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# Christmas Festival to Honor Valley Champs

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

The 2024 Wasco High School Valley Champion cheer and Tiger wrestling teams, along with the JV and sophomore Bengals football teams, will be this year's Honored Guests and Tree Lighters at the Kindness Shines Wasco Christmas Festival Saturday, Dec. 7, marking the event's inaugural year at the newly opened Wasco Downtown Plaza on 7th Street.

"We are so excited to announce that the Wasco Christmas Festival is moving back downtown!" Orange Heart Foundation President Traci Mills-Clendenen said. "Wasco High School has been a great host the last three years as we have built this tradition, and we know the city will be a great partner as we embark on bringing this tradition back to the heart of Wasco."

City Planner Keri Cobb echoed the enthusiasm, saying, "We are excited to have the Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting back in Downtown Wasco and are looking forward to a great evening of holiday fun and festivities with our community. Thank you to the Orange Heart Foundation for making this event happen."

The foundation and the Wasco Rose Festival Team jointly announced the honor.

Festivities kick off with the Vendor Faire along 7th Street between E to F Streets at 3 p.m., featuring



The Christmas tree lights up the night at last year's tree lighting event.

retail and food vendors, perfect for pre-parade shopping and dining. A Kids Corner with crafts, including creating letters to Santa, will be

located in the Art Corridor, across from the Downtown Plaza. At 6 p.m., the highlight of the evening, See **WASCO** Page 12

# Parade, food – and snow – to open holiday season

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

Get ready for a magical evening on Friday, Dec. 6, when the Shafter Christmas Parade and Festival brings snow to Mannel Park, thanks to the Lions Club.

The festivities will kick off at

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4:30 p.m., offering a feast for the senses with a diverse range of dishes. From Mexican favorites to Korean delights, there will be something for every craving. Sip on specialty drinks such as hot chocolate, champurrado (a warm,

thick Mexican chocolate beverage) and freshly brewed coffee, or indulge in sweet treats such as cotton candy, kettle corn and a variety of holiday desserts. Whether you're looking for dinner or just a snack, there will be plenty of choices.

See **PARADE** Page 4

# Police Chief Zimmerman resigns

The city announces the resignation of Police Chief Kevin Zimmerman, who has been on medical leave for over a year. At press time Wednesday, here is the official release:

Shafter, CA—Chief Kevin Zimmermann

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has voluntarily stepped down from his position with the City of Shafter today. He has been a valued member of the Shafter Police Department since September 2016.

Mayor Chad Givens expressed his appreciation for Chief Zimmermann's leadership, noting, "Chief Zimmermann's dedication to the department and the community is greatly appreciated. He has worked tirelessly to strengthen the Shafter Police Department and improve public safety. The City is grateful for his service and commitment and wishes him the best in his future endeavors."

Acting Chief Randy Milligan, who has served the Shafter Police Department for 26 years, will continue to lead the department in the interim.

The City Manager, Lance Lippincott, will be available to address the media today, Wednesday, November 20th, at 2:30 PM at Shafter City Hall (Council Chambers). If you have any questions regarding today's press conference, please email our Community Engagement Manager, Rachel Zermeno, at [rzermeno@shafter.com](mailto:rzermeno@shafter.com)



Santa and Mrs. Claus fly into Minter Field Air Museum in 2023.

# Santa arriving at Minter Field

On Saturday, Dec. 7, Santa Claus will make a special early appearance in the area, accompanied by Mrs. Santa Claus. "I personally know Santa, and I'm able to get him to fly in from the North Pole to Minter Field Air Museum and deliver stuffed animals to all children, compliments of PetSmart Ming Avenue," Chairman Ronald Pierce said.

Santa will arrive at 11 a.m. The museum, at 401 Vultee Ave., will be open for the public to tour from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The museum also will observe Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, honoring the events of Dec. 7, 1941. Admission is free.

—Veronica Jacuinde

# Interested in Cotton Research Station?

**NATALIE WILLIS**

Kern County is requesting letters of interest for proposed projects or activities at the Shafter Cotton Research Station — a California Historical Landmark.

On Tuesday, Nov. 12, the Kern County Property Management Department held an open house with most of the buildings at the station open for inspection.

The station was built in 1922 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to develop the state's cotton industry. In a tour of the facility last week, Jim Damian, chief economic development officer for Kern County, explained that almost 100 years

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ago, the U.S. President dispatched an individual to scour the nation to find the best form of cotton. Enter Wofford Benjamin Camp — the former USDA researcher turned owner of DM Camp & Sons — who was sent to California to promote commercial cotton production in 1917 for the World War I effort.

Camp became the first director of the Shafter Cotton Research Station. The facility includes a 20-acre campus comprising 23 buildings and is surrounded

See **INTERESTED** Page 12



Guests take tour of Shafter Cotton Research Station last week.



# Council interviews Planning candidates

**JAMIE STEWART**  
For The Shafter Press

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The Shafter City Council on Tuesday night interviewed candidates for three open seats on the Shafter Planning Commission Board – Armando Camacho, Mariah Campos, Zachary Fain, John Sanchez, Joseph Simmons and Fortino Valdivia.

The council is to decide on the three successful candidates at their next meeting. Camacho is a Shafter business owner who has made a career in the accounting field, and has been a member of the 746 Sports Foundation and the Shafter Lions Club.

Campos is a 2024 high school graduate and was active in cheerleading, swimming and volunteered for several charity events.

Fain is a Shafter native and is the director of operations of Best Solar in Ba-

kersfield. He believes that our community needs more community involvement when it comes to city operations, as well as wanting to see our community thrive.

Sanchez has been serving on the Planning Commission for the past four years and wants to continue that service. He said that he loves serving his community and is looking forward to helping Shafter grow.

Simmons has been an EMT and safety manager for the past 15 years. He grew up in Shafter and believes that there needs to be more private-public partnerships to increase the economic growth within the city limits.

At the meeting, the council also recognized the Richland Girls volleyball team, which went undefeated this year. The team was coached by Rosie Villagomez



The Richland girls volleyball team was honored by the City Council Tuesday night.

and ended their league as champions with a perfect 15-0 record. They also went on to place first in the League tournament and at the South Yosemite Athletic Association tournament. The players honored

were Emma Allred, Eternity Barboza, Annabella Cueto, Aliyah Gonzalez, Jayleen Gonzalez, Aubrey Hernandez, Valery Lovera, Jessica Martinez, Jordan Perez, Jannessa Torres and Ariel Zamora.

# Wasco expands vet banner program

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

The Wasco City Council will fund an expanded Veteran's Banner Program for family and friends to honor their veterans through a personalized banner flown on downtown light posts during portions of the year.

The \$5,000 approved at Tuesday night's meeting will be used to create, repair and replace damaged banners, covering the cost of new banners for friends and family facing a financial barrier.

