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# Safety fears voiced at council



The Wasco staff of Express Pharmacy.

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### Express Pharmacy is part of community

#### **TONI DEROSA**

In keeping with the tradition of providing superior customer service, two local pharmacies offer to deliver what their customers need - from Bakersfield to Delano.

The Shafter and Wasco pharmacies are both named Express Pharmacy and owned by Alex Hussein.

Hussein grew up in Detroit, Michigan where he at-

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Express Pharmacy located at 650 F St., Wasco.

### Residents see more crime; want to talk

#### **TONI DEROSA**

Wasco Tribune

Residents are concerned about what they see as a rash of increasing crime within the city.

David Abernathy and Ruby Medina spoke to the City Council Tuesday night about what they think is an increased number of thefts, increased drug use and increased use of guns.

Abernathy put three questions to the council members.

He wanted to know how many officers were on patrol at any given time, why there recently has been an increase in crime and what is the city doing about it?

Backing Abernathy, Medina also stated that she was concerned about the level in crime the last two years. She cited a recent incident where people were being shot at.

"What steps is the city taking on crime?" Medina asked. "Do we have any resources to reach teens at risk?"

She also stated she felt there is a full disconnect with the Hispanic community and the Sheriff's

Department. "People need to know who to contact," she said. "We need better communication with the population so we can resolve this as a community."

Medina added that drug use and abuse and access to guns has increased and asked what if there was anything citizens could do. "I am happy to spread the word," Medina

Sergeant Peter Martinez later addressed the issue during

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City will purchase

radar sign like this.

## Winter baseball set for Wasco

#### **TONI DEROSA**

Wasco Tribune

There will be professional baseball in Wasco this winter.

The owner of the Wasco Reserve summer baseball team, Andrew Dunn, has announced that the Bakersfield Blues will be playing at the Ball Park in Wasco beginning

Dunn arranged with the Western League to bring the Blues to Wasco this winter.

"The Bakersfield Blues are the winter team for the Hollywood Stars," Dunn added. "They are part of the Western

League and will be playing eight games in Wasco."

According to Dunn, potential players for the team will arrive in Wasco Feb. 1, the draft will take place Feb. 7 and the first game is scheduled for Feb. 8.

The winter season will see the following four coaches in Wasco (listed with the regular team they play on):

- Bakersfield Blues -- Cip Garza (Regular season: Monterey Amberjacks).
- High Desert Yardbirds -- Matt Chambers (Regular season: Trinidad Triggers).
  - Hollywood Stars -- Relly Mercurio

(Regular season: Roswell Invaders, but taking a job in the Pacific division in 2020).

■ Salina Stockade -- David Peterson (Regular season: Garden City Wind)

Dunn stated that one of the biggest differences between summer and winter ball is that during the winter there are no extra innings, so the game can end in a

Since players are housed locally, the team has put out a call for host families.

"This is the fourth year we have had a winter ball team," Dunn said. "At this time,

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**Coach David Peterson** 



WHS Leadership guests at Rotary, from left, are Principal Rosalinda Chairez of John Pruiett School, sophomore Zena Gutierrez, senior Genasis Pimentel, senior Judy Kim and advisor Mike Bradley.

## Rotary Club highlights WHS student leaders

#### **TONI DEROSA** Wasco Tribune

Sixteen students at Wasco High School arrive at 7 a.m. every morning to participate in a special leadership club.

Not only does the leadership club meet every morning at zero period, they also meet every Tuesday at lunch. "These girls hop on the bus to Prueitt School, grab a lunch which is waiting for them on the bus,

eat their lunch, get off the bus within a few minutes and head to their designated classroom where they assist younger students with whatever is needed by the classroom teacher," advisor Mike Bradley said.

"When the students are done tutoring the elementary students, they rush to the bus for the ride back to the high school and head to class immediately with few minutes

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## **Community** Calendar

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NEW: Girls softball team -- Bakersfield Power Travel Girls Softball Team is seeking experienced players (age 12). Tryouts are Saturday, Jan. 11, 9 a.m.-noon at Polo Park, 11000 Noriega Rd. (near Old Farm Road), Bakersfield. Call Coach Ricky Baltazar at 661-319-7585 for more information.

NEW: Volunteer readers -- Karl Clemens Elementary School is looking for volunteer readers to read to classrooms Monday through Thursday from 9-10 a.m. Volunteers need to be trained for this project. Contact academic coach Tara Rojas at 661-758-7120, ext. 42007.

Seeking all veterans -- A meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 27, at 6 p.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall, 309 California Ave., Shafter. Call Mike Miller for more details, 661-477-9261.

