

# Council reaching agreement with HSR

**JAMIE STEWART**  
Wasco Tribune

There seems to be a light at the end of a long tunnel, the tunnel being the conflict that has been going between the City of Wasco and the High Speed Rail Authority. The Wasco City Council discussed an agreement that is being negotiated with the authority.

Tuesday night, the HSR would agree to five different agreements, each addressing a different phase of the contract.

During the past decade, the HSRA and

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the city of Wasco have been in negotiations. Various project impacts, especially the former labor camp situation, created friction between the two parties. Recently, secured funding has removed a significant barrier to settlement of the situation. The city and HSRA are now finalizing a series of agreements to resolve the situation.

In one agreement, known as the Cooperative agreement, HSRA provides \$6.5 million funding for projects, such as 13th Street im-

provements, reconstruction of 12th Street, to Poso Avenue and alley reconstruction, sewer line connection between J St. and H St, and the 6th Street closure and rehabilitation.

In this agreement, the HSRA would pay the \$6.5 million to the city of Wasco upfront, and the city would then hire the companies to do the contracting and the work, and then turn in the receipts to the HSRA.

Another agreement is the Labor Camp Demolition and Clean-up. In this agreement, the HSRA would pay the city up to \$9.3 million for the demolition of the

camp, including the asbestos removal and the clean up of the area. According to City Manager Scott Hurlbert, there would be benefits also to the city by allowing the Kern County Fire Department to use the area as a training site, getting the materials disposed of, while giving the county a resource for their training purposes.

The Operation and Maintenance agreement would see the city of Wasco receive \$2.9 million to cover the city's capital and O&M costs for the Amtrak Tunnel and Poso

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Kylee, Deegan and Zaydenn Spears sit in the Follow Me Jeep.

## A big second half of 2022 for Shafter

*This is the second half of the 2022 Shafter year in review. The first part ran last week, and is available online at [TheShafterPress.com](https://www.theshafterpress.com)*

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

The second half of 2022 was an eventful one in Shafter, with a historic playoff run by the Shafter Generals football team, a general

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election that ended with a new member on the City Council, and the return of July 3 Fireworks Show, put on by the Shafter Chamber of Commerce. New businesses opened in Shafter, too, including the first Starbucks location, as well as new sites for Amazon and Walmart.

**JULY**

The Shafter Chamber of Commerce held its annual July 3 Fireworks Show at Shafter High School. The return of the event was packed with residents, from Shafter, Wasco, Bakersfield and throughout Kern County. It was held at the Shafter Recreation fields, due to the renovation being completed at the new

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Bike parade around Barker Park was a new addition to the 4th of July activities. RIGHT: Knights of Columbus member Joe Dominguez said he felt lucky that he could give blood. (July)



## Wasco's year in review — the second half of 2022

*This second-half review follows last week's summary that also is available online at [WascoTribune.com](https://www.wascotrib.com)*

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

July welcomed the Houchin Community Blood Bank bus back again to Wasco.

It was a great turnout. Those that came understood they were helping

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to save lives.

The event partnered with Wasco Knights of Columbus, Pizza Factory and Iron Valley Fitness as sponsors.

"Every time we partner with the Knights of Columbus, it is a big success," HCBB account coordinator Stephanie Pimentel said.

Mayor Reyna of the Knights of

Columbus said, "We have been doing this for the last 12 years."

With each donation, three lives are saved.

"It makes a difference because blood donations have decreased, and we try to educate, especially the next generation of donors," Katherine Deford, HCBB mobile supervisor, said.

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Despite Rob's ordeal, the Cobb family has maintained a positive outlook. (Photo courtesy of Keri Cobb)

## Wasco welcomes back beloved educator Cobb

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

After a long battle against pancreatic cancer, Rob Cobb finally returned home to a moving tribute to welcome him back to Wasco. Hundreds of community members came to show their respect and love for him and his family.

Juan Gallardo, a close friend, said, "Learning he has limited time, I woke up one day and said if he is coming home, we need people to see him for one last time. Though we are hoping and praying for a miracle."

"It was amazing, and it just so happened to fall on his 50th birthday. It was incredible we had the opportunity to reach out to people, some of which cut their vacation short to attend the event."

The streets were lined with large cheering crowds as Rob and his family passed by in their vehicle. A Kern County Fire Department truck escorted the Cobb family into Wasco, and you could hear many people screaming, "We love you."

Wasco High School cheerleaders, administrative staff, teachers, coaches, sports teams and janitors came to support him.

There were also different leaders from the local middle and elementary schools, district board members, churches, people from Shafter and the Orange Heart Foundation.

Rob's wife, Keri Cobb, said, "Our family was so honored and humbled by the outpouring of love and kindness we were shown as we were welcomed home by our community."

"Seeing and hearing what my husband means to you all

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Councilmember Gilberto Reyna with Ms. Wasco Rose Queen Ensley Mehlberg. (Photo courtesy of Councilmember Gilberto Reyna)



Spectators wished Rob a happy birthday. (Photo courtesy of Councilmember Gilberto Reyna)



# 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](mailto:esoriano@TheShafterPress.com) or call 661-292-5100 by Monday at 4 p.m. for that week's paper.

## ONGOING

**Book bags** – The Shafter Library and Learning Center have book bags (10 books in each) that can be checked out. The bags include books mostly for the kids, but who says that adults can't enjoy them, too? Red bags for the holiday and orange bags with Halloween books; blue bags include books to improve reading skills, on all subjects and a lot of picture books. Bilingual book bags, too. Available any time at the library.

**Learning Center classes** – Registration for spring classes, including art, cooking and Spanish. Call the library for registration at 661-746-5055. For more information, visit [shafter-learning.com](http://shafter-learning.com)

**Adult ed registration** – Wasco Adult Education Center Spring 2023 registration is open. Enroll for high school diploma, ESL, citizenship, Hiset English and Introduction to Computer. Wasco Adult Education Center, 1445 Poso Dr., 661-758-7414. All classes are free.

**EMS training** – Emergency Medical Responder 8-week programs. Register now to start Tuesday, Jan. 17. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-9:35 p.m. or starting Monday, March 13, with classes Mondays and Wednesdays 6-9:10 p.m. Wasco Adult Education Center, 1445 Poso Dr. 661-758-7414. In association with Bakersfield College.

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

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

All residential households can order four free at-home covid-19 tests. Visit [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov)

## MONDAY

**North Kern 4H** – Meetings are held at Karl Clemens cafeteria at 7 p.m. every second Monday of the month. For more information, contact Chris at 661-809-2851.

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

## TUESDAY

**Shafter City Council** – Meetings are held every first and third Tuesday of the month at City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave.

**Wasco City Council** – Meetings every first and third Tuesday of the month. Meetings are held at 746 8th St. at 6 p.m.

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

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

## WEDNESDAY

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

**Shafter Kiwanis** – Meetings Wednesdays at 12 p.m. at the Shafter Veterans Hall.

**Shafter Woman's Club** – Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month, September through May, starting at 11 a.m. at the Shafter Youth Center, 455 Euclid Ave.

## THURSDAY

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

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

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

## FRIDAY

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

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

## SATURDAY

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

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

# Mystery history

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## ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

#### DEC. 26

Ascencion Lopez Jr., 31, of Shafter, was arrested in the 5000 block of Poso Avenue for possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

Rogelio Barajas, 34, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block South Wall Street for defraud/identity theft, obstruction of a public officer/technician and trespassing.

#### DEC. 27

Kathie Eunice Maldonado, 28, of Shafter, was arrested in the 600 block of Los Angeles Avenue for battery and child support.

#### DEC. 28

Miguel Angel Lopez Jr., 31, of Shafter, was arrested on Santa Fe Way and Cherry Avenue for driving without a license, on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge and proof of responsibility.

Ricardo Vargas, 23, was arrested for grand theft and other larceny.

Elizabeth R. Vidales, 37, of Shafter, was arrested on the Central Valley Highway for possession of a narcotic and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Ray Anthony Sanchez, 36, was arrested for possession of a narcotic and controlled substance and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Paul Cruz Gutierrez, 27, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of Central Valley Highway for possession of a controlled substance and burglary tools, and on an outside warrant.

Zachariah Aaron, 18, was arrested on the West Tulare Avenue for driving without a license.