The city has recently installed a video screen at the new Veteran's Memorial at 7th Street & F Street. This screen can display the image, name and other information contained on the physical banners electronically. People who have a banner will have the option to use only the digital video display, only the physical banner, or both. The digital-only option would have no cost.

City of Wasco employees will be eligible for the banners, and a Wasco residency requirement will be waived for those employees. The actual cost of the banner for employees will be covered by the fund program budget.

The \$5,000 used for the city-funded account will be appropriated from General Funds. Future funding levels will be approved and included in future adopted operating budgets.

Vanessa Salinas was appointed to serve on the Wasco Recreation and Parks District Board to fill the unexpired term expiring next November, a seat left vacant when Miguel A. Raya resigned to join the council in September.



Councilmember Gilberto Reyna, Mayor Valentin Medina and Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Saldaña with newly appointed Wasco Recreation and Parks District board member Vanessa Salinas.

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Salinas said of her motivation to join the board, "I've always liked being involved in the community and finding ways to help. I work for the Wasco Union Elementary School District with their after-school program and see first-hand just how important these programs are for kids. With my experience, I feel I can bring

fresh ideas to the board and new ways to serve our youth."

Georgianna Armstrong, Kern County Office of Emergency Services manager, and Jake Myers, General Services communications supervisor, received certificates of recognition for their contributions to the communication needs of the Wasco Police Department. Chief Charles Fivecoat said that their support

was instrumental in launching the department.

Councilmember Gilberto Reyna expressed his appreciation: "I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Georgianna and Jake for their crucial assistance in establishing the communication tools and channels for our Wasco PD. We could not have achieved this milestone without you. Thank you."

# Wasco man sentenced for fatal DUI

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

A Wasco man received a prison sentence of over eight years for a DUI-related crash in July 2022 that killed a 1-year-old infant and left five others injured in Shafter, according to Kern County Superior Court records.

The crash occurred on July 23, 2022, at approximately 4:30 p.m., when Irving Rodriguez-Barraza was driving a Dodge Ram pickup truck eastbound on Burbank

Street with a passenger.

According to the California Highway Patrol, Rodriguez-Barraza ran a stop sign at the intersection of Shafter Avenue and collided with the left side of a 2017 Jeep heading north. The collision killed 1-year-old Aislin Kamila Tejeda and caused injuries to five others.

The Jeep was pushed into a nearby almond orchard, striking two poles and an almond tree before overturning onto its left side. The Dodge Ram crashed into a stop sign northeast of the intersection. Rodriguez-Barraza was arrested at the scene.



## ARREST REPORT

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### BUTTONWILLOW

As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, Buttonwillow station:

Jose Angel Rojas Lara, 32, of Shafter, was arrested in the 18200 block of Thomas Lane in Shafter on two felony warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Andrew Angel Ruiz, 21, of South Gate, was arrested in the 200 block of Trask Street in Bakersfield for obstructing/resisting an executive officer, obstructing/resisting/delaying a peace officer and disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### NOV. 13

Juan Martin Barraza, 44, of Shafter, was arrested at the intersection of South Shafter Avenue and Burbank Street in Shafter on three misdemeanor warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### NOV. 14

Antonio Diaz Lopez, 32, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 21000 block of Highway 46 in Lost Hills for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

### NOV. 17

Juan Luis Gutierrez-Cortez, 32, of Lost Hills, was arrested in the 21100 block of Tulare Street in Lost

Hills.

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As reported by the Wasco Police Department:

### NOV. 12

Adam Valdemar Alcantar, 36, was arrested in the 2400 block of Kristi Street for driving under the influence of alcohol. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Luis Carlos Diaz Ortiz, 21, was arrested in the 700 block of D Street for assault with a deadly weapon. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

### NOV. 13

Luis Antonio Mendez Jr, 38, was arrested at the in-

tersection of 2nd Street and Birch Street on a felony bench warrant. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Kenia Alvarez, 31, was arrested at D Street and 15th Street on felony and misdemeanor bench warrants. She was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Arturo Garica, 27, was arrested in the 1600 block of Poplar Avenue for driving under the influence of alcohol. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

### NOV. 14

Marco Edward Antonio, 49, was arrested at 401 North Central Avenue for providing

a false ID to a peace officer, shoplifting and receiving stolen property. He was cited and released at the scene.

### NOV. 15

Victor Navarro, 34, was arrested in the 900 block of Palm Avenue for driving with a suspended license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Guadalupe Cortez, 47, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

### NOV. 16

Luis Ocampo, 42, was arrested at 7th Street and Central Avenue on a misdemeanor

or bench warrant. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Jorge Manzano, 41, was arrested at 1060 7th Place on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

### NOV. 17

Gary Ramos, 58, was arrested at Highway 43 and Highway 46 for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Elias Diego Pedro, 27, was arrested at 9th and E streets for driving under the influence of alcohol. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

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# Shafter High Pantry needs help

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

The PRIDE Pantry at Shafter High School is calling on the community to join its annual community re-stock drive-through drop-off and school-wide Thanksgiving collection drive to help gather essential supplies for students and families in need. On Thursday, Nov. 21, the school will host a drive-thru drop-off event from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the front of the school. You will also be able to utilize boxes placed around town. This is a chance to make a direct impact by donating much-needed items such as hy-

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giene products, household supplies and non-perishable food.

Established four years ago by Shafter High School and the PRIDE Intervention Team, the pantry was created to address nonacademic challenges faced by struggling students and families. It has grown into a vital resource, providing basic necessities to support their well-being and academic achievement.

The success of the pantry depends on community contributions. Here's ways to participate:

**Drive-thru drop-off.** Stop by the

school on Thursday, Nov. 21st from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. to drop off your contributions at the front office, 526 Mannel Ave. Phone: 661-746-4961.

**Utilize a box at a location in town.** Apple Market, 111 Central Valley Hwy., or Komin Medical, 1160 E Lerdo Hwy., Suite H.

**Item pick-up.** Arrange for donation pick-up.

**Online purchases.** Buy Shafter High merchandise to donate to students in need: [bit.ly/generalswebstore](https://bit.ly/generalswebstore)

The PRIDE Pantry accepts a variety of donations, including personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes and feminine hygiene

items; household items such as cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, gently used linens, new pillows, storage containers and nonperishable food such as canned goods, pasta, granola bars, bottled water and other shelf-stable items.

For more details, contact Katie Young at On-Campus Intervention, 661-746-4961 ext. 76602, or Bibi Carrasco, student and community engagement liaison at 661-746-4961 ext. 76603.

Carrasco encourages residents to participate: "You can make a difference in someone's life and make it a less stressful time of the year for a student or a family in our community."

# Parade, food – and snow – to open the season

From Page 1

Lions Club President and Councilmember Gilbert Alvarado, who has been working with his team to bring this event to life, invites everyone to "come hungry, enjoy a delicious meal and enter the raffle to win one of the beautifully lit

Christmas trees. Listen to music, play games and let the little ones bounce the night away in the bouncy houses."

