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Jayda Bushling had herself a day at the CIF Division championships qualifying meet in Caruthers.

Bakersfield Jockey Club rides up the canyon to deliver awards

It's been quite some time since Kern Valley High School athletes have been recognized for their athletic, academic, and character efforts by the Bakersfield Jockey Club.

Broncs top Cal City to secure second place in league

The Kern Valley varsity baseball team was on a mission, and they would complete it in late inning fashion.

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday our publication deadline will be: Wednesday, May 22 for the May 29th edition.

-Kern Valley Sun Management



Fernando Hernandez.

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

World War II veteran the last in Kern Valley

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The last World War II Veteran in all of Kern Valley, Fernando Hernandez was recently at the VFW during the Honor Flight Breakfast Thursday, May 9.

He told the Kern Valley Sun, "I've been told that I'm the last World War II

veteran out here in Kern Valley."

Hernandez said, "I joined when I was 17 years old in 1943. And I joined the Navy."

Hernandez has an older story to tell, being senior to our Vietnam War veterans.

He said, "They put me aboard on a troop transport. We'd transport the troops

back and forth. Well we'd transport the Army with all their equipment, jeeps and stuff that they had, (and) tanks."

Before the war was over in 1945 the Navy sent Hernandez to French Indochina, which is now known as Vietnam. Former ruler of China, General Chiang Kai-shek's army was there,

because he was the ruler at China at that time, according to Hernandez who said the US Navy transported the Chinese Army to Formosa, which is now Taiwan.

After the war was over Hernandez was discharged and went home.

Kern Fire Safe Council visits chamber

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Wendy Ward Fire Mitigation Coordinator with the Kern Fire Safe Council spoke at the Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, Wednesday, May 8.

Ward told the chamber that having grown up in Kernville she is familiar with evacuations, fire mitigation, roadside clearance and home hardening.

The Fire Safe Council's three branches at one point disbanded. The branches later determined to revive, becoming the one Kern County Fire Safe Council. She hopes others would join the council as volunteers.

The council has applied

for a grant to be a pilot for the State of California, to identify areas needing mitigation partnered with the Kern River Ranger District. The council also works with the Bureau of Land Management and Kern County Fire Department toward its fire prevention goals.

The council offers educational programs for grades 4 and 5 students teaching disaster planning, evacuation and preparation. The council's educational program helps students understand their footprint in the forest.

The Kern Fire Safe Council encourages home hardening and property clearance for homeowners and renters. The council wants to create

Fire Wise Communities.

They propose to encourage communities to establish grass roots committees beginning fire safety neighborhood watches. The council hopes the volunteer groups would plan to become fire wise and ultimately attain better insurance rates.

"Being a fire wise community could possibly help you retain your insurance," she said. "Working with your neighbors you will have compliers. You will have ones that will not do what they need to do, and that's just the nature of it. But doing what you can reduces the opportunity for wildfire to spread to your home and to yourself."

Ward said that a minimum

of eight residents would be needed to form each Fire Wise Group. Not everyone in the neighborhood has to participate with the Fire Wise Group. However those not complying would not reap the benefits of the group. Ward posed the idea of neighbors complying through volunteering a certain amount of hours toward the group's fire prevention goals.

Ward warned the chamber that ultimately such Fire Wise Groups could become mandated because of newer insurance expectations. She said it would be easier to get in on forming such groups at the outset of the movement towards that goal.

Hospital board hears CEO report including legislation, wages, CFO recruitment

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

At the Kern Valley Healthcare District's (KVHD's) board meeting, Thursday, May 9 the board or directors heard about potential changes, which the hospital board and staff can expect may impact Kern Valley Hospital's budget.

During Chief Executive Officer Tim McGlew's report he said California hospitals were focused on a couple of bills, one from the office of Health Care Affordability, which was to meet a 3.5% cost of providing health care. Every year the amount is supposed to taper down until it meets 3%.

McGlew thought the legislation could impact the seismic project the hospital was working on. He said there has only been one case where a hospital got charged for not meeting requirements from such legislation

and the fines were millions imposed on the hospital. Such legislation has a lot of people frustrated, McGlew explained to the board. "We also talk about the seismic bill, the state basically is looking to add another three more years, and then eventually an additional five years beyond that, if the cost issues come into play," he said. "If the hospitals basically claim that they don't have the money to get this thing done within the five year period, then the state will come in, and the state will audit the cost of the project."

If the state determines the costs are as claimed, the state would have to come up with the money to facilitate the project. McGlew thinks the state would not shut the hospital down, in such a case.

Board member Gene Parks pondered whether such a scenario would be good news for the district because KVHD would

not have to come up with the money for the seismic project if the state provided the money.

McGlew said SB43 is the efforts to change the 51-50 definition in the state of California, which means the state would increase the requirements to provide behavioral health services. "Basically the way that it was described to us, this will be disastrous for the hospitals," he said.

On another note, McGlew said the hospital is still conducting interviews in an attempt find a new Chief Financial Officer. One applicant is coming up for an interview soon. The board members and CEO prefer the ideal candidate for the position to be local, and not further away than Bakersfield.

"We're getting ready to do the minimum wage adjustments," McGlew said, "That worked out to about a 2.4% increase." The adjustment would also increase pay

for current employees with seniority up to the amount of \$30 an hour. The adjustments are based upon the new minimum wage requirements, which California legislation imposed, for hospital and medical staff.

McGlew told the board, in his report, that because of a bill going forward to provide cost based reimbursement to the rural hospitals, California Hospitalization conducted an analysis to see what losses hospitals endured. McGlew said, "What our survey showed is that there's roughly about a \$3 million lag in our costs versus what we get paid."

He also said, "We as a public facility are eligible for some amount of payments that the private hospitals are not. So we get a rate range adjustment. And that's what the state provides us each year to make up the difference between the costs that we've been reimbursed."

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COMMUNITY

H.F.B. organizer announces May is Military Appreciation Month

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May is National Military Appreciation Month, acknowledging all branches of the US military.

Thursday May 9, Gary Zuber, the founder of Honor Flight Breakfasts in Kern Valley and the Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce's Man of the Year explained the value of the recognition. "It's America's way of honoring our military branches for keeping us safe and protecting our country," he said.

The United States Congress deemed National Military Appreciation Month as the month of May, back in 1990, for Americans to express gratitude for the past and current service to the country.

"We actually honor our Veterans every month, not just in the month of May, with the (Honor Flight) Breakfasts and with Honor Flight," he said. "We're going to have another flight of over 100 veterans going back to D.C. So far we've flown over 2,000 veterans back to D.C. to honor them."

Each year there are at least two Honor Flights out to Washington D.C. The Honor Flights usually occur in fall and spring when weather is milder, and currently there is a minimum of two flights each year, according to Zuber.



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In the past there used to be more flights occurring annually just because the airport used to only allow smaller groups be flown out of Bakersfield.

"I got on board with Honor Flight in the summer of 2012. And in November was the first veterans from our area that we recruited to go, World War II, and that was over 100 veterans, at that time, that went," Zuber said.

Plane reservations are behind the

scenes details, which vary, flight to flight, Zuber explained.

Honor Flight started out as only World War II guys. Currently it includes Vietnam veterans and more recent war veterans.

Zuber said, "Military Appreciation Month shouldn't be just be a once a year thing, in May; it should be an every day thing for Veterans Appreciation."

Freeland corrects the public and press about famous firefighting figurehead Smokey

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Local Mr. Dave Freeland announced to a crowd at a recent student awards event, on May 9 at Paradise Cove Lodge, that Smokey Bear's name is not Smokey The Bear.

Freeland told the Kern Valley Sun that he and his firefighter friends had an old pet peeve about the fact that the figure-head to children for fire prevention, Smokey Bear's name has been widely falsely referred to over the years by the public, and more recently by the Kern Valley Sun in articles, when his name was written "Smokey the Bear." He said Smokey Bear does not have a middle name, "The."

Freeland explained that many years ago, youth used to sing a song about Smokey, which is where the public got the misinterpretation of his name "Smokey the Bear."

Smokey Bear, who recently celebrated his 80-year birthday, has never had the middle name "The." His name was, is, and would always be - straight up, "Smokey Bear."



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Smokey, an acrylic by Payton Mental entered in the Kern Fire Safe Council's art contest.



