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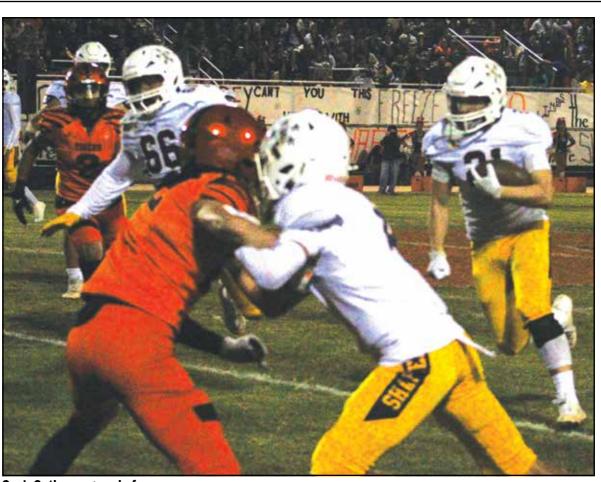
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Cash Gutierrez goes in for a score.

Generals win rivalry with Wasco, 35-14

JAMIE STEWART

For The Press and Tribune

The 97th matchup of the Shafter High Generals and Wasco High Tigers took place on Friday night, and it was tightly contested game for almost three quarters, before the Generals scored 21 unanswered points to break the game open and beat the Tigers, 35-14.

With a crowd over 4,000 strong, the two teams battled it out in the first half, with each side showing the intensity that has fueled this rivalry for almost a century.

The teams played to a 7-7 tie in the first half, with Shafter scoring in the second quarter on a pass from Ezekield Osborn to Cash Gutierrez, who also had runs for 21 and 18 yards earlier in the drive. The Central Section's leading rusher, Tiger Hammie Lopez, got Wasco on the board with just seconds left to go in the first half on a 4-yard

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run, tying the score.

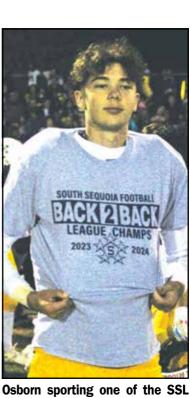
Throughout the game, both teams were hurt by penalties, with the emotions of the event leading to personal fouls for both teams.

Wasco took the lead in the third quarter, with a 21-yard pass play to Lopez, giving the Tigers a 14-7 lead and the momentum.

But that did not last long, as Osborn and company marched down the field to tie the game at 14-14 with a run by Christopher

The Tigers answered back to take the lead at 21-14 to the delight of the home crowd. But, the Tigers' plan to get the ball back with an onside kick backfired when Espinoza grabbed the ball and ran it down to the Tigers' 24-yard line. Osborn hit Adrian Garcia for a touchdown, tying the score.

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league championship t-shirts that the team received after the game.

The Wasco Wendy's team is ready to greet customers.

Wendy's opens new store in Wasco

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

Wasco celebrated the official ribbon-cutting for its new Wendy's restaurant on Highway 46, introducing the latest addition to the **WASCO**

growing business landscape. Community members and local officials gathered to welcome Wendy's, excited about its positive impact on

the local economy and dining options. Mayor Valentin Medina called it a step in the right direction for economic development. "This is a \$3.5-million investment into our community, providing 37 local jobs with over 400 applications submitted," he said in an

interview. "These numbers demonstrate that there is interest in continuing to develop our local economy, and they show that we have the workforce to support new businesses coming into town." He added that he hopes Wendy's, as the most recent

business to open along the Highway 46 corridor, will inspire others to consider Wasco as a location. "There is

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Incumbents lead in race for council

Shafter City Council incumbents appeared to be re-elected in early results from Tuesday's election.

With more than half the ballots counted, Gilbert Alvarado, Pete Espinoza and Mayor Chad Givens were leading in the race for a four-year term on the council. A bond issue for Wasco schools seemed on its

way to approval, too. Check in at TheShafterPress.com and WascoTrib.com for updates.

New car wash open, Starbucks coming

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

Countryside, a local family-owned business specializing in national food brands, gas, retail and car wash ventures throughout Kern and Tulare counties, has significantly contributed to Shafter's growth over the past decade, bringing the town its first Subway, Taco Bell and Starbucks. Last week, they opened their first Countryside Car Wash in the area, providing an efficient express wash experience.

The team also announced that it will be bringing another Starbucks to town as early as next year.

With the launch of their second Countryside Car Wash, the other located in Taft, co-owner Neetu Jhaj explained, "We are an express exterior wash, not a detailed wash. The goal is to provide a qual-

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ity, express experience so customers do not have to wait 30 to 45 minutes or even an hour for a hand wash and wax. Once a customer is on the conveyor, they're out in less than 4 minutes, which our customers tell us is a remarkable savings in time and efficiency."

Countryside's new location features Shafter's first-of-its-kind tunnel, conveyor system and express automatic wash. "Our tunnel equipment and technology are very high quality. We made sure to work with a supplier rated one of the best in the country to bring the best of the best to Shafter," Neetu added. "Our deluxe member experience offers customers options like triple foam, rain repel, wheel cleaner, tire shine, deluxe wash, premium ceramic

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to bring convenient service to the community. Pictured are Jose Gomez, Kris Clarke, Neetu and Rick Jhaj, Jose Godinez and Teo Bravo)

Community Calendar

The Shafter Press and Wasco Tribune encourage local organizations to let the public know about coming events and activities through this column. Drop off or mail items at the office, 455 Kern St., Suite E, in Shafter, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday, call 661-292-5100 or email esoriano@TheShafterPress.com. Deadline is 4 p.m. Thursday prior to publication. Updates will be on TheShafterPress.com and WascoTrib.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Craft fair - Wasco Woman's Club Craft Fair & Pop Up Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 a.m.-2 p.m at 1601 7th St.

Park ribbon cutting - Veterans Memorial Park celebration Thursday, Nov. 7, at 749 7th St., Wasco, at 10 a.m. Refreshments and project tours following the ceremony at the new downtown plaza.

Santa Claus event — Hitchcock Carquest Auto Parts is having an early visit from Santa Claus Thursday, Nov. 14, 12-3 p.m. at 620 Munzer St., Shafter.