At 6:30 p.m., the Christmas wonder continues with a parade featuring over 40 entries, including floats, cars, trucks and marching bands, all decked out in holiday

cheer. "Our team has been working hard all year for this, and this year, we're adding snow, something we've never had before," Alvarado adds.

After the parade, the grand finale of the evening will be Santa's special arrival from the North Pole, ready for photos and to

hand out gifts to the children. It's an event filled with food, fun and festive cheer for all ages.

The parade starts at the corner of Tulare and Mannel avenues. Contact Alvarado at 661-292-0538 for more details.



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# Good Neighbor Guide: Building a Better Wasco

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**Home and Yard Maintenance**  
Proper upkeep of your property is essential. Make sure all fencing is in good condition; note that new chain link fences are not allowed in residential zones. Painted surfaces, siding, and stucco should be free from chips or cracks, and broken windows must be replaced promptly. Landscaping should not be overgrown and should be free of trash and weeds. Additionally, it is important to keep adjacent streets, alleys, and sidewalks clean and free of overgrown vegetation or debris. To conserve water, follow the city's watering schedule. Homes with odd-numbered addresses may water on Saturday, Tuesday, and Thursday, while even

numbered addresses can water on Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday.

**Neighborhood Parking Rules**  
Parking guidelines are in place to maintain the appearance and safety of our neighborhoods. Vehicles must be parked only in approved areas such as garages, carports, or driveways. Storing RVs, trailers, or boats in driveways or front yards is prohibited. Parking on lawns, landscaped areas, or dirt is also not allowed. Non-operative vehicles cannot be stored in driveways, front yards, or city streets. To preserve green space, no more than 40% of a front yard can be paved for parking.

**Illegal Dumping**  
Dumping trash or solid waste on streets, alleys, or private property is illegal and can result in fines. Residents are encouraged to report illegal dumping to the City of Wasco Code Compliance Department by calling 661-758-7213 or filing a report online at [www.cityofwasco.org](https://www.cityofwasco.org).

**Animal Care**  
Pet owners are reminded to keep their animals secure in proper enclosures within their yards. Dogs must be on a leash when outside the yard. Loose animals can be reported to City of Wasco Animal Control at 661-758-7240 or online at [www.cityofwasco.org](https://www.cityofwasco.org).

By following these guidelines, we can all contribute to a cleaner, safer, and more enjoyable Wasco. Let's work together to be good neighbors!



## Upcoming Events

- Nov. 21**  
National Night Out (NNO)  
830 7th St
- Nov. 27-28**  
City offices will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day
- Nov. 29**  
City offices closed Friday
- Dec. 07**  
Wasco Christmas Festival Parade
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Don Sushi owners David Saucedo and Chef Kevin Vizcarra bring their passion for Sinaloan cuisine to Wasco.



The flavorful "Octopus Zarandeado" and the fusion "40 Roll" – a blend of Mexican and Japanese cuisines.

# Don Sushi: Fusion of Mexican, Japanese

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
Wasco Tribune

## WASCO

Don Sushi, a unique fusion restaurant blending the flavors of Japanese and Mexican cuisine, opened its doors in Wasco in August. The restaurant is the collaborative creation of owners David Saucedo, Baudel Guerrero and chef Kevin Vizcarra.

Vizcarra, who has been cooking since the age of 16, says his passion lies in the reactions of customers as they experience his dishes. "What excites me most is seeing the look on customers' faces when they try our plates. And also, the possibilities that cooking offers you—possibilities you won't find elsewhere."

One of the most popular dishes on the menu is the "40 Roll," a fusion roll made with crab, fried shrimp, chipotle sauce and eel sauce. Another standout is the "Octopus Zarandeado," grilled octopus with a mustard-like flavor blended with spices and their signature sauce. "It's the sauce that gives it a unique touch because we invented the sauce here. The entire menu draws inspiration from Sinaloan cuisine, where we're from. Our food is a fusion of Japanese and Mexican," says Vizcarra.

In addition to sushi, Don Sushi serves seafood and hot dishes, including shrimp in green sauce, shrimp in spicy diablo

sauce, and a customer favorite, Cajun-style Louisiana shrimp. "We've received great feedback. Most people come to try the sushi, which is the focus of the restaurant. Many customers are familiar with the Japanese concept of sushi, but they give our version a try and end up loving it," adds Vizcarra.

Saucedo emphasizes the restaurant's dedication to keeping their sushi faithful to its Sinaloan roots, while adding modern touches. "In the U.S., you'll find many references to the Sinaloan sushi, but we believe they are somewhat outdated. We strive to stay as true as possible to the origin, while embracing the new style of Sinaloan sushi," he explains.

Don Sushi prides itself on using fresh, high-quality ingredients. Their homemade sauces, including soy sauce, are made with the freshest ingredients. They source seafood such as scallops and octopus from Baja California and meats locally. Their natural drinks, including their signature hibiscus (Jamaica) beverage, are made in-house. "We extract the concentrate from the hibiscus flower to create our house drink. Our portions are large, too," Saucedo said.

Customer Maria Reyes shared her ex-



Chef Kevin Vizcarra ready to create a signature sushi roll, blending Sinaloan flavors with Japanese tradition.

perience: "This is my third time here, and we keep coming back. The flavor is great and authentic. The dishes are different – we had the seafood tower, the G-roll and oyster shots. It's fresh, the service is good, and we always take some to go."

Saucedo said they chose Wasco as a location to open because Baudel was born here. "We wanted to start this project in his hometown. We even

have a roll in memory of Wasco, the "Tiger Roll," as Baudel was part of the WHS football team."

Guerrero, proud of opening Don Sushi in his hometown, said, "I'm excited and honored. It means a lot to come back after graduating nine years ago and be able to contribute and share this with my family."

As for the future, the team has ambitious plans, "Our next location will be in Bakersfield. People are already asking for it, and we plan to launch our second location there in three months. Within a year, our goal is to have three locations, with the third in Visalia," Saucedo said.

Guerrero added, "That's our goal, and we've had a great start. It's been busy, and we've been well received by Wasco and surrounding areas, including Shafter and Bakersfield."

Don Sushi, 922 7th St., is open Sunday to Thursday, 12 -8 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, 12 -10 p.m. For more information, call 661-759-6099.

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# Generals of the Month at Shafter High



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## Woman's Club raises funds at pop-up



Almost 20 vendors gathered for the annual Wasco Woman's Club Pop-Up & Craft Fair on Saturday, with food and drinks sold by the club. The Orange Heart Foundation provided face painting for the children, and all the money raised from the event will go back to the community. "Thank you to all those that came to support us," Co-President Petra Rueda said. Pictured are OHF co-founder Orquidea Ocampo, Wasco Woman's Club Co-President Petra Rueda and OHF co-founder Traci Mills-Clendenen.

