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Bridge and Elks Lodge partner with Senator Grove giving valley students school supplies

At the Wednesday, July 10 meeting of the Kern River Valley Bridge Connection, founder Karen Zuber talked about the next activity the KRVBC would be doing to serve the community in connection with the Elks Lodge and Senator Shannon Grove's office.

Bushling readies herself for Junior Olympics try

Jayda Bushling has her mind focused on one thing at the moment, being the best she can be in a 400m race. This young athlete of the Kern River Valley has taken this summer to quest for gold in the Junior Olympics.

KV female athletes are strengthened by lifting

It is by no mistake that there were plenty of opportunities for female Kern Valley High School athletes to get an edge on the upcoming season.

Beach volleyball players looking to improve their skills

Sometimes you have to find inventive ways to make training fun. Kern Valley High School varsity volleyball coach Jamie Duran has done just that.



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CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

On the evening of July 9, Firefighters from Kern County Fire Department and the US Forest Service were present to put out a raging fire with what appeared to be more than one structure burning at the mobile home neighborhood behind Kern River Propane. Initially the entrance into the specific street was blocked off, according to people waiting in their cars, who just wanted to get to their homes, or merely see if friends were alright. Firefighters were not forthcoming regarding the events. Some of them said they came from Idaho, as they sometimes do, to help. Others at the scene were Liberty Ambulance, and Kern County Sheriffs Office. SEE MORE ON PAGE A8.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Skate park opens after 20 years

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At the official ribbon-cutting opening of the George and Darlene Randall Skate Park in Lake Isabella Friday morning, July 12, Kern River Radio called off raffle numbers for free tickets, for raffle prizes. Kids were winning their choice of scooters or skateboards among other big prizes.

Water slides were a big draw at the event for kids playing in the high digit heat wave weather that humid day.

Other events at the occasion included a skateboard rodeo and a skate obstacle course, which police officiated. Kenzie Smith was one of the lucky

winners, of the raffle that day, posing with her family at the winner photo stage.

There were no limits that day with kids riding their bikes, roller blades, scooters, and skateboards, giving "skate park" a much broader definition than expected.

"Good morning everyone. Welcome to this amazing occasion," said Kern County's chief communications officer Ally Triolo, who was master of ceremonies. "We're going to be hearing from our dignitaries (and) some members of your community that worked so hard to make this a reality."

Triolo then introduced Kern County's first district Supervisor Phillip

Peters who said, "For over 20 years community members have been advocating for this project and raising funds to help it become a reality. Fortunately we were able to prioritize this project. And through a lot of planning and hard work by our county staff, along with help from the community, we've been able to invest roughly \$800,000 needed to make this park a reality."

Peters recognized the efforts of Karene Williams, who recently passed away, but worked tirelessly during her lifetime for many years to help raise the money to make the skate park a reality.

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Isabella Lake energy storage project back on the table, plus two more

BY LOIS HENRY SJV WATER

A roundly castigated proposal to build a holding reservoir above Isabella Lake in order to pump water up from the lake and run back down through turbines for power – known as pumped energy storage – is back.

And it brought friends. There are now three pumped energy storage proposals in Kern County, including the old-now-new-again Isabella proposal.

That proposal and another for a project near Rosamond are undergoing review by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for preliminary permits. FERC is seeking public comments on both proposals through Aug 12.

A third proposal, for a project in the mountains above Gorman, has an approved preliminary permit from FERC.

That doesn't mean anyone will be bulldozing hillsides anytime soon, though. A preliminary permit is sort of a placeholder giving the company time to do feasibility studies and gather

financing to, perhaps, someday, apply for a license from FERC.

Between those two points lies a whole lotta green, as they say in billiards.

"The project is at a conceptual stage," wrote Benjamin Mossman in an email of his company's proposal for a project near Rosamond. Mossman is chief executive director of Roseville company Nightfall Renewables Resources.

"(A preliminary permit) allows Nightfall to invest a significant amount of dollars into the preliminary environmental and engineering studies to determine whether or not to apply for a license and commence the formal environmental review (NEPA) and other FERC requirements," he wrote.

Then there would be state and county reviews and permits required as well. "This is quite complicated," Mossman wrote.

Expiration and resurrection The resurrection of the Lake Isabella proposal comes with an added twist. In 2021, FERC had issued the proj-

ect a preliminary permit, which expired this year.

So, even though this new proposal is exactly the same as the one filed in 2020, comments submitted back then don't "carry over" to the new preliminary permit application. Commenters have to submit their thoughts all over again.

And there were a lot of thoughts, overwhelmingly negative.

Multiple entities, including the City of Bakersfield, Kern River Watermaster, Audubon Society, U.S. Department of the Interior and others, filed motions to become intervenors in the process and nearly 50 individuals submitted comments. Most opposed the project.

But those all expired along with the original preliminary permit.

The new proposal has already drawn comments from a resident who lives near Erskine Creek, one of the alternate sites listed in the proposal, asking pointed questions about safety, road access, taking of private property, fish

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COMMUNITY

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PRESS RELEASE

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On behalf of the "Hanger Inn" they are presenting the Probation Auxiliary County of Kern (P.A.C.K.) with a check to the Owens Camp Directors and Chief of probation in the amount of \$13,537

Several Kernville residents traveled to Redondo Beach to participate and help with the tournament. Whiskey Flat Mayor River Rat Ryan and Deputy Doug were also present, along with several people from the Kern Valley area. Jim Gordon, the Kernville Saloon owner, also participated and has been a huge supporter of the Camp.

Dean and Maria learned about the Owens Boys Camp and this program



DOUG CLEAVENGER

A check was presented to the Owens Boys Camp for \$13,527 that was raised by a local resident who threw a golf tournament in Redondo beach for the boys.

during the Whiskey Flat Mayor race earlier this year. They were so impressed when they learned what the boys do for the community, and what the program is doing for the boys that they wanted to get more involved.

The proceeds raised during the golf tournament will go directly to the Camp Outdoor Education Project (C.O.E.P.). The C.O.E.P. program allows the boys, who are at-risk youths, to earn credits that allow them to participate in outdoor activities. Credits are earned by working in the community and helping with property clean-

up, painting fire hydrants, assisting with the whiskey flat encampments, river clean-ups, and placing flags at the cemetery, in addition to many more community-serving activities.

The C.O.E.P. gives the boys the opportunity to participate in outdoor programs that many of them have never had the opportunity to do. Outdoor activities include whitewater rafting, fly fishing, trips to the beach, hikes, and boat trips in Lake Isabella.

For more information please visit: <https://www.kernprobation.com/probation-auxiliary-county-of-kern-p-a-c-k/>

Insurance pro addresses reasons for Fire Wise community efforts

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Insurance professional and Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce president, Fred Clark, spoke at the Kern Valley Exchange Club, July 11, regarding Fire Wise Communities. Paradise Cove Lodge hosted the luncheon.

Clark said, "This pertains to every one of us in this valley, but deeper than that, when it comes to the Department of Insurance for all of us that live in high risk fire areas, being part of a Fire Wise Community is going to be the next step where you can or cannot be accepted by some insurance carriers."

The Fire Wise Community is a group of houses, within the community, with a key person leading, and as little as a group of eight homes participating together. Not everyone is mandated to participate. Clark explained that the State of California has figured out that not everyone would willingly participate in such an association. Those in the group would agree to put in two hours a year of brush clearance or vegetation clearance on their properties. The hours would be recorded and shared with the powers that be.

Clark encouraged the public to attend a meeting, Thursday July 18, at the

Kern River Valley Senior Center at 6pm, in Lake Isabella. "There's a lot of things coming down the pike, changes that's going to effect how we obtain insurance in the future," he said.

According to Clark a number of insurance carriers started new rules. For example they won't insure homes older than 30 years, unless the home has a full plumbing re-pipe or an automatic shut off installed. And some carriers won't insure homes, older than 40 years, at all. Clark expects that in 2025 or 2026 when the Department of Insurance finalizes all the regulation changes the department is shooting for, it would use three key tools allowing rates to be set: 1.) The catastrophic model; 2.) Artificial Intelligence; and 3.) Global Warming. Clark said that he wonders how all of this can be regulated by the industry other than raising rates. Clark thinks clearance of properties is one key to keeping rates down. He hopes to get a jump on Sacramento forming the Fire Wise Communities rather than allowing Sacramento to take the lead on it.

