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RSD Board President Cain Maldonado, Councilmember Cathy Prout, Richland Superintendent Annette Blacklock, Councilmember Pete Espinoza and RSD MOT Director John Yanez.

## 2nd ELOP building breaks ground at Redwood

VERONICA JACUINDE  
The Press and Tribune

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The Richland School District celebrated the groundbreaking of the Redwood Expanded Learning Opportunities Program building on Jan. 13, marking the second ELOP facility for the district. The state-funded program provides a safe environment for homework help and various enrichment activities, keeping students in school until 6 p.m. and adding 30 learning days to the school year.

Superintendent Annette Blacklock said the project “represents an investment in the learning and future of our Shafter community.”

The \$5 million facility, measuring 134 by 32 feet, will consist of three large classrooms and a 779-square-foot kitchen area. Constructed by KYA, the project is targeted for completion in July, making the facility ready for the start of the 2026-2027 school year.

The new kitchen area will allow for cooking classes, and courses in hydroponics are also planned. “The ELOP building we currently have has a beautiful dance floor and eSports,” Blacklock said. “With the addition of this latest building, it will be an opportunity to add a bigger variety to our pro-

gramming.”

ELOP is available to all students in the district, and busing is offered. Currently, there are 611 students enrolled. A third ELOP building is in the planning stages for Golden Oak Elementary School.

Blacklock also highlighted ELOP’s role as a foundational program that supports Shafter High through collaboration. “It facilitates a smoother transition from the Richland School District to Shafter High School and is the beginning of what will happen there. That is the purpose of our ongoing collaboration, and we appreciate our partners at Shafter High.”



The KYA team has worked on numerous projects for the Richland School District.



Volunteers go door to door to gather community views for the Shafter Community Needs Assessment.

## Survey tries to make case for Center

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A community research effort is underway with the goal of building a compelling case for state funding to transform the Shafter Youth Center into a Community Resiliency Center. The study aims to understand local needs, such as youth programs, job training and disaster preparedness, and is seeking residents and local leaders to participate.

This “Shafter Community Needs Assessment,” conducted by the nonprofit research organization Health Assessment and Research for Communities on behalf of the Community Action Partnership of Kern, combines a completed community-wide survey with in-depth interviews.

“These interviews will complement the survey and go into greater depth about what residents want and need,” said Daniel Polk, HARC research and evaluation associate. The 30-minute interviews can be done in English or Spanish, by phone or on Zoom. Researchers are looking for any adult (18 years or older) who lives or works in Shafter. Each participant will receive a virtual \$25 Visa card, sent by email after the interview.



Daniel Polk is a researcher focused on social equity and environmental health.

They are especially interested in people’s feedback about emergency response and disaster preparedness. Key interview questions focus on how to make Shafter a more resilient community; what services are needed for youth, adults and seniors; and what specific programs residents would want to see at the Community Resiliency Center.

Polk said it is important that they hear from people with diverse backgrounds, including different professions, social backgrounds and life experiences. “People should participate so we can get a more accurate understanding of what the community needs, and thus help us better advocate for more resources.”

The feedback will be synthesized with survey data and existing data sources to produce a final report. The report will list priority needs for programs and services. “One

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## Emergency repair pact for Rail Corridor

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The city has entered into an agreement with the High-Speed Rail known as the Consent to Common Use and Joint Use Agreement, establishing clear rules on how the city can access, maintain, and repair its water, sewer and stormwater lines where they cross beneath the future high-speed rail right-of-way. The core purpose is to prevent delays, allowing city crews to start emergency repairs immediately if a pipe fails near the tracks.

Also at Tuesday night’s City Council meet, Líderes Campesinas del Kern Norte received a proclamation recog-

nizing February as National Pesticide Awareness Month. Pesticides continue to be widely used in agriculture and communities across the United States. National Pesticide Awareness Month provides an opportunity to educate the public about the dangers of pesticides, highlight safer alternatives and promote integrated pest management strategies that reduce harm.

“The Líderes Campesinas has long championed the health and safety of farmworkers and their families, advocating for stronger protections, equitable land access and healthier farming practices,” said

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Líderes Campesinas de Kern Norte members, City Council members, Assemblymember Dr. Jasmeet Bains Field Representative Claribel Gutierrez and state Sen. Melissa Hurtado Field Representative Jannett Tapia.

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# 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](mailto:esoriano@TheShafterPress.com). Deadline is 4 p.m. Thursday prior to publication. Updates will be on [TheShafterPress.com](http://TheShafterPress.com) and [WascoTrib.com](http://WascoTrib.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wasco Collaborative** – The Wasco Collaborative meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Wasco Elementary Educational Resource Center, 440 Griffith Ave. 10-11:30 a.m. Contact Korinna Campbell at [kocampbell@wuesd.org](mailto:kocampbell@wuesd.org) or 661-758-7443.

## ONGOING

**New transit route** – Shafter Transit offers new service for Gossamer Grove and Wonderful Industrial Plaza. Times are 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 a.m.

**PRIDE Pantry donations** – Consider donating to SHS Pride Pantry. Suggested items to donate include nonperishable foods, hygiene products, socks, jackets, warm clothing, laundry soap and household items. Monetary donations can be made out to "Pride Pantry" and dropped off at the school office, 526 Mannel Ave. Call Katie Young at on-campus intervention, 661-746-4961.

**Wardrobe for Wildcats** – Semitropic School is seeking donations to provide two full uniforms, school t-shirt and school sweatshirt to each student. 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.

**Employers training resources and vocational training opportunities** – Welding, truck driving, barber, clerical, bookkeeping, additional resources and services. For more information, visit [americasjobcenterofkern.com](http://americasjobcenterofkern.com) or call 661-800-8429.

**Kern County transportation** – Shafter Dial-A-Ride 661-746-2955 or [shafter.com](http://shafter.com). In Wasco/Lost Hills, Dial-A-Ride, 661-758-7222. Shafter-Wasco-Lost Hills Kern Transit, 800-323-2396 or [Kertransit.org](http://Kertransit.org).

**Diaper program** – Contact Family Resource Specialist Olivia Barraza about the diaper program at 661-281-2130 or visit [Obarraraza@ccdf.org](mailto:Obarraraza@ccdf.org) for information. Parents must have an ID and child's birth certificate or medical card.