**Wasco Animal Shelter** — Donations are welcomed: nonplumping cat litter, kitten/puppy chow and stainless steel buckets. Drop off donations at the shelter, 5409 7th St. Open Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MOFA -- Mexican American Opportunity Foundation of Bakersfield is a

vocational training program at no cost. Career enhancement classes, externship, computers, typing and GED. Call for more information, 661-336-6821 or email MAOF.org

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

#### **ONGOING**

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

#### MONDAY

**NEW: Puzzelmania** — Jan. 13, 3:30 p.m. at the Wasco

Free Fit Camp — Get fit with Giselle, 6:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, at the Shafter Youth Center, 455 E. Euclid Ave. On Instagram at getfitgigi.

**Zumba Gold (modified Zumba)** — FREE for all ages, 9:30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter, at the Walker Senior Center. Call Shafter Recreation for information, 661-746-3303.

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

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

day at the Wasco Recreation Center at noon. Adult education -- Enroll for classes at 1445 Poso Drive. High school diploma program, ESL, citizenship and Microsoft Office.

#### **TUESDAY**

Free yoga — White Wolf Wellness Foundation offers a free yoga class starting Jan. 7 and continuing Jan. 21, Feb.

### Mystery history

Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Wasco Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to the Tribune, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@Wasco-Trib.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. LAST WEEK: Martha Stone and Woods Store potato growers looking at their product.





4 and Feb. 18 at 7:15 p.m. at the Wasco Community Center, 1280 Poplar Ave. Yoga instructor Yani Valdez teaches stretching to help with pain, stress and anxiety. Provided by Kern Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.

FREE Adult Hip Hop Class -- 7 p.m. at the Shafter Recreation Walker Senior Center at 505 Sunset, Shafter. Classes are \$3 donation. Led by Brandi Root.

Woman's Club -- Meeting second Tuesday at noon until May at clubhouse, 1601 7th St.

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

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

#### WEDNESDAY

**NEW:** Lego Club — Jan 15 at 3:30 p.m. at the Wasco

NEW: Teen Advisory Board – Tab meets Jan. 15 at 4 p.m. Come strike up conversation about teen interest at the Wasco Branch Library.

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

#### **FRIDAY**

Storytime and craft — At 3:30 p.m. at the Wasco Li-

Seniors exercise -- Wasco Senior Center exercise class,

starting at 10 a.m. 1280 Poplar St. Family Storytime & Crafts -- 3:30-5 p.m. at the Wasco

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### PET OF THE WEEK

## Ryder is looking for a new home

Ryder is approximately 7 months old, and he's a small miniature pinscher-mix puppy with brown, chocolate, yellow, tan, blond and fawn colors in his coat. He was scanned for a microchip and nothing was found. He is great with staff and other dogs. Ryder will be available for adoption on Jan. 13. If you are interested in Ryder, come by the shelter and give him a visit. We are located at 5409 7th St. or call us to visit the shelter at 661-758-7240. (Refer to code AC19-642) -Wasco Animal Control

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Ryder is a miniature pinscher-mix puppy.

#### **ARREST LOG**

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

Israel Esquivel, 22, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of Poso Drive for possession of a narcotic substance for sale, transportation of narcotics for sale, conspiracy to commit a crime, possession of marijuana for sale, possession of unlawful paraphernalia, possession of a narcotic controlled substance

and possession of burglary tools. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Max Salazar, 29, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1300 block of 11th Street for spousal battery and willful cruelty to a child. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Gustavo Adolfo Soto, 34, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of Poso

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Drive possession of a narcotic substance for sale, transportation of narcotics for sale, conspiracy to commit a crime, possession of marijuana for sale, possession of unlawful paraphernalia, possession of a narcotic controlled substance and destroying/concealing evidence. He was booked into the Kern County Jail

Benito Santiago Cruz, 40, of Wasco, was arrested in the 800 block of Broadway for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Miguel Baraza, 19, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1000 block of Broadway for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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Jill Drescher is a volunteer in the reading program.

### 'Aviator' author at dinner

#### **TONI DEROSA**

Wasco Tribune

The author of the book behind the movie "The Aviator" will highlight this year's Minter Field Air Museum Founder's Day Banquet next month.

George Marrett is a former test pilot who has written four books on his exploits in the air, as well as his life dealing with Howard Hughes. Marrett wrote the book The Aviator, on which the 2004 movie "Aviator," starring Leonardo Di-Caprio, was based,.

The event begins at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15, at Hodel's Country Dining.