16th Annual Christmas Tree Display -The Shafter Depot Museum presents "The Lights of Christmas!" If you want to set up a tree or know of anyone who does, contact Stephanie, 661-330-8769, or Stan, 661-747-0324, for more information. We love community involvement and accept last minute entries. Setup for the display will be the first week of December. Trees will be on display Saturdays, Dec. 14, 21, 28 and Jan. 2, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

ONGOING

Wardrobe for Wildcats - Semitropic School is seeking donations to provide two full uniforms, school t-shirt and school sweatshirt to each student for the 2024-25 school year. All donations will directly benefit students at the school and are tax deductible. Bring a donation directly by the school at 25300 Hwy. 46 in Wasco or contact Melody Gebhardt at 661-746-4439.

PRIDE Pantry donations needed – Help hurting families at Shafter High through donations of personal hygiene items, clothing, household items and nonperishable food. Drop off at the school office, 526 Mannel Ave. Call Katie Young at on-campus intervention, 661-746-4961.

MONDAY

North Kern 4H – Meetings are held at Karl Clemens cafeteria at 7 p.m. the 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

Senior Sack Program - First and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Griffith Avenue Baptist Church in Wasco. Shafter Recreation and Parks District -

Meetings the second Tuesday of the month at 505 Sunset Ave., the Shafter Senior Cen-

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

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

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

Senior Food giveaway – Westside Family tured.

Fellowship hosts free senior food giveaway every fourth Tuesday of the month, 9-10 a.m., 60 or older (ID required). 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

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. Visit wuhs.wascouhsd. org for agenda information.

Wasco Recreation and Park Board - Meetings 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

Free farmers market - Westside Family Fellowship hosts fourth Thursday of the month, 8-10 a.m. 2150 Palm Ave., Wasco.

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

Depot Museum - Shafter Historical Society presents the city's history. Free admittance. 150 Central Valley Highway. Open Saturdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Green Hotel tours - Shafter Historic Green Hotel is open to tours on the first Saturday of each month from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information about renting the hotel for events, email thegreenhotel@gmail. com or phone 661-746-1913 and leave a

Minter Field Air Museum - Open Fridays and Saturdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at 401 Vultee, Shafter. Admission free, donations

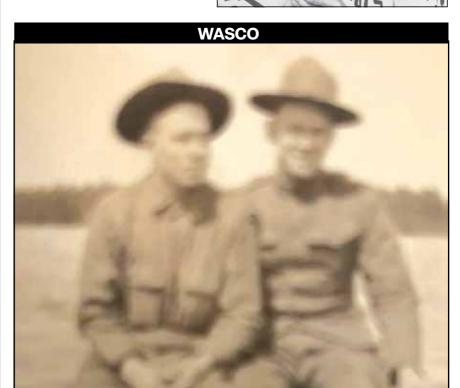
Wasco Museum - Open every second Saturday of the month, 1-3 p.m., at 918 6th St. Free to the public. Wasco High School artifacts from over the last 100 years are fea

Mystery history



Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/ or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to The Press, 455 Kern St., Suite E, Shafter, CA 93263, or e-mail it to mysteryphoto@The ShafterPress.com. Winners will be revealed here next week. LAST WEEK: Vickie Cortez identified last week's photo from brother Manuel Garcia's 1984 SHS yearbook - it was Garcia as quarterback on the team.





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ARREST REPORT

As reported by the Shafter

Police Department

OCT. 28 Anthony Paul Rodriguez, 50, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of West Orange Avenue for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug and possession of a controlled

substance.

Carlos Vincente Aguilar, 29, of Shafter, was arrested for obstruction, battery on a public officer and

disorderly conduct. **OCT. 30**

Vincent Lopez, 30, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of West Los Angeles on a bench warrant/ failure to appear on a mis-

demeanor charge. NOV. 2 Victor Manuel Sanchez, 40, of Shafter, was arrested at James Street and Central

Avenue for obstruction.

Luis Alberto Meda Jr., 27, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of Central Valley Highway for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug and narcotics violations.

NOV.3

Gabriel Gamboa Sanchez, 54, of Shafter, was arrested in the 500 block of Sycamore Avenue for battery on a spouse/exspouse

BUTTONWILLOW As reported by the Kern

County Sheriff's Office, Buttonwillow substation:

OCT. 29 Ramirez-Eduardo

Quiroz, 30, of Bakersfield,

was arrested in the 5300

block of Bussell Road in Bakersfield on a felony warrant. He was booked

into the Kern County Jail.

Noel Rosas, 29, of Wasco, was arrested in the 300 block of Central Valley Highway in Shafter three misdemeanor warrant remands. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

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As reported by the Wasco Police Department:

OCT. 29

Humberto Cruz Ortega, 30, was arrested at 748 F St. on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the

Rolando Santiago, 23, was arrested at the intersection of Central Avenue and Poso Drive for disorderly conduct. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility. Yvette Ann Cantu, 35,

was arrested in the 1600 block of Broadway Avenue for driving on a suspended license, failure to provide insurance and no registration. She was cited and released at the scene. **OCT. 30**

Vinson Ray Callah-

an Sr, 65, was arrested in the 1900 block of Gaston Street for possession of a controlled substance, pos-

session of unlawful paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Julio Cesar Chavez, 43,

was arrested in the 2600

block of Poso Drive on a

misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and re-

leased at the scene.

Mindy Moreno, 36, was arrested in the 1100 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

OCT. 31

Antonio Agustine Soto, 60, was arrested at the intersection of 16th Street and Shamrock Court for possession of unlawful paraphernalia and on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

Juan Manuel Bravo. 35, was arrested at the intersection of 16th and D streets for possession of paraphernalia unlawful and on a felony bench warrant. He was booked into

the Lerdo Justice Facility. Emmanuel Navare, 25, was arrested in the 2000 block of 5th Street for driving without a valid license, hit and run, and driving under the influence of alcohol. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

NOV.1

Cristal Calderon Cardona, 42, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. She was cited and released on the scene.

Javier Pizano, 52, was arrested at 1058 5th Place for possession of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for sale and transporting a controlled substance. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Kevin Deon Sharp, 60, was arrested in the 1200 block of Lily Court for possession of a narcotic controlled substance, possession of marijuana over 1 ounce, possession of a controlled substance and prohibited person in possession of ammunition. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

Antwyne Johnathan Burdine, 40, was arrested in the 1500 block of High-

way 46 for possession of controlled substance, possession of a narcotic controlled substance and possession of unlawful paraphernalia. He was cited

and released at the scene.

NOV. 2 Jonathan Jimenez Gonzalez, 19, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor bench warrant. He was cited and

released at the scene.

Martinez, was arrested at Margalo and Central avenues for obstructing or resisting a peace officer and carrying a concealed dirk or dagger. He was booked into the Lerdo Justice Facility.

