularly donates blankets as a part of the Shafter Woman's Club Christmas for Seniors. Duke said that she was living off of Santa Fe Way and a neighbor moved in next door that crocheted. She told Duke that she would teach her how to do it. Well, she bought a book on the subject and taught herself, and she has been going ever since.

When asked what made her decide to donate the blankets, she said, "Well, I was getting a lot of them and needed to do something with them. I thought I might as well give them to someone who might need it."

She also donates baby blankets to the Women's Pregnancy Center in Bakersfield, as well as beanies to the Bakersfield Mission. Duke said that she considers it therapy for her. "I love it. A person needs something to do to keep her mind working, and keep it from dwelling on all sorts of things. This is good

therapy for me. I just love to do it."

Duke said that it keeps her mind sharp and her hands in good working order. She is 87 years old and lives in a retirement facility in Bakersfield, moving from her Santa Fe Way home around five years ago. "This kind of keeps me connected to Shafter since I don't get in there anymore," she said.



Joy Duke donated 36 blankets and 40 beanies this year.



David Velez, Jess Escobedo, Dustin Hooper, Louis Felix and Randy Roque.

Hitchcock's Auto Parts celebrating centennial

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

Hitchcock's Auto Parts has been serving the community for 100 years, becoming one of the longest-running businesses in Kern County. Founded by Charles Hitchcock in 1923, the business has kept customer service at the forefront of

According to owner Jesse Escobedo, this is one of the main components of the success of the busi-

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ness. "We treat our customers with respect and consider them family. Chuck Hitchcock always said, which was on the letterhead for a long time, that, 'Every time we make a friend, we grow a little,'

and that has always stuck with me." Escobedo said that in a lot of cases, he has five generations of customers from some families. "I

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Generals Pride on display

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JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Shafter High Generals have a lot of pride in their school, staff, community and its students. This is on display in a project that takes care of their own students who may be in need to have a productive educational experi-

When the covid-19 pandemic appeared, staff at Shafter High noticed that there were a number of students who were struggling, in class and out. This struggle was not just the normal "I need to ace this test" or "Who am I going to hang out with at the game Fri-

day night?" The struggle was one that made it a challenge to concentrate on school work and just enjoy a normal high school career.

demolition of the Sheriff's Activity League building

for \$13,800, and allowed the city manager authority

ed agreement from the Housing and Com-

On Dec. 28, the city received an execut-

to execute change orders up to \$10,000.



Shafter High Link Crew has been instrumental in helping with the project.

There were students who didn't have enough clothes for the school week, so they might not come to school on a regular basis, or they might

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City makes progress with Wasco Police Department

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

Up to 12 vehicles are set to be the first fleet for the new Wasco Police Department.

At the regular City Council meeting on Tuesday, a resolution was passed to authorize the city manager to approve a purchase order for six new police vehicles and up to six used vehicles, a move toward establishing a Wasco police department.

«With this, we have a variety of fleets we can phase in over time. It>s a step forward with the essential logistics to make the Police department come together. It>s absolutely exciting," said Chief

of Police Charlie Fivecoat. The council also approved the appointment of three candidates to fill open seats on the Planning Commission. Jeremiah Skillswas reappoointed;

WASCO

Marcos Torres and former Mayor Pro Tem John P. Pallares was added for the full-term seats expiring on Dec. 31, 2026. The commission is a five-member body ap-

pointed as a policy advisor for the council. The commission has jurisdiction over various land use matters, including considering conditional use permits, subdivision maps and certain design review matters. «I>ve been on the planning commission before,

and I thought it was really great," Pallares said. "A highlight was just being here to learn new projects and zoning changes, for example.»

Of his appointment, he said, «I feel grateful and eager to serve, as always.» The council also approved a contract with

Amerivet Contracting Incorporated for the interior

munity Development Department approving an amendment of funds totaling \$511,964

for the remodeling of the SAL building. Phase one of the project will be the demolition of the interior walls and insulation to allow staff and potential bidders to see the current condition of the

Next, a contractor/designer combination will be chosen to complete the design and construction

City staff contacted four contractors for bids on the demolition phase of the work and received re-

After reviewing the provided quotes for the interior demolition, staff determined that Amerivet Contracting is the most cost-effective qualified con-

«This is something we>ve been working on for a while. Our goal is to get the building back open, so we can start running after-school programs there again. Before covid, we had over 70 kids active in our SAL," Mayor Vincent Martinez said. A resolution was passed authorizing the city

manager to execute a franchise agreement with American Refuse for the collection and handling of residential recyclable materials and a franchise agreement with American Refuse for the collection and handling of commercial organics, recyclable materials and roll-off services.

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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

ONGOING

Helping families - Shafter High School and the PRIDE Pantry allows the opportunity to donate directly back to the Shafter community to reach hurting families. Ways to help contribute to the PRIDE Pantry include dropping off at the SHS front office, 526 Mannel Ave. Some suggested new items needed are personal hygiene items, clothing items, household items and nonperishable food items. For questions, call Katie Young at On-Campus Intervention, 661-

Waste collection - Kern County Public Works offers Shafter and Wasco households a hazardous waste collection event, Saturday, Feb. 11, at 17621 Scofield Road, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Accepted at the event are batteries, motor oil, paints, light bulbs, automotive products, cleaning products and more.

Shafter-Wasco evento de recolección, sábado, 11 de Febrero del 2023, 17621 Scofield Road, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Materiales aceptado: baterias, aceite de motor, pintuars, productos automotrices y más!

Food distribution - Kern County Human Services provides CalFresh Emergency Allotments, ending soon. February will be the last month emergency Cal-Fresh will be provided.

Peace officer openings - Become a peace officer in a rewarding and challenging career. Shift work, safety retirement, supervise and mentor at-risk youth, growth and advancement opportunities through the Kern County Probation Department. Required are 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of college course work, a background check and a drug screen. Contact

Frank Herrera at 661-868-7493. Sandbags available - Self-serve sandbag station for Shafter residents and businesses only. The station is at 1251 E. Ash Ave. (next to the recycling drop-off).

Bookkeeping training - Free bookkeeping training program at MAOF, Mexican American Opportunity Foundation. 2130 Chester Ave., Suite 200, Bakersfield. Related occupations include accounts payable/accounts receivable clerks and payroll clerks. Entry requirements: At least 18 years of age, completed reading and math assessment, high school diploma or GED. Call 661-336-6821 for information.