Clark said he wants to see more of the public involved, so there would be record keeping, at the local level. He said that the only advantage to the concept is getting neighborhoods working together.

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During public Comments Jerry Moffat gave the board of trustees a letter from Laura Kyt, the district's former office administrator, expressing that she thought district administrative employee, John Blythe could be censured saying that he provided misinformation in the official record of the KRVPD, during a meeting, which was recorded during minutes. Her letter was not read aloud during the meeting that day. Her letter reads as follows:

Dear Board of Trustees,
This letter is sent to address the minutes of June 11, 2024 specifically on page 3 where in the Administrative Update John Blythe writes in the official record of the district and I quote, "Mr. Blythe also addressed areas of misinformation in last week's edition

of the Kern Valley Sun (6-5-24). He will refer to Mr. Brown if there have been any improprieties of monies collected/expensed from services between the district and the local mortuary." I have read the June 5th publication of the Kern Valley Sun and there was no mention of improprieties in any article on that date. Therefore, this is a misleading or should I say misinformation statement to be included in the official record of the Kern River Valley Cemetery District. The sentence underlined above that was inserted in the statements of the administrative assistant John Blythe should be struck from the official record. When words are intended to cause harm to another or a local business there should be some oversight to protect the public from misleading information. There should also be some proof of the impropriety. I ask that the Board of Trustees censor Mr. Blythe from writing statements that could cause the public to assume that there is impropriety between the district and the local mortuary when there is no such proof and you will never find any such proof of impropriety. Please set the record straight. I request and expect that this letter be-

come part of the district minutes as my public comment for today's meeting.

Kindest regards, Laura Kyt
During district manager, Orion Sanders report to the board, Sanders suggested the district sell off some equipment it's not using, such as a truck and tractor taking up space and he suggested that the district would need another operable truck to haul tree limbs.

Staff has been getting storage areas organized and cleared the offices and meeting room functioning with furnishings so visitors can comfortably attend board meetings and offices are more spacious.

Blythe said told the board that the CPA would be returning to reconcile fiscal year 2017-2018 as well as fiscal year 2018-2019 for the auditor. Blythe said the district still needed to get the site updated with bios and contact information on each trustee.

Sanders agreed that there needed to be contact email addresses for each trustee of the board listed on the district website. He said there were 5,000 unread emails in the district's email he was recently going through.

Kernville chamber president talks about cemetery at KRV chamber

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Local businessman, president of Kernville Chamber of Commerce, and new cemetery manager Orion Sanders gave an update on the Kern River Valley Public Cemetery District at the Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, Wednesday July 10.

He told the chamber the district has an entirely new team at the district, a new secretary, and a new 32-hour a week grounds keeper. "Before I accepted the position, that was one of the keys to that acceptance," he said. "The product of

the cemetery is the grounds. It's the view. It's the beautification of the place. And so that's the product we're selling. In order the sell that product we have to have a grounds keeper that can keep the ground green, keep the flowers blooming, keep everything beautiful for all of our loved ones being laid to rest there. That to me was the most important thing." He said the district took the current budget, and cut hours out of the manager, and hours out of the secretary position and made a position for a grounds keeper. The secretary will be

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charges. Nothing was ever decided within the board.

Moffat told the board of trustees that a friend of his who grew up in the Kern Valley, whose parents owned Miracle Hot Springs in the 1940s, 50s, and 60s, called him to tell Moffat that there's a company in Atlanta, Georgia his friend is working with to bring equipment to bring clean water to the Big Blue Mine, at the cost of \$38,000, where it could be used for the cemetery, in addition to the district's water source, or for Lake Isabella. The company from Atlanta was willing to give the water cleaning process to the cemetery free of charge, except for a portion of

hookup costs. What the business would get out of the gift is positive publicity because they do ocean clean ups and large cities and the company needs publicity for its business. Moffat said the district would have to contact his friend right away, if they want to act on this suggestion, before it's too late to accept the offer.

Regarding the other well system the district uses currently, according to the newly hired district manager, Orion Sanders, the

district recently had a lot of trouble with water, and well, which made it difficult to keep the lawns nicely watered. However he fared through the process with the newly hired grounds keeper's help and knowledge of local professionals. The water had not been turning on properly. The well was not shutting off itself, so Sanders said it was overflowing, at night. Sanders thought that the tank

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SUNRISE 5:50	SUNSET 8:08	SUNRISE 5:52	SUNSET 8:08	SUNRISE 5:52	SUNSET 8:07	SUNRISE 5:53	SUNSET 8:06

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	
HIGH 104°	LOW 77°	HIGH 104°	LOW 77°	HIGH 104°	LOW 77°	HIGH 104°	LOW 77°
SUNRISE 5:53	SUNSET 8:06	SUNRISE 5:54	SUNSET 8:05	SUNRISE 5:55	SUNSET 8:04	SUNRISE 5:55	SUNSET 8:04

KERN VALLEY WATER WATCH
Kern River Basin Data as of Sunday, July 14, 2024

Lake & River Information	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Lake Elevation	2,581.53	2,584.17	2,601.90
Lake Storage	349,115	349,115	527,557
Inflow Into Lake	702	658	6,151
Outflow From Lake	2,265	2,458	4,808

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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habitat and more. "The Erskine dam option would flood private land but that is not communicated anywhere in the permit or Federal register notice. Further some of that private land contains full-time residents who would lose their homes," wrote Jamin Moore.

Victor Rojas, Managing Director of Premium Energy Holdings LLC, the Walnut company proposing the project, acknowledged by email the company is re-applying for a preliminary permit on the Isabella proposal but didn't answer further questions.

Premium Energy Holdings is also the applicant on the third pumped energy storage project proposed for Kern County. That one would be built in the hills surrounding Gorman, though the documents all list it as a Tehachapi-area project.

The application for that project was filed in February 2021 and received approval of its preliminary permit Dec. 1, 2021 with, apparently, zero comments filed.

Seeing what sticks

A scan of the FERC library shows

Premium Energy Holdings has about a dozen preliminary permit applications for pumped storage projects in California, Nevada and Utah in various states of pending, active or expired.

Because of that, several critics consider the proposals mostly "fishing expeditions" to get a foot in the door and test the level of opposition.

"You throw out a bunch of these proposals and if you get entitlement on one, that's very marketable," speculated Reed Tolefson, manager of the Kern River Preserve near Weldon. "So, maybe the project isn't shovel-ready, but you get it through the initial hurdles and then you can pursue a lot of the 'green new deal' infrastructure money.

The Audubon Society opposed the Isabella proposal because of potential impacts to a variety of protected areas under the company's Fay Creek alternative.

The Isabella proposal offers three alternate sites for an upper reservoir: Fay Creek, Erskine Creek or Cane Creek. Respectively, those reservoirs would cover 135, 185 or 400 acres and hold 19,000, nearly 30,000 or 34,400 acre feet of water.

Each site, along with the need to build new connections to get the

power to the grid, would involve extensive construction and land disruption.

"The irony is, these sorts of energy storage projects do help with climate change issues," Tolefson said. He stressed that his concern was for protected areas, otherwise he supports the idea of stored energy in principle.

Pumped energy storage projects are akin to batteries, they hold energy until it's needed. For batteries, you flip a switch. For pumped energy storage, you release water to spin turbines. As California increases its use of solar and wind power, energy storage is needed to supplement the grid when those sources are unavailable.

California currently has 10/11 pumped energy storage facilities with a combined ability to produce 4,379 megawatts of electricity over a 12 hour period. One megawatt provides an hour's worth of power for between 600 and 1,200 depending on demand.

For comparison, the Isabella project anticipates being able to generate 2,000 megawatts over 12 hours.

Where's the water from?

Aside from wildlife and safety concerns, the other major issue for

the Isabella proposal is, of course, water.

Every drop of water in the lake and the branches of the Kern River that feed it, is claimed by one of several entities. Any disruption to those flows, or movement of water out of the lake is closely watched by those entities, known as the Kern River interests.

The Kern River interests opposed the initial Isabella proposal and are reviewing the new application "which raises both questions and potential concerns," wrote Kern River Watermaster Art Chianello in an email.

Water for the Rosamond and Tehachapi proposed pumped energy storage projects will likely be no easier to come by.