Jonathan Salmoren, 21, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of Riverside for driving without a license and an unregistered vehicle.

Everardo Gomez, 37, of Shafter, was arrested on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

#### DEC. 29

Reginaldo Trujillo, 40, of

Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of Beth Eden for possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

Jaclyn Celene Solis, 25, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of West Los Angeles Avenue for driving while suspended license, DUI, proof of financial responsibility and no license plate light.

Ana Carreon, 52, of Shafter, was arrested East Lerdo Highway and North Shafter Avenue and driving without a license.

Omar Chavez, 33, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of West Lerdo Highway on a bench warrant/failure to appear on misdemeanor charge.

### BUTTONWILLOW

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

#### DEC. 19

Marcos Gonzalez, 26, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 14000 block of Lost Hills Road in Lost Hills for domestic violence, cruelty to child and burglary. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### DEC. 20

Gerardo Roman, 29, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 21000 block of Inyo Street in Lost Hills for domestic violence and willful cruelty to child. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### DEC. 21

Jose Alfredo Camacho, 39, of Wenatchee, Wash., was arrested at the intersection of Highway 99 and Highway 46 in Lost Hills on two felony out-of-county warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### DEC. 28

Domingo Ical, 29, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 21000 block of Badger Street in Lost Hills for domestic violence, criminal threats and brandishing a deadly weapon. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### WASCO

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

#### DEC. 27

Ana Vallecillo Balber, 34, of Wasco, was arrested near the

intersection of F Street and Filburn Avenue for misdemeanor driving without a license. She was cited and released at the scene.

#### DEC. 28

Jessica Rengifo, 37, of Wasco, was arrested in the 300 block of E Street for misdemeanor driving without a license. She was cited and released at the scene.

#### DEC. 29

Elva Maria Chavez, 24, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of E Street and Highway 46 for misdemeanor driving without a license. She was cited and released at the scene.

Armando Macias, 29, of Wasco, was arrested in the 900 block of 5th Street for misdemeanor contempt of court: disobeying a court order. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Milton Ramirez, 39, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of D Street and 5th Street on misdemeanor bench warrants. He was cited and released at the scene.

#### DEC. 30

Christina Downard, 28, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 700 block of G Street for misdemeanor battery on person. She was cited and released at the scene.

#### DEC. 31

Santos Chavez Bautista, 22, of Wasco, was arrested near the intersection of D Street and 5th Street for misdemeanor hit and run and driving without a license. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### JAN. 1

Cuberto Barboza Cabezas, 30, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of Maple Avenue for misdemeanor disorderly conduct: drunk and on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Rodney Eugene Thomas, 63, of Wasco, was arrested near Highway 43 for felony possession of a stolen vehicle, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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# Charlotte White has new art at Tin Cup

JAMIE STEWART  
The Shafter Press

Charlotte White, a local artist who has works in several buildings in Shafter, has two new pieces hanging at the Tin Cup. She created a painting of a field of grape workers in action, invited by the supervisor to watch them working so she could capture their images in paint.

White has a vast experience of different mediums of painting and drawing, includ-

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ing oils, acrylic and watercolor, as well as charcoal drawings.

In her most recent pieces, she gathered issues of The Shafter Press and painted her creations right on the top of the newspaper. It is a unique form of art.

White also teaches art classes at a center in Bakersfield, as well as being a former teacher at the Shafter Modified Correctional Center.

White recently painted a Bakersfield icon, spending a few days sitting at the iconic Luigi's restaurant in Bakersfield. You can see this work as well as many others at her next exhibit, which will be soon in a gallery in Bakersfield.

White also is very interested in getting the Colours Festival to return to Shafter. "I understand that it is a lot of work to put an event like that on, but it would be worth it to get that



White has been painting for over three decades.

great event back in town," said White. "I would be willing to help out with the art gallery part of the event. We could have just a small, weekend-long event to start with, concentrating on local artists."

White said that it is very important for

the city to support its fine arts, keeping all of the art forms alive in our community and in our next generation.

"I would love to see this wonderful event come back. Let's see if we can get enough people together to make this happen," White said.

# Bears have busy week before Christmas

JAMIE STEWART  
The Shafter Press

The Sequoia Bears students had a very busy week before Christmas break, taking part in a number of fun activities, as well as teaming up to send the Shafter Generals off in style on their way to Orland for the State Championship game.

Sequoia students worked hard making signs and posters wishing the Generals good luck as they took off for their long trip up north. The students lined the bus driveway, cheering and showing their Shafter pride with signs of encouragement. "This was a lot of fun. I can't wait until I might get a chance to play football for the Generals," said Edgar Lopez.

Sequoia staff held a drive-thru giveaway for those Bear families who wanted free covid home testing kits to take home over the Christmas break. "It was really nice of them to do this, especially with all of the students planning to spend the holidays with large groups of family and friends. This was a really smart idea," said Alicia Munoz.

If you attended the Shafter Christmas

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The Sequoia Bears made signs and posters, and cheered the Shafter Generals on as they departed for their long trip up north to the State Championship game.

Parade, then you saw the brightly lit float made by the students and staff of Sequoia, complete with Christmas lights, santa hats and, of course, their Sequoia Bear mascot,

who walked with the students as they made their way around Mannel Park.

The entire week before the break also saw the students dressing up to a different

theme each day, with Monday starting the week off with Ugly Sweater Day. Friday ended the week, with students wearing their favorite Christmas pajamas.

# Polar Plunge inspires call to action

VERONICA JACUINDE  
Wasco Tribune

The 2nd annual Great Polar Plunge Challenge is set to take place on Jan. 7 at 10 a.m. at Barker Park. It will be a fun way to kick off 2023 and jump-start new year's resolutions with a dip into an icy cold pool.

The Wasco Recreation and Parks District is organizing the event.

"We are inviting the community to take

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part in an exhilarating activity that will serve as an impetus to realizing your goals for 2023," Program Coordinator Juan Bernal said, "The polar plunge is a physical extension of that and a call to action."

"When participants jump in as a group, it is a show of unity and willingness to overcome any obstacle in the new year. It is a sign that someone is serious about their resolutions."

To add to the festivities, there will be hot chocolate and cookies. There also will be a warming station.

The event allows participants to show their creativity.

"Some come dressed as superheroes, others wear tutus, while some come in colorful matching outfits," Bernal said. "Bring a towel and warm clothes to change into afterward."

The event is free, and all ages are welcome. It is recommended that one have at least basic swimming skills. A lifeguard will be on duty.

Participants will be recognized with an "I Survived the Polar Plunge" medal to remind them of their symbolic act of bravery and



Participants proudly displaying their "I Survived the Polar Plunge" medals.

commitment to their intentions.

Polar plunges are held around the world, and WRPD wants to give the community this unique opportunity to join in on the excitement.

This is one of many activities the WRPD holds throughout the year.

Stay tuned for youth baseball, softball and flag football with registration at the

beginning of February. The fee is \$55 for kids 3 to 6 and \$65 for older youth ages 7 to 14.

Following that, youth soccer will pick up again in July.

To register for the polar plunge, visit the WRPD office at 1280 Poplar Ave. or online at wascoparks.recdesk.com. For more information, call 661-758-3081.



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# Shafter police make weapons, drug arrests to start new year

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The Shafter Police Department made two arrests in the last week involving drugs and weapons.

On New Years Eve at 11:03 p.m., a Shafter Police Department officer made a traffic stop in the 300 block of Jackson

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Avenue for a vehicle code violation. A search of the vehicle was conducted and two loaded firearms were found inside the vehicle, along with narcotics for sale. The occupants of the vehicle, Jesus Quintero, 24, of Wasco, Jose Sainz Camacho, 29, of



Police confiscated weapons and drugs from suspects.

Bakersfield, Priscilla Martinez, 33, of Lost Hills, and Yahir Gomez, 19, of Wasco, were detained at the scene.

Quintero and Martinez were later arrested for being felons in possession of loaded firearms and ammunition while in possession of a controlled substance, felons in possession of ammunition, transportation of narcotics for sales, participation in a criminal street gang and possession of a nonregistered firearm.

Gomez and Sainz Camacho were later arrested for participation in a criminal street gang, transportation of narcotics for sale, possession of a nonregistered firearm, and possession of a controlled substance while personally armed with a firearm.

