

Cortez wins council seat by 1 vote

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Wasco Tribune

Incumbent Mayor Tilo Cortez won by one vote over City Council candidate Eddie Saldana in the District 4 race.

For most of the race, Cortez has led. As of Nov. 25, both were tied at 434 votes until Cortez took a one point lead on Nov. 29, when the county declared the voting complete.

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In District 2, Vince Martinez will be the newest City Council member with 414 votes against the next candidate, William David Ward, who received 376 votes.

The votes will be certified on Thursday, Dec. 3 according to previous elections.

Saldana is unhappy with the outcome of the election.

“I had about 800 people come up to me and tell me they voted for me,” Saldana said in a phone call on Tuesday.

Unfortunately, the numbers don’t show there were even 800 voters for that particular council seat. There were 869 voters for District 4.

Saldana said that he spoke with someone Tuesday morning and was told that it could cost him over \$1,000 to file for a recount.

A call was made to City Clerk Maria Martinez about this issue, and she suggested a call be made to the elections office.

The elections office was contacted Tuesday morning and an email was received from

While no dollar amount was given in her email, Laura Cantu, the acting division chief, Kern County auditor-controller, said

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From left, incoming Superintendent Cobb's family, Sarah, Rob, Keri, Grace and Hannah Cobb.

Cobb steps up as superintendent in January

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Beginning on Jan. 1, Assistant Superintendent Rob Cobb will officially become superintendent.

Current Wasco Union High School District Superintendent Laurie Albrecht is retiring at the end of this year.

Cobb was born in Paradise, a small town in northern California. He was raised near a mountain community close to Paradise called Magalia. It wasn’t until the sixth grade that his family moved to Fresno.

“The premature passing of my mother caused us to move multiple times,” Cobb said. He attended high school in Klamath River and in

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Redding and was able to return to school in Fresno and graduate from Hoover High School.

Cobb began dating his wife, Keri, in high school before they both left Fresno for college.

“Keri graduated from UC Irvine and moved to Wasco to begin her career in city and regional planning,” he said. “I graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo a year later and moved to Wasco shortly after we got married.”

Even though Cobb moved frequently, he was elected freshman class president. However he admits that there were only 40 students in

the freshman class, and, “I did not feel a calling to school government at the time.”

Cobb spent most of his free time competitive swimming when and wherever he could. He spent a lot of time fishing, kayaking and guiding whitewater rafting on the Klamath River.

Cobb obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in ecology and systematic biology from Cal Poly, SLO. His degree emphasis was on freshwater fisheries management.

Cobb then received his teaching and administrative credentials and two master’s degrees from the University of LaVerne extension in

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Council debates how mayor is selected

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The City Council tabled a discussion in how the way the Mayor of Shafter is selected. Currently, the selection of mayor is done by a majority vote.

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Mayor Gilbert Alvarado proposed this should be done on a rotating basis instead of by a majority vote. He cited that other cities in the county select their mayor in a similar manner, with the council members taking a turn to serve as mayor.

Councilmember Manuel Garcia agreed with proposing a discussion to change the procedure. Councilmember Chad Givens commented that the procedure is already in place in the charter and thought that there shouldn’t be a discussion.

Alvarado said his reasoning is that the current selection process creates division in the council and not unity.

City Manager Gabriel Gonzales said that the city has discretion to make a resolution to change the way the mayor is selected without changing the charter.

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Espinoza joins Alvarado and Givens on council

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

Gilbert Alvarado, Chad Givens and Pete Espinoza won seats on the City Council after the count was completed.

Newcomer Espinoza was the top candidate with over 20% of the vote with incumbents Givens and Alvarado coming in second and third.

This is after the Kern County Elections Office announced the official final results for the local races.

Kris Lawrence, who was in the third spot after election night, saw that lead disappear as the counting continued

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Pete Espinoza led all candidates with 20% of the vote.

Thanksgiving event helps lift holiday spirit

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

This holiday season has been difficult for many families dealing not only with the pandemic, but with job loss, businesses closing, and social distancing restrictions.

During these times, the community has risen to the challenge to help support neighbors and unite the city.

Facing a Thanksgiving that was void of

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the usual holiday events, residents had to find ways to celebrate the holiday.

An example of Thanksgiving spirit was the event held at the Shafter Recreation Department in which 100 families were able to shop in the Recreation Department’s parking lot to gather ingredients for a complete

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Shafter Lions Club was just one of the organizations that took part in the event.

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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.

ONGOING

Wasco Parks and Recreation will be encouraging homes and businesses to decorate and #lightupWasco. They can sign up at the Rec. to be a part of the route. The Community will vote for the best decorated homes and businesses.