The Tehachapi proposal simply says it will fill one of its three potential reservoirs with between 14,600 and 24,000 acre feet "during high water level season through a new piping segment connected to the existing California Aqueduct."

It doesn't state how it would purchase that water, which would have to be through an existing State Water Project contractor.

The Nightfall proposal for a project near Rosamond would require

four new above-ground reservoirs and 10,000 acre feet of water, according to the proposal. Other than the reservoirs, everything else would be below ground, operating in a closed loop. The proposal estimates it would need an additional 600 acre feet a year to make up for evaporation.

The water would be purchased from the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water District and obtained from a pipeline that runs through Rosamond, according to the proposal.

AVEK General Manager Matt Knudson said no one from Nightfall had contacted the district about this proposal so he had no comment.

Competition

Though pumped energy storage projects can provide a large amount of electricity over many years, they have a high initial cost, take up to a decade or more to build, disrupt large areas of habitat and aren't as instantaneous as batteries.

Until recently, the big drawback of batteries was they only held so much power for short periods.

That has changed in recent years with development of long duration batteries, making them more competitive with pumped energy storage.

Erie Vaughn Johnson

Erie Vaughn Johnson passed away on May 2, 2024, peacefully after suffering a heart attack. Erie is survived by his wife, JoAnne, their two children, Shawn and Kendra, and spouse's, Claire and Steve and his only grandson, Jack – he was the best granddad ever!

Erie grew up in Anderson, California. He proceeded to Chico State College to earn an Agricultural Degree, a Master's degree from Cal-Poly, then a Doctorate in Vocational Education from the University of Northern Colorado.

He had a distinguished career in higher education for over 50 years: first as a high school Agriculture teacher, then as President of a college in Alaska, continuing as Dean of Instructions and Director of College Programs. He retired from Cerro Coso Community College here in the valley. Erie received numerous awards for contributing to Community College Education and his commitment to service.

Passionate about community service, he was a member of Rotary for 48 years. He believed in the Rotary motto "Service above Self." He served as President of local clubs and helped start the farthest northern Rotary Club in Barrow, Alaska. Erie also served as the President of the Kern Valley Historical Society, was President of Kern River Valley Revitalization, and was on many other committees.

At the top of the list of Erie's most enjoyable activities was the 1930 Model A Ford Woodie Wagon. He spent many hours (with much help) restoring his pride and joy. This Model A made many family trips across the United States.

Erie could grow just about anything and loved raising sheep as he did this most of his adult life. He would bring lambs into the house to hand feed and keep them warm.

He also loved to fish and caught one of



the biggest King Salmon on the Kenai River in Alaska – 72 pounds. One year he spent the entire summer fly fishing for salmon. He enjoyed cozying up to a warm fire, using the hot tub, watching Denver Bronco football and Gonzaga basketball games, listening to country music, eating good food, and spending time with his family and friends.

The President of the Historical Society, John Newman wrote, "Erie will be missed, but his passion for getting people to work together for the common good will stay with us." Cards received after his passing noted that Erie was a force and a presence in all he touched; he was such a great human; a kind and considerate man; a great man with a wonderful sense of humor; a loss for the world; and appreciated for how he encouraged us to think for ourselves.

There will be a private Celebration of Life at a later date. Memorials in Erie's name would be welcome to a special fund at the Kern River Valley Historical Society.

Joseph Todd Fuscaldo (JT)

Joseph Todd Fuscaldo (JT) was born on June 19, 1984 in San Diego, CA to Sherilyn Kay (Fuscaldo) Littlejohn and Rocco Salvatore Fuscaldo. He passed away suddenly on Sunday, July 7, 2024 at the age of 40.

He was pre-deceased by his father, Rocco, and is survived by his loving mother, Sherilyn Littlejohn (Wofford Heights), sister Jessica and Brandon Phillips (Kernville), brother Jake and Sky Blu (Portland), brother Adam and Chrissy (Ventura), maternal grandmother Jadeen Costa (Wofford Heights) and a very large family of Aunts, Uncles and Cousins who adored him. JT was the first grandchild and nephew, and will be missed immensely.

JT attended Kern Valley High School where he excelled as an athlete, by playing on the baseball team, and he was all-conference in wrestling. After the family moved to Bakersfield, he graduated from Foothill High School in 2002.

He went on to have a successful career as an OTR driver, but not before he spent many nights entertaining guests at Ewings on the Kern alongside his sister Jessica. JT always had a smile on his face and his laughter was



infectious. He was kind and loving and would light up any room. Joseph made our world a better place and this loss will forever be with us. Saying goodbye isn't easy, but it's a necessary part of our journey. Your life was a blessing - your memory a treasure. Services are pending.

Donald L. Morehouse

Donald L. Morehouse, beloved husband, Pops, Grandpa, and Great Grandpa, passed away at his home in Bodfish, California, on June 29, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Don was born in Bristol, South Dakota, on March 12, 1937, to Lloyd and Lillian (Stolsmark) Morehouse. He was the oldest of 13.

At the age of 17, Don joined the Army for four years and then continued his distinguished military career with the Navy for an additional 26 years.

In February 1973, Don met the love of his life, Julie. They married in December 1974.

Don is survived by his wife of 50 years, Julie, five children, eight grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held at First Baptist Church, Lake Isabella, at 10:00 on July 19, 2024, followed by a full-military-honors burial at Bakersfield National Cemetery in Arvin at 2:00.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made



to Tunnels to Towers at T2T.org on behalf of Don.

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You may have come across Laura Tran in the Kern River Valley at some point. She is a pivotal member of the Kern River Valley Art Association and she has been instrumental in the growth and success of the group. She is usually available to lend a helping hand with many of the service groups in the KRV including The Chamber of Commerce and The KRV Women's Club to name a few. She is a creative com-

Laura Tran - Working Behind the Scenes

munity liaison of sorts and serves as catalyst in helping to get things done behind the scenes.

Where were you prior to residing in the Kern River Valley

I was born in Orange County. My family is Chinese but my folks grew up in Southern Vietnam. Our family immigrated here in the 1980s when my uncle served on the American side of the war. They immigrated here to Hawthorne, CA and then found their first home in Buena Park. Grew up in Anaheim and floated all over Los Angeles while attending college at Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. I've lived in Vegas, Oregon, Anza and Aguanga. I was in Ontario and finally found Weldon.

What brought you to the Kern River Valley?

Farming and family stability. We were wanting to establish roots. I found CaliforniaFarmLink.org A website that pairs retiring farmers / landowners with families who are looking for land. (Thanks Joe Weaver) That's when we found Weldon.

Tell me about your animals / farm

We are operating a 12 acre ranch growing microgreens and mushrooms. Our livestock consists of 3 alpacas, 1 pig, dogs, cats, chickens and turkeys. Our new adventure is Silly Filly Farms. We are cultivating microgreens and mushrooms to provide fresh / healthy alternatives for the Kern River Valley.

Do you have any shout outs?

Shout out to my family that continues to support me. My town of Weldon. The KRVAA for trusting me to run their festivals and media and giving me a sense of community. Kernville Co-starters program (a 10 week business program put on by Justin Powers and Kern County twice a year to



help small businesses succeed - especially in a rural environment)

And for every KRV local continuing to support the local businesses in the KRV.
Thank you Laura for enriching our community.

SKATE PARK

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Two parties from the Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department, Supervising Planner James Golden, and Division Chief Dennis McNamara both worked tirelessly to make the park a reality. Among donors toward the skate park was Tony Hawk Foundation. Also receiving recognition was Teresa Contreras, the founder of the Skate Park Committee with the California Recreation Foundation.

Contreras honored George and Darlene Randall saying, "Let us take a moment to reflect on the wonderful impact they've had on our youth and the community." She noted that the Randalls were committed to making the valley a better place. She also gave a special thanks in memory of Karene Williams, who was the back bone of this project, spending years, and writing over a dozen grants to make the project a reality. Also invited to speak at the podium was Eric Simpson of Hopester, who mentioned the non profit the Kern River Val-

ley Bridge Connection, and said, "I got the be part of this Neighbor to Neighbor Grant, targeted at bringing community together, letting you have a voice and a part of bringing this community back." Kern County Chief Economic Development Officer, Jim Damian said, "This is an overnight success that took 20 years. You did it. So congratulations." Supervisor Peters and representatives from Senator Shannon Grove's and Congressman Vince Fong's offices presented the Skate Park Committee volunteers

with certificates of honorary recognition for their hard work toward opening the George and Darlene Randall Skate Park. Vendors present at the Block Party representing the Neighbor to Neighbor Grant included, Sierra Shared Spaces, Kern River Valley Bridge Connection, Kern River Valley Art Association, Family Resource Center, Kern River Valley Branch Library, CERT, Cadillac Dogs, California CHP and the famed Mike G spray painting skaters' helmets.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Bridge and Elks Lodge partner with Senator Grove giving valley students school supplies

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

At the Wednesday, July 10 meeting of the Kern River Valley Bridge Connection, founder Karen Zuber talked about the next activity the KRVBC would be doing to serve the community in connection with the Elks Lodge and Senator Shannon Grove's office.