On Jan. 2 at 10:10 p.m., a Shafter Police Department officer made a traffic stop on a vehicle for an expired registration. A search of the vehicle by officers found a sawed-off shotgun, shotgun ammunition, illegal high-capacity magazine, 9 mm ammunition, narcotics, approximately 4 pounds of processed cannabis. what was believed to be stolen property and evidence of identity theft being located.

Indica Alonzo, 35, of Bakersfield, was arrested on charges including felon in possession of an illegal concealed firearm (sawed-off shotgun) and ammunition, nar-



Guns were recovered at the scene.

cotics transportation and sales and possession of stolen property. Moses Coronado, 26, of Shafter, was arrested on charges including being felon in possession of an illegal concealed firearm (sawed-off shotgun) and ammunition, narcotics transportation and sales and gang member in possession of a concealed firearm. Vernardo Luevano, 34, of Bakersfield, was arrested on charges including narcotics transportation for sales, possession of a high-capacity magazine and possession of an illegal concealed firearm.



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Avenue Underpass. The \$2.9 million is an estimate on the amount of money it would take to maintain the underpass during the time

the tunnel will be in use. According to Hurlbert, it is understood that Amtrak intends to eliminate the stop in Wasco from their routes in the next seven to eight years. In the event that Wasco is eliminated as a stop, the Poso Underpass would no longer be necessary. It is the HSR's responsibility to maintain the underpass and remove or close the underpass once it is no longer necessary. Councilmember Gilberto Reyna questioned the guarantee that the HSR would do what is necessary to close

up the tunnel. "If it is just fenced off, people could still get in there and it may turn into a place that would attract illegal activity. It would become an eyesore and also a potentially dangerous situation."

Hurlbert said that they would need to get assurance that the tunnel would be closed up after it is no longer needed to assure that this would not happen.

Reyna also asked what kind of timeline they are looking at before the work begins on the different projects. Hurlbert said, "Well,

the agreements need to be finalized, signed and put into action. Then, the process of bids and contracts could begin. We are looking at at least six months in a best case scenario."

Once all of the agreements have been finalized and signed, it is then agreed that the city of Wasco would waive their complaints filed against the HSRA. This has been a long time coming and the council is looking forward to a conclusion to this situation, which looks like a very real assurance at this time.



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## OBITUARIES

### Loretta June Crissman Rogers Aug. 3, 1930 – Dec. 22, 2022

Loretta June Crissman Rogers was born on Aug. 3, 1930, in Joplin, Mo., to Paul Preston Crissman and Mary Flora Crissman. She was the baby of the family, joining brothers Paul Eugene and Kenneth Harold Crissman. Loretta grew up in the 1930s, playing with the neighborhood boys and her older brothers. This undoubtedly contributed to her spunkiness, and as she explained, "I think I was their leader." Loretta's everlasting sassiness, her smile, sense of humor and kindness will always be among the traits for which she will be remembered.

Loretta attended elementary school in Joplin, then graduated from Joplin High School in 1948. She attended every high school class reunion over the years, the most recent being her 70th in 2018. She met one



of her lifelong best friends in high school, Charlene Mitchell Robertson, and remained friends, speaking over the phone weekly, until her passing.

Shortly after her high school graduation, she met the love of her life, Glenn Dale "Pete" Rogers, at a professional wrestling match in Joplin. She adored his "pretty red hair," and they spent many dates dancing the night away. Pete was in the military, and Loretta was working as a secretary at the time. On Aug. 6, 1949, she took two

buses to meet Pete in Arkansas, where they secretly married at the local courthouse. She returned home to Joplin, and he to the military, where he served in Germany. She would often recount that she told her mother in a letter to "set another plate at the table. Pete and I got married."

Pete and Loretta moved from Joplin to California in 1950, where Loretta gave birth to her son, Ronald Eugene Rogers, after a night of dancing with her husband and cousin. The story of Ron's birth was a story she enjoyed sharing until the day before her passing. She said Ron was "the nicest reward for us during our lifetime."

Loretta worked as a secretary and bookkeeper her entire life, proudly saying she would work until she was 90, which was a goal she set for herself as a little girl. She retired at the age of 91, in the spring of 2022, after spending many years

working for Wayne Hodges Trailer Sales, Fred West Accounting and Tri-Star Agrinautics, all in Wasco. She gained numerous friends during her years as a bookkeeper, specifically Jimmie Fredrick and Carrie Thomas, who helped immensely with getting Loretta to and from once she stopped driving well into her 80s.

Always an independent woman, Loretta never remarried after Pete's passing in 1985. She filled her time with work, dancing, shopping and traveling with her friends, caring for women in the community, and Sunday morning breakfasts and day trips with her grandchildren, Amanda and Matthew, until they were teenagers.

She became a great-grandmother to Taylor, Tyler, Emily, Owen and Wyatt. She was so very proud of them, talking often of Taylor's college graduation, Tyler's football, "Sweet Em-

ily's" piano playing, Owen, who was the spitting image of his father, grandfather and great-grandfather, which she always delighted in, and Wyatt, her "little boy."

Loretta was well-known throughout the farming communities of Wasco and Shafter. She spoke of her farmer friends often and will be remembered for baking her famous German chocolate birthday cakes for them until she lost her vision. She always remembered a birthday, and never let you forget her own! She was a light in this world, full of love, laughter and positivity. She will be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Loretta peacefully passed away on Dec. 22, 2022, at the age of 92. Loretta is preceded in death by her parents, brothers, husband, and nephews Cris, Don and Paul Patrick Crissman. She is survived

by her son, Ronald Eugene Rogers, and daughter-in-law, Beverly Snow Rogers, grandchildren Amanda Rogers Ayala, Matthew Snow Rogers and Anthony Ayala; great-grandchildren Taylor Ayala, Tyler Ayala, Emily Ayala, Owen Rogers and Wyatt Ayala; and nieces Loretta Jean Crissman Williams and Kenna Crissman Philliber.

Thank you to the nursing staff at Hoffmann Hospice who not only made Loretta's final days comfortable, but made the transition for the family as peaceful as possible. We will always remember the kindness shown by everyone who walked into her room and our lives.

Graveside Services will be held at Wasco Memorial Park on Friday, Jan. 6, 2023, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hoffmann Hospice at [hoffmannhospice.org/donate/general-donation/](http://hoffmannhospice.org/donate/general-donation/).

### John Stephen Fuller Sept. 6, 1954 – Dec. 26, 2022

Our father, Stephen Fuller, passed away on Dec. 26, 2022 with his wife, Delores (Lola), by his side.

Stephen was born in Oildale at Cottage Hospital on Sept. 6, 1954, to Johnny and Patsymae Fuller. Stephen graduated from Shafter High School in 1973, going on to attend Brigham Young University. He married his high school sweetheart, Lola.

Becoming a father and grandfather was Stephen's greatest love. Our Daddy was great at everything. His love for cooking spread through so many families and friends. Music would fill our home, and our dad



would sing his favorite song, "Over The Rainbow" by Israel Kamakawiwo'ole.

Stephen was generous with his resources and asked for nothing in return. His other passion was his succulents. He left behind over 300 plants.

Steve and Lola raised five children and 14 grand-



children. Daddy loved everyone the same. He's truly going to be missed every second of every day until we meet again.

Stephen was preceded in death by his parents, John and Patsymae Fuller, in-laws Jose and Magdalena Aguilar and daughter in-law Stephanie Fuller.

He is survived by his love, wife Delores Lola Fuller and daughter Sandra Songer, sons John Fuller and Matthew Fuller, daughter Claire Fuller, son-in-law Abran Sedillo, daughter Cheyenne Bardisa, son-in-law Joshua Bardisa, and grandchildren Stevie-Lynn Songer, Henry Songer, Haylee Gattis, Delaney Gattis, Alyse Fuller, Hailley Fuller, Kinsley Fuller, Gage Fuller, Kale Fuller, Piper Sedillo, Leroy Sedillo, Elijah Sedillo, Tahlia Bardisa and Aldric (Aldi) Bardisa.

Services will be held on Friday, Jan. 13, at the Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church, 400 Kern St., at 11 a.m.