In past years, the event has drawn such speakers as generals, nationally known authors, and pilots. Last

year's speaker was Major Rachel Winiecki, the first female F35 test pilot stationed at Edwards Air Force

Marrett was a test pilot for Howard Hughes, which allowed him to be involved in the day-to-day operations of Hughes' life. Minter Field Air Muse-

um Director Ronald Pierce said Marrett will discuss his experiences with Hughes, sharing details from the life of the billionaire recluse and experiments in aviation. "He will be giving us a great look at the inside workings of this famous man. He will also be telling of the process he went through when writing the

Tickets are available at



Author George Marrett.

the Minter Field Air Museum at at the Minter Field Airport, 401 Vultee St., or by mail at P.O. Box 445, Shafter 93263. You can also call 661-393-0291 or visit minterfieldairmuseum.com.

## Reading volunteers needed at Clemens

#### **TONI DEROSA** Wasco Tribune

Prospective volunteers for KCSOS' Community Reading Program at Karl Clemens Elementary are invited to attend the one remaining training session on Thursday, Jan. 16.

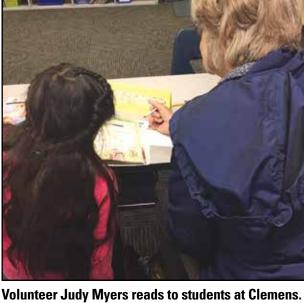
Academic Coach at Karl Clemens Tara Rojas coordinates the program. Rojas is seeking volunteers to listen to youngsters read to students as part of the Community Reading Program through the Kern County Superintendent of Schools. The program trains and provides volunteers to read with second graders.

"Karl Clemens is a wonderful place to volunteer your time listening to young students read," Rojas said. "This program was brought to Karl Clemens in 2011 by Judy Myers, Kathy Cooper and Alice Wilson."

"Each volunteer commits to spending one hour (9-10 a.m.) one day per week reading with second-grade students. Each volunteer works with four students, one at a time for 15 minutes each." According to Rojas, stu-

dents are eager for reading time and their confidence improves as they become stronger readers. Rojas added that anyone

can be trained to volunteer through a one-time train-



ing provided by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools. Volunteers must also pass a fingerprint screening and go through a short district-provided training.

Once placed at Clemens, volunteers have plenty of support to get started and are always under the guidance of teachers who can help if needed. Rojas has been the coordinator of this program since 2013.

"I am very grateful for the wonderful volunteers and they find the experience very rewarding," Rojas said. "Some of them volunteer more than one

day a week because they enjoy it so much."

Clemens is currently seeking additional volunteers to begin in late January. Anyone interested can attend the training session at the county on Thursday, Jan. 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 1300 17th Street,

Bakersfield, Room 1B. Interested volunteers can also contact Rojas at 661-758-7120 for more information about the program.

Fall 2019 volunteers included Kathy Cooper, Jill Drescher, Lisa Edick, Mary Gebhardt, Janet Grundt, Judy Myers, Marta Poe, Barbara Ware and Candice Wilson.

## Service the priority at Express Pharmacy

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tained a bachelor of science from Wayne State University's pharmacy program. When his older brother moved to Shafter and opened his own supermarket, Hussein followed.

"The best thing about Wasco and Shafter is being a part of both communities," Hus-

sein said. "In smaller communities, you get to know everybody and become a part of them."

The Shafter location, 825 Central Valley Highway, has been open since 2008; the Wasco location, 630 F Street, opened in 2011. Hussein spends most of his time in Shafter, which has 11 employees. There's six employees on the staff in Wasco, which is managed by Sam Alagha. The previous manager, Tedibus Tirmidi, passed away in 2019 after working for the Wasco pharmacy from the beginning.

"When people drive by the Wasco location, the first thing they notice is a large rock jutting out of the sidewalk in front of the pharmacy." Hussein said. "The previous owners, the Clarks, placed a bench so people could sit and wait outside -until a [real creepy-looking]



Customers served at Express Pharmacy.

and scared children. The city then removed the bench."

through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Wasco location is open Monday through Friday,

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. "If anyone has something they need from the pharmacy, and it's after hours, they can call the Shafter pharmacy and we will do our best to help them," Hussein said.

"We do one and one-half times more volume than Rite Aid," Hussein said, referring to the nearby chain pharmacy. "Our translation services and delivery service are just a sample of what we can offer our cus-

Both pharmacies are well stocked with various sundries, makeup and pharmaceu-The Shafter location is open Monday tical items such as vitamins, orthopedic aides, feminine hygiene products, hair brushes of all types, small toys for children and even hair-dying kits.



Kids' toys fill shelves.

#### at the pharmacy. clown took over the bench

## Council hears from residents on crime fears From Page 1

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his report on recent criminal activity and assured attendees the sheriff's office was working diligently on solving the recent issues. In two instances, Martinez gave reports but stated the department was still investigating the crimes and couldn't provide additional information at that time.

Vitamins and herbal supplements are also available

"We have been able to solve a lot of crimes with video cameras," Martinez said.

"We need the citizens to work with us."