Their upcoming backpack drive has been an Elks Lodge annual event. Zuber said, "What's really exciting is we're partnering with the Elks, and the Elks has already an ongoing event that we're going to come along side of, and support, and really make it more community than it already was. It really is about partnering together in the community."

According to Zuber, the August 3 event in Wofford Heights, will not just be a hand out or drive through. It's about bringing together the community, helping the local community become better connected. Zuber said, "Our goal is to improve and to make our community stronger (and) more resilient to some of the challenges that we face,

in poverty and things like that." Senator Grove is partnering with the KRVBC and other entities to host the Backpack Drive, in support of local students. In a recent media plug for the event, her media personnel said, "Senator Shannon Grove is pleased to host a community backpack drive to benefit local students

from preschool through high school. The drive will take place throughout the month of July at her Bakersfield District Office." Collection of new backpacks began July 1 and runs through July 31 at Senator Grove's office at 5701 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 150 Bakersfield, CA 93309. Grove said she was thrilled to host the drive

supporting students and was inviting donations so that every student could be assured they're starting school with necessities, feeling confident, on their learning journey. Other entities involved in the drive include Open Door Network along with KRVBC and the Wofford Heights Elks Lodge.

New hospital CFO joins board discussions

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Kern Valley Healthcare District board of trustees held a board meeting, Thursday July 11, at the Kern Valley Hospital facilities. At that time the Kern Valley Sun discovered who the hospital hired to be its new Chief Financial Officer. Kern Valley Hospital hired as its new Chief Financial Officer, two weeks ago, CFO John Lovrich. Lovrich lists as previous experience, on LinkedIn.com, Catalina Island Medical Center,

and is a graduate of USC, from Los Angeles County. His references on LinkedIn.com state that he is reliable and trustworthy. The CFO said one of the projects the hospital is working on, at Chief Executive Officer Tim McGlew's request is attempting to get more Medicare or Medi Cal patients in. Lovrich also said that now the hospital has more Nursing Assistant graduates. And this factor would provide 11 new employees. COVID was a high expense to the hospital with regard to staffing.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK
Newly hired KVHD, CFO John Lovrich

Cemetery District hires new grounds keeper

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Kern River Valley Public Cemetery District hired its new Grounds Keeper, Reno Shadden, Monday July 1. He spoke with the Kern Valley Sun, at the district board meeting, July 9. Shadden is descended from a longtime



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK
Grounds Keeper, Reno Shadden.

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<p>July 22 Beefy Macaroni</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zucchini** Fresh Fruit Garlic Bread Juice Milk 	<p>July 23 Fish Tacos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chuck Wagon Corn White Rice Cranberry Applesauce Milk 	<p>July 24 Turkey Pastrami Sandwich</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-Bean Salad** Fruit Yogurt** Milk

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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@knuckkleupministries.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@fbcl.org

God's Storehouse of the KRV: Feeding those in need in the Valley. Monetary donations are always welcome and may be mailed to P.O. Box # 2977 Lake Isabella, Ca. 93240. All donations are tax deductible. Call 760-223-0750 for more information. Located at 3810 Golden Spur, Lake Isabella. Hours of operation: 2nd Tuesday of each month 9am - 11pm and 4th Sunday of each month 1pm - 3pm.

The Bristol Hospice (formerly Optimal Hospice) Grief Support Services: Child and Teen Support. All child and teen services are uniquely tailored on a case-by-case basis. One-on-one counseling is available. Grief Support Group Information (BAKERSFIELD) In-person & Virtual. Bristol Hospice - 1675 Chester Avenue, Suite 401, Bakersfield, CA 93301. (Park in the parking garage located on Eye St. Enter through the black gate and up to the 4th floor.) Tuesday's 11:30am-1:00pm Thursday's 6:00pm-7:30pm. (TAFT) In-person Only. First Baptist Church - 220 North St., Taft, CA 93268 (Located next to the Church office on North St.) Third Wednesday of Each Month 1:30pm-3:00pm. Please E-mail or call our bereavement coordinator for more information: Jessica Mosley, MSW. Call: (661) 716-4000 E-mail: bereavement-bakersfieldhospice@bristolhospice.com

NAMI Connection Recovery: Connection Recovery Support Group, for individuals living with mental health challenges, meet every Monday, from 1-2pm. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call Lisa Wylie @760-417-1932.

Passionate Hearts Support Group: A Christ-centered, curriculum-based, 10-month support group for women wounded by childhood sexual abuse that provides a safe place for women to come together and work on the damage incurred through their abuse. Registration is required and space is limited. Call Alex at 760-298-0341.

Pregnancy Resource Center: Tuesday and Thursday each week, 1 to 5 p.m., 6040-D Lake Isabella Blvd. Lake Isabella. Free Pregnancy Testing, Peer Counseling, materials assistance, referrals. Mailing: PO Box 3015 Lake Isabella, CA 93240. Call 760-379-8893 for more information.

The Salvation Army is looking for donations for winter items of any type like coats, blankets, shoes, boots, and tents and much more. 5109A Lake Isabella Blvd. Lake Isabella Ca. 93240 Call Yolanda for more information at 760-379-0112 Monday and Friday only from 9am to 11am

TOPS #436: (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m., at the Senior Center in Lake Isabella. Open to the public. Call 760-379-3366 for more information.

Women's Domestic Violence Support Group: A place for education, healing, growth, and empowerment. Female survivors and family members are welcome. Every other Thursday, 5:30-7 pm. Call 760-223-2777 for location and information.

Editor's Note: Please call groups listed above to assure that information is correct prior to attending a meeting.

WATER

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needed to be pressurized, and the float needed replacement, in the main tank. And the well shuts off on its own. Sanders called Piute Pump and they found debris was clogging the pump. Eventually the district was able to get the clog cleared out and the sprinklers working. Sanders said that there were two water breaks in the system he had fixed. The well was closing up with iron algae, which was cleaned out over 2.5 years ago. So the district was wa-

tering but would get better flow once the algae was cleaned out of the well with an acid wash once again.

Sanders told the board of trustees, "We will get better flow and faster fill of the tank once we get the algae cleaned out of the well. Right now we're relying on the tanks to fill up in between watering. So right now we're watering half of it in the morning, we're letting the tank fill up again (then) we're watering the other half in the evening. And then overnight we're letting the tank fill up again. Once we get the algae cleaned out we shouldn't have that problem. We should be able

to have full tanks all the time. But without the algae even being cleaned out we actually are watering all the property each day."

Regarding the automatic sprinkler timers, the new grounds keeper Reno is getting the timer circuits set up properly so that each section of the lawn sprinklers would be on for 20 minutes, and then off for 10 minutes, during which time the pump would be able to build the pressure back up, to stabilize its pressure. And then the next circuit comes on for 20 minutes according to Sanders.

CHAMBER

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at the office from 9am to 2pm, 5 days a week to answer phones and handle paperwork.

Regarding the Kern County Grand Jury Report, the team would be meeting deadlines for their financials and minutes, which the district became behind on. From the water well to the retaining wall, the issues are goals the district is resolving especially the Grand Jury recommendations avoiding

legal issues.

Sanders said that the personnel turnover left the ball dropped on internments. Sanders said, the county would be providing some training for the district.

Sanders said the district would be using a different program to record burials. They would be using CemSites program to manage their records going forward, with interactive mapping, so the public would be able to tour where their loved one is buried online. The data would take upwards to a year to be recorded and updated.