Hospice volunteers needed - Bristol Hospice Bakersfield needs volunteers in Kern County. Must be vaccinated. There are a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Call the Volunteer Department at 661-716-4000 or email Edward.French@bristolhospice. com or Ashley.Charles@bristolhospice.com

All residential households can order four free athome covid-19 tests. Visit covidtests.gov

MONDAY

North Kern 4H - Meetings are held at Karl Clemens cafeteria at 7 p.m. every second Monday of the month. For more information, contact Chris at 661-

Richland School Board - Meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at Golden Oak Cafeteria, 195 S. Wall St.

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Shafter City Council - Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month at City Hall, 336 Pa-

Wasco City Council - Meetings the first and third Tuesday of the month. Meetings are held at 746

Wasco Woman's Club - Meetings are at the clubhouse, 1601 7th St., on the second Tuesday of the month. There is a \$15 fee for the lunch meetings.

Senior lunch program - Meetings the first and third Tuesday of the month at Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St. Sack lunches for seniors will be given out at 11 a.m. Sponsored by Golden Gleaners.

WEDNESDAY

Shafter Rotary – Meetings at 7 a.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall.

Shafter Kiwanis - Meetings Wednesdays at 12 p.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall. Shafter Woman's Club - Meetings are held the

first Wednesday of the month, September through May, starting at 11 a.m. at the Shafter

Youth Center, 455 Euclid Ave.

THURSDAY

Wasco High School Board – Meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 1900 7th St. in Room 202, or alternatively in Library Room 1101. The agenda is on the WHS website.

Wasco Recreation and Park Board - Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Hall at Barker Park.

Food distribution - Shafter Recreation and the Gleaners have food distribution every first and third Thursday of each month at the W.C. Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

FRIDAY

Food giveaway — The Impact Program is a weekly food giveaway provided to anyone in need, Fridays beginning at 7 a.m. First come, first served. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

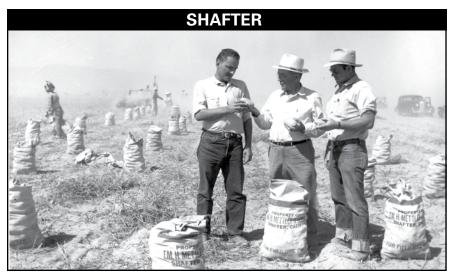
Bulky waste pickup - American Refuse offers free bulky waste pick-up service Fridays to all City of Shafter core residents. To schedule a pickup, use the app or call 661-758-5316. No sabes que hacer con esos articulos de basura grande? Llame a American Refuse 661-758-5316 o use su aplicación para programar una recojida de estas articulos. Este servicio es gratis para todos los residents de la ciudad de Shafter (core residents).

SATURDAY

Depot Museum - 150 Central Valley Highway. Open Saturdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Shafter Historical Society presents the city's history. Free admittance.

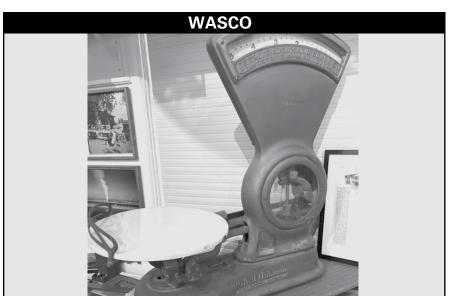
Green Hotel - Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information about renting the hotel for events, email thegreenhotel@gmail.com or phone 661-746-1913 and leave

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, 455 Kern St., Suite E, Shafter, CA 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@ The ShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** Elma Wilson at Richland School in 1927.





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ARREST REPORT

As reported by the Shafter Police

Department **JAN. 30**

Marcelino Zirangua Dominguez, 46, was arrested on a bench/ warrant and failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

Monica Nolasco Fernandez, 32, of Shafter, was arrested in the 300 block of James Street for disor-

derly conduct: alcohol. Manuel Aleiandro Figueroa. 31, of Shafter, was arrested for driving with a suspended license

and DŬI. Arthur Joseph Martinez, 39, of Shafter, was arrested in the 600 block of Central Valley Highway

on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge. John Raymond Harvey, 66, of

Shafter, was in the 100 block of Orange Avenue on a outside agency

Jaciel Rodriguez Quintero, 25, of Shafter, was arrested on South Schanidt Avenue and West Euclid Avenue for driving without license, proof of financial responsibility and unregistered vehicle.

Alex Richard Cano, 29, of Shafter, was arrested for driving with a suspended license DUI and

proof of financial responsibility. Crystal Garcia, 26, of Shafter,

was arrested on the East Lerdo Highway and Cherry Avenue on a outside agency warrant, possession unlawful paraphernalia and possession controlled substance.

Adrian Arredondo, 33, of Shafter, was arrested on East Lerdo Highway and Cherry Avenue for driving without a license, entrance onto highway, felony possession an outside warrant.

FEB. 1

Lizheth Canales, 35, of Shafter, was arrested on the Kattlehorn and Shafter avenues for unregistered

Miranda Faith Aguinaga, 22, of Shafter, was arrested in the 3200 block of Blue Creek Lane for ob-

FEB. 3

Reginaldo Trujillo, 41, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of Beth Eden on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a mis-

demeanor charge. Carla Mercado Vargas, 42, of Shafter, was arrested at Stone and Shafter avenues on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Everardo Gomez, 42, of Shafter, was arrested at Stone and Shafter avenues on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Bernardo Sabino, 36, of Shafter, was arrested on the South Beech and East Los Angeles for driving with a suspended license.

Nicole Hampton, 36, of Shafter, was arrested in the 199 block of West Orange on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge and on an outside agency warrant.

Edward William Robertson, of Shafter, was arrested on the Walker Street and State Ave on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

William Cody Jameson, 33, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of State Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

Israel Lopez Jr., 36, of Shafter, was arrested on the Poso Avenue and North Shafter Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge and disorderly conduct: under the influence. FEB. 5

Robert Michael Salmansohn, 36, was arrested for obstruction and disorderly conduct: under the

BUTTONWILLOW

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

Ruben Sandoval Iribe, 24, of Buttonwillow, was arrested in the 4600 block of Gatson Street in Bakersfield for possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was cited and released at the scene.