### Mariana (Saenz) Carrasco Jan. 23, 1933 – Dec. 29, 2022

Mariana (Saenz) Carrasco, born Jan. 23, 1933, in Bakersfield, went home to be with the Lord on Dec. 29, 2022, at the age of 89.

Mariana was a loving



wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Madrid Carrasco, a son, two grandsons and a great grandson. Mariana was survived by her daughters, Elizabeth McKughan and

Shirley Moreno; her sons, Sam Carrasco and Gary Carrasco; and five grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and four great-great children.

A service will be held at the Shafter Cemetery on Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, at 10 a.m.

### James Carl Firsich Sept. 18, 1941 – Dec. 19, 2022

James Carl Firsich, 81, passed away on Dec. 19, 2022, in Wasco.

James, who was better known as Jim, was born on Sept. 18, 1941, in Batesville, Indiana. He lived in Wasco for over 20 years.

He is survived by his four children, Debbie, Steven, Jason and Julie. He has 12 grandchildren: Andrew, Austin, Alyssa, Ciara, Brett, Sheldon, Anthony, Laci, Olivia, Brittany, Da-



vid and Carl, and 10 great-grandchildren: Colton, Ry-lie, Kaylee, Jayden, Aurora, Jaycee, Charlee, Malcolm,

Paige and Naya.

Jim loved all sports, but especially Nascar – any type of car racing really. He raced cars in his younger years and won many races in his day. His racing number was #11 and his team racing color was yellow. He was also an excellent pool player who could take on anyone and won several pool tournaments. He was also famous for his ability to make the train sound which earned him the nickname, "Choo Choo"; this was the name he used

for his racing team, and he would make the "choo choo" sound whenever he won a race.

Jim loved dogs and had his faithful companion, Faith, with him everywhere he went.

He loved and supported all the Wasco sports teams as well as his church community. He will be greatly missed.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 14th at 1 p.m. at his church home of Westside Family Fellowship, 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco 93280.

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## DEATH NOTICES

**Anna Maria DeLuna Breksa**, 75, of Mission Viejo, passed away Dec. 26, in Mission Viejo. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**James Mason Taylor**, 47, of Bakersfield, passed away Dec. 28, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Maria Refugio Villegas Correa**, 64, of Wasco, passed away Dec. 19, in Wasco. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Marianna Carrasco**, 89, of Wasco, passed away Dec. 19, in Wasco. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Merrill Lehman**, 87, of Bakersfield, passed away Dec. 30, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Louis Gomez**, 79, of Shafter, passed away Dec. 30, in Shafter. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**John Garza**, 90, of Wasco, passed away Jan. 2, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Ignacio R. Martinez**, 57, of Wasco, passed away Dec. 16, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Esteban Garza Jr.**, 58, of Bakersfield, passed away Dec. 27, in Riverside. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Curtis J. Taylor**, 66, of Bakersfield, passed away Dec. 21, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

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# Wasco welcomes back beloved educator

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is a balm to my breaking heart and a gift to our whole family."

The Wasco Rose Festival Group organized the event.

Member Sharon Sharp said, "Juan brought the idea to us, and we immediately said, what do you need, coach?"

She continued, "We are so blessed that the community came out and poured all their love, positivity and prayers toward the Cobb family. Today is a testament to what makes Wasco so special."

Many city representatives also paid their respects, including City Manager Scott Hurlbert, Mayor Pro Tem Alex Garcia, Planning Commissioner Petra Rueda, City Clerk Maria Martinez and Councilmembers Gilberto Reyna and Valentin Medina.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia shared, "He is a dedicated member of the education community and has made a positive impact on

the lives of many students at WHS throughout his years of service."

He added, "We are holding the Cobb family in our prayers."

Councilmember Reyna said the event was a nice show of affection and that there were many teary-eyed, including himself.

"We wanted to show Rob and his family that we care about him and his family, that we appreciate them, and that we are happy he is able to return home."

Gallardo said, "Rob is an important person in our town."

His is a success story as he worked his way up from teacher, vice principal, principal and assistant superintendent to the superintendent role for Wasco Union High School District.

Rob raised all three of his children here in Wasco. He also invited a young high school student into his home and helped him get on his feet.



**Spectators wished Rob a happy birthday. (Photo courtesy of Councilmember Gilberto Reyna)**

Gallardo said, "It shows how good of a man he was being a teacher and bringing in a teenage boy to raise him alongside his daughters."

Sharp shared that a highlight was the look of happiness on Rob's face.

"He didn't expect today, and just watching him take in the joy in the midst of everything

going on was meaningful. It was one of those moments that will stay with us forever."

Keri Cobb said she is grateful.

"Thank you to everyone who came together to make this happen and who showed up to welcome Rob home and wish him a happy birthday. Thank you for loving us so well."

# Wasco's year in review – the second half

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Also, in July, Wasco celebrated our nation's independence with a spectacular fireworks show and other activities for the community to enjoy.

There was a bicycle parade around Barker Park in partnership with Toys for Tigers for the first time. Riders decorated their bikes and trikes with a 4th of July theme.

A car show in honor of the longtime City of Wasco advocate Danny Rueda was part of the festivities.

"I feel extremely blessed that they tributed the car show to my dad. I know he would be ecstatic if he were here," Victoria Rueda said.

There was a "Red White & Pool Party," too.

"It was especially fun for my kids," Carmen Vallecillo said. "They enjoyed jumping in and out of the pool."

The celebration culminated with a fireworks show that dazzled spectators. "The



**The independence day celebration ended with a bright and spectacular fireworks show. (July)**

annual fireworks show is a great tradition that makes Wasco a nice place to live and



**Miguel Figueroa brought his dog Boba to the spay and neuter clinic to keep her safe. (August)**

work. It is one of the most favorite events that residents look forward to every year,"

Wasco Recreation and Parks District Manager Chris Serna said.

In August, the City of Wasco showed its love for our furry pets with a free spay and neuter clinic.

"All across the country, we are facing a crisis of pets dying in shelters that do not have homes," registered veterinary technician Kandice Webb said.

"These pets end up here because of irresponsible owners breeding their pets without regard for the crisis in our shelters."

The event was aimed at reducing the population of strays.

The city allocated the funding for the event.

"As funds come in, like this grant from PG&E, we offer this to our residents at no cost. This helps them, especially when everything is going up, like gas and food," public works director Luis Villa stated.

Villa said the issue is that you have a

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **City of Wasco** **County of Kern, State of California** **NOTICE TO SUBCONTRACTORS,** **MATERIAL** **SUPPLIERS AND WORKERS** **CONTRACT NO. 675-2021**

The City of Wasco is actively soliciting bids from prospective subcontractors or materials suppliers whose businesses qualify as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and/or qualify as Section 3 Business Concerns, as well as individuals who qualify as Section 3 Residents in connection with the Community Development 16th Street Rehabilitation project to be located in the County of Kern and funded by the HUD.

A Section 3 Business Concern is a business:

- that is 51% or more owned by Section 3 Residents; or
- whose permanent, full-time employees include persons, at least 30 percent of whom are currently Section 3 Residents, or within three years of the date of first employment with the business were Section 3 Residents; or
- that provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25% of the dollar award of all subcontracts to be awarded to businesses that meet the qualifications set forth in paragraphs (1) or (2) in this definition of a Section 3 Business Concern.

A Section 3 Resident is:

- a resident of public housing located in Kern County, or
- an individual who resides in the County of Kern and who is a low or very-low income person.

Qualified individuals and firms may obtain a list of plan-holding general contractors from the City of Wasco City Clerk via email: CityClerk@cityofwasco.org until 2:00 p.m. February 1, 2023. General Contractors should be contacted directly for possible use in their bid proposals on this project.

The City of Wasco and prospective General Contractors are seeking such subcontractors in compliance with the procurement standards found at 24 CFR 85.36(e) and Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, which provide that Small Businesses (SBS) and Section 3 Business Concerns/Residents be given the maximum practical opportunity to participate in HUD funded contracts.

Hiring is anticipated for the following trades:

- Laborers, Cement Masons, Equipment Operators and Drivers.

Subcontracts may be let for the following categories of work on this project: Concrete, Paving, Traffic Control, Grinding, Trucking.