Warm clothing drive — District 4 Supervisor David Couch is collecting blankets, coats, gloves, hats, scarves and socks. Donations will benefit families in District 4. To schedule an in-person pickup, call 661- 868-3680.

Utility bills — The City of Wasco reminds residents that the city's official website is the only authorized avenue to pay your utility bill online.

Covid-19 testing — There will be free covid-19 testing at the Wasco Library, 1102 7th St., Wasco. If you have insurance, they will be billed. Appointments can be made at 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.

Reopened — Shafter City Hall has reopened to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hours for the finance department are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 661-746-5000.

Food2Door — The program delivers 70 pounds of food once a month to seniors 65 and older, sponsored by the City of Shafter CAPK and Kern County. Call 661- 498-7831 ext. 1310 to find out if you're eligible for the program.

CAPK y el Condado de Kern “Programa FOOD2DOOR” atienden a personas mayores de 65 años . Una caja de

comida de 70 libra cada mes se entrega directamente en la puerta. El programa no se basa en los ingresos, está diseñado para mantener a las personas en sus hogares y mantenerse saludables para que podamos vencer al COVID-19.

Llame al 661-498-7831 ext. 1310 Para averiguar si es elegible para el programa e inscribase hoy mismo.

TUESDAY

Senior lunch program — The senior sack program gives out lunches to seniors every first and third Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m., sponsored by the Golden Gleaners. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

THURSDAY

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

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 serve. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

SATURDAY

Museum — The Shafter Depot Museum is now reopened to the public on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Depot is located at 150 Central Valley Highway.

Visit with Santa — Enjoy milk and cookies with Santa on Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. at Lennar at Gossamer Grove New Shafter.

Christmas boutique — Enjoy shopping, food trucks and holiday spirit at an outside Christmas Boutique on Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Westside Family Fellowship, 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

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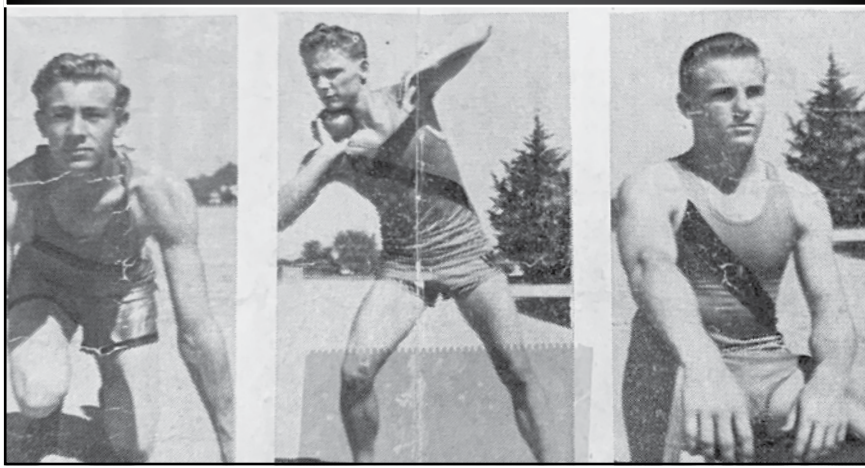
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HEADLINES IN HISTORY

Compiled by Erica Soriano
20 years ago: Dec. 12, 1999

Two Shafter High graduates Jason Ghilarducci and Ryan Kroeker played for the B.C. Renegades football team championship against City College of San Francisco.

30 years ago: Dec. 5, 1990

The Shafter Library celebrated its 25th

year in its building. It was newly reconstructed in 1966.

40 years ago: Dec. 10, 1980

A few of Shafter High M.E.Ch.A. Club members donated their time is prepping the Shafter Depot for painting. Amongst the members that put in the work were Gilbert Holguin, Eddie Arismendez, Gary Rodriguez and Joaquin Patino.

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ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

Nov. 23

Emmanuel Torres, 34, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence.

Nov. 24

Jorge Luis Barrios, 27, of Shafter, was arrested on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Nov. 25

Richard Shane Castilleja, 36, of Shafter, was arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence.

Nov. 26

Vincent Earl Ince, 26, of Shafter, was arrested for driving without a license and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Nov. 27

Alma Estela Gonzalez, 46, of Shafter, was arrested for false ID to specific public officer, on a felony bench warrant and on a out-

side agency warrant.

Valerie Justine Nixon, 23, of Shafter, was arrested for inflicting corporal injury onto spouse and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

John Arthur Chavez Jr., 25, of Shafter, was arrested for ammunition by prohibited person, felon in possession of a firearm and possession of controlled substance.