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Protect Our Home, a watercolor by Beth Orehosky entered in the Kern Fire Safe Council's art contest

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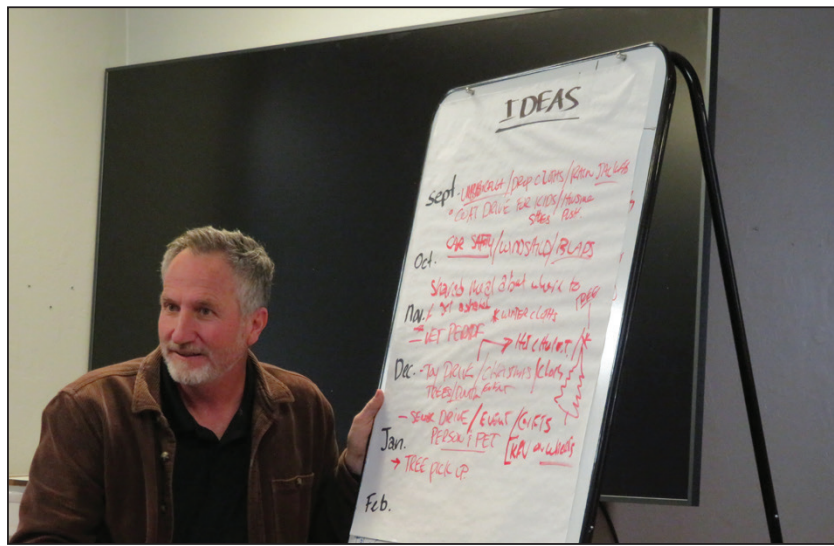
The group brainstormed some ideas that members proposed would be good ways to serve the underserved of the community.

Gary Ananian, founder of the Kern River Conservancy and board member of the Kernville Chamber of Commerce shared thoughts that bringing remote tech jobs to the valley from outside would be helpful and providing a tech job fair would be a good idea for the KRVBC to do. "I think these job fairs that we keep having over here, I've attended some of them, and I've noticed that there's a lack of youth going to them. My opinion is we're not providing the youth here with the opportunities that the youth are desiring, tech jobs, remote jobs, videography, social media that they're into," he said.

Chris Zuber of Kernville Cowork said he liked the idea of trying to make use of the skills of local youth by giving them opportunities for internships within the community for work experience.

Kat Barnum from America's Job Center in Lake Isabella suggested that the KRVBC could benefit the community by providing a tire pressure event, sort of like a car safety check, with volunteers knowledgeable on the topic. Founder of the KRVBC Karen Zuber said checking windshield wipers, before storm season, and a carwash added to the event would be a good plan.

Another idea Chris Zuber came up with was connecting the community with churches sharing Thanksgiving feasts



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Eric Simpson of Hopenesters leads meeting of the Kern River Valley Bridge Connection.

and food distribution events, like a food awareness event.

Karen Zuber said the idea of organizing a Veterans Day Parade with the Kern River Valley Art Association, to honor vets, would be a good idea.

She also suggested that a December toy drive and distributing Christmas trees, winter clothing, and toys would be helpful to the community and maybe a September umbrella drive. Gary Zuber co founder of the KRVBC said he was concerned about homeless people dying of exposure in the valley during colder months.

Eric Simpson of Hopenesters said he thought the KRVBC should work with Flood Ministries, giving the underserved items they need, but also encouraging homeless to go to Bakersfield where they can attain shelter.

Other concepts the KRVBC came up with for assisting valley residents were gift baskets, meal delivery, activities to lower depression levels, help with home weatherizing, and help with pets possibly working hand in hand with animal rescue organizations. They also brainstormed the ideas of having a tree planting in honor of Arbor Day or Earth Day in April, providing Valentines cards for seniors that kids in the community could make, donating cards for homeless kids to distribute at school, reviving river safety events which Kern River Conservancy once planned, a fan drive for the elderly, finance classes and Halloween costume events with face painting just before trunk or treat events.

Simpson said the KRVBC was planning on working toward networking with other nonprofits.

VALLEY Worship Directory

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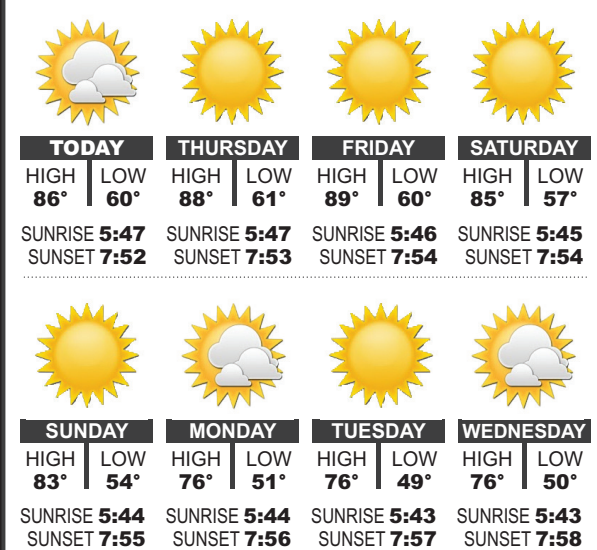
CHRISTINA DENYS

On May 4th. From 9am to 12noon At the Lake Isabella Senior Center The Kern County Animal Services Low-Cost Vaccine clinic came up to our town from Bakersfield to do their annual vaccination. Where SOS Dog Rescue-Strength of Shadow was there to assist. Lots of residents attended this event.



KERN VALLEY WEATHER

EIGHT-DAY VALLEY FORECAST



KERN VALLEY WATER WATCH

Kern River Basin Data as of Sunday, March 31, 2024

Lake & River Information	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Lake Elevation	2,584.54	2,582.92	2,584.35
Lake Storage	352,469	337,904	350,744
Inflow Into Lake	3,728	3,306	9,196
Outflow From Lake	1,526	1,152	7,003

Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
All data is preliminary. Final figures may change. Elevation feed above sea level. Storage expressed in acre-feet. Inflow and outflow expressed in cubic feet per second. Inflow shown is at Kernville.

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The Kern Valley Exchange Club awarded its selections for the Youth of the Year, ACE, and Outstanding Middle School and Young Citizens of the Year awards, for the 2023/2024 school year, Thursday May 9, at Paradise Cove Lodge.

On behalf of the club, President John Blythe gave each student an honorary citizenship recognition certificate acknowledging them for demonstrating quality conduct in their every day life and excelling in the areas of academics, attitude, character, citizenship, leadership and sportsmanship.

Elementary school students recognized were Angel Oropeza and Kenzie Whitfield. Middle school students the club awarded were Josiah Thomey, and Kenadie Young. High school students awarded were Mikaela Richey, Kyle Espinoza Denys, and Jonas Bordner.

Additionally, the organization awarded Jonas Bordner the ACE Award. A recipient of the Ace Award stands for accepting the standard of excellence. Blythe told the audience that students who receive that award have overcome life challenges and obstacles beyond other



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK
Kern Valley Exchange Club Student of the Year Award winners.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK
Jonas Bordner recipient of ACE Award (middle) with principal Alan Paradise (left) and president of exchange John Blythe (right).

students and thrived despite life circumstances.

Jonas brought up his GPA significantly despite lower performance as a freshman. His teachers said he is kind, smart and hardworking. Jonas thanked his principal Alan Paradise. He said, "I'd like to recognize my grandparents who helped me out of a situation that was not desirable."

He also thanked his interventionist, and those who believed in him, which helped him to achieve. Jonas plans to attend a Cerro Coso Community College in Ridgecrest to earn his Associate degree in business administration.

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OBITUARY

Patricia Joan Abruzzo August 27, 1957 to May 1, 2024

On Wednesday, May 1, 2024, Patricia Joan Abruzzo, loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and aunt, passed away peacefully at the age of 66.

Born in Burbank, CA, Patti grew up, lived, worked, as a hairdresser, and raised her children in Southern California. She loved the ocean especially putting her toes along the shoreline. She was passionate about her faith and she lived it every day. She was the most friendly person, always having a kind word for everyone. She knew no strangers.

Patti will be lovingly remembered by her 2 daughters, Kelly and Grace, her son in law, Chris, her 4 grandchildren with another little one on the way very soon, her 4 sisters and brother brother in laws, nephews, nieces and dear friends.

She was predeceased by her loving and devoted husband, Richard, her brother John,



and her parents.
Her memory will forever be held in our hearts, with love always.

Encampment workdays provide new trail

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Volunteers came to Kernville on Saturday, May 4, to rebuild a washed-out pathway at the Whiskey Flat Days encampment area.

Gary Ananian of the Kernville Chamber of Commerce board organized this project in order to better locate the path, preventing further washouts.

Previously a group of Boy Scouts from Troop 711 came to help build the path according to Bobby Alvarez who was also helping with the project that day.

Ananian told the chamber, "We're going to start building the trail that was washed out. I have people coming from the Armed Forces Initiative, which is an active veterans organization out of China Lake, who are coming here for a weekend, and they're dedicating one day for a work project day. We're just moving little rocks to make a new pathway."

Ananian re-mapped the whole area where he intended to put the new trail. He said, "It's definitely going on the other side of the boulders so that if water came back up, it wouldn't affect the trail this time."