CITY OF WASCO, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

/s/ Monica Flores

DATED 12/22/2022

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Notice of Petition to**  
**Administer Estate of:**  
**Joyce Barreto**  
**Case Number: BPB-22-003331**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Joyce Barreto

2. A Petition for Probate has been

filed by: Carlos Barreto in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Carlos Barreto 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: 04.27.2023 Time: 8:30AM Dept.: J-1

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305, Juvenile Justice Center

7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: R. Sam Price

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Redlands, CA 92373

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Notice of Petition to**  
**Administer Estate of:**  
**Dalton Charles Daniels aka**  
**Delton Charles Daniels**  
**Case Number: BPB-22-002528**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dalton Charles Daniels aka Delton Charles Daniels

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Elanor Louise Torrence in the

Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Elanor Louise Torrence 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: 03/16/2023 Time: 8:30AM Dept.: J

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305, Probate Division.

7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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10. Petitioner: Elanor Louise Torrence

801 Almond Ct Apt 5D

Wasco, CA 93280

661-440-6652

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Fictitious Business Name Statement**  
**43 Bar & Nightclub**  
**2022-B7906**

630 F St

Wasco, CA 93280

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

601 Cedar Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

Esperanza Melendez

601 Cedar Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Esperanza Melendez

Date Statement Filed: 12/05/2022

Date Statement Expires: 12/05/2027

Mary B. Bedard, CPA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: A Goodwin

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR** **CHANGE OF NAME** **CASE NUMBER:** **BCV-22 103093**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: Jorge Aguilar Sanchez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name

Jorge Aguilar Sanchez

Proposed Name

Jorge Aguilar

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: 2/6/23 Time: 830 AM Dept: L

b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN, 1215 TRUXTUN AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301 Kern County Superior Court Metro Division

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: 12/01/2022

/s/Gina Cervantes

SUPERIOR COURT Court Commissioner

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **Fictitious Business Name Statement** **Reyes Automotive Service** **2022-B7938**

315 High Street

Delano, CA 93215

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

315 High Street

Delano, CA 93215

Henry Silva Reyes

315 High Street

Delano, CA 93215

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: 07/07/1943

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Henry Silva Reyes

Date Statement Filed: 12/06/2022

Date Statement Expires: 12/06/2027

Mary B. Bedard, CPA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: J Lozano

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **Fictitious Business Name Statement** **Kika's LLC** **2022-B8070**

1869 San Clemente Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

1869 San Clemente Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

Kika's LLC

1869 San Clemente Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company

Date the business commenced: N/A

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Erica Rosales, Manager

Date Statement Filed: 12/13/2022

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **Fictitious Business Name Statement** **Cami's Family Farm** **2022-B7735**

16096 Hwy 43

Wasco, CA 93280

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

PO Box 74

Lost Hills, CA 93249

Esteban Camilo Reyes

16096 Hwy 43

Wasco, CA 93280

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: 11/01/2022

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/s/Esteban Camilo Reyes

Date Statement Filed: 11/28/2022

Date Statement Expires: 11/28/2027

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By: A Goodwin

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **Statement of Abandonment Of** **Reyes Family Farm**

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Lost Hills, CA 93249

Esteban Camilo Reyes

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Wasco, CA 93280

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

Business was conducted by: Individual

/s/Esteban Reyes, Owner

Original FBN Statement File Number: 2022-B6855

Original FBN Statement Filed on: 10/10/2022

This statement of Abandonment filed on: 11/28/2022

Mary B. Bedard, CPA

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/A Goodwin, Deputy

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR** **CHANGE OF NAME** **CASE NUMBER:** **SCV-22-000029**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: Haley Adams filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name

Haley Adams

Proposed Name

Haley Barrera

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: 2/17/2023 Time: 8:30 AM Dept: B

b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Superior Court-North Div., Shafter-Wasco Branch, 325 Central Valley Highway, Shafter, CA 93263

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: *Wasco Tribune*

Date: 12/14/22

/s/Marcos R. Camacho

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# Wasco's year in review — the second half

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certain number of people that don't care for their pets.

"Some abandon their animals, and that is what we are trying to avoid."

The clinic was a step toward a solution to addressing the problem.

It was successful, with 57 animals getting spayed and neutered.

September marked the return of the Rose Festival with all of its activities, including the Rose Queen pageant, a Wine and Roses reception, a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, an "Over the Rainbow Color Blast Fun Run," an open house at the Wasco Historical Society Museum, parade, vendor fair and Block and Tackle deep pit dinner.

The festivities brought the community together to enjoy everything the festival offered. It was a memorable and special occasion for those that attended.

The parade was a highlight where there were floats, cheer teams, dancers, taekwondo students, the WHS band and various schools.

The Kern County Sheriff's Mounted Posse, Wasco junior and Wasco minis color guard, Kern County Fire Department Station 31, Miss Wasco Rose Queen and her court, and Ms. United States Agriculture participated.

There were also horses, classic cars and

the victim's vehicle and nearby vehicles were damaged.

Wasco deputies responded to the 800 block of 7th Street on October 12 at about 6:30 pm for a report of a shooting. The victim sustained a single gunshot wound. It was later determined to be accidental and self-inflicted. This was a separate and non-related incident.

The KCSO found no credible threats to schools, parks or any specific activities based on the investigations regarding the incidents.

Even so, Mayor Reyna stated that although the incidents worry our community, we cannot give in to fear.

"While being cautious, we all must go on with our everyday lives. To this point, we have not confirmed any credible threat to private citizens, random citizens, or a particular facility or event," Mayor Reyna said.

"The work of maintaining safety for our community continues uninterrupted day and night."

November was election month, and it was a tight race for candidates.

In particular, Valentin Medina took the win against incumbent Mayor Pro Tem John P. Pallares for a seat on the Wasco city council for district three.

Mayor Gilberto Reyna ran unopposed. He was elected to represent City Council District 1.

In City Council District 4, Eduardo Saldana was selected and won by a large margin. He beat out Myron E. Williams II and incumbent Michael Lynch.

Maria O. Martinez ran unopposed and was re-elected city clerk, while Lamar Rodriguez also ran unopposed and was re-elected city treasurer.

For the Wasco Union Elementary School Board, there were three spots open, with Ernie Sanchez, Cherylee Wegman and Richard K. Reding elected to serve, beating out Anna J. Poggi.

The Wasco Union High School Board also had three positions open. Juan Bernal, Mario Juarez and Carl Joe Hively were selected. James Adams and Tony Perez were not.

In November, the council moved forward with establishing the Wasco Police Department.

Mr. Charlie Fivecoat was named transitional chief of police. City Manager Hurlbert was authorized to finalize and execute the contract and proceed with the hiring process.

This came after earlier in the fall when the City Council directed staff to begin the process of starting up a local police department. As part of that, the first step was establishing a "start-up team" consisting of the chief of police, lieutenant and police records administrator.

The team would ensure that all state and federal certifications are in place, research opportunities, establish department policies and procedures, acquire equipment and begin the recruitment process.

Fivecoat comes with years of experience. He has 33 years in law enforcement and has served in various capacities involving security management. Fivecoat is also a US Army Airborne veteran and has served as contract Chief in Wasco, McFarland and Tehachapi. From 2006 to 2011, he was chief of Police for the City of Shafter.

"This is the first right step for us to implement our own police department. Char-



**WPD Chief of Police Charlie Fivecoat.**



**Mayor Gilberto Reyna, Mayor Pro Tem John P. Pallares and Councilmember Mike Lynch in a classic 1920s fire truck was a crowd favorite during the Rose Festival parade. (September)**

lie Fivecoat's background makes him the right individual to achieve this in a timely manner," Mayor Reyna said. "We extend a warm welcome to him."

Also in November, Wasco High School carried on with a long-standing football tradition.

After a tough battle, WHS junior and varsity football teams took home the win against Shafter High School. This marked one of the biggest rivalries in Kern County.

A friendly bonfire on the WHS football field took place ahead of the game.

The community and students, including football players and cheerleaders, came together to show their pride with loud cheers as a paper mache Shafter High general mascot was set on fire.

There was a breakfast for both teams, which the players, cheerleaders, coaches and ASB attended.

The exchange rallies followed, with both schools showing their school spirit.

These activities culminated with the games that followed.