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New coordinator to aid Wasco homeless

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

The City Council approved a homeless outreach coordinator position to provide outreach services to individuals experiencing homelessness. This role will involve collaboration with Code Enforcement, Police Department staff and nonprofit organizations to link individuals with essential services and housing.

The outreach coordinator will engage with those facing homelessness to help them identify programs offering housing, mental health services, substance abuse treatment and/or rehabilitation services. The primary objective for the coordinator is to assist individuals who are currently experiencing or at risk of homelessness. This includes providing resources for rapid re-housing, rental assistance and supportive case management services to help individuals obtain and maintain stable housing.

The position will be paid for through a

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state grant.

"Our goal is to contract with a non-profit and hire someone internally to work with the homeless population and manage the nonprofit," said Assistant City Manager Maria Lara at Tuesday night's council meeting. "There are some great nonprofits doing work for the homeless in Wasco, and we're hoping this person can connect those dots and work with local law enforcement and the Code Enforcement guys to make a positive impact."

Of the homelessness issue in Wasco, City Manager Scott Hurlbert said, "We don't have an overwhelming problem, but they do cause disruptions, and some are resistant to accepting services."

At the meeting, there was a badge-pinning ceremony for Police Dispatcher Albert Lopez, who came from the Delano Police Department with 15 years of experience. "It's been a long time coming be-

cause I started in August. I'll officially be part of the city, and that's exciting. Since I started, it's been busier than I expected for a small town, but I believe we have a strong team," Lopez said. He also praised Chief of Police Charles Fivecoat. "He's a very honorable and admirable man."

Lopez's wife of eight years, Marivel, attended the ceremony. "I am very proud of him. He is very good at what he does. He works long hours and is always willing to pick up extra shifts to help his colleagues. He is very deserving of today." Benny Butler was recognized for his

retirement after 20 years in the Sanitation Department. "Over those 20 years, it was very exciting because I met new people from Wasco every day. What I loved most was the camaraderie with my fellow employees. I had a good time with everybody, but I'm looking forward to my retirement. I've already started and can't wait for this Spring; we'll see our children," Butler



Benny Butler shared a special recognition with his wife, Jacquelyn, to whom he has been married for 37 years.

Students to close view of city government

JAMIE STEWART

For The Shafter Press

The Shafter City Council Tuesday night approved a project that would see several local schools participate in a project that would allow the students to learn more about the operation of local government. Student Council members from Rich-

land School District, Shafter High School, GROW Academy and Maple School will **SHAFTER**

be able to participate in a series of meetings held at City Hall.

The students would receive polo shirts as part of their experience, as well an opportunity to shadow the city officials during a workday, as well as sit in and participate in a City Council meeting.

Also a part of the project is a trip for the participating students to the State Capitol in Sacramento.

The trip would include a tour of the Capitol, a chance to meet local lawmakers and some sightseeing.. The budget for the trip is a little over

\$5,800 and is being funded by the city's Community Projects Fund. In other city action, the council re-

ceived a report on the first of the city's parks that have had public safety cameras installed, the first being Veterans Park.

The council saw a presentation about the installation of the cameras and their use. The positive impact on the safety of the community was emphasized.

The council had the chance to see the view from the different cameras that were installed at the site. The cameras have night vision, and also have recording capabilities and are high resolution.

The cost of the Veterans Park project was approximately \$68,000.

A year of growth at Strata Credit Union



the party to life with their upbeat Spanish dance music.

VERONICA JACUINDE The Press and Tribune

Strata Credit Union celebrated its Día de los Muertos Member Appreciation Event on Friday, complete with traditional Mexican pan dulce, hot chocolate, custom Strata tumblers and lively entertainment from Radio Lobo. The festive gathering featured raffles, face painting and games for kids, while sharing resources and highlighting the support services available to members.

The celebration also marked Strata Credit Union's upcoming one-year anniversary on the 30th, and CEO Brandon Ivie shared his excitement: "It's been great," he said in an interview. "We're really helping the community. The word is getting out about how we can help with financial needs. It was a little slow in the beginning, but things have picked up. Right now, we're offering auto loan refinance promotions, which has brought in a lot of people, helping to lower their rates and payments on their vehicles."

Ivie noted that Strata members are seeking checking accounts and ITIN auto loans, as traditional banks typically don't lend to individuals with an ITIN, those without a social security number. "Members are also utilizing our Wealth Builder CD, which helps them

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save consistently. These resources are superior to what you'd find at a traditional bank."

When discussing whether they have met their goals for the year, he explained that there are no specific financial or loan targets for the branch. "Our accomplishment is that we are here to serve the community. That is what credit unions are about. It's people helping people." He also emphasized that Strata's mission is to serve the underbanked and unbanked, adding, "And I feel we are doing just that. We are a not-for-profit organization, so the money we make is reinvested back into the com-

munity and into our members." Elizabeth Lagunas is the branch manager and has loved the last year. "It's been wonderful helping the residents of Wasco and offering products that benefit them. Not only is it completely free, but we really care about our members."

She takes pride in how her team spends time with each member to make them feel valued "and make them feel like family. We see them as a member. There's a difference between a regular bank client and a Strata member. The difference is a client is a number, and a member is someone we care about their financial well-being."

New car wash open, Starbucks coming

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coat, and underbody wash, which many other car washes don't offer."

For the first month, Countryside offers a deluxe wash membership for first-time customers at over 50% off, costing \$14.99 a month – less than 50 cents a day. "Our customers appreciate that," Neetu noted. "The second month is \$36.99, still a great deal at just \$1.23 a day.'

Neetu expressed gratitude for the community's support, saying, "We feel really blessed and grateful for the positive response from the City of Shafter, the Police Department and the community. They have been sharing their positive experiences and excitement with us about utilizing the wash."

Shafter, Countryside plans to open a second Starbucks next to the car wash, on a

In line with their commitment to

site allocated for a drive-thru restaurant. "Our goal is to break ground at the end of the first quarter next year, with an expected opening in 2025," co-owner Rick Jhaj said.

The first Starbucks location near Taco Bell and McDonald's saw so much demand from traffic between Wasco and Shafter, coming through Highway 43 and Lerdo Highway, that a second location is needed to keep up. "It's such a busy area

that we're opening a second location to meet demand," he added.

Reflecting on the family's 30-year history in Bakersfield, he said, "We're excited to keep developing in Shafter and to bring national brands to Shafter and Wasco."

Countryside Car Wash, 650 Central Valley Hwy., is open Monday through Sunday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For information, call 661-292-7220.