Alvarez showed the Kern Valley Sun, Saturday, where much of the trail was previously washed out and much of the gravel along the trail. She said volunteers would eventually add resting benches and more plant life alongside the trail.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Wed., May 15

Times: 1:30pm-2:30pm - Preschool Storytime: Flowers
4:30pm - 5:30pm - Playdoh & Stories
4:00pm-6:00pm - Dungeons & Dragons
Where: Kern River Library
7054 Lake Isabella Blvd

Kern Valley Senior Dance
Live Band, dancing, snacks, 50/50 drawing
No admission charge. Fun
Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Every Wednesday
Where: Kern Valley Senior Center, 6409 Lake Isabella Blvd, L.I.

Stained Glass - Class
Time: 10-1 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Meditative Mandala Coloring Night!
Time: 6-7:30 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Blacksmithing - Class
Time: 6-8:30 pm
Where: Alchemy - Industrial Arts Center 30 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Thurs., May 16
Times: 1:30pm-2:30pm - Toddler Storytime:
Pizza Party
2:00pm-5:00pm - Music Lessons
4:30pm-5:30pm - Science Academy: Oobleck
Where: Kern River Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd

Fri., May 17
Times: 3:00pm-4:00pm - Chair Yoga
3:00pm-4:00pm - Family Gardening
4:30pm-5:30pm - Family Storytime:
Bedtime Fun
5:00pm-6:00pm - Mat Yoga

Movie Night!
Time: 6-9 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Sat., May 18
Times: 10:30am-11:00am - Baby Bounce
12:00pm-1:00pm - Cricut Orientation
2:00pm-3:00pm - Little Art Journey:
Sand Paper Art
2:00pm-3:00pm - The Artistic Journey:
Step by Step Scenery Drawing pt 2
Where: Kern River Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd

Koi Fish Acrylic Paint Party!
Time: 2-5 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Open Mic Music Night!
Time: 5:30-8:30 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA)

6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

History Day at the Kern Valley Museum

Time: 10 am -4pm
During this once-a-year extravaganza we go all out with all kinds of thing to see and do. To list a few, there will be gold panning, antique farm equipment, Dutch Oven cooking, butter churning, home-made ice cream, and military jeeps. The One Spade Youth Rackers will be there. It is our way of thanking the people of the Kern River Valley for your support. It is all free.

Kern Valley FFA Market
Time: 8am-1pm
Where: KV AG Farm
Students will be set up as vendors selling their ag projects from this school year. Products available will include mechanics (wood & metal) projects, art, produce, veggie plants, landscaping plants, flowers, succulents, aloe, agave, and so much more.

Sun., May 19
Grayscale-Oil Painting Class 1
Time: 1-4:30 pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Tues., May 21
Times: 1:00pm-2:00pm - Doodler Storytime:
4:30pm-5:30pm - Let's Play Chess!
5:00pm-5:30pm - Volunteer Orientation
Where: Kern River Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd

Intro to Watercolor - Class
Time: 5-6:30pm
Art Center (KRVA)
Where: 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Wed., May 22
Times: 1:30pm-2:30pm - Preschool Storytime:
music
4:30pm-5:30pm - Anime & Art
5:00pm-6:00pm - Teen Time
Where: Kern River Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd

Stained Glass - Class
Time: 10am-1pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Improv Acting with Stanzi Stokes
Time: 3-4:30pm
Where: Gallery (KRVA) 6749 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Guitar for Beginners - Class
Time: 4-5pm
Where: Art Center (KRVA) 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Blacksmithing Class
Time: 6-8:30pm
Where: Alchemy - Industrial Arts Center 30 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285

South Fork Women's Club

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Al-Anon Meeting: Wednesday, 80 Evans Rd., Wofford Heights, 7:00 p.m. Contact 760-379-7312 or 760-378-0041. These meetings are for friends and family of alcoholics.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Faced with a drinking problem? Perhaps Alcoholics Anonymous can help. Weekly meetings, call AA Hotline, 661-322-4025.

Alzheimer's: The Alzheimer's Disease Association of Kern County provides up to six hours of respite to caregivers who have a loved one with Alzheimer's or other related dementias. Currently, we hold these adult day services at the Veterans/Senior Center in Lake Isabella on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 9:00 - 1:30 (if weather permits). An application packet should be completed by the caregiver on your first visit. Call Otilia for more information at KDAKC (661) 665-8871.

Celebrate Recovery at The Ark: Come celebrate recovery every Friday at the Ark located at 5301 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella, CA 93240. The program starts at 7:00 p.m. Celebration Place - ages 5 to 14. The Landing - ages 14 to 18. Celebrate Recovery ages 18 & up. The Landing 13-18 and Celebration Place 0-13. For more information, call 661-862-9420 or info@knuckleupministries.org.

Grief Share: 1st Baptist Church Lake Isabella has resumed GriefShare Sunday school class at 9:15 am in The Fellowship Hall. Non Denominational course dealing with loss. All are welcome. 3701 Suhre St., Lake Isabella. Phone: 760-379-5615

God's Closet Clothing Ministry: Free gently used clothing for newborns through adults. Located at First Baptist Church Lake Isabella. Must make appointment by calling 760-379-5615 or e-mailing godscloset@fbcli.org

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Mock Music

Welcome back home veterans of Honor Flight

RAY CONNER

Coming back to the hotel after the long, highly exhilarating day, the Honor Flight buses pulled in to allow the veterans to be recognized at dinner. A sit-down dinner that was served to most of Honor Flight was just the first course.

The room was filled with most of the Honor Flight, and the clanking of silverware on dishes filled the space. The Sharing of the day could be heard at most tables, yet the attention on the veterans was soon at hand. The veterans were honored by their branch of service. A short bio on each veteran and then the receiving of their Honor Flight Medal. In all, most of the 96 veterans that went on the flight were recognized. Some slipped out before they could be appreciated for their service. Side Note: The veterans that were not recognized at dinner were shown that respect on the return plane ride. The day had long turned into night and it was time to refuel with a good night's sleep.

Waking up for breakfast the following day many were filled with anticipation of what lay ahead. The Honor Flight agenda included the WWII Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial (The Wall), the Lincoln Memorial, and a trip to Fort McHenry. It seemed a little somber as the Honor Flight shoveled

in their breakfast. There was plenty of buzzing from the ranks. The table I was at, you could hear some of the veterans and guardians whispering about the places we were planning on visiting. Most of the time it was the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial that arose from the lips of the veterans.

Those that served in the Korean War, were also filling the room with their thoughts on what they experienced in the far-off land of Korea. It was time to load the busses to start the longest day of the trip.

By 7 a.m. the busses were rolling toward the next destination, which was the WWII Memorial. The immenseness of this sight was awesome. Each pillar of the 48 states and the U.S. territories gave significance of what we were fighting for back then. The gold ribbons on the wall of remembrance amidst the water cascading was a sight to behold. This was a place to honor those that had fallen and those that served that are still with us today.

Another filling up of the busses, and a ride to the next sight. The Korean Memorial gave life to a war (conflict) that quickly put our country to the test shortly after finishing up the war to end all wars. There were plenty of those veterans on this trip that spent time over there. This included the Kern River Valley veteran Joseph Joe Aguilar. The representation of the memo-

rial was astounding in detail. The troops each signifying a different job moving through the rice paddy in an organized pattern gave truth to the happening of the war.

In a particularly unplanned blessing, the veterans received as they were in a state of remembrance. A group of school aged kids who were on a field trip made it a point to thank as many veterans for their service as time allowed. When this occurred, it seemed each veteran stood a little taller in their stance.

It was ready to move on to the next sight. A short walk supposedly, that took about 10 minutes actually. This was going to be the toughest spot as many on the trip felt a twinge of guilt. This memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was the simplest of all in reality. Names, just names of those on the wall that did not come home from a war that in some minds should not have been fought. But as the people meandered their way along the path, it was quiet in respect and murmurs of those searching for a name filled the open air.

For me, personally my lone goal at the Vietnam Wall, as it is commonly referred to was to see if I could find my cousin's name on it. With a little help from an App I found, I was able to locate his name and let the little hairs on the back of my neck rise up. I felt a shiver as I touched the name. This for me brought

this whole trip in to perspective. This was the so-called icing on the cake.

The roar of silence filled the surrounding area and I was not alone in these emotions. You could witness those around the Wall, with sniffles, a choking in their chest, and in a lot of cases actual tears running down their face. On a whole, this is the memorial that pulled the most heart-strings. To remember those of your family, or brothers in arms that were lost. The tightness in ones' chest was the most respect that one could show as it humbled you in knowing these names on this Wall were heroes.