Don Deshawn Webb, 49, of Shafter, was arrested on a felony bench warrant.

Nov. 28

Adrian Ambrosio Garcia, 24, of Shafter, was arrested for reckless driving, DUI, causing great bodily injury and failing to drive on the right side of the road.

Nov. 29

Marco Antonio Silva Jr., 22, of Shafter, was arrested for attempted murder, felon in possession of a firearm and child cruelty.

Nov. 30

Joiesia Manuel Martinez, 24, of Shafter, was arrested on an outside agency warrant, on a misdemeanor bench warrant and for possession of controlled substance.

BUTTONWILLOW

As reported by the Buttonwillow Substation

Nov. 16

Jiovan Cota Romero, 33 of Buttonwillow, was arrested in the 100 block of 2nd Street in Buttonwillow for stalking and disobeying a court order. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Nov. 24

Chelsea Nicole Lara, 35, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Fresno Avenue and Wasco Avenue in Wasco on two misde-

meanor warrants. She was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Nov. 28

Rodolfo Javier Cortez, 31, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 5100 block of Banning Street in Bakersfield on a felony warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Daniel Del Toro, 40, of Shafter, was arrested at the intersection of Orange Street and Beech Street in Shafter for driving on a suspended license, domestic violence and stalking. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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As reported by the Wasco Substation

Nov. 23

Fernando Raya Almanza, 23, of Wasco, was arrested

in the 700 block of F Street on his active misdemeanor warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Robert Vincent Lopez, 26, of Bakersfield, was arrested at the intersection of Highway 46 and Poplar Avenue for misdemeanor driving on a suspended license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Julian Jeremiah McVay, 18, of Shafter, was arrested in the 800 block of 16th Street for misdemeanor reckless driving. He was cited and released at the scene.

Ernie Regalado, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on his three active misdemeanor warrants. He was cited and released at the scene.

Nov. 24

James Brian Vera, 40, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 9th Street and Broadway Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Nov. 28

Osvaldo Castaneda, 18, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Beckes Street and 7th Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Nov. 29

Ricardo Cantu, 41, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Annin Avenue and Highway 46 on his active misdemeanor warrant and for unlawful registration. He was cited and released at the scene.

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Santa Claus is coming to Minter Field

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The Minter Field Air Museum will be hosting a special visitor on Saturday, Dec. 5 as Santa Claus will be touching down at 11 a.m. to visit with local families and hand out some presents for the children.

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The museum hosts this event every year, giving the kids a chance to see Santa and receive a gift from him and his helpers. Unfortunately this year, due to the safety guidelines in place, it will be a drive-by event.

Families can park at the museum lot as Santa touches down. They will stay in their vehicles and will be able to drive up to meet Santa. The gifts are thanks to the people at Petsmart in Bakersfield, who have donated hundreds of stuffed animals for the kids.

The event is free. Drive out to the airport at 11 a.m. as Santa will be arriving on a classic helicopter, putting smiles on all of the children's faces, and spreading that Christmas spirit.



Santa touches down at last year's event.

Economic assistance program launched

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

The city introduced a new program for new and existing businesses.

The Business Expansion, Attraction, and Retention Economic Incentive Program helps businesses put down roots in Shafter. For existing businesses who wish to expand, the program is able to assist them in this endeavor.

According to Bob Meadows, economic development director, "This program has two main goals to accomplish, with incentives for businesses who call Shafter home."

The goals that drive BEAR are geared toward making Shafter a desirable place to

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do business.

"We want to encourage business owners and developers to invest in Shafter's existing commercial real estate inventory by reducing processing fees, and also want to expand the city's tax revenue base by incentivizing their investment in the historical core area," said Meadows.

This program comes at a time when many residents are concerned that the new development, be it residential or commercial, is taking place in other parts of Shafter, with the core downtown area being forgotten.

"It is great to see Shafter growing and getting these new businesses and stuff, but I would hate to see the city grow bigger, but kind of leaving the downtown area behind," said resident Maria Taqueiro. "I try to do a lot of my shopping in Shafter, but the downtown area seems to be getting left behind while the rest of the city is growing."

The new program provides a 75% waiver of all city imposed engineering, planning and building fees for new or expanding businesses within the downtown, neighborhood, and general commercial zone districts in the historical core area.

Eligible commercial projects include new construction, tenant improvements,

and improvements for facades, Americans with Disability Act requirements, and City streets, utilities and sidewalks.

City staff will review all requests from developers and business owners for fee waivers submitted under the BEAR program to ensure the businesses involved will be generating new sales tax dollars. This program does not waive impact or consultant fees, such as those necessary for certain legal processes.