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Mariyon Sloan outruns and runs through North defenders on his way to six points. RIGHT: The Generals' defense dominated the Stars all night.

# Generals face Reedley in semifinals

**JAMIE STEWART**  
For The Shafter Press

The Shafter High Generals did not fall into the trap that so many teams fall into after having a week off when it comes to the playoffs. Head Coach Jerald Pierucci said that he was proud of the way his guys came out to take care of business on Friday night, dominating the eighth-seeded North High Stars, 56-7, setting up the Generals in a semifinal matchup with the fifth-seeded Immanuel Eagles of Reedley.

"Sometimes you worry about being a little rusty after a bye week in the playoffs," said Pierucci. It was especially important against a North High squad who had come into the game on a five-game winning streak and a ton of momentum.

But, the game was essentially over at halftime, with the Generals already leading 49-7.

Shafter had started out by taking the opening kickoff and methodically worked the ball down the field, led by quarterback Ezekiel Osborne and a slew of receivers, and Mariyon Sloan and Christopher Espinoza in the backfield.

The drive ended with Sloan scoring from 19 yards out, giving the Generals a 7-0 lead. On North's next possession, they were forced to punt by a hard-hitting Generals defense. JJ Vasquez blocked kick, scooping up the ball and taking it into the end zone, making it 14-0, still in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, the Generals scored another 35 points, aided by over 100 of Sloan's 186 yards rushing on the night, as well as the contribution of receiver Alex Reyna, who scored two touchdowns for the second week in a row, with a long touchdown of 76 yards that put the Generals up 42-7 just a few minutes before halftime.

With the Generals already leading by 35 points, Tremelle Spain gave the Generals the ball back again just before halftime with an outstanding interception. With just under a minute to go in the half, Shafter scored again with a touchdown courtesy of sophomore Adrian Garcia.



JJ Vasquez scoops up the blocked punt and runs it in for a touchdown.

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In the second half, the Generals played without Osborne and the majority of the first team in the game, giving plenty of playing time to rest the talented squad, including sophomores Athan Benitez and Noah Medrano. Benitez took over for Osborne at quarterback and Medrano showed a speed and toughness that the Generals will be enjoying for the near future. Only a sophomore, Medrano took the load of the rushing duties in the second half, gaining almost 100 yards even with a running clock in the fourth quarter.

Pierucci said that he was pleasantly surprised with the effort that his players put out on Friday night. "I challenged the guys, wanting them to come out and give it their all and not have a letdown or give North an opportunity to get in this game. They came out and did what they were supposed to do from the opening whistle."

The Generals will play on Friday night in the semifinal of the Central Section Division IV playoffs, at home against a tough Immanuel squad. The kickoff is scheduled for 7p.m.



Reyna hauls in a long pass for a touchdown.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF WASCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for the work shown on the plans entitled: PROJECT PLANS FOR CITYWIDE ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the CITY OF WASCO, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California, until 2:00 PM on December 12, 2024 at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Proposal forms for this work are entitled: BID BOOK FOR CITYWIDE ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION

General work description: The City of Wasco is seeking the services of a qualified, experienced contractor to provide on-call services including, but not limited to concrete, demolition, grading and compaction. Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Proposal form provided by the City of Wasco. Each bid must be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount bid: (1) cash; (2) a cashier's check made payable to the City of Wasco; (3) a certified check made payable to the City of Wasco; or (4) a bidder's bond executed by an admitted surety insurer, made payable to the City of Wasco. Each bidder must be a licensed contractor as required by law at the time the contract is awarded. The bidder who is awarded the project contract will be allowed pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300 to substitute securities for the payment of funds withheld under the contract. In addition, the successful bidder must furnish: (1) a faithful performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price; and (2) a payment bond (also referred to as a labor and material bond) in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. All bonds must be in a form approved by the City of Wasco and must conform

to California law (see Code of Civil Procedure section 995.010 et seq.). All documents submitted in compliance with the requirements of this bid package and the contract must be scannable and photocopyable. The City hereby invokes its protest right under California Code of Civil Procedure 995.660 for any proposed surety bond submitted in satisfaction of the requirements of this agreement if the submitted bond is not issued by an admitted surety service. The contractor shall possess a City Business License and a Class "A" license at the time this contract is awarded.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990. A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 70291 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded. Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications or estimate must be communicated as a bid inquiry prior to bid opening. Any such inquiries or questions, submitted after bid opening, will not be treated as a bid protest.

Technical questions should be directed to Kameron Arnold, telephone (661) 758-7204. Plans, specifications and bid documents may be obtained after noon on November 18th, 2024 via email request to CityClerk@

CityofWasco.org Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at CITY OF WASCO City Hall, 746 8th Street, WASCO, California, and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free hotline to report bid rigging activities. Use the hotline to report bid rigging, bidder collusion, and other fraudulent activities. The hotline number is (800) 424-9071. The service is available 24 hours 7 days a week and is confidential and anonymous. The hotline is part of the DOT's effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General.

CITY OF WASCO, CITY CLERK  
/s/ Maria O. Martinez  
DATED 11/03/2024  
Publish Wasco Tribune November 21, 2024

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Abandonment Statement Advance Mycotoxin Lab

16070 Wildwood Road  
Wasco, CA 93280  
County: KERN  
Mailing address of business:  
16070 Wildwood Road  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Primex Farms, LLC  
16070 Wildwood Road  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Business was conducted by: Limited Liability Company  
/s/Mojgan M. Amin, California/ Manager  
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2024-B3742  
Original FBN Statement Filed on:

06/12/2024  
This statement of Abandonment filed on: 10/30/2024  
Aimee X. Espinoza  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Torralba  
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/s/Mojgan M. Amin, California/ Manager  
Original FBN Statement File Number: 2024-B3743  
Original FBN Statement Filed on: 06/12/2024  
This statement of Abandonment filed on: 10/30/2024  
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State of incorp. or org.: CA  
The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company\*  
Date the business commenced:

04/01/2002  
/s/Mojgan M. Amin, Manager  
Date Statement Filed: 10/30/2024  
Date Statement Expires: 10/30/2029  
Aimee X. Espinoza  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: M Torralba  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement La Chispa Ice Cream 2024-B6306

1526 1st Street  
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County: Kern  
1526 1st Street  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Maria Guadalupe Pelayo  
1526 1st Street  
Wasco, CA 93280  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
/s/Maria Guadalupe Pelayo  
Date Statement Filed: 10/15/2024  
Date Statement Expires: 10/15/2029  
Aimee X. Espinoza  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: M Torralba  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement EKF Trailer Rentals 2024-B6506