Wendy's opens a new store in Wasco

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other development happening along the highway, which I am certain will continue to boost interest and attract more businesses to Wasco.' City Manager Scott Hurlbert expressed

his enthusiasm for the significant investment. "They have faith in the community. They have faith in the business model. It's an educated decision to come to this market. The payroll gets turned over multiple times in the community, and it didn't get lost here."

Ron Dhillon, who owns another Wendy's in Northern California, chose to open his second location in Wasco because of the warmth and kindness he felt from the close-knit community. "When I first visited and got to know the town by talking to people, I felt a real sense of community. I enjoyed my interactions with the residents and believed it was a great place to do business and support the growth of Wasco."

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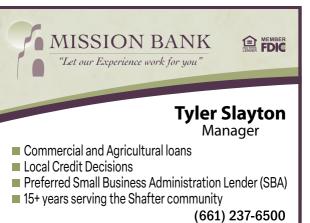
He noted that what sets Wendy's apart is the quality of its food. He points to their beef, which is never frozen. "And being a superior product adds value for the good people of Wasco at a good price point."

Being active in the community will be a priority for him, and he wants to get involved with the schools. "It's important to us because we don't only want to do business in Wasco, we want to be a productive member of the community." He will also maintain a strong presence at the restaurant while managing plans for additional Wendy's locations in Bakersfield and surrounding cities.

This commitment to community values is shared by his family, as his two teenage daughters, Samrina and Sumaira, attended the ceremony. "I'm proud of him and intend to carry on the legacy. I know my dad worked very hard for it, and I want to honor him and his perseverance," Sumaira said.



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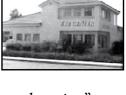


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- Police Activities League Program Coordinator \$2,287.15 - \$2,919.05 / biweekly
- Volunteers



Chief Fivecoat Receives KCLEF Award

The Kern County Law Enforcement County Sheriff's De-Foundation (KCLEF), founded on June 10, 1988, supports law en-forcement in Kern County by providing resources, equipment, and training for agencies, as well as scholarships for students aspiring to join law enforcement. Additionally, the foundation recognizes exceptional acts of courage and service in the community with special awards.

On October 10, 2024, our Chief of Police, Charlie Fivecoat, received the esteemed 2024 KCLEF Administrator of the Year award for the start-up of the new Wasco Police Department in April. This was an incredible achievement for the

Chief and his team.

Charlie Fivecoat has had a distinguished career in law enforcement and public safety, beginning with his service as a paratrooper in the Vietnam War. After being recruited by the Los Angeles Police De-partment while stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Charlie chose to return to Kern County in 1974 to transition into law enforcement. He served with the Taft Fire Department and Police Department before joining the Kern

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partment in 1979. Charlie excelled in roles. various including undercover narcotics work and leadership positions within the SWAT and Bomb Squad units. Following his retirement in 2001, he became a professor at Bakersfield College and later served as

Police Chief for the Shafter Police Department, where he led the department and managed a community correc-tions facility. His extensive experience in both law enforcement and security operations culminated in his roles as Northern California Director of Security for CA Resources Corporation (CRC), Corporate Se-curity Manager at Grimmway, and eventually, he returned to public service as the Chief of Police for the City of Wasco in 2022.

Chief Fivecoat is deeply committed to public service and community safety,



gaining respect for his community focused approach and ability to build trust between law enforcement and the public. Known for his strong work ethic and calm leadership, he has made a positive impact on the communi-ties he serves, highlighting the importance of effective public service and community trust.

Congratulations Chief Fivecoat!



Join us for a fun evening with your local **Upcoming Events** public safety officials!

Law Enforcement



Veterans Memorial Park Ribbon Cutting
749 7th St.



Veterans Day Holiday City offices will be closed.





City Council Meeting 746 8th St



National Night Out 830 7th St

Wasco Christmas

Festival Parade



Night of fun at Shafter Harvest Festival

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

The Shafter Harvest Festival was a night filled with trunk or treating, a haunted house, food trucks, music, and a variety of games and activities. Sponsored by the Shafter Lions Club in partnership with the city and supported by numerous local organizations, the event celebrated the spirit of community.

Councilmember Gilbert Alvarado remarked, "As president of the Lions Club, it was our pleasure to be part of something as big as this event turned out to be. Seeing the turnout, with attendance between 6,000 and 8,000 people from Shafter, Bakersfield, Wasco, Buttonwillow and beyond, was incredible. The most rewarding aspect was seeing everyone having fun, coming together, and knowing everyone stayed safe without accidents or injuries. We couldn't ask for more, and we hope to do this again next year."

He added that the festival fostered community engagement, "It created a lot of unity. You had all the schools in Shafter, local businesses and family members who participated in the trunk or treat. Many service clubs either participated in the trunk or treat or had booths, and there

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were churches. It drew everybody out, and that created community engagement."

The Trunk or Treat featured over 30 cars adorned with festive Halloween decorations. Mariela Alejandre of Fiesta Insurance attended with Max, their mascot, distributing more than 50 pounds of candy from their Fiesta car. With a big smile, she wished everyone a happy Halloween, saying, "As a company, we love being involved in all of the community events, and Halloween is one of my favorite holidays."

Several organizations set up information booths, providing educational materials and resources. The Shafter Library & Learning Center gave out over 200 books, while the Shafter Police Department emphasized the importance of maintaining positive community relationships. The Minter Field Air Museum showcased their OH6 Vietnam-era helicopter, a "kid magnet." Angelica Valladolid attended with her

children Leilani, Gabriel, Robert and Aiden. She shared, "They enjoyed it because they saw a lot of costumes and how creative they were, and they got to try different activities. It was a time for family bonding, and there were many nice people. Everybody was saying hi."



Maria Favereaux and Barbara Gladden of the Shafter Woman's Club transformed their car into a kid-friendly monster theme to delight the little ones.

A haunted house run by Shafter High students drew long lines and thrilled attendees. Charletta Johnson said, "It was awesome. The kids were phenomenal actors, and I liked how they had two different sections — one for kids and one for adults. It was scary for the adults! The students did a fantastic job with the decorations. I've lived in Shafter for 15 years, and

this festival was one of the best things I've seen in our community."

Aaron Perlman and his partner, Matt Pelishek, from Radio 88.3 Life FM brought DJ lights and played a mix of family-friendly music, keeping the kids dancing all night. Perlman exclaimed, "This is the best experience. The best harvest festival I've ever been to."