The junior varsity football game started the night off of the competition. They played hard and, in the end, came out on top with an 18-13 win.

The varsity football game was a nail-biter where it went into overtime for the first time in 90 years against Shafter. After the fourth quarter, the teams were tied 35 to 35.

In overtime, WHS scored a touchdown to bring home the title of champions, earning bragging rights with a score of 41-35.

December ushered in the holiday season with a Christmas parade, tree lighting ceremony and block party. It was a spectacular gathering of community.

The Orange Heart Foundation and the Rose Festival Group organized all of the activities. Much effort was involved on their part to make it a success and memorable for all.

For the parade, which was the best part for many, there were 40 entries, almost 700 participants and about 75 independent vehicles.

The floats were decorated in a Christmas holiday theme and with bright lights.

Local churches, schools, businesses, the Wasco golf cart club, the WHS marching band, first responders from the Kern County Fire Department, Wasco State Prison color guard, the Cruzin' Oldies Car Club, the wrestling club and cheerleaders, to name a few, took part in the parade.

There were 11 queens from the Ms. Kern County Pageant.

At the Christmas tree lighting ceremony, Santa made a joyful appearance to delight the young and old.

After the parade and Christmas tree lighting, the entertainment continued with a block party.

Mayor Reyna said, "I think it's wonderful to see so many people gathering for these events. The parade and tree lighting

ceremony are traditions that bring us together and unify us as a community even in difficult times."

In line with the holiday season, there were many events in December to benefit the less fortunate.

One example was the Toys for Tigers annual toy giveaway for needy children. Over 380 families were served, with over 1000 gifts distributed.

Toys for Tigers treasurer Pat Ketcherside said, "We purchased the toys through donations we raise all year long. Every year



**Wasco HS and Shafter HS football players go head to head. BELOW: No Christmas celebration would be complete without pictures with Santa at the Tree Lighting ceremony.**



we have a lot of sponsors like the Wasco Rotary Club and the Wonderful Company; they are big supporters of us. We have over 40 sponsors."

She added that many volunteers work to make the toy distribution a success.

"We are all volunteers. Nobody gets paid."

Donna Ward, Toys for Tigers president, said, "I think today is overwhelming in a good way, and our community has done this to benefit the children in Wasco."

She said the best part is knowing that some of our kids in the community can have a Christmas.

There were many volunteers who said it was rewarding for them.

"I get to see their smile and feel happy knowing you accomplished a good thing for someone else," FFA officer Dayana Limon shared.

Ketcherside said, "We have a good time doing it. We get a sense of fulfillment by doing this."

She added, "It was a great day. It truly was. We had so much help, and everybody pitched in. They did a great job."



**Wasco High School cheer team brought lively energy to the Rose Festival parade. (September)**

other vehicles, to name a few.

The parade entrants were decorated in line with the Wizard of Oz festival theme, "There's no place like home."

Some said it was very exciting and nice to do things for the city to lift everyone's spirits.

The entire Wasco Rose Festival was a huge undertaking orchestrated by a core group of six people who showed their passion and love for the city.

They were Camilo Vasquez, Emma Dobbs, Sharon Sharp, Orquidia Ocampo, Traci Clendenen and Juan Gallardo.

"Today, there were so many community participants that it felt like the festival of the past, and we hope to keep growing year after year," Clendenen said. "The smiling faces and families here made all the work worth it."

In October, there were four separate shootings, although none were fatal. These incidents put law enforcement, schools and residents on high alert.

In the wake of these incidents, some Wasco schools suspended special extracurricular events like the Wasco High School football game against Delano High School. Several other schools followed suit.

The first of the four shootings occurred on Oct. 4, and details on the remaining three are below.

According to the Kern County Sheriff's Office public information officer, Lori Meza, deputies responded to a shooting at about 6:38 p.m. on the 1000 block of Birch Avenue on Oct. 11. An adult male victim was located with a single non-life-threatening gunshot wound, transported to the hospital, and treated for his injuries.

On October 12 at approximately 12:02 a.m., deputies in Wasco received a report of shots fired and responded to Poplar Avenue and First Street. A victim was shot at but not struck. There were no injuries; however,



**Planet Dance Studio members rode in a decorated "There is no place like home" truck at the Rose Festival parade. (September)**





**Amanda Kirschenmann and former owner of Sun Country Flowers Carol Reichenbach. RIGHT: Coach Jerald Pierucci holds up the Valley Championship plaque.**



# A big 2nd half of 2022 for Shafter

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Shafter High stadium.

The event included food, games and activities for the kids, music, and, of course, one of the best fireworks shows in Kern County. The event attracted more than 3,000 people, with a large number of people watching the show from neighborhoods surrounding Shafter High, complete with tables and barbecues in front yards.

July also saw the first of several workshops on the new three-cart system going into effect in Shafter by the end of 2022. This system does away with alley service, with everyone going to curbside service, making it necessary for residents to separate their trash, as well as putting their carts out on the curb on collection days.

This is going to require many households to make changes to their properties, or require residents to get their carts to their curbside, and put the cans away out of sight of the street when not on a collection day. This has caused a protest by several residents that claim the change will cause them undue stress and costs, changing the process in place when they purchased their homes. "My house was built with the premise of there being alley service for the trash containers. To get my property accessible for the curbside pickup, I am facing a cost of \$5,000, and I guarantee you that this will not happen," former mayor Gary Nelson said.

There was also a new restaurant in town, when Tacos La Villa took over the former Del Taco location. The new restaurant in town, Tacos La Villa, has enjoyed a great start, with lines in the drive-thru and a brisk business in the store, making their first couple of months a success. Owner Danny Nunez has brought unique fare to the city. "We are truly blessed for the opportunity to bring our authentic brand of Mexican food to



**Jon Johnston passed away in August.**

Shafter," Nunez said this week. Begun in 1993, Tacos La Villa has grown to include nine locations in Bakersfield, and growing. Reviewers have noted that the food at the restaurant has an authentic flavor, giving residents a more traditional Mexican food experience than some national chains. Shafter Business Development Director Bob Meadows said that the restaurant has a unique take on the fast food industry. "Their hook is that the food is more like homemade and authentic than some fast food chains," said Meadows. Diner Marie Villalos echoed that sentiment. "I just love their food. It is a step above most fast food places, with a more authentic feel and taste to the food. I can't get enough of their Cheeto Burritos. They are awesome!"

In July, the city also said goodbye to Captain Jeff Bell of the Shafter Police Department, who retired after 23 years of service. Bell was honored at a luncheon and was recognized for his years of service to the department and the city of Shafter.

**AUGUST**

In August, Shafter saw two new candidates announcing their intention to run for two open seats on the Shafter City Council. Rafael Zamudio and Gustavo Olvera joined incumbents Cesar Lopez and Mayor Cathy Prout in the race. Zamudio, a welder, wanted to run because he didn't like the way the council has been communicating with residents, seemingly out of touch with what the city's needs are.

Olvera, a former Shafter police officer,



**Tacos La Villa opened to long drive-thru lines.**

said, "I wanted to run to serve the city and to listen to their needs and act on those, instead of specific agendas."

August also saw the Shafter Kiwanis Club welcome a number of new teachers in the Richland and Shafter High Schools, including over 20 teachers in the Richland School District. The schools also opened their doors in August, with in-person instruction for all students. They also began holding rallies and sporting events again, after restrictions being lifted because of the pandemic regulations. Students and teachers were excited to be able to live normal educational experiences again.

The Shafter Generals football team opened their season with a big win over the West High Vikings, 46-6. With a freshman at the quarterback position, Ezekiel Osborne, the Generals scored quick and often with a balanced offense, with Osborne's arm and the running of senior back Koa Rhodes, who had a big game for the home team.

Shafter also lost one of its leaders with the passing of Jon Johnston. Johnston had served on the Shafter City Council, including a stint as mayor, and had served the city in so many other ways, including in his church, on several boards and clubs in Shafter. Johnston was remembered as an honest, reliable and great man who loved his God, his family and his city.