2237 Garden St  
Wasco, CA 93280  
County: Kern  
2237 Garden St  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Fernando Perez Munoz  
2237 Garden St  
Wasco, CA 93280  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 09/12/2024  
/s/Fernando Perez Munoz  
Date Statement Filed: 10/25/2024  
Date Statement Expires: 10/25/2029  
Aimee X. Espinoza  
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By: M Torralba  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE-CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: SCV-24-000030

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner: Anastasia Franco Villanueva filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present Name  
Marcos Lopez Franco  
Proposed Name  
Marcos Franco Villanueva  
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause 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: 12/13/24 Time: 8:30 AM Dept: B  
b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN, 325 Central Valley Highway, Shafter, CA 93263 North Division  
3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation: (for resident of this county) printed in this county: Wasco Tribune Date: 10/11/24 /s/Marcos R. Camacho Judge of the Superior Court Publish Wasco Tribune October 31, November 7, 14, 21, 2024







## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

File # 15951901 Assessor's Parcel No.: 051-102-17/18/19 (now 051-330-03-00, 051-330-01-00, 051-330-02-00) T.S. No.: 24-14223-165 Notice of Unified Trustee's Sale You are in default under a deed of trust dated 12/23/2013. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceedings against you, you should contact a lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Original Trustor(s): Santa Paula Hay & Grain and Ranches, a California general partnership Duly Appointed Trustee: WT Capital Lender Services, a California corporation Recorded 12/31/2013 as Document No. 0213188443, of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Kern County, California Date of Sale: 12/11/2024, at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: The front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, Ca 93301 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,347,710.08 Estimated Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. Street Address or other common designation of real property: Vacant Land, Delano, Ca: Directions to said property may be obtained by submitting a written request within ten (10) business days of the first publication to: Community West Bank, c/o WT Capital, 7522 North Colonial Avenue, Suite 111, Fresno, CA 93711 Legal Description: All that certain real property situated in the County of Kern, State of California, described as follows: Parcel 1: Assessor's Parcel No: 051-330-03-00 The Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General. Except therefrom the Southerly 100 feet thereof. Also except therefrom all oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances within or under said land, together with the right of ingress and egress for the purposes of exploring, drilling and operating for oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances and taking, storing, removing and disposing of the same upon the terms and provisions contained in deed from John R. Quinn, Executor of the Estate of Harry Quinn, deceased, recorded September 20, 1935, Book 595, Page 235 of Official Records. Parcel 2: Assessor's Parcel No: 051-330-01-00 The Southerly 100 feet of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General. Except therefrom all oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances within or under said land, together with the right of ingress and egress for the purposes of exploring, drilling and operating for oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances and taking, storing, removing and disposing of the same upon the terms and provisions contained in deed from John R. Quinn, Executor of the Estate of Harry Quinn, deceased, recorded September 20, 1935, Book 595, Page 235 of Official Records. Parcel 3: Assessor's Parcel No: 051-330-02-00 The Southerly 50 feet of that portion of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General, which lies Westerly of the State Highway No. 65, described in deed to the State of California, recorded March 5, 1942, Book 1077, Page 155 of Official Records. Except therefrom all oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances within or under said land, together with the right of ingress and egress for the purposes of exploring, drilling and operating for oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances and taking, storing, removing and disposing of the same upon the terms and provisions contained in deed from John R. Quinn, Executor of the Estate of Harry Quinn, deceased, recorded September 20, 1935, Book 595, Page 235 of Official Records. Parcel 4: A non-exclusive right of way for road purposes and for the installation and maintenance of pipelines, pole and pole lines and appurtenances thereto over and across a 40 foot strip of land, the center line of which is described as follows: Beginning at a point in the Northwest line of Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General, distant 1,322.80 feet East of the Northwest corner thereof, said point being the Northerly terminus of the 40 foot strip of land herein to be described; thence South 0° 11' 00" East 5,274.50 feet to a point in the

Southern line of said Section 15, said last mentioned point being the Southerly terminus of the 40 foot strip herein described. Parcel 5: A non-exclusive right of way for road purposes and for the installation and maintenance of pipelines, poles, pole lines and appurtenances thereto over the Easterly 20 feet of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter and over the Westerly 20 feet of the East half of the Northeast quarter, except the Southerly 140 feet; and over the Northerly 40 feet of the Southerly 140 feet of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter lying Westerly of the State Highway No. 65 described in deed recorded March 5, 1942, Book 1077, Page 115 of Official Records, in Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Beneficiary hereby elects to conduct a unified foreclosure sale pursuant to the provisions of California Commercial Code section 9604, et seq., and to include in the non-judicial foreclosure of the real property interest described in the Notice of Default and Election to Sell Under Deed of Trust, all of the personal property and fixtures, together with replacements and proceeds, if applicable, described in the Agricultural Security Agreement, dated 12/23/2013, and in a UCC-1 Financing Statement filed with the Secretary of State, State of California, on 1/3/2014, as Filing No. 14-7394435929, and recorded in the Office of the Kern County Recorder on 1/6/2014 as Instrument No. 0214001356 between the original trustor and the original beneficiary, as it may have been amended and/or continued from time to time, and pursuant to any other instruments between the trustor and beneficiary referencing a security interest in personal property. Beneficiary reserves its right to revoke its election as to some or all of said personal property and/or fixtures, or to add additional personal property and/or fixtures to the election herein expressed, at Beneficiary's sole election, from time to time and at any time until the consummation of the Trustee's Sale to be conducted pursuant to the Deed of Trust and this Notice of Trustee's Sale. A description of the personal property, which was given as security for trustor's obligation is: All Crops and All Farm Products The Collateral includes any and all of Grantor's present and future rights, title and interest in and to all crops growing or to be planted, cultivated, grown, raised and/or harvested together with any and all agricultural and farm products produced or derived therefrom, of every nature and kind whatsoever, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations, together with all present or future inventory of Grantor and the products thereof, of every type and description, whether held or to be derived therefrom, whether by Grantor or by others, and all documents of title, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, and other documents of every type covering all or any part of the foregoing, and all of Grantor's related equipment, and any and all additions thereto and substitutions and replacements therefor, and all accessories, attachments, and accessions thereto, and all proceeds derived or to be derived therefrom, whether in cash, farm products, or otherwise, and whether from or through any federal or state government agency or program or otherwise, including without limitation all easements, profits, rights of storage, trailing and grazing, and irrigation and water rights; all entitlements, rights to payment, and payments, in whatever form received, including but not limited to, payments under any governmental agricultural diversion programs, governmental agricultural assistance programs, the Farm Services Agency Wheat Feed Grain Program, and any other such program of the United States Department of Agriculture, warehouse receipts, chemicals and fertilizers, documents, letters of entitlement, and deficiency, conservation reserve, and diversion and storage payments, all insurance proceeds and refunds of insurance premiums, if any, and all sums that may be due from third parties who may cause damage to any of the foregoing, or from any insurer, whether due to judgment, settlement or other process, and any and all present and future accounts, contract rights, chattel paper, instruments, documents, and notes that may be derived from the sale or other disposition of any of the foregoing, and any rights of Grantor to collect and enforce payment thereof, as well as to enforce any guarantees of the foregoing and security therefor, and all of Grantor's present and future general intangibles in any way relating or pertaining to any of the foregoing, including without limitation Grantor's books, records, files, computer disks and software, and all rights that Grantor may have with regard thereto. The Collateral includes any and all farm products, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations whether classified as crops or livestock, harvested crops and all processed crops, whether or not produced by Grantor, livestock, poultry, feed, seed, fertilizer, insecticides, herbicides or other agricultural chemicals and supplies. Accounts and proceeds, all accounts receivable, contract rights, cash and non-cash proceeds from the sale, exchange, collection, or disposition of any collateral. All contract rights, chattel paper, documents, accounts, general intangibles, whether now owned or hereafter acquired by Grantor, including, but not limited to, payments in cash or in kind (under any current or future estate or federal government programs), including but not limited to, governmental agricultural diversion programs,