**Help with utility bills** – Community Action Partnership of Kern provides assistance. Do you need help paying your water bill? Make an appointment today to see if you qualify for water utility assistance. Call 2-1-1 or visit [energy.capk.org/water-utility-assistance/](http://energy.capk.org/water-utility-assistance/).

**Free Narcan kits** – College Community Services offers kits at the clinic, CCS Wasco Adult Center, 930 F. St. Open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Migrant Education Program** – Have you moved out of or into Wasco in the last three years? Are you working or have you worked in agriculture in the last three years? You might qualify for the Migrant Education Program. Services for students and families at no cost. 440 Griffith Ave, Wasco, 661-758-7160.

## MONDAY

**North Kern 4-H** – Meetings every second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at McNutt Ranch, 18443 Poplar Ave., Shafter. 4-H is open to ages 5-18. Explore projects in animals and agriculture, arts and crafts, gardening, leadership and community service, STEM and more.

**Arts and crafts** – 10:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter.

**Zumba** – 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

**Kern Union High School District board** – Meeting second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., at Kern High School District office, 5801 Sundale Ave. Bakersfield.

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

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

## TUESDAY

**Shafter Community Bible Study** – Friends – and friends of friends – are encouraged to join this 10 a.m. study. Contact Elizabeth Abshire at 661-747-5095 for information.

**Lions Club** – Second and fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., at Shafter Veterans Hall, 309 California Ave.

**Planning Commission** – Second Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., at Shafter City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave.

**Senior fitness** – 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter.

**Senior Sack Program** – First and third Tuesday of each month, 11 a.m., at the Griffith Avenue Baptist Church in Wasco.

**Shafter Recreation and Parks District** – Meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. and fourth Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Shafter Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

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

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

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

**Senior food giveaway** – Westside Family 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 6:30-7:30 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 11:30 a.m. in the Shafter Police Department conference room.

**Shafter Collaborative** – Third Wednesday of the month, 9 a.m., in the Police Department conference room.

**Minter Field Airport Board** – Second Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m., at the district administrative building, 201 Aviation St., Shafter.

**Zumba** – 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

**Awana Club** – 6-7:30 p.m. at Valley Bible Church, 350 Pine St.

**Showers for the Homeless** – Griffith Avenue Baptist Church is offering showers Wednesdays, 8 a.m.-noon. Men and women are welcome; attendants on site. Toiletries, towels and hygiene products available. 408 Griffith Ave, Wasco.

**Duchas para personas sin hogar** – Montones de Bendición. La Iglesia Bautista Griffith Avenue. Ofrece duchas todos los Miércoles de 8 a.m. Al mediodía. Hombres y mujeres bienvenidos. Asistentes hombres y mujeres en el sitio. Artículos de tocador y toallas incluidos. Productos de higiene disponibles. 408 Griffith Ave. Wasco.

## 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. Agenda information at [wuhs.wascouhsd.org](http://wuhs.wascouhsd.org).

**Wasco Recreation and Park District 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 Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave.

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

**Food boxes** – Westside Park, 2502 Parkside Dr., Wasco, every fourth Thursday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Fourth Thursday 3-6 p.m. at Jesus Saves Church, 425 S. Shafter Ave., Shafter

## FRIDAY

**Food boxes** – Fourth Friday, 3 p.m.-6 p.m., at Jesus Saves Church, 425 S. Shafter Ave., Shafter.

**Karaoke potluck** – Second and fourth Friday, 5 p.m., at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter.

**Arts and crafts** – 10:30-1:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter.

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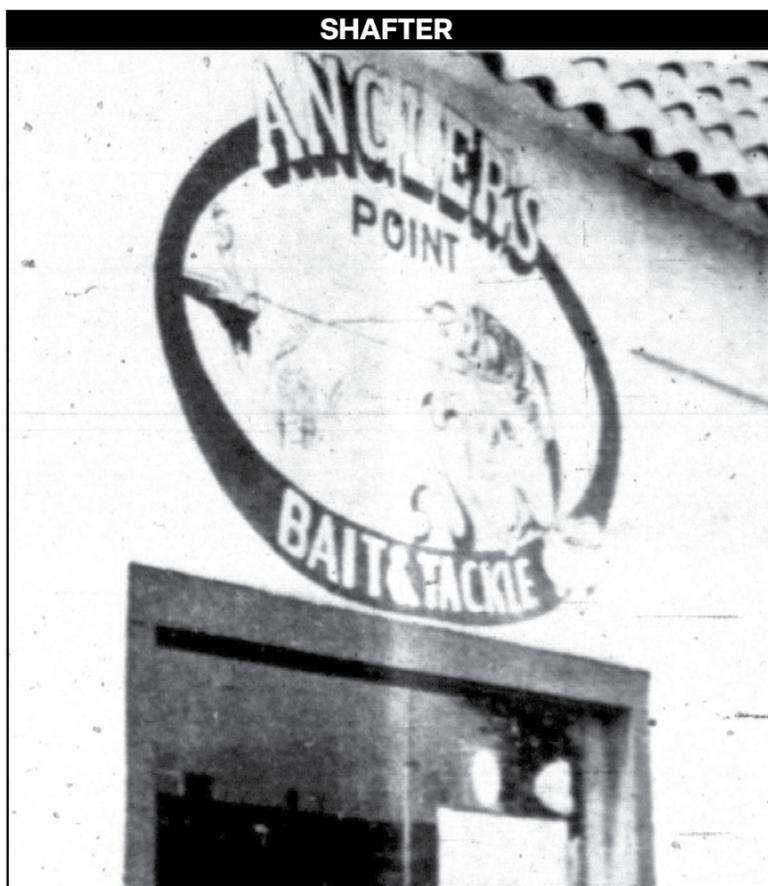
**Senior fitness** – 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Ave., Shafter.