Jeshua Oscar Tovar, 20, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 20600 block of Tracy Avenue in Buttonwillow for being in possession of stolen property and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Richard William Archer III, 25, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 20600 block of Tracy Avenue in Buttonwillow for being in possession of stolen property. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Ana Rothermel, 37, of Buttonwillow, was arrested in the 100 block of West 2nd Street in Buttonwillow for disorderly conduct. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

FEB. 2

Carson Gretlein, 39, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 24000 block of Lerdo Highway in Buttonwillow for burglary, grand theft and vandalism. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

FEB. 4

Ruben Sandoval Iribe, 24, of

Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5100 block of Gatson Avenue in Bakersfield for burglary, tampering with vehicle, vandalism, child cruelty, exhibit deadly weapon, attempted vehicle theft, possession of a controlled substance and being in possession of a dirk or dagger. He was booked into the Kern

As reported by the Kern County

Sheriff's Department, Wasco substation: JAN. 30

at the scene.

Santiago Cardenas, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released

Jairo Escalera, 31, of Shafter, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Ivan Garcia, 38, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 600 block of Maple Avenue for felony violation of parole and misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Ryan Shamik Sims, 50, of Wasco, was arrested in the 2600 block of Parkside Drive for misdemeanor disorderly conduct: drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Jose Solis, 37, of Shafter, was arrested in the 9200 block of Griffith Avenue for felony lewd acts with a child, misdemeanor sexual battery and annoy or molest child under 18. He was booked into the Kern

County Jail.

Luis Ocampo, 41, of Wasco, s arrested in the 1500 block of Pine Street for felony vehicle theft, possession of stolen property and misdemeanor possession of controlled substance paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern

County Jail.

FEB. 3 Javier Ochoa, 31, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of Palm Avenue and 2nd Street for misdemeanor annoying a child and obstructing an officer: resisting arrest. He was booked into the Kern County

Hugo Cesar Ramirez, 29, of Wasco, was arrested in the 5500 block of Sawgrass Court for felony infliction of corporal injury on spouse and misdemeanor cruelty to child. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Council approves \$1.4M bid for shoulder project

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

The Shafter City Council approved the low bid of \$1.4 million to start work on the Santa Fe Way Shoulder Project. This project spans

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Fe Way to Los Ange-

les Avenue to Galpin Avenue.

Bids ranged from \$1,4 million to \$2.5 million, with the low bid presented by Birch Construction. Work is expected to begin on this project in the next two months.

The council presented a proclamation for the observance of February as Safe Surrender Month in the city of Shafter.

Safe Surrender was founded in January 2000 to give Shafter residents and all residents in Kern County the option of safely surrounding a newborn infant within the first 72 hours of its birth with no questions asked. A person can surrender the infant to any hospital or fire department employee with no threat of reper-

As of this year, since the implementation of the Safe Surrender Bill, 95 babies have been surrendered safely in Kern County. The SSB law also protects parents or sur-

rendering persons from prosecution for child abandonment and does not require that names be given when the baby is surrendered as long as it's surrendered in the hands of a staff mem-According to the Safely Surrendered Baby

Coalition, the purpose of the law is to protect babies from being hurt or killed because they were abandoned. Also approved Tuesday night was continued viewing of council meetings on the internet via

approved moving forward on bids for the Veterans Park basketball court project. Public Works Director Michael James discussed details of the improvements planned for

City Hall, including new landscaping, restoring the outside of the buildings, including roof upgrades, and improvements to the air conditioning and heating systems.



The council declared February Safe Surrender Month in the city.

Grant funds monthly free spay and neuter clinics

Wasco Tribune

The City of Wasco received a \$288,000 SNIP spay/neuter grant from UC Davis Koret Shelter Medicine Program in connection with the California

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of All Animal Statewide

Animal Shelter Assistance Program.

The purpose of the grant is to partner with the SNIP Bus to expand the city's spay/neuter capacity. SNIP Bus will hold no-cost spay/neuter clinics monthly for three years, completing an estimated 1,800 surgeries.

Public Works Director Luis Villa said receiving the grant is amazing.

"This grant will provide much-needed services in our community, and special thanks to our Assistant City Manager Maria Lara for making this happen," Villa said.

Of the grant award, Lara said, "I always tell people the most rewarding part of my job is to see to see these funds utilized and seeing the

positive impact your work is doing in the community.

The grant is important as Villa said stray animals are a problem in Wasco.

"We are holding these events to help residents with veterinarian costs and to minimize the stray population."

Other services will be provided, including microchipping (for surgical pets only) for \$25, medication for \$10 and licenses for \$16.

There are benefits to having your animal spayed or neutered, like helping to stop pets from needing to roam and preventing accidental litters and other reproductive diseases. Villa added the clinics would also help the city's animal shelter by reducing the number of stray animal intake, medical bills and the workload on staff.

The clinics help save people money that they could use on other things.

Lara explained, "To spay and neuter is expensive, and costs roughly \$125 to \$160 depending on the animal's size. Instead, that money can be put back into their household, like to pay for food for their dog or cat or utility bills. A little money helps, especially when you are on a fixed income."

Villa encourages animal owners in Wasco to spay/neuter their pets.

"This could help your pet avoid some medical conditions and possibly behavioral problems along with living a healthier life that alone should be encouraging. The first SNIP clinic of 2023 will occur on

Feb. 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.32 in front of the

old courthouse at 810 8th St. and will be by appointment only. A person must provide identification and

bring a utility bill to verify Wasco residency. After the clinic in February, these events will be held monthly through December 2025. Clinic dates for upcoming events will be deter-

mined in the very near future.

To schedule your appointment or for more information, call 925-788-1763 or visit snipbus.



Assistant City Manager Maria Lara

Expanded learning opportunities program benefits youth

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

Wasco Union Elementary School District offers its students a safe place to learn and keep active through its after-school programs, serving 200 to 300 youth at each

elementary school site and over a hundred students at each middle school site.

Jennifer Fendrick is the coordinator for the extended day programs.

She explained that there are several compo-

"The first is the ASES program which stands for after-school education and safety. This is for students from TK to 8th grade. It takes place until 6 pm in each elementary and middle school site," Fendrick said.

At the ASES program, students engage in physical fitness, do arts and crafts, perform music and learn about science, technology, engineering, coding and robotics, to name a few. They also get help with homework and are provided a snack.