governmental agricultural systems programs, and all proceeds of the foregoing and all general intangibles. The Collateral includes any and all of Grantor's present and future farm products, livestock, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations, poultry, agricultural commodities and other farm products of every type and description, including without limitation all replacements and substitutions therefor and additions thereto, and further including without limitation any and all offspring, unborn livestock, and other products, previously, contemporaneously and/or in the future acquired by Grantor whether by purchase, exchange, accretion or otherwise, and all of Grantor's present and future inventory in any way derived or to be derived therefrom, whether held by Grantor or by others, and all documents of title, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, and other documents of every type covering all or any part of the foregoing, and all of Grantor's equipment in any way related thereto, and any and all additions thereto and substitutions and replacements therefor, and all accessories, attachments, and accessions thereto, whether added now or later, and all other products and proceeds derived or to be derived therefrom, including without limitation all insurance proceeds and refunds of insurance premiums, if any, and all sums that may be due from third parties who may cause damage to any of the foregoing or from any insurer, whether due to judgment, settlement or other process, and any and all present and future accounts, contract rights, chattel paper, instruments, documents and notes that may be derived from the sale or other disposition of any of the foregoing, and any rights of Grantor to collect or enforce payment thereof, as well as to enforce any guarantees of the foregoing and security therefor, and all of Grantor's present and future general intangibles in any way related or pertaining to any of the foregoing, including without limitation Grantor's books, records, files, computer disks and software, and all rights that Grantor may have with regard thereto. No warranty is made that any or all of the personal property still exists or is available for the successful bidder and no warranty is made as to the condition of any of the personal property, which shall be sold "as is, where is". You have the right to request an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the property being sold. You may submit your request to the address listed below. The charge for this request is \$30.00. You may be liable for any deficiency if the secured obligation is not paid in full. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust and Security Agreement heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned, a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a Written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. In the event that the Deed of Trust described in this Notice of Trustee's Sale is secured by real property containing one to four single-family residences, the following notices are provided pursuant to the provisions of Civil Code section 2924f. Notice to potential bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. Bidders at the trustee auction must make cashier's checks payable to WT Capital. Third party cashier's checks will not be accepted. Notice to property owner: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 559-228-8393 or visit this internet website www.wtcap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-14223-165. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to tenant: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (559) 228-8393, or visit this internet website www.wtcap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-14223-165. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to tenant: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. 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com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-14223-165 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Dated: November 12, 2024 WT Capital Lender Services, a California corporation 7522 North Colonial Avenue, Suite 111 Fresno, California 93711 (559) 228-8393 WTCap.com By Nate Kucera Chief Executive Officer (FS# 37195 11/21/24, 11/28/24, 12/05/24) Publish Wasco Tribune

### PUBLIC NOTICE

File # 15951890 Assessor's Parcel No.: 051-101-19-00 T.S. No.: 24-14221-165 Notice of Unified Trustee's Sale You are in default under a deed of trust dated 12/23/2013. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceedings against you, you should contact a lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Original Trustor(s): Santa Paula Hay & Grain and Ranches, a California general partnership Duly Appointed Trustee: WT Capital Lender Services, a California corporation Recorded 12/31/2013 as Document No. 0213188441, Book , Page of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Kern County, California Date of Sale: 12/11/2024, at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: The front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, Ca 93301 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,347,710.08 Estimated Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. Street Address or other common designation of real property: Vacant Land, Delano, Ca: Directions to said property may be obtained by submitting a written request within ten (10) business days of the first publication to: Community West Bank, c/o WT Capital, 7522 North Colonial Avenue, Suite 111, Fresno, CA 93711 Legal Description: All that certain real property situated in the County of Kern, State of California, described as follows: Parcel 1: Assessor's Parcel No. 051-101-19 That portion of Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 15, located South 0° 16' 30" East 741.68 feet from the West quarter corner of said Section 15; thence South 00° 16' 30" East 666.52 feet; thence South 89° 44' 10" East 292.04 feet parallel to the South line of said Section 15 to the Westerly right of way line of State Highway No. 65 as described in deed to State of California, recorded March 5, 1942, Book 1077, Page 144 of Official Records; thence Northerly along said Westerly right of way line to a point due East of the point of beginning; thence West parallel to the North line of said Section 15, 2910.31 feet to the point of beginning. Together with an undivided 45/435ths interest in and to the Well Pumping Plant site and appurtenances thereto located as follows: Beginning at a point 1,175 feet North and 1,297 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 27 East; thence East 20 feet; thence South 20 feet; thence West 20 feet; thence North 20 feet to the point of beginning. Except therefrom all oil, gas and other hydrocarbon substances, as reserved by John R. Quinn, Executor to San Clemente Sheep Co., recorded September 20, 1935, Book 595, Page 235 of Official Records. Parcel 2: A non-exclusive right of way for road purposes and for the installation and maintenance of pipelines, poles, pole lines and appurtenances thereto, over and across a 40 foot strip of land, the center line of which is described as follows: Beginning at a point in the North line of Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Kern, State of California, according to the Official plat thereof, filed September 4, 1855, in the office of the Surveyor General, distant 1322.80 feet East of the Northwest corner thereof, said point being the Northerly terminus of the 40 foot strip of land herein to be described; thence South 00° 11' 00" East 5274.54 feet to a point in the South line of said Section 15, said last mentioned point being the Southerly terminus of the 40 foot strip herein described. Except therefrom that portion lying within Parcel 1 above. A.P.N.: 051-101-19 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any

incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Beneficiary hereby elects to conduct a unified foreclosure sale pursuant to the provisions of California Commercial Code section 9604, et seq., and to include in the non-judicial foreclosure of the real property interest described in the Notice of Default and Election to Sell Under Deed of Trust, all of the personal property and fixtures, together with replacements and proceeds, if applicable, described in the Agricultural Security Agreement, dated 12/23/2013, and in a UCC-1 Financing Statement filed with the Secretary of State, State of California, on 1/3/2014, as Filing No. 14-7394435929 and recorded in the Office of the Kern County Recorder on 1/6/2014 as Instrument No. 0214001356 between the original trustor and the original beneficiary, as it may have been amended and/or continued from time to time, and pursuant to any other instruments between the trustor and beneficiary referencing a security interest in personal property. Beneficiary reserves its right to revoke its election as to some or all of said personal property and/or fixtures, or to add additional personal property and/or fixtures to the election herein expressed, at Beneficiary's sole election, from time to time and at any time until the consummation of the Trustee's Sale to be conducted pursuant to the Deed of Trust and this Notice of Trustee's Sale. A description of the personal property, which was given as security for trustor's obligation is: All Crops and All Farm Products The Collateral includes any and all of Grantor's present and future rights, title and interest in and to all crops growing or to be planted, cultivated, grown, raised and/or harvested together with any and all agricultural and farm products produced or derived therefrom, of every nature and kind whatsoever, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations, together with all present or future inventory of Grantor and the products thereof, of every type and description, whether held by Grantor or by others, and all documents of title, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, and other documents of every type covering all or any part of the foregoing, and all of Grantor's related equipment, and any and all additions thereto and substitutions and replacements therefor, and all accessories, attachments, and accessions thereto, and all proceeds derived or to be derived therefrom, whether in cash, farm products, or otherwise, and whether from or through any federal or state government agency or program or otherwise, including without limitation all easements, profits, rights of storage, trailing and grazing, and irrigation and water rights; all entitlements, rights to payment, and payments, in whatever form received, including but not limited to, payments under any governmental agricultural diversion programs, governmental agricultural assistance programs, the Farm Services Agency Wheat Feed Grain Program, and any other such program of the United States Department of Agriculture, warehouse receipts, chemicals and fertilizers, documents, letters of entitlement, and deficiency, conservation reserve, and diversion and storage payments, all insurance proceeds and refunds of insurance premiums, if any, and all sums that may be due from third parties who may cause damage to any of the foregoing, or from any insurer, whether due to judgment, settlement or other process, and any and all present and future accounts, contract rights, chattel paper, instruments, documents, and notes that may be derived from the sale or other disposition of any of the foregoing, and any rights of Grantor to collect and enforce payment thereof, as well as to enforce any guarantees of the foregoing and security therefor, and all of Grantor's present and future general intangibles in any way relating or pertaining to any of the foregoing, including without limitation Grantor's books, records, files, computer disks and software, and all rights that Grantor may have with regard thereto. The Collateral includes any and all farm products, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations whether classified as crops or livestock, harvested crops and all processed crops, whether or not produced by Grantor, livestock, poultry, feed, seed, fertilizer, insecticides, herbicides or other agricultural chemicals and supplies. Accounts and proceeds, all accounts receivable, contract rights, cash and non-cash proceeds from the sale, exchange, collection, or disposition of any collateral. All contract rights, chattel paper, documents, accounts, general intangibles, whether now owned or hereafter acquired by Grantor, including, but not limited to, payments in cash or in kind (under any current or future estate or federal government programs), including but not limited to, governmental agricultural diversion programs, governmental agricultural systems programs, and all proceeds of the foregoing and all general intangibles. The Collateral includes any and all of Grantor's present and future farm products, livestock, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations, poultry, agricultural commodities and other farm products of every type and description, including without limitation all replacements and substitutions therefor and additions thereto, and further including without limitation any and all offspring, unborn livestock, and other products, previously, contemporaneously and/or in the future acquired by Grantor whether by purchase, exchange, accretion or otherwise, and all of Grantor's present and future inventory in any way derived or to be derived therefrom, whether held by Grantor or by others, and all documents of title, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, and other documents of every type covering all

or any part of the foregoing, and all of Grantor's equipment in any way related thereto, and any and all additions thereto and substitutions and replacements therefor, and all accessories, attachments, and accessions thereto, whether added now or later, and all other products and proceeds derived or to be derived therefrom, including without limitation all insurance proceeds and refunds of insurance premiums, if any, and all sums that may be due from third parties who may cause damage to any of the foregoing or from any insurer, whether due to judgment, settlement or other process, and any and all present and future accounts, contract rights, chattel paper, instruments, documents and notes that may be derived from the sale or other disposition of any of the foregoing, and any rights of Grantor to collect or enforce payment thereof, as well as to enforce any guarantees of the foregoing and security therefor, and all of Grantor's present and future general intangibles in any way related or pertaining to any of the foregoing, including without limitation Grantor's books, records, files, computer disks and software, and all rights that Grantor may have with regard thereto. No warranty is made that any or all of the personal property still exists or is available for the successful bidder and no warranty is made as to the condition of any of the personal property, which shall be sold "as is, where is". You have the right to request an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the property being sold. You may submit your request to the address listed below. The charge for this request is \$30.00. You may be liable for any deficiency if the secured obligation is not paid in full. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust and Security Agreement heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned, a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a Written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. In the event that the Deed of Trust described in this Notice of Trustee's Sale is secured by real property containing one to four single-family residences, the following notices are provided pursuant to the provisions of Civil Code section 2924f. Notice to potential bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. Bidders at the trustee auction must make cashier's checks payable to WT Capital. Third party cashier's checks will not be accepted. Notice to property owner: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 559-228-8393 or visit this internet website www.wtcap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-14221-165. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to tenant: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (559) 228-8393, or visit this internet website www.wtcap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-14221-165 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee.



# OBITUARIES

**Byron Allen  
"Bob" Brown  
May 5, 1956 –  
Nov. 15, 2024**



Byron Allen "Bob" Brown was born on May 5, 1956, in Bakersfield, the youngest of four children to Annie Beatrice Lyons Brown and Sam Brown. From an early age, he was affectionately known as "Bob," a nickname given to him by his older brother Larry who couldn't quite pronounce "Byron." Bob embraced the name and never looked back.

Growing up in Wasco, Bob was always drawn to music. He sang in the choir at Truelight Baptist Church, and in his early teens he learned to play the drums. He was a natural and quickly mastered the instrument. His musical talent led him

to join the local band, Clear Day. During this time, Bob was a drum major in the Wasco Union High School marching band and a high hurdler and high jumper on the track team. Many times, Bob would race from a track meet or marching band performance to make it to a gig with Clear Day. Later, while Clear Day was on tour in Oklahoma, he entered a "last man standing" all-night roller-skating competition and was crowned

"Roller Skate King!" Bob met the love of his life, Diana "Deannie" Espinoza Brown, in 1974. In January 1976, Bob and Deannie were blessed with their son, Robert "Miko" Brown. In 1979, Bob began working for the Wasco Public Utilities District (WPU), which later became the City of Wasco Water Department, from which he retired after 30 years of service.