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

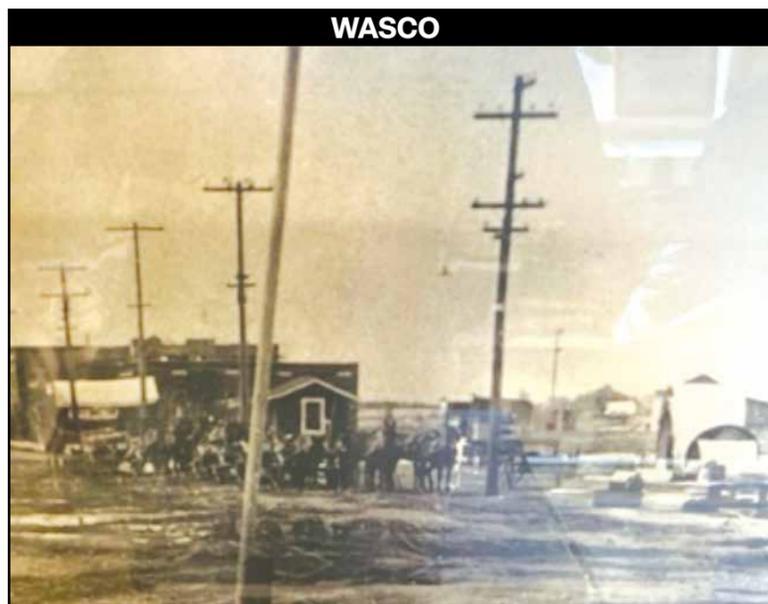
## SATURDAY

**Depot Museum** – Shafter Historical Society presents the city's history. Free admittance. 150 Central Valley Hwy. Open Saturdays, June through August 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. and September

# 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](mailto:mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com), 455 Kern St., Suite E, Shafter, CA 93263, or e-mail it to [mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com). Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** Albert Albiar and his son, Pete, in January 1985 at their bait shop, Angler's Point, at Five Points, where Sno-Fun now is. Albert was a firefighter for the City of Shafter in the '80s, and eventually a Kern County firefighter. On his days off, he loved bass fishing. He was a semipro bass fisherman. He served in Vietnam after being drafted. He passed away on in 2021 after battling Parkinson's disease. He is buried at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery. Answered by nephew Fernando Albiar.



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through May, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

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

**Minter Field Air Museum** – Open Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at 401 Vulture, Shafter. Admission free, donations accepted.

**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 featured.

**Free clothing** – First Saturday of the month, 3-6 p.m., free clothing for all. No cost, just take what you need. Donations of gently-used clothing are welcome. First Southern Baptist Church, 250 Kern St., Shafter.

**Ropa gratis** – Sábado, y cada primer Sábado del mes 3-6 p.m. Ropa gratis para todos. Sin costo, solo venga y lleve lo que necesite! Se aceptan donaciones de ropa usada en buen estado. Ayúdanos a ayudar a los demás. Todos son bienvenidos. Primera Iglesia Bautista de Sur, 250 Kern St., Shafter.

## ARREST REPORT

### SHAFTER

As reported by the Shafter Police Department

**JAN. 18**

Rodolfo Gerardo Mendoza, 35, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of East Marengo Avenue on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a felony charge and on a misdemeanor charge.

**JAN. 15**

Vanessa Espinosa Oros, 40, of Shafter, was arrested in the 200 block of California Avenue for disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

**JAN. 14**

Raul Montes Carrillo, 38, of Shafter, was arrested in the 29000 block of West Lerdo Highway for hit and run, property damage, DUI and driving without a license with 2 or less prior convictions.

Abraham Sanchez, 27, of Shafter, was arrested on East Lerdo Highway and Munzer Street for inflicting corporal injury onto a spouse/cohabitant.

Jose Reyes Soto, 43, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of West Lerdo Highway on an outside agency warrant.

**JAN. 13**

Lauren Nicole Ray Phillips, 28, of Shafter, was arrested in the 9600 block of Redwood River Lane for trespassing: refusing to leave property and disorderly conduct: under the influence of a drug.

Santiago Pantojia Gonzalez, 22, of Shafter, was arrested on East Lerdo Highway for false imprisonment.

Alfredo Bojorquez Jimenez, 49, of Shafter, was arrested in the 100 block of Rodriguez Avenue for pos-

session of a narcotic controlled substance and on a bench warrant/failure to appear on a misdemeanor charge.

### SURROUNDING AREAS

As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Office:

**JAN. 13**

Alfredo Jimenez, 49, of

Shafter, was arrested in the 1300 block of Rodriguez for driving without a license.

**JAN. 16**

Donald Clayton, 47, of Wasco,

was arrested in the 700 block of Scofield for assault with a firearm, shooting from a motor vehicle, felon in possession of ammunition and voluntary manslaughter.

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# Uncovering the Colony's century

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**SHAFTER**

Commemorate 100 years of the Mexican Colony's history on Saturday, Jan. 31, with the presentation, "Glimpses Into The Past: Unveiling the moments that shaped our present. Sponsored by the La COLONIA nonprofit, it will be an opportunity to learn about the rich history of the Mexican Colony. "For some it will be an eye-opener, and for others it will be a chance to reminisce about the good old times," said President Dora Hernandez-Jara.

Delivered by Shafter native and community activist Deanna Rodriguez Root and Brandi Root, with a Q&A and discussion to follow at Truth Church, Hernandez-Jara noted

the program will spotlight the leadership behind the Colony's transformation over the last century. "The presentation will provide comprehensive coverage of how the Colony developed, how it grew and discuss those families that played a major role in that."

Rodriguez-Root, granddaughter of "Big John," who founded the Mexican Colony, has conducted extensive investigative work on the community. "It will be interesting to see what she has to say," Hernandez-Jara stated. Brandi, daughter of Rodriguez-Root, also has vast historical knowledge of the area.

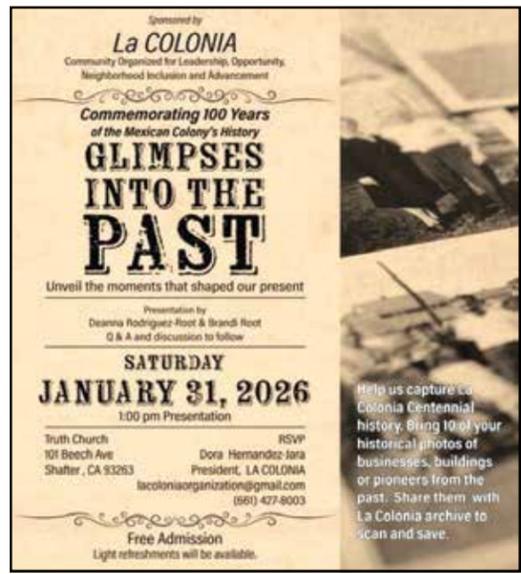
The organizers are inviting attendees to help capture Colonia centennial

history and bring ten of their historical photos of businesses, buildings or pioneers from the past to share with the La Colonia archive.