In other business, the council approved the purchase of a Stalker Radar MC360 3-foot by 6-foot Message trailer, using Measure X funds for this purchase.

The Stalker Radar MC360 is a lighted sign that monitors speed of vehicles on highways or freeways. "These signs do work," Councilmember Gilberto Reyna said. "I've observed cars slowing down

as soon as they spot one of these flashing

Reyna then commented that he was surprised the city manager had only recommended the purchase of a single sign when the price was so reasonable. City Manager Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez

stated that he wanted to investigate how the sign worked and how well it worked before purchasing another one due to the cost.

Many cities use the Stalker message trailer in smaller residential streets as a temporary traffic calming tool, much like the stationary speed radar traffic signs on Palm Avenue south of 7th Street and Griffith Street south of 1st Street.

The intent of these signs is to slow down drivers if they are exceeding the speed lim-

The trailer-sign costs about \$15,000.



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## FOCUS ON LOCAL BUSINESS

# Chamber provides a strong foundation

## 'More than a fireworks show'

#### JAMIE STEWART

The Shafter Press / Wasco Tribune

The City of Shafter continues to grow as it keeps strengthening one of the most financially stable cities in Kern County,

if not the state of California.

Shafter has a valuable weapon in its arsenal when it comes to attracting new businesses, as well as growing its core city. The Shafter Chamber of Commerce is an integral part of the makeup of the city, helping local businesses in many ways.

If you ask the average

resident what the Shafter Chamber of Commerce is, they will probably tell you that they are the people that put on the annual fireworks show. Well, the chamber does put on the event, which has grown into one of the biggest shows in Kern County, attracting a large crowd from Shafter, Wasco, Bakersfield, and the surrounding areas. Zermeno said, "A lot of the Shafter residents are watching the show from their homes in their front yards, or at the parks. The majority of the people we get inside the stadium at the event are people from Bakersfield and other cities."

Rachel Zermeno, the chamber director, said

that the Chamber of Commerce is so much more than the group that puts on the fireworks show. "We are here to help our local businesses any way we can, including advertising, assisting with special events and including them on our community calendar."

Zermeno also said that for new businesses, the

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chamber offers a variety of memberships and option. "We have different levels of membership, and we offer so many tools that can help a new or existing business."

There are 76 members of the Shafter Chamber, growing substantially in the past few years.

In the beginning -- 1931, to be exact -- the Shafter Business Men's Association was incorporated. The Men's Association operated for over six years before the city incorporated in 1938, when the residents numbered fewer than 1,200. In 1946, the Men's Association changed its name to "Shafter Chamber of Commerce."

Over the course of history, the chamber has provided community leadership as a generous contributor to civic activities that celebrate the vibrant agriculture history of Shafter, such as the Shafter Potato

and Cotton Festivals, Kern County Fair exhibit, Harvest Jamboree, and of course, the annual fireworks show. Another event that is on the Chamber's annual calendar is the Shafter Chamber of Commerce and Annual Community Service Awards. This year's event is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 23, at 5:30 at

the Ford Theater.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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membership, and we offer

so many tools that can help

a new or existing business."

-Rachel Zermeno,

chamber director

The banquet recognizes a variety of Shafter individuals and businesses who have made an impact in the city and is one of the reasons Shafter keeps growing their excellent reputation. They moved the venue for the banquet this last year to the Ford Theater, from the Veterans

"It was a great move, with the change of venue really being a popular one," said Zermeno. "We also offered different levels of sponsorship for the event, which was a first for the event. This was so successful that we had a surplus of funds that we used to create seven scholar-

> ships that we were able to give to Shafter students."

Zermeno said that they will continue the tradition and will hopefully have enough money this year to again give scholarships to deserving students.

If a new business comes to Shafter, Zermeno said that the

chamber's job is to contact the business and let them know what the chamber is and how they can help their business grow and thrive in the city of Shafter.

A little-known fact is that you do not need to own a business to be a part of the group. "We welcome businesses and individuals who would like to be involved in the community and help the city of Shafter thrive and celebrate its success," Zermeno said.

A basic membership is only \$50 for an individual and \$100 for a business. For this, they receive a membership decal, a listing on the chamber's website, a newsletter listing, inclu-

### Chamber to salute many at awards Jan. 23

The Garlic Company **Agriculture Award** 

Cinco de Mayo Festival **Arts Group Award** 

Carrington of Shafter **Business Award** 

Basham & Lara Funeral Care **Commercial Remodel Award** 

**Commimity Service Award** 

Kiwanis Club of Shaffer

Rosa A. Romero **Education Award** 

Shelly Belluomini **Education Support Staff Award** 

> Russel Shipley Leadership Award

Redwood Elementary/ Richland Jr. High Cafeteria Staff Special "Recycle" Award

> Jackson Sanchez **Young Person Award**

Sharon Wiebe **Youth Development Award** 

Priscilla Barajas Student of the Year **Platinum Sponsor Award** 

sion in the Newcomers Directory and Community Calendar advertising.