The old cemetery is part of the district. Last year when the river was high the US Forest Service put sandbags there. However the biggest concern is half of the cemetery floating into the river. There is nothing in the works to fix the problem. Sanders said he saw no paperwork for that issue at the district. He plans to get the county supervisors involved. Sanders said, "Building a retaining wall is not cheap. And it's not in the cemetery budget to do that. But it's got to be done. And the county's got to be aware that its' got to be done." he said.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, July 18
Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
11:00am-12:00pm - Rudy Parris
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library w/special guest Edward Jones
2:00pm-5:00pm - Music Lessons
4:30pm-5:30pm - Science Academy
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA 93240 • 760.549.2083

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Tuesday, July 23
Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
11:30am - STEM Explorers
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library w/Special Lunch Guest: Kernville Union School District
1:00pm-4:00pm - Greater Bakersfield Legal Service
1:30pm-2:30pm - Scavenger Hunt
4:30pm-5:30pm - ASL Storytime
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA 93240 • 760.549.2083

4:30pm-5:30pm - Slime
5:00pm-6:00pm - Teen Time
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA 93240 • 760.549.2083

Friday, July 19
Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
11:30am - STEM Explorers
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch at the Library w/Special Lunch Guest: America's Job Center
3:00pm - 5:00pm Chair Yoga
4:30pm-5:30pm - Family Storytime
5:00pm-6:00pm - Mat Yoga
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA 93240 • 760.549.2083

Wednesday, July 24
Kern Valley Senior Dance
Live music, dancing, snacks, air conditioning 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.

Thursday, July 18
Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
11:30am - STEM Explorers
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library w/Special Lunch Guest: College Community Health
1:30pm-2:30pm - Toddler Storytime
2:00pm-5:00pm - Music Lessons
4:30pm-5:30pm - Lego Storytime
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA 93240 • 760.549.2083

Wednesday, July 31
Kern Valley Senior Dance
Live music, dancing, snacks, air conditioning 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.

Saturday, July 20
Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
12:00pm-1:00pm - Cricut Orientation
2:00pm-3:00pm - Little Art Journey: Terrariums
2:00pm-3:00pm - The Artistic Journey: Tote Bag Art part 2
Where: 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake

Kern River Valley Branch Library Events
11:00am - The Butterfly Effect with Christopher Yates
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library
1:00pm-2:00pm - Stranger Danger

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PUZZLES & GAMES

- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Letter of the Greek alphabet
 - 4. Cause to become entangled
 - 10. Swiss river
 - 11. Conversation
 - 12. "Magnum" was one
 - 14. Small integer
 - 15. Christmas
 - 16. Of a specific mountain region
 - 18. Burrowing bugs
 - 22. Of a symbol worthy of veneration
 - 23. A type of syndrome
 - 24. Cephalopod mollusks
 - 26. Metric ton
 - 27. Ornamental box
 - 28. As quickly as can be done
 - 30. "Hoop Dreams" subject Arthur
 - 31. Old TV part
 - 34. Extinct flightless birds
 - 36. Former CIA
 - 37. Successor
 - 39. Archaic form of you
 - 40. Within
 - 41. Danny Hurley's alma mater
 - 42. Not sacred or biblical
 - 48. Written law
 - 50. Popular hairstyle
 - 51. Congressman
 - 52. Type of font
 - 53. A predetermined period in office
 - 54. Pouch
 - 55. Hormone that stimulates ovulation (abbr.)
 - 56. One from a particular Asian region
 - 58. One's sense of self-esteem
 - 59. Headgear used to control a horse
 - 60. The habitat of wild animals

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. A right conferred through legal means
 - 2. American island state
 - 3. Inflexibly entrenched
 - 4. "Pollock" actor Harris
 - 5. Foolish person
 - 6. Follows a particular Chairman
 - 7. Choose
 - 8. Sunrooms
 - 9. One hundred grams (abbr.)
 - 12. A symptom of some physical hurt or disorder
 - 13. South American hummingbird
 - 17. "Girl Chopping Onions" painter
 - 19. Wild dog
 - 20. Units of land
 - 21. Footwear
 - 25. Possessing a constant temperature
 - 29. Hormone that promotes water retention (abbr.)
 - 31. Popular game
 - 32. Pension (German)
 - 33. Giant of industry
 - 35. Inferred
 - 38. One who revolves
 - 41. Kept possession of
 - 43. Loss of electricity
 - 44. Stopped bottle
 - 45. Everything
 - 46. First to walk on the moon
 - 47. Engrave
 - 49. Female organs
 - 56. Equal to 1,024 bytes (abbr.)
 - 57. Northeast

TAKE A TRIP WORD SEARCH

WORDS

- AIRPORT
- ALL-INCLUSIVE
- CRUISE
- DEPARTURE
- DESTINATION
- EMBARK
- HIGHWAY
- HOLIDAY
- HOTEL
- INTERNATIONAL
- ITINERARY
- LANDING
- LUGGAGE
- MEMORIES
- PACKING
- POSTCARD
- RELAXATION
- RESORT
- ROAD TRIP
- ROOM
- SIGHTS
- TAKE-OFF
- TRAIN
- VACATION

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

GROUNDS KEEPER

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family of the Kern River Valley and therefore has lifetime ties with, and a love for, the area. He said, "I do some of the landscaping stuff over at the Rodeo Grounds. And I've been there for about three years now." Shadden has also done landscaping work for private parties such as lawns and branch trimming. "I like being outside basically," he said. He then explained how he decided to put in for the job. He said, "I heard that it (the position) was open so I applied for it. The compelling reason is just pride because I have relatives buried on both sides of the highway. I have a lot of Native Amer-

ican blood in me. I see a lot of things that need to be done, so it's just going to take a little bit to get there...to get the lawn back to where it should be, and then kind of beautifying it to where, when people walk up here you have some sort of a sense of pride that you're going to be happy to be able to lay somebody to rest here." Shadden did sign a contract with the district for full time employment for 32 hours a week. "I have faith that it will turn out to be a lot nicer here. I was already coming over before I was hired. It'll look a lot nicer." Shadden still plans to do some tree trimming at the cemetery once he gets the sprinkler timers working correctly. He's been checking the water tanks daily. He said that the fact he's been hired seems surreal and is just starting to sink in for him.



CHRISTINA DENYS
On Saturday July 13th at 2pm. at the Lake Isabella Senior Center. The Lake Isabella & Bodfish Property Association had their ice cream social, were residents got to cool down and enjoy music as well.



KERN VALLEY SUN LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as
DBA #1: Miss Wasco City Pageant
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DBA #5: Miss Lost Hills City Pageant
DBA #6: Miss Shafter City Pageant
DBA #7: Miss Arvin City Pageant
DBA #8: Miss McFarland City Pageant
DBA #9: Miss Lamont City Pageant
DBA #10: Wasco Rose Queen City Pageant, 4702 SHADOW STONE ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313, Kern County. Mailing Address: 4702 SHADOW STONE ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: PAMELA MARIE SCHULL, 4702 SHADOW STONE ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313

The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 06/01/1995
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: (06/10/2029). 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: PAMELA MARIE SCHULL
This statement filed on: 06/10/2024
Aimee X. Espinoza, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: Z. Arellano, Deputy Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 2024-B3765

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as
DBA #1: GLOBAL DELIGHTS, 5520 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD G3, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 2728 AUDREY AVE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240
This business is conducted by: MARRIED COUPLE: ELIZABETH ASCENCIO & ARMANDO VALDOVINOS; 2728 AUDREY AVE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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Signed: ELIZABETH ASCENCIO, 310-805-6015
This statement filed on: 06/13/2024
AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

(Pub SUN 06/26, 07/03, 07/10, 07/17/2024)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

FILE NO. 2024-B2761

The use of the fictitious business name: **GLOBAL DELIGHT**, located at: 5520 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 2728 AUDREY AVE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240 filled in Kern County on 04/30/2024 has been abandoned by the following person(s): ELIZABETH ASCENCIO ORDAZ & ARMANDO VALDOVINOS HERRERA; 5520 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business was conducted by a MARRIED COUPLE
Abandoned on 06/13/2024

Signed: ELIZABETH ASCENCIO, Owner, 310-850-6015
Aimee X. Espinoza, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 2024-B3785

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as
DBA #1: KERN VALLEY ANIMAL SHELTER, 14891 HIGHWAY 178, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 14891 HIGHWAY 178, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: YVONNE MARIE PICKERELL; 5404 MARJORIE ST., WELDON, CA 93283. 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: (06/14/2029). 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: YVONNE MARIE PICKERELL. This statement filed on: 06/14/2024
AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M. TORRALBA, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GARY A GREEN