Meadows said that if any business owner or developer would like any additional information, or are interested in submitting a request to be a part of the program, they can contact him at City Hall at 661-746-5007.

Teacher: Distance learning not working for some

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Wasco Tribune

Distance learning has been bad for some students, teacher Eddie Crane said.

Distance learning has allowed teachers to observe which students are lazy by not

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turning in their work, Crane said. "Distance learning has just confirmed to teachers the students or parents who don't care."

The school district has been working to

adapt itself to the restrictions, but it has not been easy, Superintendent Kelly Richers said.

The students that were allowed to return to campus under the red tier continue to do so even though Kern County dropped back

to the purple tier. If a student or staff member tests positive, there will be quarantining and testing.

Schools are currently teaching in-person special education, ESL, at-risk and students with no internet reception.

Cobb ready to tackle challenges head on

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Bakersfield.

"Wasco has been my only home and career since completing college and moving here in 1996," Cobb said. "This is my 25th year in the district; I was a teacher for 10 years and this is my 15th year in administration."

Cobb has held several different positions within the district such as biology teacher, curriculum, testing and technology coordinator, assistant principal of curriculum, instruction and accountability and director of categorical programs as well as assistant superintendent.

He originally envisioned a career as a fisheries biologist. After moving to Wasco, he discovered that Wasco High School needed a biology teacher after Frank Thiesen moved from teaching to counseling.

"While I didn't comprehend it at the time, my personal and academic background unknowingly prepared me for a career in teaching and school administration," Cobb said.

Cobb added that even though he isn't originally from Wasco, he has been able to make many meaningful memories of living and working in Wasco over the years.

"Wasco will always hold a special place in my heart as it is where my marriage, career and family all started," he said. "I have had the privilege of being a husband and fathering three amazing daughters who have given me no shortage of happy memories."

Cobb relayed an incident that sticks out in his mind when he entered his first period classroom at Wasco High for his first teaching assignment. He described the room filled with 20-30 pigeons that had found their way into his classroom through a missing ceiling tile from the attic.

"The pigeons came to roost on the top of a large window curtain," he said. "As an inexperienced teacher, I dutifully reported the situation to the front office that found it amusing and seemed more interested in observing the entertainment than suggesting a course of action. As class was due to begin,



Wasco Union High School District Superintendent Rob Cobb.

the late John Sanford came to my rescue. He simply asked me to escort the students to the library and promptly 'disposed' of the pigeons shortly before second period."

When Cobb returned to the classroom, some students informed him there were a few small specks of blood splattered on the

window curtain.

"I can only imagine what became of those pigeons, but I don't recall hearing much from the attic the rest of the year," he said.

In five years, Cobb sees himself as continuing in his role as superintendent.

"Over the last 25 years, I have come to believe that the Wasco Union High School District is an exceptional place to work," he said. "Describing the district as 'special' may be cliché, but the bonds of friendship and community create a special camaraderie not often experienced at your place of work."

Cobb said that coping with the pandemic, isolation and quarantining and not being able to have one-on-one meetings has brought many changes for individuals and organizations. He said that the district has collectively improved its proficiencies teaching and communicating in a virtual environment.

The family has made necessary adjustments. It's difficult, he said, as he watches his own children lose educational stamina and motivation over time.

"The isolation of living and working in this environment has had an unintended negative result on the mental health of many students and adults," Cobb said. "The long-term inequitable impact on education and social interaction will certainly create new challenges for us in the future."

Cobb's first priority as new superintendent will be to maintain continuity and direction during a time of transition in leadership and uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I pledge to ensure that our district provides every student with the educational social tools to compete in a global economy," Cobb said.

Cobb added that with the holidays upon us, "By far, I am most thankful for the free offering of mercy and grace from my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am also thankful for my family, my health and all the material comforts of living in the United States of America."

Cobb is looking forward to moving past COVID-19 pandemic and the hostility of a divided election.

"I hope the new year brings peace and restores public confidence in our government and elected officials," he said.

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Incumbent District 4 Mayor Tilo Cortez.



Newly elected council member for District 2 Vince Martinez.



Incumbent Alex Garcia for District 5.

Martinez wins in District 2 council race

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Tuesday that the candidate requesting the recount would have to do so in writing to her office at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 and the candidate would have to pay the cost of the recount.
Martinez thanked council member Danny Espitia for the many years of his dedicated service to the city as a member of the City Council and said that he is looking forward to working for the people of his hometown.
Cortez said that he is grateful for the numbers of voters who turned out for this election.
“This is the one time when every vote counts,” he said. “For anyone thinking his/her vote doesn’t matter, each vote matters.”
Cortez also said that he looks forward to all the candidates being active in the city in the future.
“The results of this election make sense for the kind of year we have had,” Cortez said. “Crazy year, crazy election.”
In the election for the Wasco Union High School District board, newcomer John Steward was voted in followed by incumbent Sharon Nicol.
There were no candidates running against any incumbents for the Wasco Union Elementary School District board, so there was no reason to hold an election.