Hernandez-Jara said that an ethnic studies teacher, students, faith-based leaders and those interested in learning about the history of Kern County have already confirmed their attendance. "It's going to be a multicultural afternoon and an exchange of ideas."

The free event will take place at Truth Church, 101 Beech Ave. at 1 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

To RSVP, contact Dora Hernandez-Jara at lacoloniaorganization@gmail.com or call 661-427-8003. You can also contact her if you are interested in partnering with the nonprofit to host an event to celebrate the Mexican Colony's 100-year anniversary.



# One night only: WHS's one-act play

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**WASCO**

Come out to Wasco High School tomorrow night at 7 p.m. for a rootin'-tootin' good time. The Advanced Drama students will be performing not one, but two student-directed one-act plays.

First, saddle up for "Spaghetti Western," a sidesplitting western melodrama that's equal parts corny and charming. Dust off your cowboy boots and get ready for a wild ride.

Next, put on your detective hat for "Hard Boiled: A Nursery Crime," a hilarious whodunit. Join the hunt for the culprit who pushed Humpty Dumpty off the wall. It's a nursery rhyme mystery like no other.

Student Director Dinna Cuevas said this is an opportunity to watch 24 young actors bring a variety of children's characters to life on stage. "You'll get to see them play the roles of Humpty Dumpty, Mother Goose, Mary from 'Mary Had a Little Lamb,' Little Bo Peep and others," she said.

"This play is for everyone. It's for families and for a cool date night," she added.

"Spaghetti Western" is about a love story unraveling and keeping two family traditions alive. "It is very amusing to see the villain-and-hero melodrama play out in this story," Cuevas explained.

The cast began preparing last September. Last week, they premiered the plays for Wasco Elementary School District students in a packed Wasco High School Auditorium.

Cuevas enjoyed serving as the student director and



Jace Gonzalez as Detective Bunion questions Andrea Miranda as the Old Woman in the scene "Gumshoe."

working with the actors under the guidance of her teachers, Mrs. Melanie Yasnchak and Mr. Isiah Santana. She's excited and a little nervous about opening night. "We've been determined to have a good

show. We're hopeful that the production goes well and that everybody enjoys it."

The shows are tomorrow night at 7 p.m. in the Wasco High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$7 tickets at the door.



Sophia Perezchica plays Detective Bacon in "Hard Boiled: A Nursery Crime."

# Monthly health clinic coming to PAL

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Kern Medical and Kern Family Health Care have partnered to launch a monthly mobile health clinic at the Wasco Police Activities League facility. The first event will be held on Monday, Jan. 26, from 2 to 5 p.m. at 1276 Birch Ave.

Open to the whole community, the clinic will offer lab testing, sports and school physicals, immunizations and vaccinations, hearing and vision screenings, and oral assessments. Medi-Cal enrollment for those in need also will be available.

"The mobile clinic ensures our community has access to medical care locally, for those who might otherwise go without," said Diana Garcia, PAL coordinator. "Kern Family Health Care is providing essential healthcare services to the underserved population. For many individuals, the mobile clinic is the only means of receiving medical treatment."

The partnership also benefits PAL youth directly by providing them with free physicals on-site.

For more information, call the PAL office at 661-759-5220.



The mobile clinic vehicle brings healthcare services conveniently to the community.

# Emergency repair pact for Rail Corridor



Police Sgt. Roman Nunez, Senior Officer Ethan Alegria and Officer Kristell Cristerna take the oath of office administered by City Clerk Maria O. Martinez.

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Mayor Eduardo Saldaña.

"This recognition represents the voice and struggle of the farmworker woman who, for years, have worked to protect the health of their families and their communities. Receiving the City of Wasco's proclamation as a recognition reaffirms the importance of creating awareness around the dangers of pesticides," said Líderes member Yesenia Acosta. "Through education, community organizing and peaceful actions such as marches and vigils, we will continue pushing for environmental justice and safer conditions for those who feed our country."

Keri Cobb, a city employee for almost 20 years and community development director for the last 6 years, had her contract renewed

at the meeting. Her employment agreement, effective Jan. 13, will be for an initial term of three years with a salary of \$156,400.

"I have really enjoyed working with my co-workers and the City Council to complete the downtown and Central Avenue Park projects," Cobb said. "I have also enjoyed working with our new Homeless Outreach Coordinator to develop the City's homeless outreach program. Wasco has been my home for many years, and I look forward to continuing my career here."

There was a pinning ceremony for Roman Nunez, who was promoted to Police Sergeant, Ethan Alegria, who was promoted to Senior Police Officer and Kristell Cristerna, a new police officer. Chief of Police Alecio Mora said he was proud of them. "It's them that make magic happen for Wasco."

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# Survey making a case for Resiliency Center

**From Page 1**  
 possibility is that state funds could be secured to refurbish and reopen the former Shafter Youth Center as a Community Resiliency Center," Polk stated. "The final report will provide the data and recommendations to make it easier to apply for, and hopefully secure, a state grant. By participating in an interview, people will help us gather useful data to make the application more competitive."

report also will be provided to make it easy to understand and accessible. Polk encourages residents to make their voices heard. "If you're a Shafter resident or understand the community because of your work, we want to hear from you." However, a limited number of gift cards remain. Those interested in contributing their perspective should schedule their interview as soon as possible. The interviews are set to conclude by the end of January.



After canvassing the neighborhoods and conducting surveys, volunteers complete their canvassing reports.

The final report will be presented at a town hall meeting in the spring. A bilingual infographic summarizing the

To book a time, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/ShafterCA>

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE CIUDAD DE WASCO**  
 Aviso de reunión pública para la discusión de la solicitud estatal de CDBG SE EMITE NOTIFICACIÓN de que la ciudad de Wasco celebrará una audiencia pública el 03 de Febrero de 2026 en la Sala del Ayuntamiento de Wasco, situada en 746 8th

Street, Wasco, CA 93280, con el fin de discutir las solicitudes previstas de financiación bajo el Programa de Subvención Bloqueada para el Desarrollo Comunitario del Estado de California (CDBG) 2025 y para solicitar la opinión de ciudadanos sobre actividades que se incluirán en la solicitud.  
 AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

FECHA: Martes, 03 de Febrero de 2026  
 HORA: 6:00 PM  
 LUGAR: Cámaras del Ayuntamiento de Wasco  
 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280  
 Las asignaciones de Desarrollo Comunitario y Desarrollo Económico del programa estatal CDBG se publican en un "Aviso de Disponibilidad de Financiación"

(NOFA) combinado cada año del programa. Las ciudades y condados elegibles pueden presentar solicitudes de Desarrollo Comunitario y Vivienda para fondos CDBG bajo la NOFA 2025 para una solicitud máxima por jurisdicción de 3,600,000 dólares. Se estima que la financiación de la asignación del programa estatal CDBG 2025 es de aproximadamente 27,000,000 de dólares.

DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO. La ciudad de Wasco prevé presentar dos (2) solicitudes de financiación bajo la NOFA publicadas el 30 de septiembre de 2025 para actividades de Proyectos y Servicio Público, hasta el máximo permitido por la NOFA. La ciudad de Wasco prevé recibir menos de 100,000 dólares en ingresos del programa CDBG en el ejercicio 25-26.

**PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE- CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 25CUS00006**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
 1. Petitioner: Kimberly Zepeda filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present Name  
 Kimberly Zepeda  
 Proposed Name  
 Kimberly Aranda  
 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
 NOTICE OF HEARING  
 a. Date: 01/30/2026 Time: 8:30 AM  
 Dept: B  
 b. The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF, SUPERIOR COURT-NORTH DIV. Shafter-Wasco Branch, 325 Central Valley Highway, Shafter, CA 93263  
 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks 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: November 18, 2025  
 /s/Marcos R. Camacho  
 Judicial Officer  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish Wasco Tribune January 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026

**FREE Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event**

**McFarland-Delano**

**Saturday, January 31, 2026**

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La NOFA también incluye las asignaciones de nativos americanos y de Colonia. La asignación de nativos americanos es solo para áreas con altas concentraciones de residentes nativos americanos de bajos ingresos, que no forman parte de una tribu nativa americana reconocida federalmente ni de una Rancharía. La financiación de la Colonia es solo para comunidades designadas en un radio de 150 millas de la frontera entre México y Estados Unidos.

LAS ACTIVIDADES ELEGIBLES BAJO LAS ASIGNACIONES ANTERIORES EN LA NOFA 2025 INCLUYEN: PROGRAMAS DE ASISTENCIA PARA LA PROPIEDAD DE VIVIENDA Y REHABILITACIÓN DE VIVIENDA; PROYECTOS DE INSTALACIONES PÚBLICAS Y MEJORAS PÚBLICAS (INCLUYENDO MEJORAS PÚBLICAS EN APOYO A LA CONSTRUCCIÓN DE NUEVAS VIVIENDAS); PROGRAMAS DE SERVICIO PÚBLICO, ESTUDIOS DE PLANIFICACIÓN, DESARROLLO ECONÓMICO, ASISTENCIA EMPRESARIAL Y ACTIVIDADES DE MICROEMPRESA. LAS ACTIVIDADES ELEGIBLES PAGADAS CON FONDOS ESTATALES DE CDBG DEBEN CUMPLIR UNO O MÁS DE LOS TRES OBJETIVOS NACIONALES LISTADOS EN LOS ESTATUTOS FEDERALES DE CDBG DE LA SIGUIENTE MANERA: BENEFICIO PARA HOGARES O PERSONAS DE INGRESOS BAJOS O MODERADOS; ELIMINACIÓN DE BARRIOS MARGINALES Y DETERIORO; O ATENDER UNA NECESIDAD URGENTE DE

Si necesita una adaptación especial para participar en la audiencia pública, por favor contacte con el Secretario Municipal, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, o puede llamar al (661) 758-7214. Además, un archivo de información pública está disponible para su consulta en la dirección mencionada entre las 8:00 AM y las 5:00 PM de lunes a viernes. Si no puede asistir a la audiencia pública, puede dirigir sus comentarios por escrito al Secretario Municipal, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, o llamar al (661) 758-7214. Además, un archivo de información pública está disponible para su consulta en la dirección mencionada entre las 8:00 AM y las 5:00 PM de lunes a viernes.

La ciudad de Wasco promueve la vivienda justa y pone todos sus programas a disposición de familias de ingresos bajos y moderados, independientemente de edad, raza, color, religión, sexo, origen nacional, preferencia sexual, estado civil o discapacidad.  
 /s/Maria O. Martinez, City Clerk  
 Publicar: Wasco Tribune, 22 De Enero De 2026  
 Publish Wasco Tribune January 22, 2026

# City Spotlight News & Updates You Need to Know

## Good Neighbor Guide: Building a Better Wasco

Living in a clean, safe, and well-maintained community is something we all value. The City of Wasco has put together this helpful guide to ensure everyone knows the basics of property maintenance, parking rules, and animal care. These simple practices can make a big difference in keeping our neighborhoods welcoming and pleasant for all.

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.

**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](http://www.cityofwasco.org).

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](http://www.cityofwasco.org).

**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.

**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.

**Animal Care**  
 Pet owners are reminded to keep their animals secure in proper enclosures

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



**Open Positions**

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For more information: Email: [animal@cityofwasco.org](mailto:animal@cityofwasco.org) 661-758-7240

**Upcoming Events**

- Jan. 22**  
 NextGen Robotics Program  
 1276 Birch Ave, 3:15 p.m.
- Jan. 23**  
 City offices closed Friday
- Jan. 26**  
 KC Mobile Clinic  
 1276 Birch Ave. @ 2:00 p.m.
- Feb. 03**  
 City Council Meeting  
 746 8th St. @ 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 06**  
 City offices closed Friday



Richland Junior High School representatives Emmy Villalobos and Jesus Trujillo Heredia.



Redwood Elementary School representatives Maria Valentina Mercado and Andrew Delgadillo Sanchez.



Maple Elementary School representatives Olive Poettgen, Mia Ortiz, Emmarie Gallagher, Brett Crown and Principal Christy Herstad.

# Kiwanis spotlights students' inclusive spirit

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

**SHAFTER**

The Kiwanis Club of Shafter celebrated January's "Terrific Kids" last week, honoring them for demonstrating the trait of "inclusion." The students, who were nominated by their teachers, enjoyed a

luncheon among family, friends, community members and their teachers. "These students showed us that inclusion is an action; it's choosing kindness, welcoming others and showing mutual respect," said Kiwanis Club President Arlie Smith.

"They are leading by example." Students received a certificate, a pencil, a bumper sticker and a T-shirt for their outstanding accomplishments.