There are also higher levels of membership, including Facebook advertising, Jobs Corner advertising, Fourth of July recognition and **Awards Banquet** sponsorships.

The chamber has provided community leadership as a generous contributor to civic activities.

For more information on the chamber, contact Zermeno at 661-746-2600, or shafterchamber@shafter.com.



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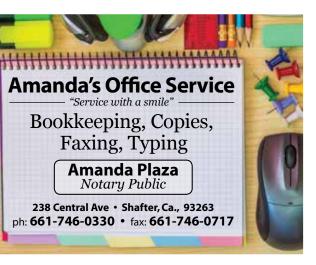
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## TJ students get recognition

**TONI DEROSA** Wasco Tribune

Thomas Jefferson Middle School announced its four Students of the Month for December.

The award is designed to spotlight students who best 'Respect the PAW" – those who show perseverance, attitude and wise choices - at

Victoria Carreno was selected for the seventh grade. She said she was surprised and happy to be receiving the recognition because it means her hard work is paying off.

we will need 15 homes for the players."

have all been so welcoming."

coming back to town.

The summer team players will begin arriving May 20, and the first game will be

"We love playing in Wasco," Dunn said. "The park district, the fans and the city

Dunn also said that Bill Moore will be

"I love Wasco," Moore said many times throughout the season -- and even

returning as the Reserve coach this sum-

mer. Coach Moore is looking forward to

after the season was over. "I love the

weather, the field and working with the

city and Parks and Recreation District."

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She plans to end the school year strong with good grades and no missing assignments. Through her perseverance in math - her hardest subject she learned that trying her best will always allow her to Another seventh grader

selected was Alexis Mendoza. He has a 4.0 GPA and recognizes his parents for always pushing him "to do well at school." He says he struggled with his History Day and Science Fair projects, falling behind for a moment, but made the wise

Winter ball on the way



Cougar is Victoria Carreno.

decision to go the extra mile after school to catch up.

An eighth-grade Cougar was Zayda Orpineda. Zayda is aware that in order to be successful one must work hard and "continually be willing to push themself." With this in mind, she has pushed herself in math, making sure she studies extra and asks for help during and after school so she can get the best understanding



winner Alexis Mendoza.

possible. For Zayda, "effort is the key to success."

Eighth-grader Adolfo Villagomez was selected for working hard and doing



Eighth-grade December Cougar is Zayda Orpineda.

well in all his classes, never giving up and always pushing himself to try harder. Adolfo's hardest subject is English, but that doesn't



Eighth-grade winner Adolfo Villagomez.

keep him from striving to do his best. He is proud of this recognition as he feels he is "being recognized for the good" that he does.



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## Student leaders at Rotary

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to spare."

The three leadership students – Judy Kim, Genasis Pimental and Zena Guiterrez – were introduced to the Rotary members by John Prueitt Principal Rosalinda Chairez, who praised each of the young women by sharing a little about them. And the students themselves had some observations about their work.

Senior Judy Kim told the Rotary members, "I was able to get a student to do more the second time I visited. I like dealing with elementary kids."

The second student to address the club was senior Genasis Pimentel.

Genasis Pimentel has only been in Wasco

for a few years and likes being able to give back. Advisor Mike Bradley provided a brief description of Pimentel's commitment to

furthering her education. "Because she wasn't here for her freshman year to attend class year-round and incorporate college classes with the school's Wonderful program, she has done so all on her own," Bradley said. "She has been taking night classes as well as attending classes during the day.'

Also, Bradley said sophomore Zena Guiterrez has had success getting more out of the students she helps.

"We have a great group of student leaders in the leadership club," Bradley said.

According to Bradley, students involved in the leadership club often work with other students in need and help out at local events. kick-starting involvement within their com-

Any student interested in the leadership club can contact Bradley at the high school.



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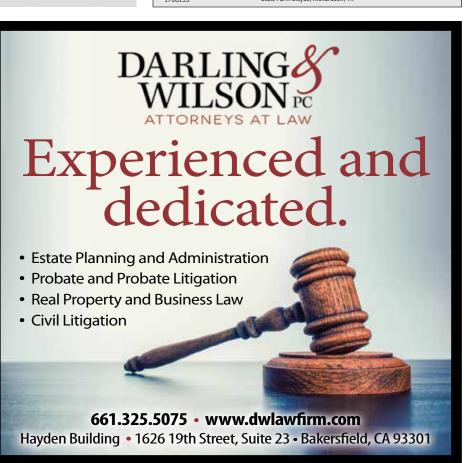
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## Palm Avenue's November Students of the Month

#### **TONI DEROSA**

Wasco Tribune

Palm Avenue Middle School held a special assembly on Friday, Dec. 13, to announce its teachers' selections of November Students of the Month.