Recreation and parks host Trunk or Treat event

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

The Wasco Recreation and Parks District hosted its 5th Annual Trunk or Treat event, transforming the evening into a delightful celebration of Halloween for families and children. There were creatively decorated trunks, a plethora of candy, a festive atmosphere, and hundreds of residents, all eager to enjoy a memorable night of trick-

or-treating. WRPD District Manager Chris Serna said in an interview after the event, "Our annual Trunk or Treat was a great success. Our community came together for a fun-filled evening of trick-or-treating, games and festivities. Many children and families dressed in creative costumes visited decorated trunks to collect candy and treats. A special thank you to all our partners who contributed to the event's positive outcome and helped us with our mission of providing a free, fun, safe and enjoyable event for our community!"

The Wasco Police Department joined in the fun, with Chief of Police Charles Fivecoat commenting, "A thrill for me is all the little kids and the parents are out here with their children helping them celebrate Halloween. It amazes me the sense of community, and we absolutely love being here with

Wasco firefighters were



Christian and Mar Angelica Garcia are serious about Halloween in their handmade costumes, earning them first prize in the costume contest.

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also present, and Captain Sean Flanagan shared that he felt grateful to be there seeing the smiles on the kids' faces. He added that involvement in community events like the WRPD Trunk or Treat is important to him. "Because we interact with them on emergency calls, it's nice to see them in a public setting, doing well. This always brings us a lot of pleasure. We do it every year, and we're always glad to support the Rec and Wasco."

Resident Alex Wood shared, "It's great to see the Police Department and the firefighters doing events like this. It's awesome and great for the little ones to

Halloween and not be scary."

Councilmember berto Reyna represented the city. "There were hundreds of parents, along with their babies, small children, and teenagers dressed as princesses, fairies, superheroes, cartoon characters, farm animals, and even prehistoric dinosaurs, who made their way to the trunk or treat and our City of Wasco Dial-a-Ride table! Some family dogs even joined the fun in their costumes."

Prizes were awarded for the best costumes, and Christian Garcia, age 10, dressed as "Kid Pool," a child-friendly take on Deadpool from the Marvel comic series, and Mar Angelica Garcia, age 6,

dressed as Snow White, both won first place for custom-designed costumes. Their mom, Diana, explained, "Everything was handmade. Hers is hand-sewn, and so is his. I'm a seamstress. They like the attention. They told me what they wanted to be, and then I started working on them two months in advance."

She added the children had a great time. "They enjoyed themselves tonight and were so excited that they were recognized for their original costumes."

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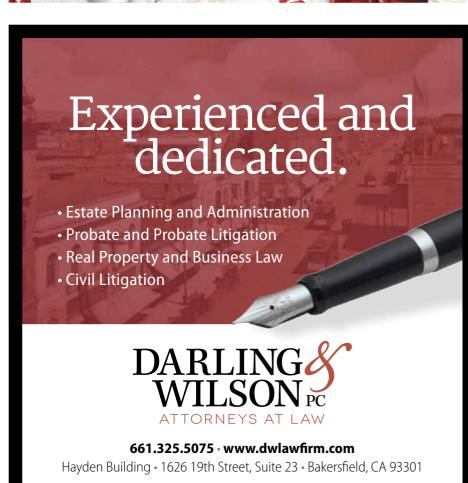
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Lady Trojans volleyball are SYAA champions

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in duration or that occur close in

time to the scheduled sale may

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telephone information or on the

Internet Web site. The best way to

verify postponement information

is to attend the scheduled sale.

NOTICE TO TENANTS: 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 or (888) 902-3989 or

visit these internet websites or

www.nestortrustee.com, using the

file number assigned to this case

2024-10130-CA to find the date

on which the trustee's sale was

held, the amount of the last and

highest bid, and the address of the

trustee. Second, you must send

a written notice of intent to place

a bid so that the trustee receives

it no more than 15 days after the

trustee's sale. Third, you must

submit a bid so that the trustee

receives it no more than 45 days

after the trustee's sale. If you think

you may qualify as an "eligible

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205Huntington Beach, California

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Giovanna Nichelson, Sr. Trustee

Sale Officer EPP 41463 Pub Dates

10/31, 11/07, 11/14/2024

or (888) 902-3989 or visit

The Richland Junior High Lady Trojans varsity volleyball team won the SYAA Championship on Oct. 26, ending the season undefeated with 24 games won. They competed against eight teams from Shafter, Wasco, Delano, McFarland and Richgrove in the Delon event. The junior varsity team finished the season in third place. (Photo courtesy of Coach Coach Rosie Villagomez)

T.S. No.: 2024-10130-CA APN: 028-592-35-00 Property Address: 917 NEWCASTLE COURT,

SHAFTER, CA 93263

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALEYOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/16/2021. 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 PROCEEDING 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, 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. Trustor: Pedro Gabino Vallarta, a single man and Edwin Pelayo, a single manDuly Appointed Trustee: Nestor Solutions, LLC Deed of Trust Recorded 10/19/2021 as Instrument No. 221197589 in Book -- Page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California Date of Sale: 11/27/2024 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: On the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$354,744.27 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 917 NEWCASTLE COURT SHAFTER, CA 93263 A.P.N.: 028-592-35-00 The

undersigned Trustee disclaims any

liability for any incorrectness of the

street address or other common

designation, if any, shown above. If

no street address or other common

designation is shown, directions to

the location of the property may

be obtained by sending a written

request to the beneficiary within 10

days of the date of first publication

of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO

POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are

considering bidding on this property

lien, you should understand that

there are risks involved in bidding

at a trustee auction. You will

be bidding on a lien, not on the

property itself. Placing the highest

bid at a trustee auction does not

automatically entitle you to free

and clear ownership of the property.

You should also be aware that the

lien being auctioned off may be a

junior lien. If you are the highest

bidder at the auction, you are or

may be responsible for paying off

all liens senior to the lien being

auctioned off, before you can

receive clear title to the property.

You are encouraged to investigate

the existence, priority, and size of

outstanding liens that may exist

on this property by contacting

the county recorder's office or a

title insurance company, either of

which may charge you a fee for this

information. If you consult either

of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may

hold more than one mortgage

or deed of trust on the property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:

The sale date shown on this notice

of sale may be postponed one or

more times by the mortgagee,

beneficiary, trustee, or a court,

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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,

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF HEARING
ON RESOLUTION OF INTENTION
TO ESTABLISH PROPOSED
THE CITY OF SHAFTER
COMMUNITY FACILITIES
DISTRICT NO. 0815, COUNTY OF
KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2024, the City Council (the "City Council") of the City of Shafter (the "City") adopted Resolution No. 2992 (the "Resolution of Intention"), declaring its intention to establish the proposed City of Shafter Community Facilities District No. 0815, County of Kern, State of California, and that a public hearing on said resolution of intention with respect to the formation of said community facilities district will be held at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on November 19, 2024, in the City Council Chambers located at 336 Pacific Ave, Shafter, California

The Resolution of Intention provides in summary as follows:

1. The name proposed for the community facilities district is "City of Shafter Community Facilities District No. 0815, County of Kern, State of California" (the "District").