"The purpose of ASES is to keep kids safe and off the streets where they can be fed and kept out of trouble. They can also connect with staff and build those relationships. We get to know the families, and they can get to know us, which ultimately helps the students succeed in their education," Fendrick said.

The second component is the extended day classes led by teachers after school for students TK to 8th grade. This also takes place at all the

A mixture of academic and enrichment programs are offered. In addition, students are exposed to language, science and classes focused on helping students with math and reading

"The hours vary, but it usually is about an hour after school," Fendrick said. The third component is intersession days, which add 30 extra school days spread throughout the year, which include summer school and camps. This is for up to 6th grade students and is offered at all elementary and middle schools. "Each site offers a variety of activities based

on the teacher and student interest," Fendrick Finally, there are camps that take place over the holidays. Each site gets an opportunity to

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Fourth grade students constructing models and coding with a Lego kit.

Coders collaborating in their flexible seating environment.

host the two-day camps that take place between 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch are

All after-school programs are free, and most staff have an educational background to accommodate the students better.

Within each component, Fendrick said the after-school program aids students by giving them a safe and warm environment to cultivate new skills and develop socially, emotionally and academically. They also learn to collaborate, problem-solve, be responsible and become team players.

"These skills will help them be more successful later in life. It helps them find their interests too. If they are struggling in another area, they can shine in a new light," Fendrick said. "We set goals on how to be a better person."

Fendrick believes this program expands a child's educational opportunities.

"It provides them with experiences they may not have done before, like cooking and music. Many of these kids are having so much fun they don't want to go home.'

Eric Caballero is the expanded learning opportunity program supervisor. He oversees the Karl F. Clemens Elementary School site.

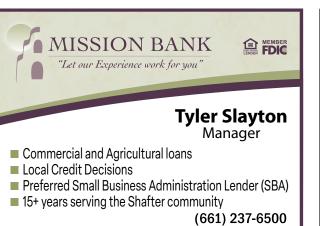
"Since it>s my first year, I>ve seen so many great things thus far, from kids laughing and enjoying the program. It>s just a wonderful opportunity for them to start fresh. They are excited to come to the after-school activities," Caballero



Students coordinating the construction of the tallest tower using balloons during STEAM Winter Camp Intercession.(Photos courtesy of Dr. Melissa A. Bradex)

"The best part is building rapport with students and other colleagues. We really strive to have good relationships with the school sites to make it as interactive and engaging as possible for evFendrick said the programs continue to "The programs are going so well, and we are

looking for new ways to expand."



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A closet more than just storage

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

Romero's Closets is celebrating four years of serving the communities of Wasco, Shafter and Bakersfield. The company brings expertise and pride in its original and custom designs.

Horacio and Rebeca Romero own the mobile business. They specialize in one-of-a-kind organizers, sliding mirror doors, crown and base molding, and paint and flooring to create unique closets that are adjustable to impress anyone looking for the perfect space to fit your needs and more.

Before they started the business, Horacio worked with larger companies for almost a decade, focusing on remodeling restaurants, hospitals and schools. He worked side jobs on the weekends.

"That is how the business developed until we were able to launch independently," Rebeca said.

They provide free estimates and will come to your home or place of business to develop a thorough and detailed proposal of the work to be done. Most of the time, the custom closets are their designs, but they also work with their customers to realize their ideas or specific desires.

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"We recommend the best options for them while working within their budgets."

Without compromising the quality of their work, they purchase their materials from a wholesaler to pass on the savings to their customers.

"Our prices are more economical than larger companies," Rebeca said.

Horacio and Rebeca put passion, hard work and energy into providing the highest level of service and finished products. They work mostly with residential clients but occasionally work on commercial accounts. The company can convert almost any space into a well-organized closet, including converting a garage or remodeling a home office.

Rebeca said it feels good knowing their clients are pleased when they see the final results.

"We have also been told that with our custom closets, we help raise the value of a home."

They cover the floors and walls to ensure that the work is as clean as possible.

"We do this to avoid dust in the home and for the job to be done as best as possible," Rebeca said. Their customer service is friendly, and they try to answer any questions clearly and concisely to the best of their knowledge

"When we don't know the answer, we are always happy to refer them to other sources."

When asked what she thinks of Wasco, Rebeca said, "We find that people are very nice and hospitable, making our work here in the community enjoyable and satisfying."

"We are so comfortable in

Hopefully, we can continue to grow and strengthen our roots here."

Romero's Closets is a mobile

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business open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. For more information or to schedule a complimentary estimate, call 562-964-9302.



A closet created to organize clothing, shoes, hats and accessories. (Photo by Rebeca Romero)

Hitchcock's Auto Parts celebrates centennial

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get so many times someone coming in and saying," I remember when I was a kid, you use to give me some M&Ms out of the machine while my dad got parts." Escobedo said that this is just one part of the history of the business that makes it and the city so special. "The community has given us so much, and we love to give back to the community. We just love this town."

One of the few businesses that thrived through the pandemic, the store has seen the business keep growing. "I think that a lot of people were hanging on to their vehicles during the pandemic, choosing to fix them up instead of selling or buying a new one. "Currently, Escobeddo said that they get about 50% of their business from auto parts, about 30% from agricultural related sales, and 20% from oilfield maintenance parts.

Escobedo said that another big part of the success is the staff he has had through the years. One of those employees is now taking a bigger role in the business, as Dustin Hooper takes control. Hooper was an employee at Hitchcocks from 1996 and 2006. "I learned so much from working there. It was

a lot of fun and I am looking forward to buying the business." Another factor of the transaction is the fact that he and the current owner are good friends. "We are going in as friends, and that makes this so much better," said Hooper.

According to Escobedo, the process will be a gradual one, with Escobedo remaining with the store in a limited capacity for a couple of years.

This was not Hooper's first experience with Hitchcock. "I used to raise animals for the fair, and they had a farm outside of town. He let me keep my animals out there, as long as I fed the horses and cows out there," Hooper said. "He was a great man, and I am proud and thankful for this opportunity."

Along with Escobedo and Hooper, the store is run by a David Velez, Louis Felix and Randy Roque. "We have had so many great people through the years working here, and each one of them has helped make this place such a special one to work at."

Hitchcock's will be holding a customer appreciation event sometime this year, celebrating the centennial with the community. "We want to thank the community for their years of support and look forward to many more years."

Generals Pride on display

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be struggling with not enough to eat, or might not have enough supplies for school.