Each student was welcomed with donuts and hot chocolate.

"Every teacher in the school was asked to nominate a male and female student to compete for November Student of the Month," Principal Oscar Luna said. "We pick a theme every month. This month our theme was 'kindness.'"

Prior to announcing the names of the students, Luna shared a story with attendees. "I just came from a funeral of an old classmate of mine at Wasco High," he said. "We chose a theme to reach everybody, not just those with good academic or athletic abilities; we do it to select a variety of students who are representative of the month's

Luna then shared why he was a bit late to the morning ceremony. "I was at a funeral of an old WHS classmate of mine, Elizabeth Holterman. He said. "Elizabeth was a year younger than I was and ... she was a good person."

"Students should try to be like Beth," he said. "The only thing people remember is the type of person you were. No one remembers the type of shoes you wore or\ the clique you were in, but they will remember the type of person you were."

Luna continued by adding that the teachers are honoring students who meet the criteria for each month's theme. "These students are selected to be a role model and hopefully will influence their neighbor in their classes," Luna said. Sixth-grade students selected were Cait-

lin Cortes, Zabdiel Gomez, Zitaly Hernandez, Jonathan Jaime, Eddie Martinez, Vanessa Puente, Caiden Sharp, Sofia Urner and Sabian Uribe. Seventh-grade students included Renzo Cruz, Cynthia Enesco, Samantha Figueroa, Rosalyn Lopez Gallardo, Angela Herrera Ojeda, Jessica Perez, Jonathan Santiago and Yvette Torres. Eighthgrade students included Andrea Aguilar, Diego Cortez, Samantha Jimenez, Maritza Quezada, Michelle Ramirez, Angelina Romero, Maritza Quezada and Enrique Va-



Principal Oscar Luna and seventh-grader Sonia Lopez.

The November Panthers of the month were eighth-grader Wenceslao Flores and seventh-grader Sonia Lopez.

The Student Council paid for the donuts and chocolate, and they get everything ready for special assemblies such as this



Principal Oscar Luna addresses the students of the month selected for November.



The cafeteria had about 30 November Students of the Month.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business** Name Statement S & G Truckline Inc 2020-B0056

902 2nd St Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 902 2nd St Wasco, CA 93280 S & G Truckline Inc 902 2nd St Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: Corpo-

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Date the business commenced:

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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/Salvador Sanchez, President

Date Statement Filed: 01/03/2020 Date Statement Expires: 01/03/2025 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk Bv: /s/M Hernandez

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#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR **CHANGE OF NAME** CASE NUMBER: SCV-19000031 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: Alberto Jr. Andres Arcos filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name Alberto Jr. Andres Arcos

Proposed Name Alberto Arcos Andres

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 1-17-2020 Time: 9:00 am Dept: B

b. The address of the court is:  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SUPERIOR}}$ COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF

325 Central Valley Hwy., Shafter, 93263 Shafter-Wasco Branch 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show

Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Wasco Tribune Date: 11/15/19

/s/Steven Shayer, Commissioner of the Superior Court Publish Wasco Tribune December 19, 26, January 2, 9, 2020

> PUBLIC NOTICE **Fictitious Business** Name Statement **C&D Spa Nails**

2019-B7828

1720 High St Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1720 High St Delano, CA 93215 Cuong M Nguyen 2519 Milan Dr Delano, CA 93215 Dung T Nguyen 2519 Milan Dr Delano, CA 93215 The business is conducted by: Married

Date the business commenced: 03/01/2010 A new Fictitious Business Name State-

ment 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/Cuong M Nguyen Date Statement Filed: 12/18/2019

Date Statement Expires: 12/18/2024 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/R Roberts-Martin Publish Wasco Tribune December 26, 2019 January 2, 9, 16, 2020

#### **Fictitious Business** Name Statement **Herbalife Nutricion** 2019-B7474 1330 F St Wasco, CA 93280

PUBLIC NOTICE

County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1330 F St Wasco, CA 93280 Galdina Zarco Villasenor 245 Kern St Shafter, CA 93263

The business is conducted by: Indi-Date the business commenced: 09/11/2019 A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does

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/s/Galdina Zarco Villasenor Date Statement Filed: 11/27/2019 Date Statement Expires: 11/27/2024 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/E Del Villar

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Petition to Administer** Estate of Margie Ann Crouch, aka Margie A.