Case # BPB-24-002808

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of: GARY A GREEN aka GARY ALEXANDER GREEN
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ARTHUR GREEN in the Superior Court of California, County of KERN
The Petition for Probate requests that: ARTHUR GREEN 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: 8/15/2024 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. J-1 located at: 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Superior Court of California, County of Kern. 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 (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.
PETITIONER:
ARTHUR GREEN
3515 KIMMIE RACHELLE CT., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313

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NOTICE OF LIEN SALES

Dave's Fleet Maintenance/Towing

LIEN SALE: 17-HOND License: Y23WBC / FL Vin: 1HGCR2F38HA107210
to be sold at 10:00 am on 7/30/2024
@ 1401 Washington St Bakersfield, CA

Randy's Towing LLC

LIEN SALE: 13-INFI License: 9KBH771 / CA Vin: JN1CV6AP5DM713572
to be sold at 10:00 am on 7/30/2024
@ 1000 Mt Vernon Ave Bakersfield, CA
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FOR MORE LEGALS INFORMATION CALL CHRISTINA AT: 760-379-3667 ext. 1000

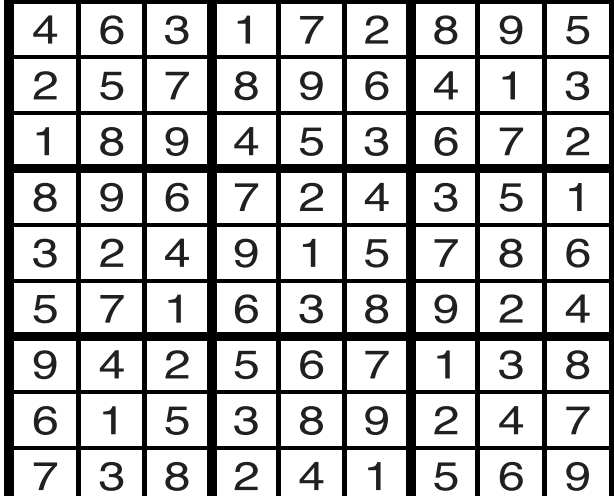
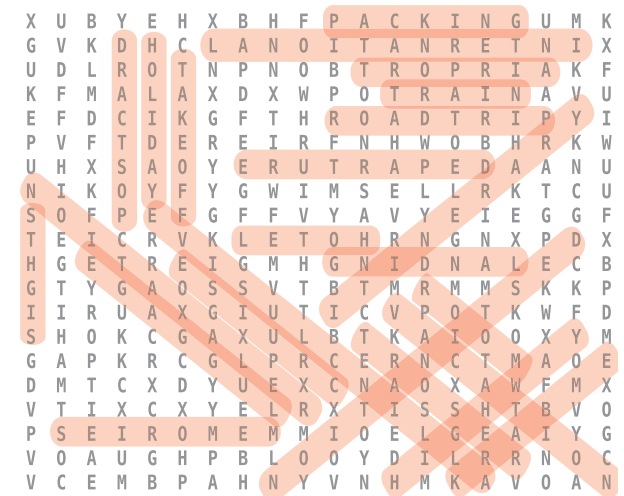
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR
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See RFQ at: www.southforkschool.org
Issue Date: June 28, 2024
Non- Mandatory Site Walk - Monday, July 15, 2024 2:30 p.m.
Response Due Date/Time: Monday, July 29, 2024 4 p.m.
Response to be received: Richard Rhodes, Superintendent/Principal South Fork Union Elementary School District 5225 Kelso Valley Rd. Weldon, CA 93283
Contact: Richard Rhodes, Superintendent/Principal Office: 760-378-4000 Fax 760-378-3046 Email Address: rrrhodes@southforkschool.org
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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR
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Public Works Department
County of Kern, State of California
NOTICE TO SUBCONTRACTORS AND MATERIAL SUPPLIERS CONTRACT NO. 24032
The County of Kern is actively soliciting bids from prospective subcontractors or materials suppliers whose businesses qualify as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 75 and/or qualify as Section 3 Business Concerns, as well as individuals who qualify as Section 3 Workers in connection with the Community Development Block Grant funded CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD REHABILITATION ON WELDON NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS project to be located in the County of Kern and funded by the HUD.
A Section 3 Business Concern is a business:
(1) The business is at least 51% owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons;
(2) The business is at least 51% owned and controlled by residents who currently live in public housing or Section 8-assisted housing; or
(3) Over 75% of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period were performed by Section 3 workers.
A Section 3 Worker is:
(1) Is a low- or very low-income worker that fell below HUD income limits for the previous or annualized calendar year. Low- and very-low-household income limits may be obtained from: <http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/il.html>; or
(2) The worker employed by a Section 3 business concern. (see Section 3 Business Concern)
(3) The worker is a YouthBuild participant. (YouthBuild is a community-based pre-apprenticeship program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 who have previously dropped out of high school.)
A Targeted Section 3 Worker is:
(1) A worker employed by a Section 3 business concern (defined below), or
(2) Currently fits or when hired fit at least one of the following categories, as documented within the past five years:
a. Living within the service area or the neighborhood of the project (defined below).
b. A YouthBuild participant. (YouthBuild is a community-based pre-apprenticeship program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 who have previously dropped out of high school.)
Qualified individuals and firms may obtain a list of plan-holding general contractors at <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/59079/portal-home> until 11:00 a.m. July 31, 2024. General contractors should be contacted directly for possible use in their bid proposals on this project.
The County of Kern and prospective General Contractors are seeking such subcontractors in compliance with the procurement standards found at 24 CFR 85.36(e) and Section 3 of the of the HUD Act of 1968, which provide that Small Businesses (SBs) and Section 3 Business Concerns/Workers be given the maximum practical opportunity to participate in HUD funded contracts.
Subcontracts may be let for all categories of work on this project, including but not limited to asphalt and concrete sawing, earthwork, asphalt concrete paving, concrete curbs gutters and sidewalks, and fencing, provided that the aggregate total of all subcontracted work is not more than 30% of the total contract amount.
As used in this Notice and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is the County of Kern, California.
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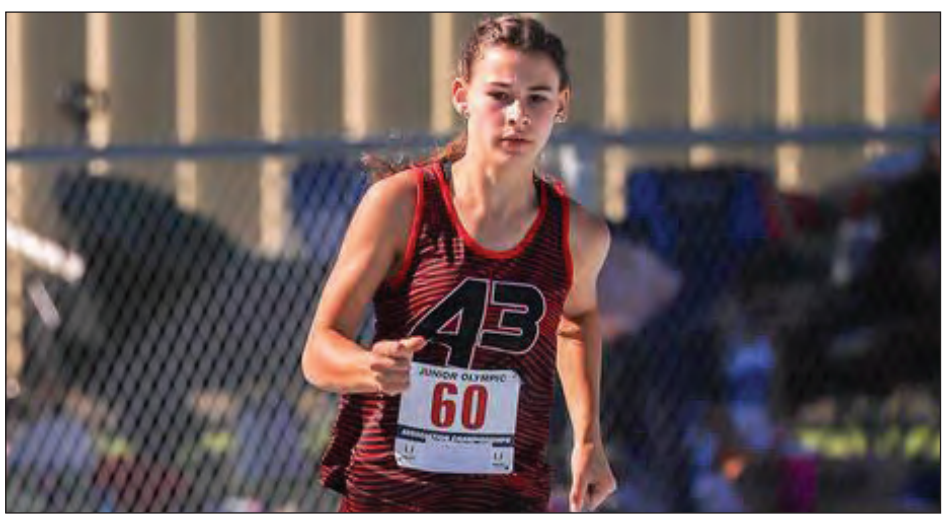
Bushling readies herself for Junior Olympics try

RAY CONNER

Jayda Bushling has her mind focused on one thing at the moment, being the best she can be in a 400m race. This young athlete of the Kern River Valley has taken this summer to quest for gold in the Junior Olympics.

Bushling is making a trip to Texas make the USA's Junior Olympics Team. By the time you read this she will be there acclimating herself to the extreme conditions of Texas. Bushling has run her course and now will try to outperform many other quality athletes that share her passion to make the Junior Olympics Team.