**SEPTEMBER**

In September, the City of Shafter approved plans to build a new park. The City Council approved moving forward with plans of building a new recreation and sports park at Golds Avenue and East Ash Avenue. The park is to be built in two phases, and when completed, the park would include a 28,000 square foot gymnasium, tennis/ pickleball courts, basketball courts, a dog park, office buildings, and a concession stand. This project is being led by Shafter Recreation and Parks District Manager Philip Jimenez, who has been working with his board for years to get the project moved forward. The project is state funded. To be approved, the area had to be changed from being a commercial zone to a public area zone. This change was also approved Tuesday night. In other action, Melissa Bergen and Katie Wiebe presented to the council plans for a thrift store in Shafter. Bergen said that the store would be similar to a Goodwill store, except it would be run by community members as a nonprofit. Proceeds would go to the Mennonite Central Network, but 10% of the proceeds would go to the community.

Also in September, it was announced

that Big Stop Market was expanding, making more room for parking and opening the way for even more businesses on the site. The Planning Commission required a zoning change in land that they had acquired behind their building from a residential zone to commercial. With this hurdle taken care of, they will be demolishing the structures there now to prepare them for their expansion, according to store manager LoveDeep Joshan. The plans include moving gas pumps from their current location facing Shafter Avenue to the other side of the building, facing Lerdo Highway. "This will make room for more parking in the front of the store, and will make it easier for customers to get in and out of the property," said Joshan. Big Stop, at the intersection of Lerdo Highway and Shafter Avenue, has been open for over 20 years, selling gasoline, convenience store items and, most recently, prepared food and deli items. Gary Joshan, LoveDeep's father, opened the store in 1997, and the family appreciates Shafter for its residents and its community feel. "We love the people and being in a small town. It has been great serving Shafter, and we hope to continue to serve this city for years to come," Gary Joshan said.

September saw a Shafter icon change hands. Amanda Kirschenmann took over Sun Country Flowers, giving her dream of her own flower business a reality. Sun Country Flowers in Shafter is now under new ownership. Carol Reichenbach, the owner of the shop for over 17 years, has decided that it is time to move on. Enter Amanda Kirschenmann, who has been growing her own flowers for a few years now. Kirschenmann started her own business a couple of years ago, growing flowers and plants and selling them online and in different spots around town, including from a display at the Tin Cup Coffee Shop, Amanda's Flowers. Kirschenmann no longer grows her own flowers, deciding to suspend the operation for a time. "I may grow some of my own flowers in the future, but it just makes financial sense right now to obtain the flowers and plants from a wholesaler." The shop will still carry a wide variety of flowers and plants, just the way the residents of Shafter have grown accustomed to over the years.

**OCTOBER**

October saw a story of unity and perseverance as the Church of the Nazarene of Shafter suffered a vandalism attack in its sanctuary. But, the church and community rallied together to clean up and start rebuilding the building immediately. Two attacks on their church in the last two months hasn't stopped the Shafter campus of the Ridgeview Community Church from moving forward. While the Shafter Police Department continued to look for clues in the substantial vandalism of the church's West Lerdo Highway sanctuary on Sept. 28, the church held a clean-up day on Saturday to begin the rebuilding process. Pastor Keven Huckaby of the Ridgeview Community Church of the Nazarene in Bakersfield, who oversees the church in Shafter, said that he was so touched by the support that the community has shown to the church in this trying time. "This really shows the love that this community has for one another," said Huckaby.

Also in October, Police Chief Kevin Zimmermann spoke about the positive im-



**Tian Zavala was "Edward Scissorhands."**

pact the department's fight against gang activity in Shafter has had on the community. Shafter's proactive procedures have been key in this fight.

In northern Kern County, including Delano, McFarland and Wasco, Shafter has not borne the brunt of the violent assaults. Chief Kevin Zimmermann said that this is in large part to a philosophy that was taken by the City of Shafter almost 20 years ago, in which they decided that the safety of the city was going to be made a priority. Zimmermann

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# It was an active year for Shafter

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Zimmermann said there has been virtually no activity in recent years from the one gang — which he would not name — they know exists here. That group is thought to be Varrio West Side. “In the last six years, Shafter has had 17 crimes that are believed to be gang-related,” Zimmermann said. “And half of those aren’t necessarily the suspect committing a gang-related crime. Several times, it was a traffic stop or stopped for some other reason, and the suspect was found with a weapon or drugs. It is categorized as a gang-related crime because the suspect is involved in a gang, maybe a felon, and were in possession of a weapon.” The chief said that the first steps in the success of their department was when a three-legged stool theory was adopted by the City Council in envisioning the future of the city. Public safety was made one of the three top priorities. It was then that the council secured funds for personnel, including an equipped gang-unit task force and advanced technology.

Of course, October is also rivalry time, with the Shafter Generals and Wasco Tigers facing off after a week of activities at each school, culminating in a day-long celebration that ends with a fight on the gridiron. The day starts at the host school’s cafeteria with the Exchange Breakfast.

For the 90th time, the two teams went head to head in one of the fiercest and longest-standing rivalries in the state. As is the custom, on the Friday of the game, the host school — this year it was Wasco — hosts the two schools’ football players, coaches, cheerleaders and Associated Student Body leaders to an exchange breakfast. During the breakfast, the cheerleaders exchange gifts with the opposing side. After the breakfast, it was time for the Exchange Rally. The Wasco High auditorium is one of the loudest venues in any high school anywhere. With its resonating acoustics, the cheers and chants reverberated around the building. Both cheer squads performed, along with Tilly the Tiger, who put on a great show. Of course, it wouldn’t be an exchange rally without the customary video produced by each school. The majority of the time it is a series of skits spoofing the



Waste Management staff worked at a hazardous waste event.

other school.

October ended with a flurry of activity with different clubs and organizations holding Halloween and Harvest Festivals around town. One of the events was the event at Mannel Park put on by the Shafter Kiwanis Club that attracted over 3,000 people to the park. The event included a parade, followed by a variety of activities, including music, food, games and a lot of fun.

## NOVEMBER

November saw Mayor Cathy Prout and Gustavo Olvera win the two open seats on the Shafter City Council in the General Election on Nov. 8. The results were not made official until right before the state’s deadline, Dec. 16. Prout easily outdistanced the competition, gathering over 1,700 votes. Olvera narrowly beat out incumbent Cesar Lopez, getting 31 more votes than Lopez. They were sworn in at a council meeting in late December.

November also saw the start of a historic playoff run by the Shafter High Generals football team. The squad opened the playoffs as the number eight seed and beat Strathmore in the first round. In the quarterfinals, the Generals upset the top seed,

Liberty Madera by a score of 14-13 when the Toros went for a two point conversion at the end of the game and was stopped by the Generals’ defense. In their semifinal game, Shafter beat Matilda-Torres for their second straight upset. In the Valley Championship game, the Generals beat Caruthers to win the Generals’ first Valley title since 1955. The win got the Generals a game against Walnut High of the Southern Section. Shafter won the game, giving them their first chance at a State Championship in school history. The Generals came up just short of becoming State champions, still giving the community an amazing ride.

November also was the month in which the Minter Field Air Museum returned its biggest fundraiser of the year, Wings n Wheels. The event featured over 50 airplanes, from antique aircraft, vintage military planes, and sleek, modern planes. The Red Baron that is stationed at Minter Field was on display, a vintage plane that was used during the World War II campaign. They also had their LOACH helicopter on display, giving the kids a chance to climb in the cockpit for a picture. For foodies, there was plenty to choose from. The Shafter Big

Band entertained the crowd with a great mix of oldies and standards. The band is made up of local residents who enjoy getting together to play good music. Vendors were aplenty, with everything from informational booths including the Kern County Honor Flight, the Kern County Veterans Association.

## DECEMBER

In December, the Shafter Lions Club hosted its annual Shafter Christmas Parade, with an entertaining parade around Mannel Park, full of floats and fun. The Shafter Lions Club, together with sponsor The Wonderful Company, held the parade, with entries coming down Central Avenue from Mannel Park. Host Angel Jimenez, who does the sound for the majority of special events in Shafter, welcomed the large crowd lining the streets, awaiting the entries of floats, cars, trucks and bands. The Shafter High School Band was on hand, playing seasonal favorites, as well as putting on a demonstration by the Shafter High Drill and Flag Corps. The City Council was represented, with Mayor Cathy Prout and Councilmember Gilbert Alvarado, also a

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# A big 2nd half of 2022 for Shafter

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Lions member. The American Refuse entry was one of the highlights of the parade, with a trash collection truck decorated with Christmas lights, with a snow machine on the top of it blowing snow as it made its way down Central Avenue. Several clubs and organizations in Shafter were represented, with the Shafter Recreation Department, Shafter Police Department and Shafter's FCC soccer teams, along with the Shafter Commanders, the city's youth football team in the Golden Empire Football League. The event started in the afternoon., with a variety of things at the park for the entire family to do. There were bounce houses, food, music and a raffle in preparation for the nighttime spectacle.