Crouch, aka Margie Crouch Case Number: BPB-19-003207 1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the

will or estate, or both, of: Margie Ann Crouch, aka Margie A. Crouch, aka Margie Crouch 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Brian Crouch in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Brian Crouch be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: a. Date: JAN 23, 2020 Time: 8:30a.m.

b. Address of court: Superior Court of

California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, 93301, Metro Justice Building. This matter is submitted as "proper to

be submitted on the pleadings (PSP)." All matters approved as PSP will be granted unless you appear the hearing and object when the PSP calendar 7. If you object to the granting of

the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the Cali-

fornia Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

9. You may examine the file kept by

the court. If you are a person inter-

ested in the estate, you may file with

the court a Request for Special notice (form DE-154) of the fling of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: Joshua G. Wilson, Esq. Darling & Wilson PC 1626 19th Street, Suite 23/ PO Box 2411

Bakersfield, CA 93303 661-325-5075

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE Wasco Mini Storage**

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE **Notice of Public Hearing** City Council of the City of Wasco

January 21, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the City of Wasco City Council on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 6:00 pm or soon thereafter in the City Council Chambers located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, California to consider the following: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO DECLAR-ING THERE ARE NO UNMET TRANSIT

NEEDS THAT CAN REASONABLY BE MET WITHIN THE CITY OF WASCO The supporting documents may be

viewed during normal business hours at the Finance Department located at 764 E Street, Wasco, California 93280. Any person wishing to testify on the above resolution or the adoption of the resolution may appear before the City Council at their hearing on January 21, 2020, or may submit written comments on or before January 21, 2020. If you challenge this resolution or any aspect of it in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Wasco City Clerk, 746 8th Street, Wasco, California 93280 at or prior to the public hearing. If you need special assistance to

participate in the meeting described in this notice, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (661) 758-7215 (or via California Relay Service) to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. Requests for assistance should be made at least 2 days in advance whenever possible. If you have any questions you may contact Daniel Briney, Interim Finance Director at (661) 758-7230.

/s/ Maria O. Martinez, City Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune January 9,

#### PUBLIC NOTICE The Wasco City Council is recruiting for one (1) individuals to serve on the

Wasco Parks and Recreation Board

Member for a Four (4) year term end-

ing December 2024. Members are nominated and appointed by the full Council and must

be a resident of the City throughout their term. Any residents wishing to be considered for this appointment should com-

plete and submit an application to the City Clerk. Applications are available at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 746 8th Street, or at the City website: www.ci.wasco. ca.us Applications must be returned to the City Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 16th, 2020 For further information and assistance regarding this appointment, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (661) 758-7215

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** Fictitious Business Name Statement Alvarez Tune-Up & Exhaust 2020-B0001

1203 Cecil Ave Ste B Delano, CA 93215 County: Kern Mailing address of business: 1815 12th Ave Delano, CA 93215 Angel Anthony Medina Alvarez

1815 12th Ave Delano, CA 93215

The business is conducted by: Indi-

Date the business commenced: 01/02/2020

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Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.) /s/Angel Anthony Medina Alvarez Date Statement Filed: 01/02/2020 Date Statement Expires: 01/02/2025 Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/M Hernandez Publish Wasco Tribune January 9, 16, 23, 30, 2020

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** Statement of Abandonment Of **Use of Fictitious Business Name TPWC** 5117 Laura Court

Bakersfield, CA 93308 County: KERN Mailing address of business: 5117 Laura Court Bakersfield, CA 93308 Thomas Ray Putman 5117 Laura Court Bakersfield, CA 93308 I declare that all the information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) Business was conducted by: Individual /s/Thomas Ray Putman, owner

Original FBN Statement File Number: 2019-B7082 11/08/2019

Original FBN Statement Filed on: This statement of Abandonment filed on: 11/20/2019

MARY B. BEDARD, CPA Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: /s/R Edmiaston, Deputy Publish Wasco Tribune January 9, 16, 23, 30, 2020

**OBITUARIES** 

#### Irene M. Vono June 15, 1920 -Dec. 28, 2019

Irene M. Vono was born in Webster City, Iowa, on June 15, 1920, to Aurelio Morandi and Seconda Semprini and was the oldest of five children. Irene was married to Charles J. Vono for 39 years and together they raised their children, Cynthia, Nancy and Carl. Irene was a legal secretary for attorney Gordon A. Drescher for over 40 years. She retired in 1998 at the age of 78. She was wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Irene graduated from high school in Lehigh, Iowa, in 1937, and from the American Institute of Business in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1941. She moved with her husband to Wasco in

Irene loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed painting and won a sweepstakes ribbon for her scratchboard peacocks. She



ting and crocheting, and belonged to the "Happy Hookers." She enjoyed fellowship at the Wasco Senior Center.