Bushling said, "Being selected to compete in the Junior Olympics is a dream come true. I am incredibly excited and honored to have this opportunity to showcase my skills. I am ready to give my all." This athlete knows



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Jayda Bushling who competes for the A3 Track team of Bakersfield runs a recent race.

what's at stake and continues to work hard to make her dream come true.

This young lady is not taking this attempt lightly as she knows the struggle to make it to the top. All summer long she has worked her way through the qualifying meets in order to put herself in this position.

Despite all the preparation for the Junior Olympics, Bushling still finds time to practice her skills at other sports. Three times a week she practices with other volleyball players on a beach volleyball court to enhance her strength in both her legs and her core. This is also training for the Kern Valley high school volleyball team.

Most kids look forward to the summer so they can take it easy after a school year. Bushling has been going and going, much like the Energizer Bunny. Besides spending most of her weekend at meets to get to the Junior Olympics qualifying meet. This young lady routinely trains by lifting

weights three times a week with fellow female athletes at Kern Valley High School. She also takes four evenings during the week to track practice with her A3 Club team in Bakersfield. The training includes all pieces of the puzzle when it comes to track. Bushling said, "I dedicate four evenings a week to track practice. Focusing on various aspects such as starts, jumps, calisthenics, strength training, sprints and speed work."

She also knows that a proper diet is a key feature of creating a mind and body connection. She is currently making sure that they line up so she can begin the race to the Junior Olympics. Bushling commented, "In preparation for the Olympics, I prioritize and maintain a healthy diet and ensure my body is in top shape."

While Bushling is at center stage, she also has considered those who have helped her attain the

opportunity at hand. She went on to say, "I want to express my gratitude to my parents for their unwavering support and dedication in getting me to practice and track meets. I also want to thank my coaches from A3 for their guidance and expertise in helping me improve. Special thanks to Teri Ritchison for organizing the GoFundMe page, and to all those who contributed both on the page and in person. A heartfelt thank you to the Mt. Mesa Men's Club and the Exchange Club for their generous donations, which is enabling me to travel to Texas for the Junior Olympics."

Bushling knows this road has not been one of solitude, but one where a whole community, including friends and family are wishing her nothing but the best. This endeavor will create a memory for the ages and a story that can be told over and over again.

Sit down with Jayda Bushling

TJ SANDERS

One of our own from Kern Valley is getting the opportunity to compete in the junior Olympics. Jayda Bushling is making waves in the track and field world by qualifying for the junior Olympics and getting the chance to compete against some of the best young athletes in the world.

In order to be prepared for this event the training had to be harder than ever. Jayda said that the hardest part of training is not comparing yourself to others and to just focus on your own goals you have set. Jayda's favorite part about track is seeing her own personal growths in

her running times and jump lengths.

When asked about competing in the junior Olympics Jayda said that it is rewarding from all the hard work that she's had to put in. With competing in this event there comes great pressure and Jayda said that she feels the pressure, but it doesn't affect her since she knows what she is capable of.

Jayda said that it feels amazing after all the work she has put in is finally paying off in a big way. I asked her if she was nervous to compete and she said she is not but is excited to be pushed by the other competitors that are faster than

her in hopes of achieving a new PR.

When asked about her plans after the junior Olympics Jayda said she will be preparing for the upcoming volleyball season at Kern Valley High School. Jayda said that her training will be different after the junior Olympics.

She said that it will be harder since she knows there will be a new level to track and field. When asked about hoping to receive national recognition and collegiate recognition she said she only hopes to receive collegiate recognition and not a lot nationally. Jayda hopes to grow as an individual and athlete from this event.



PHOTO BY JAMIE DURAN

This group of Kern Valley High School athletes have been using weigh training to strengthen their core and improve their conditioning to take on the sports seasons that will start when the school year begins.

KV female athletes are strengthened by lifting

RAY CONNER

It is by no mistake that there were plenty of opportunities for female Kern Valley High School athletes to get an edge on the upcoming season.

For the past five weeks, a group of young ladies set their sights on improving themselves through weightlifting. They were dedicated in arriving at the weight room each morning at 6:30 a.m. over the summer break. They put their summer on hold as they did work outs three times a week. It is their hope in cutting down injuries, and pushing their bodies to gain conditioning and improve their muscle development.

The program headed by Jamie Duran who coaches

two sports at Kern Valley. She is the varsity volleyball and varsity softball coach for the Lady Broncs. She was a standout athlete at Kern Valley and played college softball for four years. She knows a thing or two about conditioning the body to handle the stress that it's required to endure over the course of the athletic year. She made those that made a choice to improve, pushing them as a group to gain the ability to garner a training program that will help them as they play athletics at the high school level.

The three times a week training schedule included keeping track of their sets, reps, time, weight per exercise on a workout log. Duran said, "We put a huge emphasis on quality reps, proper form, and progressive overload." With the

program training ending, it will soon be time for these future Kern Valley athletes to put this into action.

Duran said, "The best part about this program is seeing all these ladies push each other and themselves. To support one another all while making huge progress in their muscle development. It takes discipline to get up and be at morning workouts by 6:30 a.m. over summer break. I could not be more proud of the work ethic this group showed, and am so impressed by the growth they made!"

The school and sports year for Kern Valley is right around the corner. With the chance to get a leg up on their competition, these young ladies will now convert their summer weight lifting training to their respective sports.

Beach volleyball players looking to improve their skills

RAY CONNER

Sometimes you have to find inventive ways to make training fun. Kern Valley High School varsity volleyball coach Jamie Duran has done just that.

For the past few weeks, Duran has set the stage to improve the quality of the volleyball program. She is using the beach volleyball court at Kern River's Edge Campground to work out the potential volleyball players for this upcoming season. Duran said, "This summer, John and Rhonda Stallone were generous to our volleyball program in letting us use the Kern River's Edge Campground sand court as a place to work out. She has consistently saw 20-24 volleyball players show up each day they train. They training lasts two hours per day, three times a week. She is hoping to bind the players together before the start of the season. In this training program, the girls learn how to communicate on the court, what position to be in at the start and finish of the action. The



PHOTO BY JAMIE DURAN

This group of Kern Valley High School volleyball players are practicing on a beach court to get ready for the upcoming season.

serving game is also practice to help the athletes learn the ins and out of serving to create potential scoring opportunities.

When it comes to the hard wood court game, the sand court improves the athletes' ability to get to their spot quicker. And if in the correct spot, they will be able to adjust to whatever is happening on the court. Duran said, "We have put a huge focus on communication, court movement, vertical movements, intentional serving, and fun."

The players have taken to the new program and training to improve their abilities on the court. It is

the athletes hope that they carry over their summer training, when they actually take the court at the start of the upcoming season. According to Duran, "The athletes have been working hard and have shown such a growth in endurance, quick movements reading the other court, and the technical side of passing, serving, and hitting."

With the new training, the Kern Valley High School volleyball program seems to be "setting" itself up for success. Only time will tell if this summer has given them an edge over their soon to be opponents.



TJ SANDERS

Speaking Sports with TJ

Ramirez are other well-known players that have deferrals from their contracts. Deferrals are more well known after the player has retired and gets paid to no longer play.

Many of the top stars in today's game have begun to include contract deferrals in their deals in order to leave more salary space to try and build a winning roster around them.

Shohei Ohtani is the most memorable player to have his contract deferred. Ohtani signed a 10 year 700 million dollar deal with the Los Angeles Dodgers and deferred 680 million dollars in which he will be paid 68 million dollars a year for 10 years starting in 2034.

Chris Sale, Rafael Devers, Mookie Betts, Freddie Freeman, Christian Yelich, and Francisco Lindor are some of many MLB stars that have contracts. Owners are allowing players to do this in order to try and build the best possible rosters when they are in a perfect position to win the World Series.

Is there a world where the MLB makes deferrals in contracts illegal or will this continue?

Do you think that this is bad for baseball or is it good that teams can do this to try and win more?

E-Mail your opinions to tjsmx294@gmail.com.

Matter of Opinion

MLB All-Star classic needs a reset

RAY CONNER

It's time to overhaul the MLB All-Star Game. I mean since the powers that be have made serious changes to the game in the past few years, maybe its time to reset the All-Star classic also. Let's not make it a fan favorite popularity contest any more, but instead let the MLB players decide most of the selections that deserve to be on the All-Star team.