On the way back to the busses from the Wall, the Lincoln Memorial gave the Honor Flight a chance to continue the long-ago war that tore apart the country. From Abraham Lincoln's words on the structure to the huge statue of him sitting in the chair. This was a man that needed to try and heal a country that was divided. Despite all that were against him, he chose to unite

rather than separate.

With all the time left on the trip it was time to head to Baltimore to see Fort McHenry. Some say, this was the signature of when this country actually became a country. The story of Francis Scott Key and his words that would become the Star-Spangled Banner, our national anthem, showed how the back bone of this country that took on all enemies. In this case the British. Surviving this gave the American people hope and a new resilience to continue the war to make this country the United States of America.

One last time Honor Flight filled up their rides. The next stop would be the airport and the return trip to Bakersfield. Once the plane was filled and another water salute it was in the air heading west. The time had come to move on from the past and get back to the future.

The passengers of Honor Flight 49 settled in, but there were still a few surprises left. Some I will reveal and others I won't. I do not want to spoil

it for those who have yet to make the trip. As the plane crossed the country and the time was near to land, one could sense the anticipation of returning home. The plane was emptied and the homecoming was a huge celebration of welcoming home the veterans. The celebration ordeal is overwhelming as family, friends, volunteers, high school groups, and the media filled the small space to tell all those that made the trip WELCOME HOME, WE APPRECIATE YOU, and THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Note: If you would like to go on Honor Flight, either as a veteran or as a volunteer guardian, head to the website, honorflightkerncounty.org Applications for both are available. A guardian must be at least 18 years old and cannot be the spouse of the veteran. There is a cost of \$1200 to go as a guardian.

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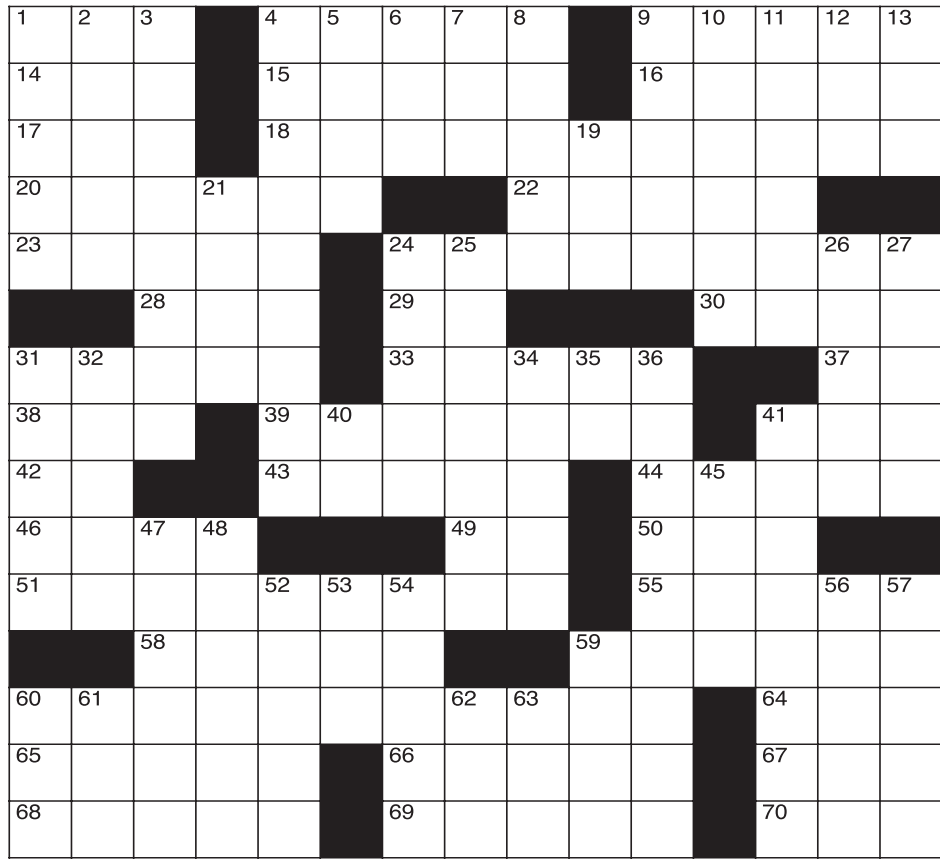
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Ray Conner points to his cousin's name on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

FUN & GAMES



CLUES ACROSS

- Geological time
- Ooze
- A set of eight
- Obstruction
- Swiss mathematician
- Philosophy
- The night before
- A timid person
- Unifies
- Gangs
- Alternative name
- Acumen
- Cathode-ray tube
- Tantalum
- Soluble ribonucleic acid
- Humiliate
- Earthy pigment
- Air Force
- Adult males
- Stiff untanned leather
- Before
- Atomic #18
- Beer mug
- Nostrils
- Type of chef
- Midway between north and east
- They ___
- Splits
- Walk in a timid manner
- Preserved animal skin with hair
- Popular donut

shop item

- You smear it on bagels
- Don't know when yet
- Equal to 10 amperes
- Synthetic acrylic fiber
- Of mixed ancestry
- Home of the Pyramids
- A way to change color

CLUES DOWN

- Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
- Untangle
- One from the U.S.
- Academic terms
- San ___ Obispo, in California
- Not healthy
- Self-assessment questionnaire (abbr.)
- Arugula genus
- VIII
- Makes a monarch
- Tormentor
- Commercials
- Sprinkle
- Make a mistake
- Freshwater fishes
- Vermont town

25. Man-made device

- Entrap
- Places to store important things
- Accumulate
- Greek mythological nymph
- Gregory __, American dancer
- Denotes past
- Becoming popular again
- Indicates position
- Came before
- An extra seed-covering
- Cheerful
- Deli sandwich staple
- Skateboarders love them
- Mandela's party
- Sierra lake
- Nickname for Elizabeth
- Remove from record
- Employee stock ownership plan
- Former NFLer Newton
- Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- Work unit
- Town in Cambridgeshire

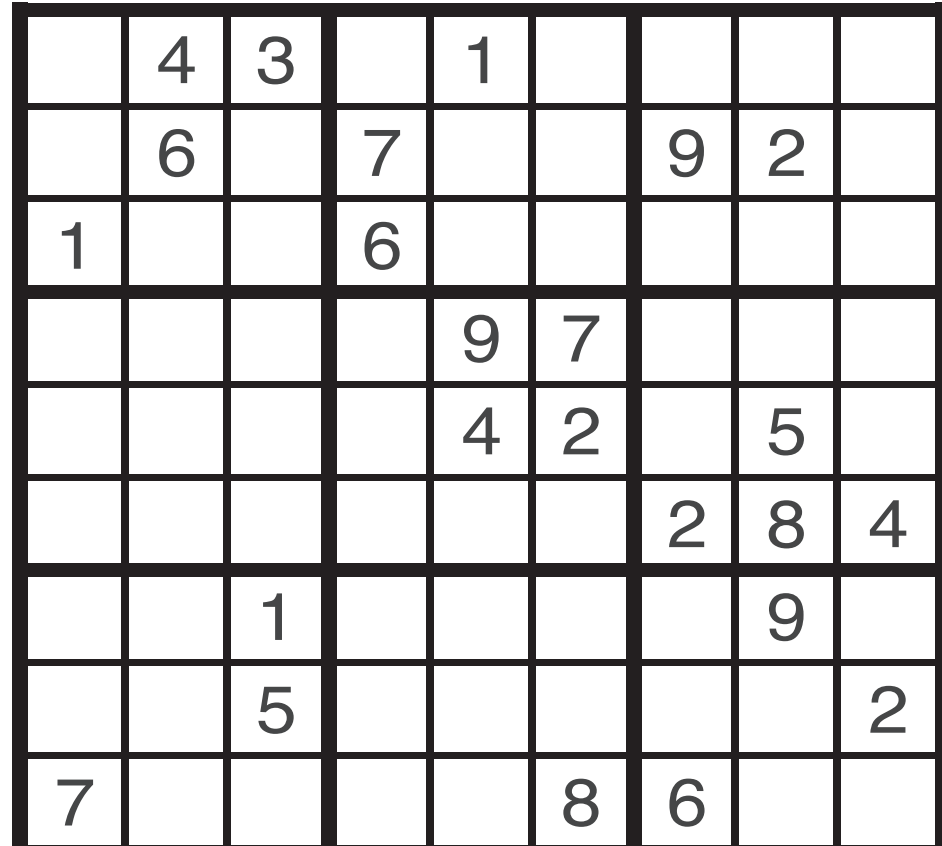
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- ASHRAM
- AWARENESS
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- CHAKRA
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- ENERGY
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- GROUNDING
- HINDUISM
- KARMA
- MANTRA
- MEDITATION
- MENTAL
- MINDFULNESS
- NIRVANA
- PEACEFUL
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- SANSKRIT
- TRANQUILITY
- VISUALIZATION
- ZEN

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.