Thus, the Shafter Pride Pantry was born. A group of teachers and administrators, along with a host of volunteers and generous supporters, such as American Refuse, saw the need and worked to get the problem solved.

American Refuse is now donating another C-train – a cargo container – to the school to have a place to store items that are used in the project. Among the items are blankets, clothes, shoes, hygiene products, and health and beauty aids that help the kids to ease their minds so they can concentrate on school instead of where they are going to get a pair of shoes to wear, or even enough to eat for the day.

Among the staff involved are Katie Young and Sabrina Macias. According to Young, the project has helped so much in the ability of the students to be productive and happy in their high school experience. Macias said that a group of them would sit and talk and voice a need to come up with a solution, but it was Young who really took the reins of the project."

With the pandemic seemingly in the rear-view mirror, it would seem that the need was lessen. But, in some instances, the opposite is true. With the economy on the rebound after the worst of the

pandemic has passed, there is still a large number of families who haven't bounced back from the struggle yet. Either their jobs were not brought back with the return of businesses, or jobs and hours were still cut. There is also the reality that the few resources that were available during the pandemic for families that were affected by the pandemic are no longer available. This puts those families now without jobs and without the emergency assistance that was available during the height of the pandemic. "We are still seeing a great need for resources and items that were being sought after during the pandemic." With the arrival of a new C-train, the Pride Pantry project is in need of items to fill it up with. They need personal hygiene products, such as tooth brushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, soap, feminine hygiene products, combs and brushes. They also need clothing items, such as socks, underwear, gently used shirts and pants, as well as sweaters, jackets and shoes of all sizes.

Household items, such as blankets, sheets, towels, laundry detergent and dish soap, are needed. Nonperishable food items are also in demand, such as canned food, snack items, bottled water and other drink items. Donations can be dropped at the school's main office, 526 Mannel Ave. The website [NEED WEBSITE] has an Amazon Wish List prompt, or click on the donate for a cash gift. For more information, you can call Katie Young or Sabrina Macias at 661-746-4961.

City makes progress with Wasco Police Department

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City Manager Scott Hurlbert said, "As a commercial refuse service provider, American Refuse is already performing the services in other communities and has the equipment, personnel and expertise."

Councilmember Gilberto Reyna said, "By implementing these services, the city will comply with California recycle>s state-mandated recycling laws requiring municipalities to reduce materials going

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to landfills. All residential households will receive a blue container for depositing approved recyclables, which American Refuse will pick up weekly. The cost to residential customers will be \$10.55, which includes a \$1.05 franchise fee. Commercial customers will pay different rates depending on the container size and pickup frequency."

The council approved a proclamation making February Safety Surrendered Baby Awareness Month

Through the Safely Surrendered Baby law, a distressed parent unable or unwilling to care for an infant can legally, confidentially and safely surrender their baby within three days of birth. All that is required is that the baby be brought to any fire station or emergency room. The purpose of the law is to protect babies from being hurt or killed because they were abandoned.

Since 2006, 95 babies have been safely surrendered in Kern County.

Miguel Salazar, social services supervisor with the Kern County Department of Human Services, said, «It>s just a way to offer a service for something that's really delicate when it comes to the safety of babies and truly a safe way to provide an avenue to surrender a child without the person or mother feeling scared to do the right thing."

Of the recognition, he said, "I feel honored not only to be asked to represent the organization but also as a fellow Wasconian."

PUBLIC NOTICES

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Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Shafter Ford Theater
2023-80534
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1101 E. Lerdo Hwy Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1101 E. Lerdo Hwy Shafter, CA 93263 Starrh Enterprises, LLC 1101 E. Lerdo Hwy Shafter, CA 93263 State of Incorporation or Organization: CA The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company* Date the business commenced: 06/03/2013 /s/Fred Starrh II, Partner/Manager Date Statement Filed: 01/24/2023 Date Statement Expires: 01/24/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: A. Goodwin

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2023-B0248
17847 Nikkel Court
Bakersfield, CA 93314

County: Kern Mailing address of business: 17847 Nikkel Court Bakersfield, CA 93314 Lori R Crabb 17847 Nikkel Court Bakersfield, CA 93314 Date the business commenced: 11/01/2022

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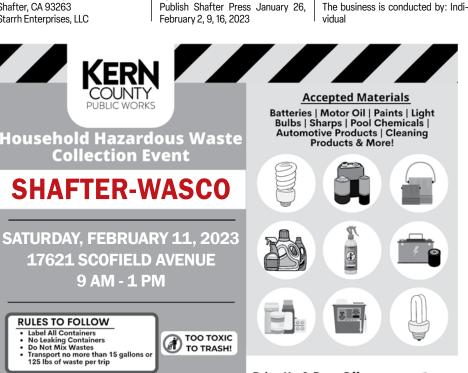
429 Ellie Ct Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 429 Ellie Ct Shafter, CA 93263 Handmade In A Home LLC
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/s/Haley Plaza, Managing Member
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Tuskegee Airmen helped so many in struggle, including locals

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

Minter Field has been giving residents a peek into the rich military history of the United States, as well as the history of the role that Minter Field has played

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tory. With the observance of Black History Month, Mu-

seum Director Ronald Pierce pointed out the little-known role that Minter Field played in the history of a group of black airmen that were stationed at Minter Field.

Another Minter Field Air Museum member has a personal history when it comes to the role

Major General James Whitehead, who has been with the museum for over two decades, saw the role that they played. The group of men known as the Tuskegee Airmen was a group of 300 pilots who served in segregated units during World War II, a time when prejudice and segregation very common throughout the American South. Whitehead said that these men never lost one man during a mission out of the entire time they were in the air – and many of them spent time at Minter Field for training.

Whitehead also said that they paved the way for young pilots like himself, who had always dreamed of being a commercial pilot. "At the time, America wasn't looking for black pilots, so I joined the United States Air Force."

Whitehead was assigned to Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana. With no housing available that first night in Barksdale, he had to use the infamous "Green Book" to find a black hotel to stay in Shreveport. "Back then, I was still



The Minter Air Museum has a display about the role the Tuskegee Airmen played in our history, as well as the 300 Black soldiers that played an important role in the history of Minter Field. (Photo courtesy of Minter Field Air Museum)

drinking out of 'colored' water fountains and sitting in the back of the bus."