This year each All-Star team has a roster of 35 players, including 12 pitchers. My suggestion would be each MLB team select their top nine position players. The teams can use whatever criteria to decide which players are the top nine. With these selections, then let all the MLB players from each league vote on each of the nine positions.

The highest number of votes at each position is the starter. The second highest number of votes at the position are the reserves.

This way the analytics that have ruined the game, or I mean driven the game these past few years will not have a voice in selecting the best players to date for the season. The total of players on each team would be 18. When those rosters are established, it will be up to the fans to vote in the remaining players. They have to choose 12 pitchers and from each league to fill out the rosters. Bringing the total to the 30 players on each squad.

The final five players for each team to be selected will be chosen by the league in making sure every team has a representative. This will be the only constant that remains from previous years. If every team has a



representative, the manager of each All-Star team will then fill out the remaining spots on the rosters.

It's the same result and more than just the fans making the decision on who is an All-Star caliber player. I know this will not be the popular consensus of baseball fans, but it is the best option to get the most deserving players to the game. That's a Matter of Opinion.



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Devastation!

PRESS RELEASE

Fire burns three homes; 16 pets die —community rallies to help

A fire in the Reeder tract last Tuesday will long be remembered by residents as some watched their homes burn to the ground and their pets perish.

Immediately in the fire's aftermath neighbors rallied to help each other.

One of the people who "lost everything (house and pets) was Claire Hartley, known throughout the valley for her volunteer work.

The day of the fire she was planning for her Wednesday trip down the canyon to have pets spayed and neutered. That plan literally went up in smoke.

Hartley lost her home, rental property and

at the time she had cats.

Also losing homes were Bradley Rice and Jesse Aguilar and wife Kathy.

Smoke had hardly settled when the first offer of help came to all victims of the fire.

Donna Canino, owner of Grab and Bag Community Boutique in Lake Isabella. "They can come in and get anything they need for free," she said.

She is also encouraging people to bring in gift cards and donations of any kind so they can be distributed to any fire victims in the Valley.

Other people have offered places to stay and provide food. A go fund me page has been set up for cash donations.

Meanwhile another fire in Southlake destroyed three homes and multiple out buildings Monday night in a wind driven fire.



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KERN COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS

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Bulky Waste Collection Event

Recolección de Artículos de Basura Grande

Saturday, July 27, 2024

sábado 27 de julio de 2024

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- Construction Waste
- Remodeling Waste
- Business Waste

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**For E-waste disposal, residents must provide name, phone number, & address

ARTÍCULOS ACEPTADO:

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- Muebles
- Colchones
- Calentadores de Agua
- Llantas sin Rines*

ARTÍCULOS NO ACEPTADO:

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- Desechos Orgánicos
- Desechos de Construcción
- Desechos de Remodelación
- Basura de Empresas

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CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Many people gathered for the Lake Isabella stake park opening.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Skate Park opening was a great success with lots of vendors.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Skaters won donated prizes during the raffles.

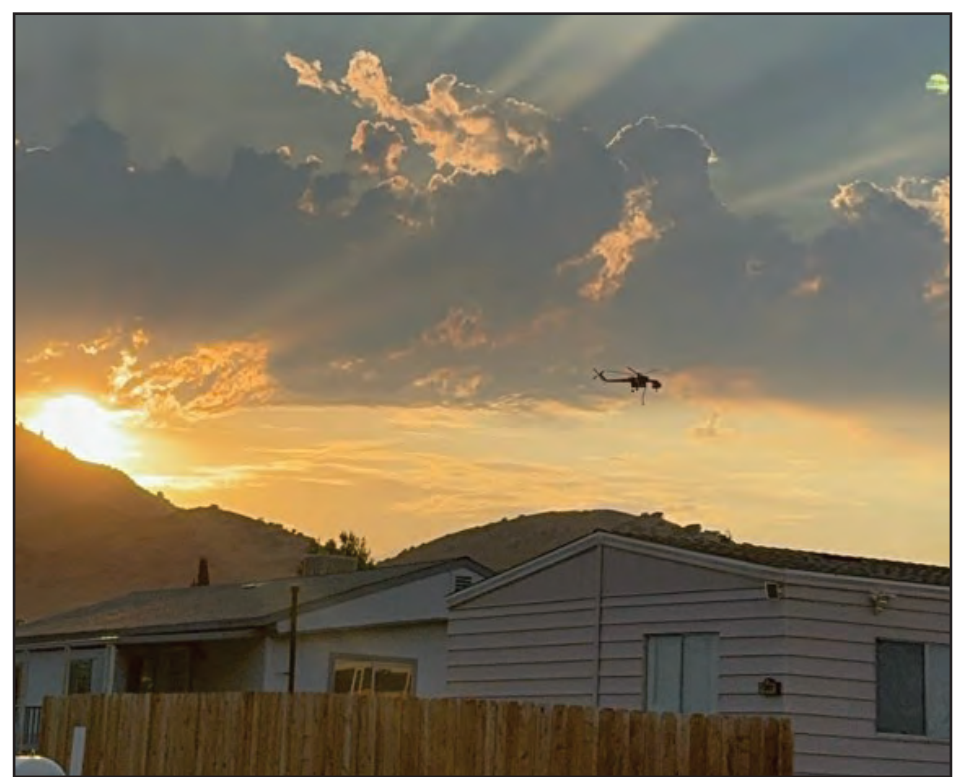


CHRISTINA DENYS

As of press time the Laura Fire was at 120 acres with five percent containment



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Association features July America theme

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

At the Art Gallery of the Kern River Valley Art Association, the July 13 reception was themed "America."

Shirley Davis was Artist of the Month, showing her beauties on more than one wall. She has also shown in various galleries. She said, "I have some paintings right now in the Las Vegas Art District in a gallery down there, and here, and in the central coast. There's some galleries in Big Sur that I showed at. But I've actually had the most success here and online."

Davis loves painting pictures of birds, landscapes, and various creatures including frogs, fish and humans. And she seems to gravitate toward a style she calls an acrylic pour. She told the Kern Valley Sun "The buffalo, I did an acrylic pour and painted it over the pour. It inspired me to do the buffalo. And I love animals and I love color. There are some (paintings) that are not over a pour."

She has focused previously, on watercolor, oil painting, mosaic baskets, pottery, and glass fusing, and glass soldering. However now she mostly focuses on acrylics because of her health issues. She has done her art on and off for her whole life, focusing her creative energy sometimes on other things she enjoys doing at home.

Davis also authored a book, filled with her artwork, focusing on what her childhood days were like.

Davis says her husband, Jim Davis, manages sales of her art on her behalf.

Vile One, a famous artist from down in Los Angeles visited the association and painted the windows at the Big Red art center building.

He told the association that night, "I've traveled around the world doing work that I do. And I love communities like this." He also wants to return to Kern Valley and share his technique at a later date.

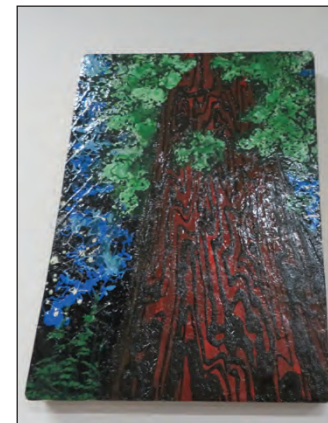
Peter Buchanan, won First Place Best of Show for the painting he painted with chopsticks, an oil base enamel titled, "Mother Sequoia." Second Place went to Dorothy Landeros that night for the oil painting titled "TaTanka White Buffalo."

The Third Place winner was Joanne Ayers Brown for the acrylic piece titled, "40 Mile Town."

Honorable mention was given to artist Nichole Secrest, for her glasswork titled, "Caught." A second honorable mention was awarded to Barbara Martin,

for her pottery work titled, "America"

Of interest during the evening was a depiction of the old Onyx store, by John Adams, which was not for sale.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK Peter Buchanan, won First Place Best of Show for the painting he painted with chopsticks, an oil base enamel titled, "Mother Sequoia."



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK Artist Shirley Davis with her book, Back In The Day.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK Jim and Shirley Davis.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK KRVA president, Buffalo Folsom awarded Second Place to Dorothy Landeros for the oil painting titled "TaTanka White Buffalo."

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