Garcia fails to win re-election to council seat

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and Alvarado overtook Lawrence and Givens to get the second position in the race.
Current Councilmember Manuel Garcia failed in his bid to retain a seat, receiving just over 15% of the vote. The terms are for four years for each candidate who was elected. The position comes with a \$100 monthly stipend for council members and \$200 for the appointed mayor for the city.
The Elections Office had until Dec. 1 to ratify each election and announce the official results. With the margin of victory so small in some of the races, it took every minute of that time to have an official winner.

Gilbert Alvarado was reelected to the council with 17.8% of the vote.

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Violent crimes increase in county

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There has been an increase in crime in 2020 over 2019, said Sgt. Pete Martinez to the City Council.
Citing recently released statistics, Martinez said **WASCO** that violent crimes in the city, such as aggravated assault and homicides, have increased since 2019. He said that last year, there were 36 aggravated assaults and through Oct. 31 of this year, there have been 45 incidents with two months left to report.
“During 2019 in Kern County there were 95 homicides and in 2020, there have already been 116 with one month left to count numbers,” he said. Kern County numbers have also risen and in 2019 there were 3,790 aggravated assaults and in 2020, there have already been 3,943.
He also cited the Bakersfield Police Department with 32 homicides in 2019 and 36 in 2020. There were 914 aggravated assaults in 2019 and 1,017 in 2020.
Martinez described two separate shootings that the sheriff’s office is attempting to determine if they are related. One shooting occurred on Nov. 18 where a 37-year-old man was shot. The victim was transferred to Kern Medical where he received treatment and his wounds were not life threatening.
The other shooting was on Oct.31 and involved two victims. Both were reported not having life-threatening injuries and the victims were also sent to Kern Medical.
Martinez said everyone needs to be extra cautious during the holiday season and not leave wrapped packages or other important items in their vehicles.
“If someone passes by an automobile and sees something of interest, it’s too easy for them to ‘grab and go,’” he said. “Be sure to either put a blanket over your items or put them in the trunk.”
He also advised residents to use their home security cameras.
Martinez emphasized that people need to be wary of where they are and who is around them and keep those vehicles locked.
In other business, the City Council discussed the several board position openings that are currently available such as on the Vector Control Board and two positions on the Planning Commission. There was only one application for the position on the Vector Control Board and none for the Planning Commission.
“We will continue to advertise for the Planning Commission boards,” City Manager Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez said. He then asked the council members to discuss the open positions among their acquaintances and see if they can get some interested applicants. Ortiz-Hernandez also mentioned that there is training for members serving on the Planning Commission.

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Governor threatening curfew

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

The number of covid-19 cases continues to rise in Wasco and Shafter, much like those of the state.

Gov. Gavin Newsom said that the numbers have surged to their highest level since the pandemic began in the spring.

Prior to the Thanksgiving weekend holiday, Newsom said that he was considering leveling a curfew on California residents due to the pandemic. As of Monday, Nov. 30, no curfew has been instilled.

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Also on Monday, Newsom mentioned that he might issue stay-at-home orders once again because hospitalizations have increased by 89%.

"About 12% of Californians testing positive are likely to need hospital care within the next two to three weeks," Newsom said.

Newsom added that the intensive care cases increased by 67% in the past two weeks.

Wasco's positive covid-19 numbers have increased from 1,891 on Nov. 24

to 2,034 on Dec. 1. Shafter's numbers have also increased from 1,567 on Nov. 24 to 1,677 cases.

Wasco's number of recovered cases went from 676 on Nov. 24 to 687 by Dec. 1 and presumed recovered in Wasco for the same dates went from 527 to 548 while Shafter's numbers for the same period went from 676 recovered to 751 and supposedly recovered from 527 to 471 from Nov. 24 to Dec. 1.

On Tuesday, Dec. 1, U.S. News reported that the virus has been in the United States since mid-December 2019.

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New principal knows what it means to be a Tiger

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Everyone in Sunni Dobbs' family bleeds "orange and black" and now Dobbs is the school's principal.

Both Dobbs and her husband and their two daughters are graduates of Wasco High School. Dobbs graduated in 1994, her father in 1969 and her mother in 1972 and daughter, Allie, graduated in 2017 and youngest daughter, Raegan, in 2019.