Irene was a member of Alpha Iota sorority and St.

John's Women's Society. She attended St. John the **Evangelist Catholic Church** in Wasco.

Irene is survived by her children, Cynthia Parks (Jim), Nancy Ayers and Carl Vono (Linda); grandchildren Carrie Mosley, Jason Parks, Christopher Parks, Brandon Parks, Eric Vono, Nicholas Ayers and Sean Ayers; and greatgrandchildren Garrett Mosley, Andrew Mosley and Sara Mosley; and brother Michael Morandi.

Services were held at St. John's Catholic Church on Friday, Jan. 3. The family would like to thank Hoffman Hospice for their compassion and care during this difficult time.

#### Robert Ashby Woolley Died Dec. 10, 2019

Robert Ashby Woolley, 79, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019, in Everett, Wash., following a battle with Alzheimer's disease.

He is survived by twin sister Bette Williams; children Kevin Woolley, Sarah Woolley and Taryn Woolley; and grandchildren Katelynn Woolley, Nathan Woolley and Cashlie Rennie; as well as his stepdaughter, Natalie Hitchcock. He was preceded in death by his partner of 10 years, June L. Bartlett.

Bob was born and raised in Wasco, the son of Herb and Ruth Woolley.

In his early years, Bob spent time fishing, hunting and boating with his father and grandfather. He was also an avid swimmer and tennis player in high school. His passion for flying started at a young age. He was very involved in the family crop-dusting business; his father taught him to fly when he was 16 years old.

Bob attended Bakersfield College before enlisting in the Navy. He went to flight



training in Pensacola, Fla., then transferred to Travis Air Force Base, where he trained to fly C130s. He was awarded the Air Medal for his service during Vietnam.

Following his father's advice to get training on larger, multiengine planes, he transitioned easily from the Navy to Trans World Airlines after completing his military service. Bob had a remarkable 34-year career with TWA, flying their entire fleet of aircraft. He retired as a captain flying 767s internationally.

It was during one of his flights that he met Nancy Dalton, who was serving as a flight attendant. They married, had two children while living in San Jose, and then moved to Westlake Village in 1980, where they

had their third child. Bob moved to Fox Island, Wash., in 2006, where he spent his time fishing on his boat and feeding the local wildlife. He also was an active member of the Fox

Island Yacht Club.

While living on Fox Island, Bob met and fell in love with June L. Bartlett, a retired advanced registered nurse practitioner. They shared many happy years and adventures: boating, traveling, cooking and playing with their beloved dogs. They were inseparable until she passed away shortly before him.

Bob's outgoing nature was cherished by all he knew; he was a friend to everyone he met. A selfless man, he served his family and friends without looking for anything in return. He will be greatly missed.

To send flowers to the family of Robert Ashby Woolley, please visit Tribute Store.

### **DEATH NOTICES**

Isidro Cortazar Aparicio, 85, of Wasco, passed away Dec. 28 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

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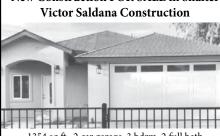
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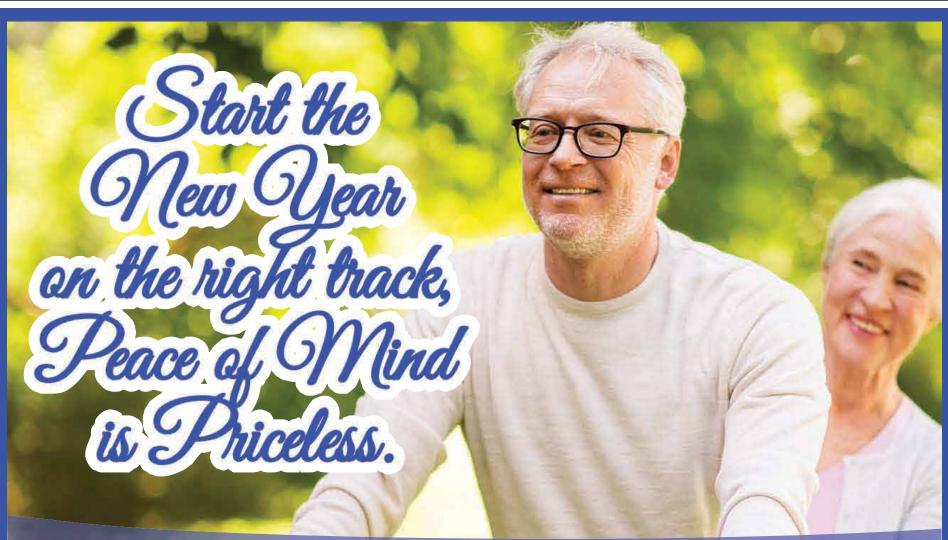
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