2. The boundaries of the territory proposed for inclusion in the proposed community facilities district are shown on the map entitled, "Proposed Boundaries of City of Shafter Community Facilities District No. 0815, County of Kern, State of California," which is on file with the City Clerk.

3. It is proposed that the proposed community facilities district shall provide and finance the costs of (i) maintenance and lighting of parks, parkways, streets, roads and open space; (ii) maintenance of recreational facilities, and (iii) any other services authorized to be financed under the provisions of Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 53311) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code. The proposed community facilities district shall also finance costs associated with

otherwise incurred in order to carry out the authorized purposes of the community facilities district. 4. Except where funds are otherwise

available, special taxes sufficient to pay the costs of the services provided for in Section 3 above and the annual administrative expenses of the City and the proposed community facilities district in determining, apportioning, levying and collecting such special taxes, shall be annually levied within the proposed community facilities district. The special taxes shall be collected in the same manner as ordinary ad valorem property taxes are collected and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure, sale, and lien priority in case of delinquency as is provided for ad valorem taxes. However, under no circumstances shall the special tax levied against any parcel subject to the levy of the special tax pursuant to the rate and method of apportionment be increased as a consequence of delinquency or default by the owner of any other parcel or parcels within the proposed community facilities district by more than ten (10) percent. The rate and method of apportionment of said special taxes, which is set forth in Exhibit "A" to the Resolution of Intention, which sets forth in sufficient detail the method of apportionment to allow each landowner or resident within the proposed community facilities district to clearly estimate the maximum amount that such person will have to pay for the authorized

19, 2024 at the hour of 6:00 o'clock p.m., in the regular meeting place of the City Council being the Council the City Council, chambers of located at 336 Pacific Ave, Shafter, California 93263 a public hearing will be held where this City Council will consider the establishment of the proposed community facilities district, the proposed method and apportionment of the Special Tax, and all other matters as set forth in the Resolution of Intention. That at the above-mentioned time and place for public hearing any persons interested, including taxpayers and property owners, may appear and be heard, and that the testimony of all interested persons for or against the establishment of the District, the extent of the District, or the financing of the public services, will be heard and considered. Any protests may be made orally or in writing. However, any protests pertaining to the regularity or sufficiency of the proceedings shall be in writing and clearly set forth the irregularities and defects to which the objection is made. All written protests shall be filed with the City Clerk of the City Council on or before the time fixed for the public hearing. Written protests may be withdrawn in writing at any time before the conclusion of the public hearing.

5. Notice is given that on November

If a written majority protest against the establishment of the District is filed, the proceedings shall be abandoned. If such majority protest is limited to certain public services or portions of the special tax, those services or that tax shall be eliminated by the City Council.

If, following the public hearing, the City Council determines to establish the District and proposes to levy a special tax within the District, the City Council shall then submit the levy of the special taxes to the qualified electors of the District. If at least twelve (12) persons, who need not necessarily be the same twelve (12) persons, have been registered to vote within the District for each of the ninety (90) days preceding the close of the public hearing, the vote shall be by registered voters of the District, with each voter having one (1) vote. Otherwise, the vote shall be by the landowners of the District who were the owners of record at the close of the subject hearing, with each such landowner or the authorized representative thereof, having one (1) vote for each acre or portion of an acre of land owned within the

District.

Government Code. The proposed community facilities district shall also finance costs associated with the determination of the amount of and the levy and collection of special taxes which are levied to provide such services and costs

District.

The Resolution of Intention contains other provisions which are not summarized above, including the Rate and Method of Apportionment. A complete copy of the Resolution of Intention may be reviewed or obtained at the office of the City

Clerk at 336 Pacific Ave, Shafter, California 93263 during normal business hours. If you wish to challenge the City's

action on these matters in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Office of the City Clerk at or prior to the public hearing.

DATED: November 4, 2024
/s/YazminaPallares
Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk
City of Shafter, County of Kern
Publish Shafter Press November 7,

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SHAFTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of Shafter City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California, the Shafter City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the following:

Tentative Tract 7052: A request for a two-year extension of time for this map proposing to subdivide 90.18 acres into 94 single-family residential lots ranging in size from 10,800 square feet to 23,356 square feet, a sump lot, and a 52.6-acre designated remainder. The project site is located on the west side of South Poplar Avenue, between Lerdo Highway and West Los Angeles Avenue. The City of Shafter adopted a Negative Declaration for Tentative Tract No. 7052 on September 18, 2007 (Resolution No. 07-1946). The two-year extension of time, in accordance with the Subdivision Ordinance Shafter and Subdivision Map Act, would move the map expiration date to September 18, 2026.

Said hearing is open to the public and all persons interested are invited to attend and be heard. Any person wishing to be heard or wishing to present evidence either for or against the approval of said project, is hereby notified and directed to either appear at the time and place aforesaid or send written comments at or prior to the meeting to the City Clerk at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California 93263. Should anyone challenge any proposed action which is the subject of the meeting listed on this notice, that person may be limited to raising those issues addressed at the meeting, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at or prior to the meeting. You are encouraged to observe the City Council meeting live via https://www.youtube. YouTube com/user/CityofShafer/. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, to the City Clerk at CityClerk@ shafter.com. If you wish to make a written comment please submit your comment to the City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting by joining the conference via Zoom (include making live comments during the public comment period), callers must first register with the City Clerk at CityClerk@shafter.com before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. All public comments are provided to the City Council and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Council prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the City Council meeting.

Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk Dated: October 17, 2024 Publish Shafter Press November 7, 2024

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November 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of Shafter City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California, the Shafter City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the following:

Shafter, California, the Shafter City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the following: Tentative Tract 6614: A request for a two-year extension of time for this map proposing to subdivide 140 acres into 430 single-family

residential lots ranging in size from

8,301 square feet to 16,692 square

feet, an approximate 5-acre public park, two drainage basin lots, a paseo, and an oil drilling island. The project site is located east of North Beech Avenue between East Fresno Avenue and East Tulare Avenue., the project is within the scope of the Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was certified for the 2005 City of Shafter General Plan Update and related actions (SCH No. 2004101029) pursuant to Resolution No. 05-1738 and the Addendum that was certified for the final Orchard Park Specific Plan pursuant to Resolution 06-1889. The two-year extension of time, in accordance with the Shafter Subdivision Ordinance and Subdivision Map Act, would move the map expiration date to March 20, 2027.