"My dad instilled in me from a very young age that we bleed 'orange and black,'" Dobbs said.

Dobbs was raised in Wasco and loves the small-town pride that comes along with that.

As a student at Wasco High, she played volleyball for three years, was involved in cheerleading one year and played softball for four years.

"We were the back-to-back valley champs in softball," she added. And, she was involved in the Associated Student Body her junior year.

During her senior year, she was a Rose Queen candidate. That was the 25-year anniversary of the pageant and Dobbs took home the first-ever Physical Fitness Award. It was a complete surprise to Dobbs.

Dobb's first job was as a hostess at Spencer's Restaurant in Shafter, where Tony's firehouse is now located.

After graduation, Dobbs headed to Fresno State and then returned to Wasco where she attended both Bakersfield College and Taft College. She completed her Bachelor's degree at National University in Bakersfield where she majored in liberal studies.

Dobbs received her Multiple Subject Credential and Master's in Cross-Cultural Education from National University. She later earned her Single Subject Credential in history and administrative credential at Fresno Pacific.

Dobbs worked at Maple Elementary School District as a 6th and 2nd-grade teacher, athletic coach, student council advisor, oral language festival coordinator and eventually academic coach for a total of 12 years.

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In 2016 she was hired at Wasco High and is currently in her third year as the assistant principal of curriculum and instruction. She taught U.S. History her first two years at the high school and was a support teacher for the Wonderful Ag Prep Academy while coaching the freshman volleyball team as well as assisted with the varsity softball program.

"I always wanted to be a 2nd or 3rd-grade teacher since I was very young," she said. "Although when I

football games as a kid and loving the pride that the town projected.

Dobbs' pride and joy are her family, which includes a 23-year marriage to Mike, their two daughters, Allie and Raegan, as well as a 'pretty amazing soon-to-be' son in 'love' Estevan Rios. Both of Dobbs' daughters are pursuing teaching careers.

Transitioning from her family to working for the school district, Dobbs said that the district is a special place "because our staff from teachers, to the classified staff, to the administration really put our students at the forefront of every decision we make and everything we do. There is also a pride about being a Wasco tiger that is deep in so many of our staff members who were WHS graduates and returned to give back to their community."

"If someone wasn't a WHS graduate, we adopt them into the family quickly," Dobbs said. "It's always a great day to be a Tiger!"

Dobbs said that coping with the pandemic, isolation and quarantine and not being able to teach in class has been challenging because it is ever changing and evolving.

"As soon as you have a plan in place, it needs to be changed," she said. "The best thing I have

done to stay focused is to surround myself, even if it's virtually, with positive people who are going to look for the blessings in life and also having faith that God has everything under control gives me peace to be able to handle whatever is thrown my way."

Dobbs' first goal is to get students back into the classroom and do that as safely as possible.

"Our students need to be on campus with their friends and supporting adults who can help provide a structured education and routine that they can count on," Dobbs said. "They also need social and emotional support. Beyond that, my hope is to continue working together with the amazing Wasco High staff and administration to provide our Tigers with an excellent educational opportunity that prepares them for life beyond high school."



Wasco High School Principal Sunni Dobbs

was in high school, I used to tease Mr. Proffit, my softball coach, that one day I was going to come back and take his job. He would always tell me he hoped someday I would."

Dobbs reminisced about growing up in Wasco.

"When I was young, you could still be a kid," she said. "We rode our bikes all over town, played in our neighborhoods until the street lights came on and enjoyed a simple, supportive, small town life."

Her memories included playing sports through the Wasco Recreation and Parks District, attending the Rose Queen pageant and festival when it was a Thursday to Sunday event and being involved in the Wasco Packer football and cheer organization which is now the Bengals. She also remembered attending many Wasco High

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Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church was handing out bags of potatoes.

Event provides holiday meal to families

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Thanksgiving dinner for their family.

Organizations such as the Shafter Kiwanis, Shafter Lions Club, Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church and the Shafter Commanders were on hand to dole out ingredients needed for the holiday dinner including a turkey, potatoes and canned vegetables.

A couple of local sponsors stepped up to make the purchases of the turkeys possible. GAF donated \$300 and California Home Loans donated around \$1,100.

One recipient sent a message on social media the same night which read, "Thank you, Shafter Rec, for collaborating with local community service clubs and businesses in donating Thanksgiving food. Our family is grateful. We were hit with COVID-19 ourselves, a single income 5-mem-

ber family. We thought it would be a quick ordeal, but it was not. My husband was laid off, he was very ill, and it took 7 weeks before he could return to work while we recovered as well. We lost grandparents and cousins during this time. These things are unforeseen and it was a struggle to wait for unemployment for over 6 weeks but we are catching up, we thank God for healing and we just wanted to say thank you for thinking of families in the community during this pandemic and the holidays."