Celebrating National Hospital Week

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also very satisfying. We save people's lives, bring life into the world, help comfort those suffering from pain, and anxiety, and we help those whose time has come to an end. Every employee is impacted by the care that is provided, even if they are not direct care providers. Working in a hospital is all about being part of a team dedicated to caring for others. Day in and day out, 365 days per year.

tireless work in caring for you, our community. These efforts were honored by the state of California, earlier this year, with our recognition for the 2023 Patient Safety Award issued by Cal Hospital Compare. We truly thank you!!!



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Kern Valley's Bushling romps into CIF Masters Meet

RAY CONNER

Jayda Bushling had herself a day at the CIF Division championships qualifying meet in Caruthers.

There were 36 teams represented at the Division 4 championships. Kern Valley placed third as a team as they set six PR's and had one meet record on the day. A total of 10 Lady Broncs qualified for the Division 4 Championships.

Bushling led the charge to third place as she won two events and finished second in another to advance to the CIF Masters Meet this coming Saturday. She would set both a meet record and a PR in winning the 100m race in a time of 12.24. Bushling then leaped her way into the Masters meet in the triple jump. She went a distance of 33' 6.5" to take the top spot. In her 200m race, Bushling finished as the runner up, but still will advance to the Masters. She ran the race in a time of 25.76. In her final event she would come in fourth. She



Jayda Bushling of the Lady Broncs lands in a cloud of dust at a recent meet. COURTESY OF KERN HIGH NETWORK

competed in the long jump and had a mark of 15' 9.5". With her success in all these events, Bushling became the leading points for all female athletes in the meet.

Aspen Hacker, another qualifier for Kern Valley ran to first place in

the 1600m race. She did this in a time of 5:13.58. She placed second in the 800m (2:23.98) which resulted in a PR. She finished fourth in the 3200m (12:06.67) and fifth in the 400m (1:03.51). A. Hacker earned the third highest total in

points at this meet.

The Lady Broncs 4 x 100 relay team of Madelyn Beaton, Emily Blankenship, Kaya Manwell, and Scarlett Weber set a PR in the race. Their time was 55.97. Weber also competed in 100m and 200m races. She would take eighth in both and her times in both set PR's. Her times were 13.17 and 27.39, respectively. Beaton and Blankenship tied for sixth place in the high jump. They both jumped 4' 6" in the same number of attempts. Jessie Bunting finished in fifth in the high jump. She was two inches better than her two teammates.

Kyla Hacker competed in four events. Her top finish was in the 800m in a time of 2:36.43. She was 11th in the 1600m (5:54.19) and 13th in the 3200m (13:18.32). K. Hacker in the 400m came across the line in 15th place in a time of 1:09.56. Marissa Tate took her attempts in the discus for the Lady Broncs. She threw it 70' which placed her in the 16th spot. The last Kern Valley that competed at



the meet was Ella Mauer. She ran the 300m in a time of 1:00.30. This time was good enough for 19th place.

Head coach Brent Mixon said, "It is amazing how well our kids have performed this year. For Aspen (Hacker) and Jayda (Bushling) it will continue Saturday at Buchanan High School, where they will compete in the Central Section Masters Championships. I am so proud of the Lady Broncs track team this year. They have competed against the best athletes and have proven that they deserve to be there. With such a young team, I would expect these girls to get stronger and compete for the league title next year and send even more to the divisional championships."

End of the year for Broncs track squad

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley boys track team finished up their season as they competed at the CIF Division 4 Championships. They would come in 12th place as a team.

Six team members took their shot at qualifying for the CIF Masters Championships. The highest individual finisher for the Broncs was Daniel Hinkey in the 100m hurdles. He ran the race in a time of 16.88 to take fourth. Kyle Espinoza-Denys took fifth in the long jump. He leaped 19' 8.25" to set a PR. Espinoza-Denys was also part of the 4x 100m relay team that was sixth. Their combined time for the relay was 45.40 which was also a PR. The other runners of the group were Hinkey, Tristan Beckham, and Jack Montgomery.

Two Kern Valley athletes placed ninth in their events. Montgomery in the high jump (5' 6") and Hinkey in the 300m hurdles. Baden Mota set a PR in the 1600m race. His time was 4:55.92.

Espinoza-Denys and Aiden Rapp were first in the

unified 100m race. Their combined time was 27.61. Espinoza-Denys ran his race in 11.97, while Rapp's time was 15.64.

According to Kern Valley head coach Sabine Mixon, "At CIF they offer three categories - Varsity, Ambulatory, and Unified. Ambulatory are those who are physically disabled. According to the website, "Unified Track and Field is a special Olympic event that seeks to promote social inclusion by pairing athletes of similar ability in the same competition. Athletes with intellectual disabilities are paired up with those without them (known as "partners") for the various events including sprints, relays, middle-distance races, long jump, high jump, javelin throw and shot put. The idea behind unified track is that it doesn't matter if you have a disability; everyone has something unique about them that makes them special. Participants can work together towards common goals whilst forming meaningful relationships along the way."

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JOCKEY CLUB

Bakersfield Jockey Club rides up the canyon to deliver awards

RAY CONNER

It's been quite some time since Kern Valley High School athletes have been recognized for their athletic, academic, and character efforts by the Bakersfield Jockey Club.

Back story, The Bakersfield Jockey Club has been around for close to 60 years. The last time a Kern Valley athlete was honored by the BJC was 1987 when Kenny Bushling was selected for his football prowess and the character traits that make you stand out.

Fast forward to 2024, and the BJC came up the canyon for breakfast and the presentation of a plaque for 12 Kern Valley athletes. These athletes were nominated by their coaches and the KV athletic director. Close to 60 people filled Paradise Cove to be part of this celebration of our local athletes.

After breakfast, which was donated entirely for

all those present by Pam Smith of Paradise Cove. This began the day of honor. The BJC committee was personable and proud that they could make this trip to present these awards to the deserving athletes. The group in itself was glad this had come about.

The 12 Kern Valley Bronc athletes that were recognized on this day were Jessie Bunting-Basketball, Mitra Kiosef-Tennis/Soccer/Track, Kayley Sietsma Soccer/Softball and Audrey Martinez-Softball, Ruby Hawkins-Volleyball, Aspen Hacker-Cross Country/Track, Jack Montgomery-Cross Country/ Soccer, Chris Lopez-Football/ Baseball, Kyle Espinoza-Denys-Football/Track, Ed Bunting-Football/Basketball, and Ryan Prince-Wrestling.

Their coaches made the presentations. The presenters were Bill Gallis, Brent Mixon, Jamie Duran, Kenny Bushling, Mike Genthner, Scott Tedrow, and Wes Woody.

The glowing accolades from the coaches about these individual multi-sport athletes filled the room and collectively they voiced that these athletes deserved to be here. Some of the accolades were spoken of were leadership and being an inspiration



These 12 athletes pictured here were selected to be honored by the Bakersfield Jockey Club in a presentation that was held at Paradise Cove. SUBMITTED PHOTO

to others.

In turn the athletes had their say and they thanked their parents, the coaches, Alan Paradise, the BJC and Pam Smith for the breakfast that was provided.

Speaking with Karen Odle of the BJC, who has been a member for 12 years and is the executive director took a moment to say, "This is the first time we've been in the Kern River Valley to hand out these awards. The Bakersfield Jockey Club almost was a thing of the past. For different reasons, there were only two members left. A group came together and

revived the BJC and now they have a good following of members and volunteers."

The BJC does monthly presentations, but mostly they take place in Bakersfield. They are a volunteer, non-profit organization that honors local high school and college student athletes. The hope of all involved is to make this an annual tradition.

Those current Kern Valley athletes that were selected to receive this award, hopefully, have set the stage for the future student-athletes to become part of this group.

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Broncs top Cal City to secure second place in league

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley varsity baseball team was on a mission, and they would complete it in late inning fashion.

Making the trip to Cal City, the Broncs knew what lay ahead of them, win and they were runners-up in the HDL. If they lost, they would be saddled with third place.

The first two innings saw the Ravens take the early 1-0 lead. It stayed that way until the Broncs came to bat in the top of the third. With one out, Cameron Thomas laced a double to put himself in scoring position. Ethan Stockwell did not waste any time tying the game at 1-1. His single drove home Thomas and went to second on the throw home. A balk pushed him to third. Jordan Mead's ground out put Kern

Valley in the lead at 2-1.

The Broncs added single runs in both the fourth and fifth innings to make the score 4-1. Cal City produced a rally as they scored three times to knot the game at 4-4. It was Kern Valley's turn with the bats and they were able to put some hits together and put the game firmly in their hands.