Said hearing is open to the public and all persons interested are invited to attend and be heard. Any person wishing to be heard or wishing to present evidence either for or against the approval of said project, is hereby notified and directed to either appear at the time and place aforesaid or send written comments at or prior to the meeting to the City Clerk at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California 93263. Should anyone challenge any proposed action which is the subject of the meeting listed on this notice, that person may be limited to raising those issues addressed at the meeting, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at or prior to the meeting.

You are encouraged to observe the City Council meeting live via https://www.youtube. YouTube com/user/CityofShafer/. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, to the City Clerk at CityClerk@shafter.com. If you wish to make a written comment please submit your comment to the City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting by joining the conference via Zoom (include making live comments during the public comment period), callers must first register with the City Clerk at CityClerk@shafter.com before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. All public comments are provided to the City Council and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Council prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the City Council meeting. Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk Dated: October 17, 2024 Publish Shafter Press November 7,

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Bakersfield, CA 93301

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Business
Name Statement
Valley Aircraft
Maintenance & Repair
2024-B5743
710 Aviation Street

Shafter, CA 93263
County: Kern
710 Aviation Street
Shafter, CA 93263
David Christopher Hughes
710 Aviation Street
Shafter, CA 93263
State of incorp. or org.: CA
The business is conducted by:

Individual
Date the business commenced:
04/01/1999
/s/David Christopher Hughes
Date Statement Filed: 09/17/2024
Date Statement Expires:
09/17/2029
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Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M Cedeno
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Fictitious Business
Name Statement
ETL Marketing
2024-B6303
ETL Holdings
2024-B6304
Visionary Media
2024-B6305
560 Central Ave

Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern 560 Central Ave Shafter, CA 93263 Grand Grocers Inc 560 Central Ave Shafter, CA 93263 State of incorp. or org.: CA The business is conducted by: Corporation* Date the business commenced: 09/01/2024 /s/Yousif Hussein, President Date Statement Filed: 10/15/2024 Date Statement Expires: 10/15/2029 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Hernandez Publish Shafter Press October 31, November 7, 14, 21, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Soil Supplements Services 2024-B6340

5722 Calatrava Dr. Bakersfield, CA 93311 County: Kern 5722 Calatrava Dr. Bakersfield, CA 93311 Carmen Louise Walker 5722 Calatrava Dr. Bakersfield, CA 93311 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: 01/03/2007 /s/Carmen Louise Walker Date Statement Filed: 10/17/2024 Date Statement Expires: 10/17/2029 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Honesto Publish Shafter Press October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Homesmiles-Bakersfield 2024-B5481

2700 San Emidio St Bakersfield, CA 93304 County: Kern 2700 San Emidio St Bakersfield, CA 93304 Vigorelli Sorrisi Di Casa, Inc. 2700 San Emidio St Bakersfield, CA 93304 State of incorp. or org.: CA The business is conducted by: Corporation* Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Thomas J. Vigo, President Date Statement Filed: 09/04/2024 Statement Expires: 09/04/2029 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Torralba Publish Shafter Press October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Vive Bella

2024-B6084 299 E. Lerdo Shafter, CA 93263 County: Kern 299 E. Lerdo Shafter, CA 93263 Ana Laura Santana Soto 299 E. Lerdo Shafter, CA 93263 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Ana Laura Santana Soto Date Statement Filed: 10/03/2024 Statement Expires: 10/03/2029 Aimee X. Espinoza Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Honesto Publish Shafter Press October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 2024

PASTOR'S CORNER

God rules and overrules

REVEREND RUBEN ZARTMAN

Ebenezer Reformed Church, Shafter

I'm writing this article before the election takes place, but you'll read it only after Election Day has come and gone. I can't see into the future, and don't know how the election will turn out (or what the reactions to the results will be). Is there any perspective from your past that makes a difference in ignorance of the results?

I believe there is, and especially from the book of Daniel in the Old Testament. Daniel was given more detailed previews about the future flow of events than any other prophet. The visions in Daniel cover major events of relevant history between Daniel's time and the coming of Christ. There are a few glimpses of things even after that (like the resurrection at the end of time). More important than detailed knowledge about some parts of the future, though, is that he was given a clear view of things that are always true.

For instance, Daniel told Nebuchadnezzar, the outstanding emperor of his time, that he

was a "king of kings" because "the God of heaven has given you a kingdom, power, strength, and glory." (Daniel 2:37)



A little later, Nebuchadnezzar would confess: "His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; he does according to his will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain his hand." (Daniel 4:34b-35) The Babylonian dynasty

of Nebuchadnezzar fell, but in the next empire there was a similar acknowledgement by Darius: "I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel. For he is the living God, and steadfast forever; his kingdom is the one that shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall endure to the end." (Daniel 6:26)

This triple witness reminds us of one fundamental truth, something that does not change based on any election: The Lord continues to rule. Nebuchadnezzar destroyed the nation of Judah and burned the temple of God in Jerusalem. But his power and actions didn't threaten God's rule. Ultimately, even Nebuchadnezzar acknowledged God's sovereignty.

Whoever is in charge here on earth, they are ruled (or maybe overruled) from

OBITUARIES

James Alan Garrison

James Alan Garrison, known by his friends and family as Jim, passed away in Auburn, Mich., on Jan. 1. As a young child, he lived

in Garrison City, Earlimart, Tipton and Pixley, until the family moved to Shafter when he was 7 years old. He lived in Shafter until he graduated from high school. After high school, he joined the Coast Guard, where he served for six months. When his Coast Guard service ended, he traveled with friends to the Saginaw, Mich., area where he lived and worked. He lived there until his passing on Jan. 1.

In high school, Jim participated in sports and played saxophone in the Shafter High School band. His love of music was born during this time. He played his saxophone with a local dance band, the Criterions. They played for different functions around the

Shafter area.

In Michigan, Jim worked as a forklift operator in a General Motors auto parts factory, but he spent his nights and free time honing his songwriting skills. He also developed friendships with several musicians in the area. Jim would write song lyrics, and his musician friends would provide the melodies and the musicianship to produce his

Jim was predeceased by his parents, Tommy and Nell Garrison; his sister, Kathy Stearman; and a cousin, Judy Fladland. He is survived by two brothers, Ted Garrison (Andrea) and Tom Garrison (Deb Looker); a nephew, Neal Stearman; and two nieces, Angela Stearman and Amy Garrison. Other surviving relatives include his cousins Phil Garrison (Margie), Jan Wright (Cecil), and Steve Garrison (Linda).