Shafter Recreation District Manager Phillip Jimenez said, "Thanks to all the great Shafter businesses, organizations and individuals who came together to care about our neighbors! It was amazing to see how quickly and generously everyone responded; it really made this possible. This may need to become an annual event!"

AB 1826 September 2020, AB 1826 changed its threshold from 4 cubic yards of trash/week to **2 cubic yards of trash per week**. What does this mean to you? The law now states that if commercial generators have more than 2 cubic yards of trash per week you will need to also have **organic** services. Organic services include green waste (grass trimmings, yard pruning), and food waste. Please check out our website for more info <http://americanrefuse.co/index.php/information/laws> or <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/>

AB 827 July of 2020, this law went into effect. http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB827. Full service restaurants are exempt. However, others will need to have adjacent bins with clearly marked signage. **FREE downloadable/printable signage can be found here:** <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/prtoolkit>

SB 1383 The FINAL draft of SB1383 went to the office of Office of Administrative Law in September. We are awaiting the outcome. **These regulations will all take effect in 2022.** Please stay up to date & informed with the upcoming regulations of this law it went into effect in January of 2020. Many changes will be happening to assist in the reduction of GHG for the state. This law has mandated fines, required ordinances, mandated food recovery, requirements of organic capture, and more. This is a HUGE change coming to the waste/ recycling industry. <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/slcip>



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Council will discuss change at later date

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"It says in the charter that the mayor is selected by the council and that person serves at the pleasure of the council," Gonzales said.

Givens and Councilmember Cathy Prout thought that it should be tabled and discussed at a later date.

Alvarado said that in all of the years he has been on council, he had not had the chance to serve as mayor until the most recent vote.

"I think that the way we do it now creates anger, fighting, and bad feelings," said Alvarado. Givens said in the years he has been associated with the council, there has only been one instance in which there was a 3-2 vote when selecting the mayor.

This instance is the most recent vote, when newly elected councilmembers Cesar Lopez and Garcia voted with Alvarado to make Alvarado mayor and Lopez as Mayor Pro-Tem.

The issue was put on hold and can be revisited at the Dec. 15 meeting or discussed at a Strategic Planning Retreat.

Garcia will be replaced at the end of the year by newly elected Pete Espinoza.

In other business, the City Council has decided to support a community drive-in movie event. Alvarado said that he is concerned about the safety of the event. It was proposed that the city contribute \$1,500 toward the event to provide the audio-visual equipment. Prout said that she is all for the event and the city should support the event but the council shouldn't contribute any money towards the event.

"I know that there are plenty of organizations that could step up with donations and support for the event financially," Prout said.

There is not a time or place for the event as of yet, but the event will be supported by the city with in-kind services, such as waiving of fees, logistic support and policing.



Council discusses possible change in way the mayor is selected.

DEATH NOTICES

Jose Herrera, 61, of Arvin, passed away Nov. 25 in Arvin. Peters Funeral Home Arvin.

Joyce Wolf, 76, of Ba-

kersfield, passed away Nov. 23 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home Shafter.

Celeste Turner, 20, of Delano, passed away Nov.9

in Wasco. Basham-Lara Funeral Care Shafter.

Eunice Horn, 79, of Shafter, passed away Nov. 28. Peters Funeral Home Shafter.

Virginia Nava, 43, of Wasco, passed away Nov. 28 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home Wasco.

Doyle Gallagher, 82, of Bakersfield, passed away Nov. 30 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home Shafter.

Robert A Smith, 87, of Shafter passed away Dec. 1. Peters Funeral Home Shafter.

Maria Elena Gonzalez, 80. Wasco, Dec. 1, 2020, in Wasco, Peters Funeral Home Wasco.

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29550 Merced Avenue
Shafter, CA 93263
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Michael D. Hankins, Trustee
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Shafter, CA 93263
Jose Roberto Maye Molina
334 Lopez Ct
Shafter, CA 93263
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608 Hartlepool Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93307
Matthew Subrian

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Elliott Vaughn Meacham
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Bakersfield, CA 93307
Wilma Jo Palmer
10251 Stenderup Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93307
Terri Jo Vandborg
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Peter J. DeJong, Trustee
18041 Palm Avenue
Shafter, CA 93263
Agnes J. DeJong, Trustee
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Shafter, CA 93263
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Shafter, CA 93263

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Kelly D Giblin
15626 Marty Avenue
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12/01/2010
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PASTOR'S CORNER

Open the eyes of my heart

PASTOR FRANK CABRERA

Truth Church in Shafter

Here comes the bride, all dressed and white ... Congratulations to Santiago and Kristy! At their wedding, I told them, "You've actually made my year!" It really was a very beautiful day.