The Broncs sent 12 batters to the plate in the inning as they tallied six runs. Once again, the rally started with one out. Cal City's defense suffered a meltdown as they committed four errors in the inning. The Ravens pitchers didn't help themselves as they walked three batters and plunked a third. Only one hit was allowed, but when the dust settled the score was sitting at an affirmative score at 10-4.

Cal City responded with two runs to cut into the lead,

but another big inning for the Broncs put the game put of reach. Kern Valley saw five runners touch the plate to make it 15-6. The Ravens scored one run in the bottom of the seventh to create the final score of 15-7.

As a team, Kern Valley recorded nine hits. They were issued 13 free passes and were hit by pitch four times. Seth Stockwell led the team with a pair of hits, including a double. He would knock in one run. Zane Carver had one single that plated two runs. He drew a bases loaded walk to push one run home for a total of three RBIs. Thomas, Mead, and E. Stockwell had one hit apiece and a pair of RBIs each. Chris Lopez got in on the hit parade as he had one and also drove home one run. Zack Wargo and Carson Strange delivered one hit apiece, while Aiden Madden was credited with two RBIs.

S. Stockwell (10-1) picked up the win on the bump. He pitched five and two-thirds innings. He would allow six runs, only four earned on four hits. He walked eight and struck out nine. In relief, Madden collected his third save of the season. He tossed the final one and one-third innings, giving up one run on three hits. We walked one batter and struck out one.

Getting to this position, the Broncs had to win at Rosamond earlier in the week. The game itself was close, but Kern Valley escaped with the 7-5 win.

The two teams battled right to the end. The Broncs began the scoring in the top of the first. They took the 2-0 lead on a bases loaded walk and a sac fly. The Roadrunners answered with two runs of their own to tie the game at 2-2.

Kern Valley grabbed the

lead back in the second inning. A two-out single drove in the run to put the score at 3-2. They added a pair of runs in the fourth to put Kern Valley up 5-2. Rosamond scored once in the fourth to close the gap to 5-3. Two more runs by the Broncs in the fifth inning gave Kern Valley the 7-3 lead. The Roadrunners tried a comeback rally but were limited to two runs and the game went to the Broncs.

E. Stockwell led Kern Valley with three hits and a pair of RBIs. Wargo delivered two hits, while S. Stockwell had one hit and two RBIs. Thomas collected an RBI single in the game. Madden closed out the hitting for Kern Valley with one hit. Mead and Strange recorded one RBI apiece for the Broncs.

Wargo (7-4) earned the win by going five plus innings. He gave up three

runs on two hits. He walked seven and struck out eight. S. Stockwell in relief went one and one-third innings. He allowed two unearned runs on two hits. He issued two free passes and set down two batters on strikes. Madden got the final two outs to earn a save. He was credited with two-thirds of an inning. He walked one batter he faced.

The regular season is over and the Bronc now look to the Division V CIF playoffs. They opened as the eighth seed in the bracket. They took on Foothill Tuesday, and a win there will give them a second game versus the winner of the No. 1 seed Torres against North. That game will be played on Thursday if the Broncs advance.

Cal City ruins Lady Broncs HDL title chances

RAY CONNER

Kern Valley's varsity softball team was set for the league title showdown with the Lady Ravens.

With plenty on the line, the Lady Broncs squad wanted revenge. Just a few weeks earlier, Cal City took control of the HDL by beating Kern Valley 5-1. The Lady Broncs stayed on course and won five straight games to create the regular season ending title scenario.

Unfortunately, on this day Cal City was the better team and dominated from start to finish. Kern Valley had trouble putting the ball in play as they were struck out 10 times as a team in the five-inning run rule game. The Lady Ravens pitcher threw a no-hitter. The inability of the Lady Broncs to close out innings led to the final score of 11-1.

The Lady Broncs were set down in order in their half of the first inning. Two outs were by strikeout. Cal City took command of the game in the bottom of the first. They were able to score twice with two outs to give them the lead they would never give back. This would be a theme as in the bottom of the third, the Lady Ravens scored four times after two outs in the inning. The Lady Broncs gifted them the runs as they had trouble playing defense. Three fielding miscues helped Cal City tally the four runs.

With the score 6-1, the Lady Broncs had no answer as they were set down in order. Cal City came to bat and added to their total as three runs crossed the plate. The big hit in the inning was a two-run homer to put the score at 9-1. Another no response from Kern Valley and the game was sent to the bottom of the fifth. A single to lead off the inning, a hit by pitch and a free pass loaded the bases. Another fielding miscue allowed two runs to come in and the game was called due to the run-rule.

Both teams scored three times in the fourth to keep it a four-run difference. The score said it was 13-9 heading to the fifth. Kern Valley was shut down to send it to the bottom of the inning. The Roadrunners exploded for six runs to make up the difference and give them the win over Kern Valley. Walks became an issue for the Broncs as their pitchers issued 19 total free passes.

As a team Kern Valley totaled 11 hits in the contest. This would include six for extra bases. Leading the way was Brandon Cox with three hits. His hits included a triple and a double. He was credited with three RBIs. Wyatt Blagg had two hits in the game. Both of his hits were the three-base kind. He recorded one RBI.



PHOTO BY RAY CONNER
Audrey Martinez delivers the pitch against Cal City on May 7. Teammate Samantha Wyly is playing third base.

With the loss, Kern Valley was pushed to second-place in the HDL. Finishing 12-2 and one game behind the Lady Ravens in the standings.

Only three Kern Valley players reached base in the game. Ava Elliot and Haillee Kopperman were issued walks, while Samantha Wyly reached on a fielder's choice. Cassidy Sietsma went in as a pinch runner and was able to steal a base. Elliott also swiped a base in the game and would score the lone run for the Lady Broncs.

Audrey Martinez took the loss in the circle. She pitched all five innings allowing the 11 runs. She gave up 11 hits, while walking four. She also hit one batter and struck out four.

Head coach Jamie Duran commenting on the game said, "We didn't win. We weren't projected to be in this position.

Now we have to look toward the CIF playoffs."

To be put in this position, Kern Valley had to collect a win on the road versus Rosamond. This was done easily as a 11-run inning led them to the 18-8 victory. In the top of the fourth, the Lady Broncs sent 17 batters to face the Rosamond pitcher.

The score was sitting at 7-4 for the Lady Broncs with three innings complete. When the Lady Roadrunners collected the third out, 11 runs had crossed the plate. Kern Valley in the inning banged out six hits, including a triple and a double. Eight players were given free passes and two batters reached base on an error.

With the score firmly in the Lady Broncs hands, they would close out the game with four more runs. Rosamond failed to respond and the game was called due to the run rule at 19-8.

Kern Valley was led by Kayley Sietsma she had four hits, including a double and a pair of home runs. One of the home runs were erased as a teammate celebrated early and made contact with her before Sietsma touched home plate. Sietsma was credited with a triple giving her the cycle.

Brooklynn Robertson also had four hits, while Leenah Troller had two hits, including a triple. Ava Rementegui had a pair of hits for Kern Valley. Ava Bates, Wyly, Elliot, Martinez, and Elli Jeans each had one hit in the game.

Martinez picked up the win as she went all five innings. She allowed seven runs on six hits. She walked five and struck out two batters.

With the regular season over Kern Valley will look now to the CIF Playoffs. Playing in Division IV, Lady Broncs will play Orange Cove on the road today. Game time is currently scheduled for 4:30 p.m. A win there and they will take on the Lemoore/Coalinga winner on Friday.

Broncs close out season versus Rosamond

RAY CONNER

Taking the trip to Rosamond, the Broncs jayvee team knew it would be their last game of the year. It is unfortunate that they would come home with a 15-13 loss.

Kern Valley took command early and looked like they were well on their way to securing the win. They opened the game with a six spot in the top of the first. The Roadrunners scored once to put it at 6-1. After the Broncs at bats were finished in the top of the third the lead had ballooned to 10-1. The bottom of the inning was their undoing as Rosamond rallied to score five times to put it at 10-6.

Jackson Price had a pair of hits. Both of these were doubles that knocked in a total of four RBIs. Barrett Cameron had two hits and an RBI, while Shiloh Galvan and Greyson Fitzgerald each had one hit and one RBI.

No pitching information was made available for this game.

Kern Valley ended the year with a 13-9 record overall. They would finish 2-4 in HDL play.

Stats leaders for the Broncs:
Blagg- (1).500 average, (1) 24 hits, (T1) 18 RBI, (1) 6-triples, (T1) 5-doubles, (T1) 1-home run.
Price- (1) 37 runs scored, (T1) 18 RBI, (T1) 5-doubles (1) 49 stolen bases
Maddox Beaury- (T1) 1-home run

Kern Valley's junior varsity softball team circled the bases plenty of times to record the 29-11 victory.