Whitehead continued to work to be recognized as a pilot and persisted, refueling B-52 bombers during the Cold War and flying fighter jets until he became the first African American

After retiring from the Air Force, Whitehead fulfilled his dream of becoming a commercial airline pilot. In 1994, Whitehead moved his family to Bakersfield and got involved with the Minter Field Air Museum. He helped uncover the work of over 300 Black soldiers who were stationed at Minter Field.

Pierce said that the men did about everything on the base, from maintaining engines to cooking and working in the hospital. "You can even see the Black Army Air Corps personnel escorting a Japanese Zero that was shot down, and if you look really close you can see the [Bakersfield Tegler Hotel in the background."

Whitehead also played a part in uncovering

the existence of a secret U2 production facility that was located on Norris Road in Oildale. He found out how secret it was when local newsman Don Clark tried to get a reunion together of the people that worked there and was berated for even bringing it up. "As far as they were concerned, it never existed," Whitehead said.

The museum has an array of memorabilia concerning this time in the military's history. It's open on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 661-393-0291 for more information.

Scholarship opportunities open to WHS seniors and graduates

VERONICA JACUINDE

Wasco Tribune

The Wasco Community Scholarship Association is now taking applications for its annual scholarship awards and invites seniors and alumni of Wasco High School who are pursuing post-secondary education to apply.

It is expected that four-year university and college scholarship winners will receive \$1,500, and two-year college and trade or technical school scholarship winners will receive

The number of scholarships granted and the dollar amount per award will depend on the number of qualified applicants and available funds.

To qualify, high school seniors and/or entering college freshmen must have at least a "C+" (2.5) grade point average for the first seven semesters of high school. To receive a scholarship, they must be registered for a

minimum of 12 college units or full-time course load at an appropriate trade or technical school.

University and college students must have no less than a "C" (2.0) grade point average for all completed semesters or quarters, and all students must carry a minimum of 12 units or equivalent full-time course load for the duration of the scholarship year.

The choice of recipients of all scholarships will be decided by the Board of Directors of the WCSA.

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Application material requirements include a completed WCSA application, essay, letter of recommendation and official academic transcript(s). Completed applications

postmarked by be March WHS Principal Sunni Dobbs believes the scholarships are a way to celebrate those students that have demonstrated dedication to their academics.

"Wasco is of their students and the way they excel in various areas. The committee takes into consideration a student's academic commitment, but also their well-roundedness too."

She appreciates the community of Wasco that has donated to the scholarship fund.

"I am grateful for the many individuals and businesses that have contributed to this scholarship fund either in memory of a loved one or simply as a way to support the dreams of our local students. Investing in our students and their education impacts lives in a positive way. Our community is and has always been very generous."

Scholarship recipients will have doors of opportunity open for them.

"This scholarship helps to remove financial bar-



Last year's recipients of the Wasco Community Scholarship Association awards.

riers that may prevent some students from attending post-high school education. Once they begin to gain more education, it opens their eyes to the possibilities that they can attain any goal they work for,"

Samantha Wymer, WHS career guidance technician, said, "It's great for the community of Wasco to continue to support their student's education. Our slogan at WHS is 'Educational Excellence for All,' and the scholarship falls in line with that by providing an amazing opportunity for these students to continue on their education. We want to encourage all the students that are eligible to apply."

For more information and to access the application, visit www.wascocommunityscholarship.org.



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Julissa Gonzalez, Angie Lepe and Mikayla Weller.

Lady Generals shining big with a small bulb

The Shafter High Generals Girls Wrestling team may be small in numbers, but they make up for it in determination and talent. The Lady Generals have not had enough girls to field a full team, so they haven't been on top of the scoreboard in dual matches, but the quality of their wrestlers have the rest of the Central Valley taking notice.

Such was the case in their dual meet with rival Wasco Lady Tigers. Shafter may have lost the dual match, but in the four matches that were contested, the Lady Generals won all four matches, three of them by pin.

The theme was the same for the majority of the season, but individually, the girls have as much talent than the school has ever had. "Our girls team may be small, but they are a fierce team," commented Girls Head Coach Eli Espericueta. At the South Sequoia League tournament, the Shafter girls had three of their four wrestlers place in the top two in their divisions.

Angie Lepe placed second in the tourna-

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ment, while Julissa Gonzalez and Mikayla Weller won championships. This qualified all three of them to the Valley Championships, which will be held at Golden Valley High School on Satur-

Walker, a sophomore, had a record of 12-4 for the season. Freshman Julissa Gonzalez has had an outstanding season, going 25-2 for the season, with 23 of those wins by pin.

Espericueta is confident that his three wrestlers have a chance to qualify for the following week's Masters Tournament, and possibly the State tournament, which will be held again in

"We fully anticipate to have at least one, if not two, State qualifiers. It would be the first time in school history that we had a Girls Wrestling State qualifier."

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement **Good Day Sales** 2023-B0146

340 21st Ave Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: PO Box 101 Delano, CA 93216 Rafael Trujillo Mendez 340 21st Ave Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Indi-

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Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 300 Terraza Way Delano, CA 93215 Theresa M Flores 300 Terraza Way Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Indi-

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/s/Theresa M Flores Date Statement Filed: 01/09/2023 Date Statement Expires: 01/09/2028 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: C Martinez Publish Wasco Tribune January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2023

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624 Garces Hwy

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624 Garces Hwy Delano, CA 93215 Rosa Del Carmen Ransom 624 Garces Hwy Delano, CA 932215 The business is conducted by: Indi-Date the business commenced: N/A A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.) /s/Rosa Del Carmen Ransom Date Statement Filed: 01/12/2023

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Little Flower Shop 2023-B0056 616 High St. Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 616 High St. Delano, CA 93215 Blandina M Nuno 616 High St. Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Indi-

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Marlins Flower Shop 2023-B0057

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Wasco Union School District ("School District") will hold a public hearing at 6:30pm or as soon thereafter as is practical on March 14, 2023 to allow for public comment prior to consideration of adoption of a resolution which would approve a "School Facilities Needs Analysis" ("Analysis") for consideration of Alternative School Fees (Sections 65995.5 and 65995.7 of the Government Code) ("Analysis") prepared for the School District by Cooperative Strategies. The public hearing will be at the Board of Trustees meeting room located at 440 Griffith Avenue, Wasco, California 93280.