In the midst of hate and chaos, their wedding demonstrated a beautiful love and sense of order that I believe God was well pleased. While things may crumble all around us, the love of God still builds and rises in the midst. Many people will remember all of the negativity and ugliness

of 2020. However, Santiago and Kristy will remember the beauty of this year found in the bond of love. I Thessalonians 5:18 says, "In everything give thanks!"

Lord, let me have a thankful heart. Open the eyes of my heart to see the love and beauty of God in the midst of every circumstance. One day, Jesus was walking on the water and saw his disciples toiling and rowing painfully on the sea, for the wind was against them, and he was about to pass them by. When they saw Jesus, they cried out and were terrified, for they did not recognize him and thought he was a ghost. Je-

sus said, Take heart, it is I, do not be afraid. Jesus got in the boat with them, the wind ceased, and they were astounded. Why? They did not consider the miracle of the loaves, because their hearts were hardened.

Preceding this story, Jesus had performed an incredible miracle. He took just five loaves and two fishes and fed 5,000 people. His disciples witnessed this firsthand but somehow their hearts were hardened by the fear of the storm. They did not remember what Jesus had just performed in their lives (Mark 4). Just like in the days of Moses when God provided his people with

manna and quail, they became unthankful because of the negative circumstances all around them.

I want to see and remember the love of God during the times of blessings, that I may see and remember the love of God during the storms of my life. 2020 has definitely been a turbulent and tempestuous year. Nevertheless, I am very thankful for another day of life, for my family, for the beauty I see in ashes, for the provision I see in famine, for the light I see in darkness, for the comfort I see in sorrow, and for the love of God I see in the midst of it all!

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Name Statement
Suave Hogar "Sweet Home"
2020-B5029

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County: Kern
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508 Violette St
Wasco, CA 93280
Blanca Esmeralda Ibarra Ibarra
508 Violette St
Wasco, CA 93280
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA
The business is conducted by: Individual
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County: Kern
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Earlimart, CA 93219
Blanca Mireya Sinco
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Earlimart, CA 93219
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PUBLIC NOTICE
SUMMONS (Family Law)
Notice to Respondent (Name):
Carlos Saavedra

Aviso al Demandado (Nombre):
You have been sued. Read the information below and on the next page. Lo han demandado. Lea la información a continuación y en la página siguiente.
Petitioner's name is: María Guadalupe Negrete
Nombre del demandante:
Case Number (Número de Caso): S-1503-FL-61593
You have 30 calendar days after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call, or court appearance will not protect you.
Tiene 30 días de calendario después de haber recibido la entrega legal de esta Citación y Petición para pre-

sentar una Respuesta (formulario FL-120) ante la corte y efectuar la entrega legal de una copia al demandante. Una carta o llamada telefónica o una audiencia de la corte no basta para protegerlo.

If you do not file your Response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs.

Si no presenta su Respuesta a tiempo, la corte puede dar órdenes que afecten su matrimonio o pareja de hecho, sus bienes y la custodia de sus hijos. La corte también le puede ordenar que pague manutención, y honorarios y costos legales.

For legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelpca.org), or by contacting your local county bar association.

Para asesoramiento legal, póngase en contacto de inmediato con un abogado. Puede obtener información para encontrar un abogado en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de

California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en el sitio web de los Servicios Legales de California (www.lawhelpca.org) o poniéndose en contacto con el colegio de abogados de su condado.

NOTICE – RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2:

These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgement is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

AVISO – LAS ÓRDENAS DE RESTRICCIÓN SE ENCUENTRAN EN LA PÁGINA 2:

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FEE WAIVER: If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may order you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs

that the court waived for you or the other party.

EXENCIÓN DE CUOTAS: Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario un formulario de exención de cuotas. La corte puede ordenar que usted pague, ya sea en parte o por completo, las cuotas y costos de la corte previamente exentos a petición de usted o de la otra parte. The name and address of the court are (El nombre y dirección de la corte son):

Superior Court, North Division
325 Central Valley Hwy
Shafter, CA 93263

The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney, are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante si no tiene abogado, son):

María Guadalupe Negrete
2404 5th Street
Wasco, CA 93280
(661) 759-3051

Date: (Fecha): NOV 03 2020
Clerk, by (Secretario, por) /s/Tamara Harber-Pickens

/s/P. Juarez, Deputy (Asistente)
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