Going on the road to Rosamond, the Lady Broncs as a team collected 11 hits. Two of the hits were doubles. They would see nine players score runs for the squad. Six players were able to record an RBI for Kern Valley. According to the coach, the majority of the runs scored were off of walks.

Reba Demeglio was the top hitter as she delivered three singles. She was credited with one RBI and

Jayvee Lady Broncs finish up season with a win

RAY CONNER

scored three times. Avery Valdez had a pair of singles and one RBI. She was allowed to score four times. Isabelle Mosqueda banged out two singles and was credited with four RBIs. She also was a multi-run scorer with three. Ayla Lyons had a double and two RBIs. She also scored three runs. Aneicia Perry smacked a double and drove in a run. She touched the home dish four times. Charlotte Hafenfeld delivered a single and one RBI, while scoring four times. Rounding out the hit parade, Karsyn Liske had a single and scored a pair of runs. Summer Santos and Evie Burrows each

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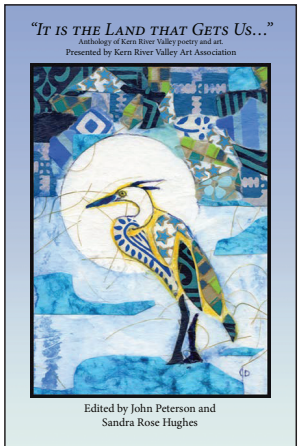
Popular artist, screenplay-writer included in anthology release

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The local art association, publishing its first anthology, is about to release it hot off the press. And the editors expect the work to be on the shelves by June, according to senior editor, John Peterson, who is also a renowned poet and publisher at Poetic Matrix Press.

Peterson told the Kern Valley Sun, on May 1, what readers could expect to see within the volume from the Kern River Valley Art Association (KRVA), that includes works from an array of Kern Valley poets and artists.

According to Peterson and junior editor Sandra Hughes, the anthology is dedicated to Brent Puniwai, the KRVA's vice president who recently passed away. Peterson said, "Brent's death was a real shock. It happened very quickly. So it just seemed real natural to want to dedicate the volume to him. He was known by many. And I think



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everybody I've come in contact with had a great deal of affection for Brent."

While Puniwai did not submit any poetry, he wrote screenplays during his lifetime. Narratives of one of his screenplays are in the anthology. One is titled "Run to Remember," a section in the anthology focusing on loss or grief. Hughes said, "We

took part of Badwater, Brent Puniwai's screen play, and turned it into poems, which was not hard to do because he was very poetic in the way he wrote the narrations. So I didn't even change them as much as just to take pieces out and structure them like a poem."

The president of the KRVA Chris Buffalo Folsom, who considered Puniwai a good friend and ally, also wrote a poem about Puniwai. Hughes said, "That stream of Brent is kind of throughout the anthology."

Hughes sorted the contributed pieces of poetry, from about 20 valley residents into four sections, which was what Peterson based his choices of artwork, and the 108-page layout upon.

The press source Peterson is producing the volume through would enable big distributors including Amazon to handle the anthology. "It certainly will have a life out there in the literary world. It will also be sent to the Library

of Congress and will be in the Library of Congress' permanent collection. And that's kind of a nice thing too," said Peterson.

Hughes said, "Many people's poetry had to do with the land up here, it had to do with the lake and the sky and why we love living in the Kern River Valley, or in California. I really felt like it would draw the poets together and it would also give us a reason to write more."

Peterson said, "We got material from a pretty good array of people, a fair number of people and a broad age group. The other thing is, it's a pretty eclectic content, including the natural environment out here, family stuff, and people dealing with hard times and some spiritual work. It's a nice array of poetry. And what I like about it is people entertain a lot of different ideas."

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Mikaela Richey was first in her class at Kern Valley High School. Her principal Alan Paradise said she is a kind person, of good character, and she had her PR Personal Best in Discus. Paradise said she is a marvelous person. She plans to attend Samford University at Birmingham, Alabama to study Geography.

Kyle Espenosa Denys is second in his Kern Valley High School class, and outstanding athlete involved in multiple sports. California Scholarship Federation recognized Kyle as student athlete for the Central Section. He's involved in leadership and ASB. He plans to attend University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) and was accepted to UCLA and other top schools. Denys thanked his mother and his schools and the Roach family for helping him and teaching him life skills and work skills.

Kenadie Young, a middle school student at South Fork Union School District is a straight 'A' student and stands out as a leader. She's one of the best behaved of all students in her school, and her school considers her as a fantastic athlete

Josiah Thomey, South Fork student is very focused on academics and is one of two males doing Algebra 1 this year, with a top GPA of all the boys in grade 8. He is the top qualifying male student. He saw other struggling students who needed assistance and reached out when he saw the need.

Grade 5 student, Angel Oropeza demonstrates excellence in all that he puts his mind to, whether it's designing an experiment, collaborating with others in the classroom, or shining at sports.

Grade 4 student, Kenzie Whitfield stood out having one of the school's top GPAs for the year, being top in her class. She demonstrates great athletic skills, and has good sportsmanship and leadership, in her class.

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scored three runs for the Lady Broncs.

In the circle, for Kern Valley was Valdez. She struck out four Rosamond batters that she faced. According to the Lady Broncs head coach, Amber LaFarga, "The win leaves us at second place in the HDL."

In another game that was played on April 19 against

Bishop, the Lady Broncs lost in a close game 15-14. The one-run loss came despite Kern Valley collecting 13 hits. They were one hit short of the cycle as they recorded no doubles, but had a home run and a triple. Burrows crushed the round-tripper and had one other hit. She would knock in two runs.

Shelby Griffen delivered three singles and recorded two RBIs, while Lyons hit the triple and a single. She was credited with one RBI.

Valdez had two singles and two RBIs, while Dimeglio and Hafenfeld each had one hit and one RBI. Allison Watkins and Liske had one hit apiece to round out the Lady Broncs offense.

Griffen as a pitcher in the circle, was able to set down seven batters on strikes.

These games were part of a low number of games that Kern Valley played this year due to other schools not having a jayvee squad.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as **DBA #1: AUTO KOOL SERVICE**, 3531 W INYOKERN RD, RIDGECREST, CA 93555, Kern County. Mailing Address: 1217 W ST GEORGE, RIDGECREST, CA 93555

This business is conducted by a MARRIED COUPLE: DALE H. BARBEE & JOANNE BARBEE, 1217 W ST GEORGE, RIDGECREST, CA 93555. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/11/2009.

This Fictitious Business Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the County Clerk's Office. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time: (04/09/2029). The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et

seq., Business and Professions Code.). Signed: DALE BARBEE, 760-375-6879

This statement filed on: 04/09/2024
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By: M. HERNANDEZ, Deputy Clerk

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as **DBA #1: LARSEN WELL PUMP SERVICE**, 7500 BOONE CANYON DR., ONYX, CA 93225, Kern County. Mailing Address: P.O. BOX 131, ONYX, CA 93225

This business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP: DAVID CARL LARSEN; 7500 BOONE CANYON RD., ONYX, CA 93225 & GORDON RAY LARSEN; 16637 HWY 178, WELDON, CA 93283
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AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk
By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DENISE MARIE CACCIOLA Case # BPB-24-002504

To all heirs, beneficiaries, cred-

itors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of: DENISE MARIE CACCIOLA

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ESTATE OF NAME in the Superior Court of California, County of KERN

The Petition for Probate requests that: BRIAN CACCIOLA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

be held in this court as follows: 06/06/2024 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. J-1 located at: 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Superior Court of California, County of Kern. Probate Court.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the **later** of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. **You may examine the file kept**

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

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661-316-3010

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SUMMONS (Family Law) CITACION (Derecho familiar)

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name):
AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre)
STORMI BRESEMAN

You have been sued. Read the information below and on the next

KERN VALLEY SUN LEGAL NOTICES

page. Lo han demandado. Lea la información a continuación y en la página siguiente.

Petitioner's name is: Nombre del demandante PETITION TO FREE ARYAH-LINN RENEE AVA RIVERA

CASE NUMBER (NÚMERO DE CASO): PR11862

You have 30 calendar days after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call, or court appearance will not protect you. If you do not file your Response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. For legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelp-ca.org), or by contacting your local county bar association.

Tiene 30 días de calendario después de haber recibido la entrega legal de esta Citación y Petición para presentar una Respuesta (formulario FL-120) ante la corte y efectuar la entrega legal de una copia al demandante. Una carta o llamada telefónica o una audiencia de la corte no basta para protegerlo. Si no presenta su Respuesta a tiempo, la corte puede dar órdenes que afecten su matrimonio o pareja de hecho, sus bienes y la custodia de sus hijos. La corte también le puede ordenar que pague manutención, y honorarios y costos legales. Para asesoramiento legal, póngase en contacto de inmediato con un abogado. Puede obtener información para encontrar un abogado en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en el sitio web de los Servicios Legales de California (www.lawhelpca.org) o poniéndose en contacto con el colegio de abogados de su condado.