If adopted by the Board of Trustees, the Resolution and the Analysis would authorize the imposition of the Alternative No. 2 and Alternative No. 3 school impact mitigation fees on new residential development within the School District as permitted by Senate Bill 50, Chapter 407 of the Statues of 1998. The Analysis can be reviewed during the public review period of February 10, 2023, through March 14, 2023 at the offices of the Superintendent, located

at 1102 5th Street, Monday through Friday from 8:00am through 4:00pm. Copies may also be purchased from the same office. The Board of Trustees will respond to written comments on the Analysis at or before the public hearing.

sis or the public hearing should be directed to Karen Evans, at (661) 758-Publish Wasco Tribune February 9,

Any questions regarding the Analy-

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Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 357 Beckes St. Wasco, CA 93280 Jonatan Abner Jimenez Garcia The business is conducted by: Indi-Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Jonatan Abner Jimenez Garcia, Date Statement Filed: 01/19/2023 Date Statement Expires: 01/19/2028 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: P Del Villar Publish Wasco Tribune February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 2023

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Notice is hereby given that Pond Union School District, Wasco, Ca. will receive qualifications for professional architect services regarding the initial project of construction of a new UPK/TK/All-Day K Classroom. The RFQ will be available for download

are to be submitted to Alex Lopez at alopez@pond.k12.ca.us . Notification to Receive Question Responses and RFQ Revisions: Firms that want to receive answers to questions and any RFQ revisions must provide Contact information at alopez@pond.k12. ca.us with the contact person's name, firm, and email address. Publish Wasco Tribune February 9, 16,

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2023-B0728

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PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement **Pedro Security Service**

1941 Dover St Delano, CA 93215 County: KERN Mailing address of business: 1941 Dover St Delano, CA 93215 Pedro Flores Jr Business was conducted by: Indi-/s/Pedro Flores Jr, Owner Original FBN Statement File Number: 2022-B3333 Original FBN Statement Filed on: This statement of Abandonment filed on: 02/01/2023 Aimee X. Espinoza

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PASTORS CORNER

Why are religions different?

PASTOR RUBEN ZARTMAN

Ebenezer Reformed Church Shafter

Churches have a lot of things in common. But they are not all the same. There are differences as well as similarities, as anyone who has visited other churches while on vacation can verify. And if there are differences between one congregation and another, or one denomination and another, that's even more obvious between one religion If you've ever thought about it, it's kind of a

strange thing. We're all human beings, after all, and we share a lot of the same interests, concerns and problems. If all religions are motivated, at least in part, by a sense that there's more to this life than just what we see, how come they wind up being so different from one another? It would be too easy and

superficial to explain those differences as just due to a unique history or a distinct culture. Of course that kind of factor plays a role. But there is also a difference of ideas (aka doctrines or teachings). In one of his early books,

The Pilgrim's Regress, C.S. Lewis gives a very

striking image. "In a country where all the food



but some of it very much less than more - you need very complicated rules indeed to keep healthy." That vividly explains why every religion has things you're supposed to do, and things you aren't. We all know that there are problems and dangers that have to be navigated some-Lewis' imagery gives us

is more or less poisoned -

one clue to answering the question why religions are different. What they

ask their followers to do is different, in part,

because there are different views as to which metaphorical foods are more poisoned than others, or how best to counteract the poison. In that way, it's a similar situation to different diets. People go for ketogenic or plant-based or Mediterranean or carnivorous diets, based in part on what problems they're trying to address with a

We can give one answer to the question, "Why are religions different?" We can say, "Because their diagnosis of the human problem, and their prescription for what to do about it, are not all the same." If you had to describe in simple language the basic problem humans face and the best way to tackle it, what would you

PETS OF THE WEEK Roscoe is looking for love

JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press

This handsome boy is named Roscoe, and he is looking for a perfect forever home. Roscoe is a black and tan German shepherd mix who is guessed to be about 2 years old and weighs almost 100 pounds. This sweet boy is full of energy and loves to run around. Roscoe would love to have fur siblings

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Roscoe has passed all of his SAFER evaluations, has been neutered and has his vaccines. A large yard with a tall fence would be a big bonus to keep Roscoe safely at home. If you would like to meet Roscoe please come out to the Shafter Animal Shelter and meet this loveable guy. The shelter is located at 18849 S. Shafter Ave. You can also contact us at 661-746-2140.

--Shafter Animal Shelter



Roscoe is looking for forever

DEATH NOTICES

Irene Gonzales, 85, of Bakersfield passed away Jan. 28, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

Cheryl Wheeler, 67, of Bakersfield passed away Jan. 28, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

Mary Ann Gonzalez, 76, of Wasco passed away Jan. 31, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

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THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): FRED KENNETH PITTS AND PAMELA ANN PITTS, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded: 11/8/2013 as Instrument No. 000213163363 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of KERN County, California; Date of Sale: 3/8/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: On the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$186,174.64 The purported property address is: 18425 POPLAR AVENUE, SHAFTER, CA 93263 Assessor's Parcel No.: 090-150-38-00 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. 22-01831-BF-CA Title No. 2211089 A.P.N. 026-301-10-00 AT-TENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOW-ING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUS-TOR ONLY PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/24/2019. UNI ESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PRO-TECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Eric N. Brown And Sandi V. Brown, Husband And Wife As Joint Tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 10/29/2019 as Instrument No. 219143624 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Kern County, California. Date of Sale: 03/27/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Front Entrance to the City Hall, City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$156,539.50 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 456 Curtis Ave, Shafter, CA 93263 A.P.N.: 026-301-10-00 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice

of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to con-

requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 or visit this internet website www. ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 22-01831-BF-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TEN-ANT*: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 888-264-4010, or visit this internet website www. ndscorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-01831-BF-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. *Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 01/20/2023 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 800-280-2832: Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com Connie Hernandez. Trustee Sales Representative

PUBLIC NOTICE SUMMONS CITACIÓN JUDICIAL NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

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A-4771930 01/26/2023. 02/02/2023.