Sequoia Elementary School Assistant Principal Tonia Aguilera presented certificates to Aaron Valdivia-Gallo and Ashton Espericueta. Principal Christy Herstad

from Maple Elementary School awarded Olive Poettgen, Mia Ortiz, Emmarie Gallagher and Brett Crown their certificates. Golden Oak Elementary students Danna Millan and Adela Pena received their certificates from Assistant Principal Jose Montelongo.



Grove Academy Shafter representatives Aubree Lopez and Mason Irysh.



Golden Oak Elementary School representatives Adela Pena, Assistant Principal Jose Montelongo and Danna Millan.



Sequoia Elementary School representatives Aaron Valdivia-Gallo, Assistant Principal Tonia Aguilera and Ashton Espericueta.

## OBITUARY



**Douglas Leon "Papa Doug" Gragg**  
Aug. 19, 1949 – Dec. 21, 2025

Douglas Leon "Papa Doug" Gragg, 76, passed away on December 21, 2025, in Santa Maria, California. Born on August 19, 1949, in Bakersfield, California, Doug lived a life marked by dedication to his family, community, and faith.

Doug was a true entrepreneur and community leader. In 1984, he opened Central Floor Covering, laying the foundation for a successful career in business. His ventures expanded to include the purchase of Abbey Carpet and ServiceMaster franchises which remained in operation until 2016. He also created The Mold Detective which remains in business today. Through these enterprises, Doug built not only businesses but also lasting relationships

throughout the region. Beyond his professional accomplishments, Doug was deeply involved in civic life. He served as Chairman of the Shafter Potato and Cotton Festival and The Annual Circus. He also held roles as President of Kiwanis and Chairman of the Christmas Parade. His leadership extended to many other community events where his energy and commitment left a lasting impact.

Doug's love for life was infectious. If you were

around him, you were going to have fun—his presence brought joy wherever he went. He had a passion for music and enjoyed challenging himself with chess and Sudoku puzzles. A devoted sports fan, he cheered enthusiastically for the San Francisco 49ers, Golden State Warriors, and Los Angeles Dodgers.

A man of deep faith, Doug was a member of the Church of Christ. He often led prayers that concluded with his signature phrase: "And the church said, Amen." uniting those around him in spirit and fellowship.

Doug's greatest pride was his family. He is lovingly remembered by his wife Linda; children Toni, Neal, Stacey; and Rick by heart. He also leaves behind his cherished granddaughter Danielle and her husband Kit; sister Sharon; nephew Michael and his daughter

Emma; niece Zenia and her husband Larry along with their daughter Bailey.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roland D. Gragg and Martha Alyne Gragg.

The family extends heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Steven Clark for helping keep Doug mobile for as long as possible—a gift that allowed him to remain active in the life he loved.

Celebration of Life will be held at 11am at the Grover Beach Church of Christ, 202 S. 8th St, Grover Beach, CA on Saturday, February 7th. In true Doug fashion: a 49ers Tailgating Meal will follow the service at 2300 Cienaga Street in Oceano. All who knew Doug are welcome to attend and share in honoring his memory.

May Douglas Leon "Papa Doug" Gragg's legacy continue to inspire joy, service, and togetherness among all who knew him.

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## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPOINT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE

RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Due to a vacancy on the Board of Trustees of the Richland School District resulting from the death of a Board member, the Board intends to provisionally appoint a qualified individual to the Board of Trustees, pursuant to Education Code section 5091.

Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, citizens of the State, residents of the District and its Trustee Area 1, registered voters, and not disqualified by the Constitution or laws of the State from holding a civil office. For further information and to obtain an application form, contact Fatima Sanchez at the Richland School District located at 300 N. Valley St. Shafter, CA 93263. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

The provisional appointee will serve until the governing board election in November 2026.

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. 25-02517-GM-CA Title No. 250520673-CA-VOI APN. 488-220-26-00 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 08/16/2011. 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(s) drawn on a state or national bank must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, 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 in "as is" condition, 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: Laura Watkins, a single woman Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 08/19/2011 as Instrument No. 000211108925 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Kern County, California. Date of Sale: : 03/09/2026 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Front Entrance to the City Hall, City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$107,476.28 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 2409 Alpine Meadow Court, Wasco, CA 93280 A.P.N.: 488-220-26-00 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. 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, 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 800-280-2832 or visit this internet website [www.ndscorp.com/sales](https://www.ndscorp.com/sales), using the file number assigned to this case 25-02517-GM-CA. 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: 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 a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" you may be able to 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 888-264-4010, or visit this internet website [www.ndscorp.com](http://www.ndscorp.com), using the file number assigned to this case 25-02517-GM-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 a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 12/31/2025 National Default Servicing Corporation &cent;/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 800-280-2832; Sales Website: [www.ndscorp.com](http://www.ndscorp.com) Connie Hernandez, Trustee Sales Representative A-4862256 01/22/2026, 01/29/2026, 02/05/2026 Wasco Tribune

## PUBLIC NOTICE

TSG No.: 92523145 TS No.: CA2500292686 APN: 488-171-06-00-1 Property Address: 2335 EVELYN CT WASCO, CA 93280 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/28/2020. 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. On 02/09/2026 at 10:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 11/03/2020, as Instrument No. 220165111, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of KERN County, State of California. Executed by: IVAN FRANCISCO LOPEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the Front Entrance to the City Hall City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS ABOVE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 488-171-06-00-1 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2335 EVELYN CT, WASCO, CA 93280 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said 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 said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 214,670.88. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. 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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 800-280-2832 or visit this internet website [www.auction.com](https://www.auction.com), using the file number assigned to this case CA2500292686 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: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, 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 855-976-3916, or visit this internet website <https://www.auction.com/sb1079>, using the file number assigned to this case CA2500292686 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, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 4795 Regent Blvd, Mail Code 1011-F Irving, TX 75063 FOR TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 800-280-2832NPP0483332 To: WASCO TRIBUNE 01/15/2026, 01/22/2026, 01/29/2026