Bob was known as a jack-of-all-trades. During his years with the Water Department, Bob could be found cowboying (moving cattle, breaking horses, shoeing horses, team roping, etc.), DJ-ing parties and events, plumbing, bartending, barbecuing or cooking for various events, and as a founding member playing the drums and

singing in Mixed Company, until he was hospitalized. Bob was also the drummer and a singer in the Wasco Active 20/30 Club's "Plenty-Thirsty Band," which was arguably the crowd favorite during the annual Wasco Rose Festival Parade. The band members would be dressed as clowns, bounce on their floats, throw candy to the kids and play loud music throughout the parade route.

Bob loved spending time outdoors, whether fishing, enjoying the mountains at Monache Meadows or taking trips to Lake Tahoe with his bride, Deannie. He also cherished his visits to see his son and his family in Huntsville, Ala.

Bob was known for his larger-than-life personality. He had a special ability to make anyone feel like

family, and if he gave you a nickname, you knew you were "in." His humor and wit were contagious, and he could make you laugh until you cried. Bob's heart was big, and he was always there for those who needed him.

Though he didn't have a formal church home, Bob had a deep faith and rededicated his life to Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior on Oct. 5, and it was on Nov. 15, while surrounded by family, that Bob became absent from his body to dwell in the presence of the Lord.

Bob leaves behind his loving wife, Diana "Deannie" Brown; son, Robert "Miko" Brown (Meredith "Meri"); and grandchildren Elizabeth "Belle" Hardin (Cody), Claudia "Kya" Hampel (Jay), Robert "Beau" Brown Jr. (Kylie),

and Samuel "Blake" Brown, all of the Huntsville, Ala., area; as well as many nieces and nephews, including his special nieces Ebony Williams of Bakersfield and Allison Molina of Bakersfield; and special nephew Robert "RJ" Espinoza (Tracy) of McFarland.

Bob was deeply loved by many close friends, who were considered family, including David Lucas, Mitchell Maxey and Vincent Nolden. In addition, Bob loved and was loved by all his siblings. He leaves behind a sister, Pamela Shugart, of Wasco. He was preceded in death by his parents, Annie and Sam, and siblings Larry Brown and Linda Reed.

Graveside services will be held Friday, Nov. 22, at 2 p.m. at Wasco Memorial Park, 300 Leonard Ave.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

# Thankful

**PASTOR PAT COYLE**

Shafter Mennonite Brethren Church

If you're like me, you may get used to certain things in life and come to take them for granted. For example, we assume that when we open a faucet, water comes out or when we flip a switch, a light comes on.

On the recent mission trip that I went on, it reminded me that in many parts of the world those things don't always work like that. Upon arriving home, I suddenly felt very fortunate to have a comfortable home, plenty of clothes to wear and an abundance of food to eat. I realize that there are plenty of areas in our own country where that may not be the case, but for most of us, it really is.

During this month of Thanksgiving

Day, let me encourage each of us to take stock of what we do have. A simple suggestion might be to start each day by thinking of several things you're thankful for (family, job, home, etc.) and ending the day the same (food, clothing, friends, etc.). Over time, perhaps this will be a good habit and help us develop a more thankful attitude than we may already have.



I know that I can too easily shift my focus from being thankful for what I do have to wishing for things I don't. Some of those longings may be legitimate, but I'll admit that some of them are simply giving in to discontent. Let me also encourage all of us to let the truth of Psalm 100 and others like it to shape our thankfulness. This is a great time of year to celebrate Thanksgiving, but let's commit to making it a something we do all year!

## PET OF THE WEEK

# Bring Kodak into your life

Kodak is a playful, happy 9-year-old Anatolian Shepherd mix, with shiny brown and white fur. He came to us as a stray and is excellent with staff and other dogs. He's microchipped, but it's unknown if he's house/crate trained, and his behavior with children hasn't been tested. Kodak is an ideal match for someone looking for an active, loving companion who's great with other dogs. He will be available for adoption starting Wednesday, Nov. 27. Consider giving this sweet boy a chance to bring joy to your life.

-Wasco Animal Shelter



## DEATH NOTICES

**Rigoberto Villagran**, 63, of Bakersfield, passed away Nov. 11, in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Jose Tovar**, 67, of Wasco, passed away Nov. 7, in Wasco. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Martha Lou Epps**, 97, of Tehachapi, passed away Nov. 11, in Tehachapi. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Silveria Lopez Vasquez**, 89, of Bakersfield, passed away Nov. 11, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Byron "Bob" Brown**, 68, of Wasco, passed away Nov. 15, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Amparo M. Gonzalez**, 97, of Delano, passed away Nov. 12, in Delano. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Perry Tiner**, 84, of Bakersfield, passed away Nov. 17, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Adam Childress**, 45, of Bakersfield, passed away Nov. 11, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

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### THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS.

# Christmas Festival honors Valley Champs

**From Page 1**  
 the Wasco Christmas Parade, will travel from Poplar and 7th toward downtown. The Valley Champion teams will light the Christmas tree at about 7:15 p.m., followed by a block party until 9 p.m.  
 The Honorary Tree Lighter compo-

ment was added last year. This year, Wasco's four Valley Champion teams will take center stage. Sophomore Bengal Head Coach Raul Gutierrez responded, "I am very proud of our accomplishments and honored to be part of this great season."  
 JV Bengal Head Coach Omar Rincon

said, "It was an overwhelming love of everyone supporting us." Tiger Wrestling Coach Juan Gallardo praised the town's appreciation, saying, "We are blessed to be honored." Varsity Cheer Coach Sydney Bocker added, "We are excited to bring more Christmas CHEER to the

community."  
 Entry fees for the parade include donations of board games or balls for Wasco Toys for Tigers. For more information about the parade, vendors or volunteering, contact wascof@gmail.com.

# County looking for interest in station

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 by 60 acres of configured experimental plot land, according to the station's website. The plot land has a permanent underground irrigation system with a deep well and surface supplies provided by the Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District.

and was added to the National Register of Historic Places the same year. Onsite historical structures occupy 11,580 square feet and include the original front and rear laboratory building, superintendent's residence, cotton gin and greenhouse. Due to government budget cuts, the USDA withdrew its management of the station, and the San Joaquin Valley Quality Cot-

ton Growers Association took over the facility to further its research initiatives.

Recently the association was disbanded and vacated the station.

Now, the research station has shifted ownership to Kern County and awaits a new life. According to Damian, uses being considered for the site include, but are not limited to, an agtech incubator, research

center and school. The county is considering hiring a firm to do a feasibility study, or potentially sell or donate the facility

Letters of interest to the county can be submitted to Tim Garrison at garrison@kerncounty.com or Katie Watkins at watkins@kerncounty.com. An auction for onsite agricultural gear and equipment will take place Saturday, Dec. 7, at 9 a.m.



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