Angelita Hernandez, an individual; and Does 1-100, inclusive YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMAN-DANTE):

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form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default. and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California legal Services Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

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pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): KERN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 325 CENTRAL VALLEY HWY SHAFTER, CA 93263

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de

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nas/SBN 271873 Persolve Legal Group, LLP 818-534-3100 9301 Corbin Ave Ste 1600

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Deputy Patricia Juarez (Adjunto) Publish Shafter Press January 26, Feb-

ruary 2, 9, 16, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement La Imperial Catering Truck 2023-B0278

422 James St. Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 422 James St. Shafter, CA 93263 La Imperial Taqueria Catering Truck 422 James St. Shafter, CA 93263 State of Incorporation or Organization: CA The business is conducted by: Corpora-Date the business commenced: N/A

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/s/Hugo Garcia, CEO Date Statement Filed: 01/12/2023 Date Statement Expires: 01/12/2028 Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: C Martinez

Publish Shafter Press January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE **Fictitious Business** Name Statement R1G Head Smoke Shop 2023-B0074 2873 Sierra Hwy #A

Rosamond, CA 93560 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 3453 Quiet Splendor Ct Rosamond, CA 93560 Naser Maavah 3453 Quiet Splendor Ct Rosamond, CA 93560 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this

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Bv: A Goodwin

February 2, 9, 2023

4805 Peacock Ct Bakersfield, CA 93313 County: Kern

Mailing address of business: 4805 Peacock Ct Bakersfield, CA 93313 Yousef Aldoukhi 4805 Peacock Ct Bakersfield, CA 93313 The business is conducted by: Individual

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Business

Name Statement

Aldoukhi Services

2023-B0241

Date the business commenced: 01/01/2022 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expira-

tion. 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/Yousef Aldoukhi Date Statement Filed: 01/11/2023

Date Statement Expires: 01/11/2028 Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: C Martinez Publish Shafter Press January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement La Favorita Market 2023-B0114 749 So Shafter Ave

County: Kern Mailing address of business: 749 So Shafter Ave Shafter, CA 93263 La Favorita Super Store, Inc 749 So Shafter Ave Shafter, CA 93263 State of Incorporation or Organization:

Shafter, CA 93263

The business is conducted by: Corpora-

Date the business commenced: 01/06/2003 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expira-

tion. 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/Saleh S. Ali, President Date Statement Filed: 01/05/2023

Date Statement Expires: 01/05/2028 Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: P Del Villar Publish Shafter Press January 19, 26,

February 2, 9, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE **Fictitious Business** Name Statement Valley Wide 2023-B0321

555 E. Tulare Ave Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 555 E. Tulare Ave Shafter, CA 93263 Rosario Ruelas Perez 555 E. Tulare Ave Shafter, CA 93263 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and profes-

sions code.) /s/Rosario Ruelas Perez Date Statement Filed: 01/17/2023 Date Statement Expires: 01/17/2028 Mary B. Bedard, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

Bv: A Goodwin Publish Shafter Press January 26, February 2, 9, 16, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE **Fictitious Business** Name Statement The Bra Shoppe

2023-B0499

1400 Calloway Drive Suite 202

Bakersfield, CA 93312 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1400 Calloway Drive Suite 202 Bakersfield CA 93312 Flizabeth Ann Sotelo Matthew Ryan Sotelo The business is conducted by: Married Couple Date the business commenced: 02/01/2019 /s/Elizabeth Sotello, Owner Date Statement Filed: 01/24/2023

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Fictitious Business Name

Abandonment Statement

Date Statement Expires: 01/24/2028

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

Aimee X. Espinoza

Bra Shoppe, The 600 Coffee Rd., Ste #W Bakersfield, CA 93309 County: KERN Mailing address of business: 600 Coffee Rd., Ste #W Bakersfield, CA 93309 Matthew Rvan Sotelo Elizabeth Ann Sotelo Business was conducted by: Limited Original FBN Statement File Number:

Liability Company /s/Elizabeth Ann Sotelo, Owner 2019-B0138 Original FBN Statement Filed on: 01/07/2019 This statement of Abandonment filed

on: 01/24/2023 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: /s/J Lozano Publish Shafter Press January 26,

February 2, 9, 16, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY FISCAL YEAR (FYs) 2018-2019, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLANS FOR

This shall be the Purchaser's sole and

exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall

have no further recourse against the

Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary,

the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Ben-

eficiary's Attorney. If you have previ-

ously been discharged through bank-

ruptcy, you may have been released of

personal liability for this loan in which

case this letter is intended to exer-

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS On March 14, 2023, the County of Kern Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing to provide the opportunity for public comment regarding the following proposed amendments to the County's FYs 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-23 Annual Action Plans (AAP) for Community Development Programs. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following proposed substantial amendment pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and the County's Citizen Participation Plan. Subsequent to the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors may authorize the Department to amend the existing Community Development Block Grant

(CDBG) funded activities as follows: Create - CD Project No. 18.22.2 - Rodriguez Park Multi-purpose Field and Retention Basin Improvements - Project includes the design, construction, and installation of multipurpose recreation field lighting, plus expansion of an existing retention basin and installation of new underground pipelines used for stormwater collection and conveyance, and related park and facility improvements. Project meets eligibility requirements under 570.201(c) and a National Objective under 570.208(a)(1); HUD Use Code 03F- Park, Recreational Facilities. Utilize CDBG funding from the cancelled Community Pool Improvement project Community Development Project No. 18.18.1 - City of Shafter Community Pool Improvements and other CDBG funds allocated for City use from the County's allocated CDBG funds under Annual Action plans for 2018-2019, 2020-2021 and

2021-2022 to the planned project for Rodriguez Park. Immediately after the public hearing, the Board will consider the following actions as

described above:

Date:

Time:

Approve the proposed amendments to the County's FYs 2018-2019, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Annual Action Plans for Community Development Programs; and, Authorize the County Planning and Natural Resources Department Director to submit all

required documentation to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The public hearing is currently scheduled for:

Location: Board of Supervisors Chamber County Administrative Center 1115 Truxtun Avenue, First Floor Bakersfield, California 93301

March 14, 2023

2:00 PM or thereafter

Comments and/or questions, prior to the public hearing concerning the proposed amendments can be directed to James Golden or Lonnie Bell at:

Planning and Natural Resources Department - Community Development Division 2700 "M" Street, Suite 250, Bakersfield, California 93301 Phone: (661) 862-5020

Facsimile: (661) 862-5052 TTY Relay: (800) 735-2929

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Board Meeting. Every effort will be made to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities

by making meeting material available in alternative formats. Requests for assistance should be made five (5) working days in advance of a meeting whenever possible. Publish Shafter Press February 9, 2023

https://www.kerncounty.com/qovernment/covid-19-dashboard

Please call Community Development if there are any specific questions regarding proposals and how to participate and/or comment on proposals will be considered at the