## PUBLIC NOTICE

T.S. No.: 2025-0902 Loan No.: VACANT LAND - KERN APN: 046-102-18-00-0, 046-102-16-00-4, 046-102-13-00-5, 046-102-27-00-6, 046-102-11-00-9, 046-250-05-00-2 Property Address: VACANT LAND, KERN COUNTY NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/12/2023. 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, 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. Trustor: ERIK A ROSINI A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: WESTERN FIDELITY TRUSTEES Recorded 3/22/2024 as Instrument No. 224031746 in book //, page // of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, Date of Sale: 2/18/2026 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: On the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$129,412.58 Street Address or other common designation of real property: VACANT LAND KERN COUNTY A.P.N.: 046-102-18-00-0, 046-102-16-00-4, 046-102-13-00-5, 046-102-27-00-6, 046-102-11-00-9, 046-250-05-00-2 THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL 1: THAT PORTION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, MT. DIABLO MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL

PLAT THEREOF, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERN LINE THEREOF 50 FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY PARALLEL TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 50 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL NO. 1A A NON-EXCLUSIVE PERMANENT EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY FOR WATER TRANSPORTATION, WITH THE RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS TO AND FROM THE SAME, IN, UNDER, OVER, AND ACROSS THE CERTAIN LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST.MT. DIABLO MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF. PARCEL 2: THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE OF, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ALL THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER. (S/2 OF SE/4 OF NE/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-FIVE (25) SOUTH, RANGE TWENTY-THREE (23) EAST MOUNT DIABLO BASE & MERIDIAN IN THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF THE SAID SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27) WHICH POINT IS 330 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER THEREOF; THENCE EASTERLY PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, 600 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EASTERLY PARALLEL TO THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, 100 FEET THENCE NORTHERLY PARALLEL TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, 165 FEET THENCE WESTERLY PARALLEL TO THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, 165 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL 3: THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE OF, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, MOUNT DIABLO BASE AND MERIDIAN. AN UNDIVIDED ONE HALF OF ALL OIL, GAS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON AND MINERALS SITUATED THEREIN OR THEREUNDER AS EXCEPT BY JAMES L. NORWOOD AND MARIE S. NORWOOD, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AND RALPH O. WALTON AND LEONA WALTON, HUSBAND AND WIFE, IN DEED RECORDED JULY 17, 1959, IN BOOK 3164, PAGE 450 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS; ALSO EXCEPTING THAT PORTION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, MOUNT DIABLO MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE THEREOF 50 FEET, THENCE NORTHERLY PARALLEL TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 50 FEET, THENCE EASTERLY PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTHERN LINE THEREOF 50 FEET, THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; PARCEL 4: THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE OF COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ALL OF THE WEST HALF OF LOT 32 OF THE SMYRNA WORRY AND TOWNSITE, IN THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 2, 1888 IN BOOK 1, PAGE 55 OF MAP. EXCEPT 1/2 OF ALL MINERALS, GAS, OIL AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES IN OR UNDER SAID LAND, AS RESERVED BY NETTIE M. BEEKES, A WIDOWER, IN DEED RECORDED NOVEMBER 22, 1949. PARCEL 5: THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE OF, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 56 OF SMYRNA COLONY, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS PER MAP RECORDED AUGUST 22, 1888 IN THE BOOK 1 PAGE 55 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. PARCEL 6: THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE OF, COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 31 OF SMYRNA COLONY AND

TOWNSITE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED AUGUST 22, 1888 IN BOOK 1, PAGE 55 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES, IN, UPON OR UNDER SAID PREMISES OR ANY PORTION THEREOF AND THE RIGHT TO PROSPECT FOR THE SAME AND TO DRILL FOR AND TO PRODUCE AND TAKE AWAY THE SAME AND LIKEWISE EXCEPTING UNTO THEM AND TO THEIR HEIRS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS THE RIGHT TO ENTER UPON SAID PREMISES FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED PURPOSES FROM TIME TO TIME WITH DUE REGARD TO THE USE OF THE SAME BY THE GRANTEE, AS EXCEPTED AND RESERVED BY TRADITIONAL INVESTMENT COMPANY, IN GRANT DEED RECORDED DECEMBER 9, 1981 IN BOOK 3423, PAGE 548 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. 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, J. DELUCA FISH COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 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, 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 (916) 939-0772 or visit this internet website [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com), using the file number assigned to this case 2025-0902. 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 1/1/2021 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 916-939-0772, or visit this internet website [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com) using the file number assigned to this case, 2025-0902 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. Date: 1/13/2026 Western Fidelity Trustees 1222 Crenshaw Blvd., SUITE B Torrance, California 90501 (310)212-0700 Kathleen Herrera, Trustee Officer NPP0483583 To: WASCO TRIBUNE 01/22/2026, 01/29/2026, 02/05/2026

## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF WASCO

Notice of Public Meeting for Discussion of State CDBG Application NOTICE IS HEREBY ISSUED that the City of Wasco will hold a public hearing on February 3, 2026 at a Regular City Council Meeting at the Wasco's City Council Chambers, located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, in order to discuss anticipated applications for funding under the 2025 State of California Community Development Block

Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit public input on activities to be included in the application. PUBLIC HEARING DATE: Tuesday, February 3, 2026 TIME: 6:00 PM PLACE: Wasco City Hall Chambers 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280 The Community Development and Economic Development allocations of the State's CDBG program are published in a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit Community/Economic Development and/or Housing applications for CDBG funds under the 2025 NOFA for a maximum per-jurisdiction request of \$3,600,000. Total funding for the 2025 State CDBG program allocation is approximately \$27,000,000. The NOFA also includes Native American and Colonia allocations. The Native American allocation is only for areas with high concentrations of low-income Native American residents, who are not part of a federally recognized Native American tribe or Rancheria. Funding for the Colony is only for designated communities within a 150-mile radius of the U.S.-Mexico border. ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ABOVE ALLOCATIONS IN THE NOFA 2025 INCLUDE: HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE AND HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAMS; PUBLIC FACILITY AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (INCLUDING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION), PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAMS, PLANNING STUDIES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND MICROENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES. ELIGIBLE CDBG FUNDS FOR WITH STATE ACTIVITIES MUST MEET ONE OR MORE OF THE THREE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES LISTED IN CDBG FEDERAL STATUTES AS FOLLOWS: BENEFIT TO LOW-MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS OR PERSONS; ELIMINATION OF SLUMS AND BLIGHT; OR MEETING URGENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED. The City of Wasco anticipates submitting two (2) funding applications under NOFA published on September 30, 2025 for Project and Public Service activities, up to the maximum allowed by the NOFA. The City of Wasco expects to receive less than \$100,000 in CDBG Program Income in FY 25-26. The purpose of this public hearing is to give the public an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Wasco should apply for under the State CDBG program and to discuss and approve the proposed application prior to submittal to the State. If you require special accommodation to participate in the public hearing, please contact the City Clerk, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, or you may call (661) 758-7214. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City Clerk, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, or call (661) 758-7214. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. The City of Wasco promotes fair housing and makes all of its programs available to low- and moderate-income families, regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status, or disability. /s/Maria O. Martinez, City Clerk Publish Wasco Tribune January 22, 2026

## PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Coin-O-Matic 2026-B0055

1517 Hwy 46 Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern 3300 Cosmic Drive Bakersfield, CA 93312 Endless Abundance Investments LLC 3300 Cosmic Drive Bakersfield, CA 93312 State of Incorp. or org.: CA The business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company Date the business commenced: 11/22/2022 /s/Jorge Ramirez, Member Date Statement Filed: 01/06/2026 Date Statement Expires: 01/06/2031 Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M Vaca Ramos Publish Wasco Tribune January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 2026

## PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Clean Slate Mobile Detailing 2025-B6725

658 D St Wasco, CA 93280 County: Kern 658 D St Wasco, CA 93280 Ricardo Cantu 658 D St Wasco, CA 93280 The business is conducted by: Individual Date the business commenced: N/A /s/Ricardo Cantu Date Statement Filed: 12/05/2025 Date Statement Expires: 12/05/2030 Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: D Hinojosa Publish Wasco Tribune January 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026



The Wasco High School cheer team and coaches, Ensley Mehlberg, Sydney Bocker, Hailey Coyle and Victoria Campbell, with their championship plaque and hats.

# Tiger Cheer secures historic three-peat

**VERONICA JACUINDE**  
The Press and Tribune

**WASCO**

The Wasco High School Tiger cheer team completed a historic three-peat this past Saturday, capturing the CIF Central Section Championship in Clovis. In their debut in the Division IV COED category, the Tigers delivered a perfect, zero-deduction routine to secure their third straight Section (Valley) title.

Tigers now have one month to prepare for their final competition of the season, USA Nationals, on Feb. 20 in Anaheim.

"The Tiger cheer coaches are so proud of the commitment and hard work that this team has shown over the last several months," said Wasco High School Cheer Advisor Hailey Coyle. "There is no one better to go out there and represent THE WASCO WAY!"



The Tiger cheerleaders execute a pyramid during their routine.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

# The power of a grateful heart

**PASTORS JOSE AND BEVERLY PERELLO**  
Home Fellowship Church, Shafter



Multiple scientific studies in the last couple of decades have shown the incredible benefits of gratitude, including improved physical health and lowered pain levels, better sleep, less depression, frustration, stress and aggression, quicker recovery from trauma, increased self-esteem and improved social relationships. It has been shown that the brain cannot process stress and gratitude simultaneously, so those who work to develop grateful thought patterns are less prone to anxiety.

and we are reassured that He is still with us.

Thanksgiving is also a great way to build up your faith. In Chronicles 20, as the King of Judah is terrified by the news that three powerful armies are camped at his border. He begins by reminding himself who God is and what He has already done both in creating the world and in defending His people from their enemies. This is also the pattern of various Psalms. They begin with a big problem they are facing, but then review the many miracles God has done in the past to protect the Israelites. The Psalms then end with new hope and a renewed declaration of faith in God's power and loving care.

When we face an overwhelming problem or seemingly impossible challenge, stopping to thank God for all the times He has rescued us in the past, will help us to overcome the paralysis of fear and trust Him to get us through another day.

Unfortunately, when we are full of fear or pain, it is easy to focus only on our problems and forget all the ways God has shown Himself faithful

throughout our lives. So, if you cannot remember anything for which to thank God, here is a place to start. According to Psalms 8:3-4, the very God who created the universe and put every star in place is thinking about you. Psalm 139:13-16 can remind you that He has watched over you from the moment of your conception and has always had an amazing plan for your life. His careful focus on you, means you really matter and that is something for which to be grateful. What is more, He has a better memory of your life than you do, so you can ask Him to remind you of all the blessings He has given you and the times He has been there for you.

Verses 1-5 of that same chapter tell us that God pays attention to your every movement and even listens to your thoughts. Jeremiah 31:3 says He loves you with an everlasting love and that's why He keeps trying to get your attention and draw you to Himself. If you are honest about some of the not-so-nice things He's seen you do and the ugly thoughts He has often overheard, His unconditional love for you is something for which to thank Him.

Then, begin to list your blessings. Before you remember all the things you want but don't have, maybe you should start with the basics, like breath in your lungs, being alive another day, a roof (even a leaky one) over your head and something to eat. Keep your list handy and use it to keep your thoughts and words full of more gratitude than complaint. When you do, you will not only be continually blessed, you will be a continual blessing to others!

## DEATH NOTICES

**Clell Fullerton**, 91, of Bakersfield, passed away on Jan. 12 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Kit Hubbard**, 70, of Wasco, passed away on Jan. 15 in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Fernando Ruelas Diaz, Jr.**, 23, of Wasco, passed away on Jan. 17 in Delano. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

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# Lady Generals still ranked, tops in SSL

**JAMIE STEWART**  
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The Shafter High Lady Generals basketball team are still perfect in the SSL at 4-0. Their game against Kennedy High on Thursday was cancelled because of fog.

Shafter did travel to Visalia on Saturday as part of the Redwood Showcase. The Lady Generals, who are currently ranked #13 in the Central Section, beat El Diamante High School, who are ranked #17 in the section.

The final score was 72-54. Shafter was led on the offensive side of the ball by Kyla Schooley and Sydnee Macias. Schooley scored 14 points and also grabbed 10 rebounds, which was Schooley' fourth double-double of the year.

Annemarie Puiser also had a great game, with 10 points and eight assists.

The Lady Generals continue their SSL assault with a matchup against rival Wasco on Tuesday night. Shafter has moved up to the fourth-ranked team in Kern County, behind only state-ranked Centennial, Frontier and Bakersfield Christian. Head coach Juan Zavala said that the team is focused and ready to complete another title hunt, which would be their third straight championship.

Shafter has a game against Chavez on Thursday night. All of the games begin at 6:30 p.m.



Lady Generals won their game against El Diamante.

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