Another tradition returned in December when the city held its annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony. The event drew a good crowd, serving up hot chocolate and cookies for the attendees. Different churches and organizations played a lot of tradi-

tional holiday songs, including the choir from GROW Academy.

Santa Claus flew into Minter Field in Shafter, touching down in an airplane, giving his reindeer a rest before their big night. Hundreds of children and parents were on hand awaiting his arrival. They spent time looking at the antique airplanes that the Minter Field Air Museum has on display as they waited. They were also entertained by an appearance of KC the Bull from the Kern County Fair. KC visited with the children and took pictures with them. When Santa touched down, a big roar came from the crowd. Mrs. Claus joined Santa and greeted the kids at the event. Shafter's Apple Market provided cookies and juice for the attendees. With the kids lined up, Santa and Mrs. Claus took pictures with the kids, getting their Christmas wishlists before they left. All of the children received a stuffed animal, donated by Petsmart of Bakersfield.



Santa makes an appearance at the Shafter Christmas Parade.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

# Counselors and success

### PASTOR SPENCER CARPENTER

Congregational Bible Church

***"Without counsel plans are frustrated, but with many counselors they succeed."*** (Proverbs 15:22)

Success or failure largely depends on the company you keep and the counsel you heed (1 Cor 15:33). Our closest friends and counselors influence our character, behavior and the course of our lives, for better or for worse. The wise person is aware of this and is selective toward choosing influential friends (Proverbs 12:26). The foolish person is undiscerning concerning counselors. One should seek out a few high-quality advisors who are trustworthy confidants and worthy life guides, with reputations of wisely following the Lord.

A counselor is anyone who can provide insight, advice, wisdom or help for you to successfully accomplish goals. Effective counselors are those who know God's truth, live godly lives and have real-world experience that they can convey to you to

help you live successfully for the Lord. A wise person should be selective and preemptive about building a quality group of godly advisors. A fool waits until an emergency before seeking wise counsel, while a wise Christian builds strong relationships with quality counselors before trouble.

Individualism is very destructive in our culture. Consider the consequences of going through life with no wise counselors. Plans and goals are often frustrated without trusted counsel. ***"Without wise leadership, a nation falls; but there is safety in many advisors."*** (Prov 11:14) What if you knew that the chances of failing were very high if you did not have counsel concerning your plans? Our success is often limited by our self-reliant and individualistic tendencies, which excludes wise input from others.

***"Poverty and shame shall be to him***



***that refuses instruction."*** (Prov 13:18)

Trusted counselors can help prevent failure, shame, and poverty when they correct us or give warnings about our ill-conceived solo-plans. Who is your close confidant whose warning, correction, or loving rebuke will stop you in your tracks? The wise person heeds loving rebukes, while the fool will try to hide plans away from the scrutiny of others (Prov 9:8; 18:1).

***"Plans succeed through good counsel; don't go to war without wise advice."*** (Prov 20:18). Dreams and goals will find greater success with many wise counselors. Consider the illustration of war preparation. If you are wrong about going to war, then you could lose everything: your property, your possessions, your family, and your own life! No one wants to rush into war without sound counsel or before

calculating the cost and likelihood of victory (Luke 14:28-32). And yet too often in major decisions in our lives we rush ahead taking on great risk with the potential of losing the same things that could be lost in armed conflict.

Ever bumped into someone who has a "I lost everything" story? Who were the advisors in their lives? In a multitude of counselors there is safety and reduction of risk. You need advisors and helpers whenever risk is taken and then you will be able to win battles and achieve victory in endeavors that would otherwise be lost (Eccl 4:9-12).

What type of person do you want as a counselor? Someone who stays away from foolishness and sin; who is experienced, who lives uprightly, who is full of biblical wisdom, sound in Christian faith and love (see Psalms 1, 15; Titus 2:2). Everyone needs wise counselors for success.

***"Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get in trouble."*** Proverbs 13:20

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Dragons Mane 2022-B7883

5701 Young St Ste 19  
Bakersfield, CA 93311  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
806 Jasmine Park Dr Apt 2  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
Alicia Ann Villalobos  
806 Jasmine Parke Dr Apt 2  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Alicia Ann Villalobos  
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Date Statement Expires: 12/05/2027  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: P Del Villar  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Statement of Abandonment Of Xscape Salon and Boutique

7737 Meany Avenue Ste B-1  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
County: KERN  
Mailing address of business:  
PO Box 22191  
Bakersfield, CA 93390  
TKA Holdings, LLC  
2900 Pacini St  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
I declare that all information in this Statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)  
Business was conducted by: Limited Liability Company  
/s/Kari Auge, Managing Member  
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2021-B5175  
Original FBN Statement Filed on: 07/30/2021  
This statement of Abandonment filed on: 12/07/2022  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/C Martinez, Deputy  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Booshie Babies 2022-B8009

15039 Rye Field Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
15039 Rye Field Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Lisa Michelle Parrish  
15039 Rye Field Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A  
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/s/Lisa Michelle Parrish  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Skull and Steel 2022-B8008

15039 Rye Field Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
15039 Rye Field Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Kyle Steven Parrish  
15039 Rye Field Dr  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Kyle Steven Parrish  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Cakes by Karen 2022-B7729

3109 Blue Creek Lane  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
3109 Blue Creek Lane  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Cakes by Karen L.L.C.  
3109 Blue Creek Lane  
Shafter, CA 93263  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company  
Date the business commenced: 10/23/2019  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Karen Cabrera, Manager

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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Elite Trailer Rentals 2022-B8055

828 Minter Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
828 Minter Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Eduardo Solis-Zarate  
828 Minter Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Eduardo Solis-Zarate  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Bakersfield Handyman Services 2022-B8134

6200 Victor St. Building F Apt 103  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
6200 Victor St. Building F Apt 103  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
Robert Bernard Jenkins  
408 Mark Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 12/12/2022  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Robert Bernard Jenkins  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Shafter Home Improvement 2022-B8135

408 Mark Ave

Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
408 Mark Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Robert Bernard Jenkins  
408 Mark Ave  
Shafter, Ca 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 12/12/2022  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Robert Bernard Jenkins  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement In A Jam? Towing LLC 2022-B8136

262 Rodriguez Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
262 Rodriguez Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
In A Jam? Towing LLC  
262 Rodriguez Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company  
Date the business commenced: 12/06/2021  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Joshua Anthony Medina  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Sweet Honey Bees 2022-B7736

638 Vasquez Ave.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
638 Vasquez Ave.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Maria B Prieto Fraire  
638 Vasquez Ave.  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: 11/28/2022  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Maria B Prieto Fraire  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement McKee Ranch 2022-B8245

16619 Johnson Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
16619 Johnson Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
David Daniel  
16619 Johnson Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Carl R. Daniel and  
Patricia A. Daniel  
Family Trust  
16201 Johnson Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
The business is conducted by: General Partnership  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious 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/David Daniel  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement 4 Pines Designs 2022-B8093

9512 Four Pines Drive  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
9512 Four Pines Drive  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Melissa Bolton  
9512 Four Pines Drive  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
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ness Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Melissa Bolton  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement CSG Investigative Services 2023-B0026

15412 Saint Clement Way  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
15412 Saint Clement Way  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Christopher Scott Garrett  
15412 Saint Clement Way  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Melissa Bolton  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Tricia and Tasha 2022-B7995

8301 Brimhall Rd Ste 26  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
23258 Swan Ln  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Patricia Belle Spainhoward  
23258 Swan Ln  
Bakersfield, CA 93314  
Nataasha Michele Guidera-Booth  
3732 Red Rock Apt. A  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
The business is conducted by: General Partnership  
Date the business commenced: 10/01/2018  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Patricia Spainhoward  
Date Statement Filed: 12/08/2022  
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