Jim's life will be celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 23, at 1 p.m. at Peters Funeral Home, 844 East Lerdo Hwy. in Shafter. For further information, call or text 661-378-6627.

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DEATH NOTICES

Anna O. Muñoz, 56, of Wasco, passed away Oct. 28, in Wasco. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter. Ana M. Aguilar, 62, of McFar-

land, passed away Oct. 27, in McFarland. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Warren Ray Hall, 83, of Bakers-

field, passed away Oct. 28, in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter. Marcario Rodriguez, 68, of

Shafter, passed away Oct. 30. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

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Friendship, rivalry unite at breakfast

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

During Shafter/Wasco High rivalry week, an annual breakfast brings together football players, cheerleaders and Associated Student Body members from both schools. This gathering kicks off the day leading up to the highly anticipated football game and takes place before the rallies at each other's campuses. It's a friendly, spirited exchange that fuels school pride and amps up excitement for the big night, where anything can happen.

This year, the breakfast took place at Wasco High School, where the ASB members put a lot of effort into organizing the event. WHS ASB President Daelyn Smith expressed pride in how his team decorated the cafeteria with motivational posters and signs to show school enthusiasm. They served French toast, hearty eggs, sausage, orange juice and muffins. "We wanted to energize our players for the big game," she said. WHS varsity cheerleader Stephanie

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Ruiz noted that the breakfast not only created a bond between the Shafter students but also helped them make lasting memories. "It's good that we get along with the other cheerleaders. We get to have fun, get to know each other and we can both shine during our performances at our rallies."

For Uriah Salcido, a Shafter High School football player, the breakfast is a good time. His favorite part is the food and the camaraderie, as well as the introductions between players and cheerleaders. "And giving each other gifts. We come and build up some energy to get us ready for tonight. It's a cool morning to bring both our schools together." He added, "We don't hate each other. It's a tradition, and I think it's all in fun. We get to shake hands here, so it's a nice gesture."

"I think it's great and makes the exchange rallies special," SHS head varsity coach Jerald Pierucci shared. "So many times, they are faceless individuals on film,



Shafter and Wasco High cheerleaders come together at breakfast at Wasco High, building connections and enjoying each other's company.

and this makes it more personal. You get to see the person you are going to do battle with, and it's great for all the other individuals, like the ASB and cheerleaders, who put so much time into the week. So, I think that is what is cool as well. It's more than just the football team; there's a whole community we get to celebrate."

Camryn Eubanks, a varsity cheerleader

at Shafter High for all four years, enjoyed mingling with the other cheerleaders at the breakfast. "It's a good experience to see how rivalries can unite and share our love for this tradition." Though she felt a competitive vibe, it was still welcoming. "With WHS hosting a delicious breakfast, they welcomed us with open arms, and Shafter really appreciated them for that."

Thursday, November 7, 2024

A week of tradition between schools

VERONICA JACUINDE

The Press and Tribune

Perhaps no other rivalry in the Central Valley is more powerful than the one between the Shafter Generals and the Wasco Tigers, a tradition that dates back nearly a hundred years. This annual football game is more than just a competition — it's a historic event celebrated by both schools and their communities, bringing out intense school pride.

Leading up to the big game, each school held spirit week with activities, dress-up days and the burning of their respective mascots at night. A highlight of the festivities was the pep rally at each school on game day morning, with the unique twist of football players, cheerleaders and Associated Student Body members from Shafter High attending Wasco's rally and vice versa. Before the rallies, a breakfast was held for the players, cheerleaders and ASB members at Wasco High, serving as a friendly and spirited exchange before the big event.

Shafter High School senior Yareli Acosta said the video was her favorite part of the rally. "It is always something I look forward to and seeing the cheerleaders perform. It's always been very tense between



Wasco High School cheerleaders performed a dance routine that invigorated the students at the Wasco rally.

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the girls." She added that school spirit was amped up, with people eager to compete to see who had the better ASB, cheerleaders and football players.

There was so much excitement in the room," Wasco High School varsity cheerleader Noemi Rios Medina said. "Performing in front of Shafter and showing that we're such an amazing school was incredible. Seeing their reaction when they walked in and proving that all of our sports and clubs are superior—Shafter can't top that."

The rallies fueled the excitement for

the anticipated clash between two talented teams, though Shafter High ultimately prevailed with a final score of 35-14. Wasco High football player Jacob Robledo expressed frustration: "I could have done better, and the team could have done better as well." He cited the biggest challenge as stopping Shafter's strong offense and defense.

Asked about his thoughts on the rivalry after the game, Robledo said, "It's still the same. There's a lot of tension but also respect. They are a very good team, and I think they are very capable of doing good things. But I learned there is much we can go back and fix to get ready for when we see them again in the playoffs."

Shafter High football player Athan Benitez was ecstatic. "It feels great. Working hard every day at practice always takes discipline, and we only won because we won as a family together."

Shafter's Mathew Cordova said that the rivalry made the victory even sweeter. He shared that controlling his emotions and staying relaxed under pressure was challenging. "I just looked at my teammates around me, and we kept each other calm." His game strategy was to work collectively. "We knew they would come out energized, so our main goal was to weather the storm and lean on each other as a team."



JJ Vasquez drags a Tiger with him into the end zone for a touchdown.



Alex Reyna on his way to a big gain for the Generals.

Generals win rivalry game, 35-14

From Page 1

On the Generals' next possession, they were forced to punt, but the ball hit a Tiger after the kick and was recovered by the Generals, giving them a first and goal at the Tigers' 4-yard line. Espinoza took it in from there, giving Shafter a 28-21 lead.

Shafter added one more score in the closing minutes, putting a stamp on the effort, giving them the South Sequoia League title outright for the second

Head Coach Jerald Pierucci was pleased with the win, but wasn't thrilled with the emotional side of the game for the Generals. "Anytime you get Shafter and Wasco together, there is going to be a war. It is just part of the rivalry. But I think that we let our emotions get the better of us during the game." Pierucci said that he was not happy

with the penalties that were the result of

it. "I was not happy with the crap that we had during the game. We cost ourselves a lot, letting them extend drives with stupid penalties. We just can't do that going forward," he said.

The Generals were rewarded for their title with a number one seed and a first round bye in the Central Section Division IV playoffs. At the CIF Central Section seeding meeting held on Saturday, the committee gave the top seed to the Gen-

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