NOTICE — RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2:

These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

AVISO—LAS ÓRDENES DE RESTRICCIÓN SE ENCUENTRAN EN LA PÁGINA 2: Las órdenes de restricción están en vigencia en cuanto a ambos cónyuges o miembros de la pareja de hecho hasta que se despida la petición, se emita un fallo o la corte dé otras órdenes. Cualquier agencia del orden público que haya recibido o visto una copia de estas órdenes puede hacerlas acatar en cualquier lugar de California.

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EXENCIÓN DE CUOTAS: Si no

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The name and address of the court are (El nombre y dirección de la corte son):

12855 Justice Center Drive Sonora CA 95370

The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney, are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante si no tiene abogado, son):

MICHAEL KALANT A 273829 THE KALANTA LAW OFFICE 1150 9th Street Suite 1410 Modesto CA 95354 (209) 579-7732

Date (Fecha): 4-24-2024 Clerk , by (Secretario, por) HECTOR X GONZALEZ, JR., SARA SCHUYLER, Deputy (Asistente)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TULUMNE

In Re: Guardianship of Aryahlinn Renee Ava Rivera

Case No.: PRI 1862

AMENDED PETITION TO DECLARE MINOR FREE FROM PARENTAL CUSTODY AND CONTROL AND TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS (Fam. Code §7822) Date: 5/17/24 Time: 1:30 P.M. Dept.:5

1. In Re: Guardianship of Aryahlinn Renee Ava Rivera Guardians/Petitioners, JEFFREY BRESEMAN and SHARON BEUTTLER, petition the court to terminate the natural parents' parental rights to minor ARY AHLINN RENEE AVA RIVERA.

2. ARY AHLINN RENEE AVA RIVERA is an unmarried minor child who was born on December 16, 2019, and is a resident of Sonora, Tulumne County, California.

3. Guardians/Petitioner filed Petition for Appointment of Guardian on October 2, 2020. See attached as "Exhibit A". The Court granted the guardianship on February 4, 2021. See attached as "Exhibit B". On February 3, 2023, Tulumne County Superior Court ordered the guardianship of ARY AHLINN RENEE AVA RIVERA is deemed necessary and will remain in effect. See attached as "Exhibit C".

4. Guardian/Petitioner Jeffrey Breseman is an adult person and desires to adopt Aryahlinn Renee Ava Rivera, a child who is the subject of this petition. Petitioner is the maternal grandfather. Petitioner, Jeffrey Breseman and the child reside in Tulumne County.

5. STORMI BRESEMAN (Biological Mother) and DILLAN RIVERA (Biological Father) are the biological parents of the minor child and have parental rights to the minor child.

6. The whereabouts of STORMI BRESEMAN, the natural mother of the child is unknown. The biological Mother is a known drug addict who was last known to be living in Kern County in Bakersfield, CA. Mother abandoned

Aryahlinn after leaving her in the custody and control of the guardians since September 19, 2020. Since the Temporary and permanent Guardianship was granted, Aryahlinn has remained in the care of Jeffrey Breseman and Sharon Beuttler and visitation with Aryahlinn was inconsistent. The natural mother of the child has not communicated with the child or made any provisions or the support of the child since September 2022, a period of over one year, with the intent to abandon the child.

7. DILLAN RIVERA'S residence is unknown. The biological father is a recovering drug

21 addict. Since the birth of Aryahlinn in 2019, due to his addiction, Father has had sparse contact and left the child in the custody and control of the guardians with the occasional visits. Recently Father has been making an effort to be present and has been visiting Aryahlinn while she is in the care of co-guardian Sharon Beuttler. Father has only supplied token support for Aryahlinn.

9. Guardians/Petitioner's support Dillan's road to recovery and are open to allowing Dillan visitation with Aryahlinn post-adoption.

10. Co-Guardian Sharon Beuttler's residence is 21098 Rainier Court, Sonora CA, 95370.

Her telephone number is (209) 288-8751. She is in agreement with terminating parental rights of both parents, and declaring the minor free from both parent's custody and control.

WHEREFORE, Guardians/Petitioners pray for a judgment as follows:

- 1. For a determination that the minor child, ARY AHLINN RENEE AVA RIVERA falls within the provisions of Family Code Section 7822;
2. For an Order declaring that the parental rights of minor child, ARY AHLINN RENEE AVA RIVERA, of biological parents, STORMI BRESEMAN and DILLAN RIVERA, are terminated. Freeing the child from custody and control; and
3. For such other and further relief as the court may deem proper.

Date: 03/28/2024 Michael Kalanta, Esq. Attorney for Petitioners/Guardians Jeffery Breseman & Sharon Beuttler

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONALD WAYNE SCHREIBER, AKA DONALD W. SCHREIBER, AKA DONALD SCHREIBER Case # BPB-24-002514

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of: DONALD WAYNE SCHREIBER, AKA DONALD W. SCHREIBER. AKA DONALD SCHREIBER

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: PAUL SCHREIBER in the Superior Court of California, County of KERN

The Petition for Probate requests that: PAUL SCHREIBER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the

court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 6/13/2024 at 8:30 in Dept. J-1 located at: 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Superior Court of California, County of Kern. Probate Court.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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

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

ATTORNEY OF PETITIONER: Robert H. Brumfield, III 1810 Westwind Drive, Suite 100 Bakersfield, CA 93301 661-316-3010

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-82795

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DBA #1: ARGOS PROPERTIES, 2616 BALSAM AVENUE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County, Mailing Address: 2616 BALSAM AVENUE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: JOSEPH WINFIELD SCOTT; 2616 BALSAM AVENUE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

This Fictitious Business Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the County Clerk's Office. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time: (05/01/2029). The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code.).

Signed: JOSEPH WINFIELD SCOTT statement filed on: 05/01/2024 AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARLENE WHITELAW CASE NO. BPB-24-002508

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of: MARLENE WHITELAW A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ian Whitelaw in the Superior Court of California, County of Kern.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that IAN WHITELAW be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

be held on 06/07/2024 at 8:30 AM in Dept. J-1 located at 2100 COLLEGE AVENUE BAKERSFIELD CA 93305 JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER.

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

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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

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

Attorney for Petitioner: James J. Gregg SBN:177023 Fischer Law Office 400 OceanGate, Suite 800 Long Beach CA, 90802 Telephone: (562) 206-1611 5/15, 5/22, 5/29/24 CNS-3811505#

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TS No: CA07000374-20-2 APN: 410-052-03-00 TO No: 230623761-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d) (1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 17, 2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On July 10, 2024 at 10:00 AM, on the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on October 23, 2008 as Instrument No. 0208168083, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, executed by ALBERTO HERNANDEZ AND ESPERANZA HERNANDEZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 110 22ND AVE, DELANO, CA 93215 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 without covenant or warranty, express 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 if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated 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 obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$134,646.73 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, 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 California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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. 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 in 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 Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA07000374-20-2. 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 NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA07000374-20-2 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: May 6, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA07000374-20-2 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bobbie La Flower, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0460304 TO: KERN VALLEY SUN 05/15/2024, 05/22/2024, 05/29/2024

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NOTICE OF LIEN SALES

Dave's Fleet Maintenance/Towing LIEN SALE: 07-DUCAT License: NONE / CA Vin: ZDM1LAA87B005803 Engine: LAA7016626 to be sold at 10:00 am on 5/28/2024 @ 1401 Washington St Bakersfield, CA

Golden Empire Towing 1 LIEN SALE: 18-MAZD License: BX67B83 / CA Vin: JM3KFDAM9J1355665 to be sold at 10:00 am on 5/28/2024 @ 8200 Buena Vista Blvd Lamont, CA

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON LEGALS CALL CHRISTINA AT: 760-379-3667 ext. 1000

T.S. No.: 23-10273 Notice of Trustee's Sale Loan No.: *****3475 APN: 083-284-23-00-2 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 7/12/2022. 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: Randall Davidson, An Unmarried Man Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services, LLC Recorded 7/13/2022 as Instrument No. 222108617 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, Date of Sale: 5/22/2024 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the front entrance to the city hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$223,487.65 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1689 Sierra Vista Dr Wofford Heights CA 93285 A.P.N.: 083-284-23-00-2 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. 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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. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC. Notice To Property Owner: The sale date shown in 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 (866) 539-4173 or visit this internet Website https://www.servicelinkauction.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-10273. 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Date: 4/12/2024 Prestige Default Services, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (866) 539-4173 Patricia Sanchez, Trustee Sale Officer (PUB SUN 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/2024)

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