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## **Neighbors hold distribution** to assist fire victims

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Organizations serving the community networked with the Kern River Valley Bridge Connection (KRVBC,) for a popup event in Lake Isabella to distribute assistance to the fire victims, August 7. Neighbors from Bakersfield and its mayor also came through for valley residents in a big way.

Because the event was listed as a first-come first-serve event, the KRVBC had people outside at 7am, although the event began at 10am.

Founder of KRVBC Karen Zuber told the Kern Valley

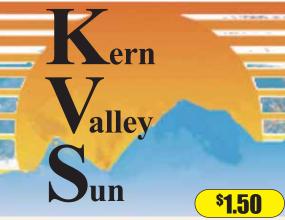
Sun, "It was pretty early when people started coming. I think we had 46 (persons) check in. because we started filling out the intake forms before we actually started serving, so that people didn't have to wait because we were ready out there, just back here wasn't (ready yet.)"

Entity volunteers had a process by which they could confirm whether the people were actually victims of the Borel fire. Personal verification or identification was the first confirmation the volunteers used. They directed those who could not be verified as fire victims to a distribution,

August 10, which was held at the Kern River Valley Senior Center. The reason for the referral was that the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) or other government entities would be better able to verify fire victims were truly victims of the fire.

Zuber said she was previously attaining gift cards for someone in need at her church, which gave the KRVBC the idea about the need fire victims would have for gift cards. She in turn suggested to the mayor of Bakersfield the idea to give out

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Wednesday, August 14, 2024

#### Free Delivery to be stopped

If you want a copy of the Kern Valley Sun starting August 28th, 2024 you must be a subscriber as all free deliveries will be stopped as of that date.

For complete details see the "Notice" in today's classified section.

#### Sun Sports Coverage ramps up next week

Watch for a complete sports round up for local youth and high school sports next week as writer Ray Connors goes all out in bringing up to date sports coverage. Yep, it's that time of year!

#### Back To School, fire coverage in this week's Sun

This week's edition of the Sun contains much needed information on Back To School as another school year kicks off. Welcome back teachers and students. Have a great year!

Also this week's Sun continues to cover many angles on the horrific fire that destroyed Havilah and other nearby areas and forced the evacuation of Bodfish.

#### Summertime Fishing and Fire Season

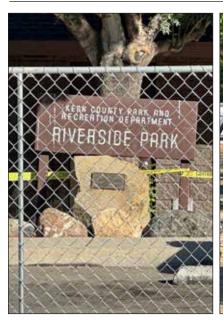
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#### **Government entity holds** disaster relief in Lake Isabella

The California Governors Office of Emergency Services held a disaster relief fair, at the Kern River Valley Senior Center, in Lake Isabella, Friday August 10 through Tuesday August 13, with supporting agencies present to assist victims of the Borel fire.





Construction on repairing Riverside Park is underway and it is hoped to be completed by end of December in time for Whiskey Flat Days. In the meantime public access to the park site has been stopped. The long awaited project will feature a rebuild of the park's amenities, damaged by last year's flood as the Kern River went over the banks and covered the park grounds. Cost of the repairs is \$1,474,268, Funds come from a FEMA allocation.



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?Co-owners of the business Sassy Pants Designs

## Student owned business and **Apothecary help Borel Fire victims**

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Four local students are co-owners of the business called Sassy Pants Designs and are all good friends. Keilei, Jorduynn, Jailyn, and Morgane all decided to give part of the proceeds, from their vendor sales, to victims of the Borel Fire, which they held at Sequoia Mountain Apothecary, in Lake Isabella, Saturday August 10.

The owner of the apothecary, Stephenie Blankenship planned the event for young entrepreneurs only recently. Blankenship said, "These girls here, they're selling bracelets. They're giv-

ing 50% of their proceeds to the Borel Fire victims. For the last two weeks I've been giving away free mullein and free lung support for the community because we're just so affected by the fires and everything locally. And then one of our young vendors here made these bracelets and they're giving 50% of their proceeds to the Borel Fire victims ?

One of the young entrepreneurs helping fire victims, Keilei told the Kern Valley Sun, "We just feel that people without houses could be hard, because it's happened to me a long time ago, and we had to get donations. So I understand how it feels. So I just wanted to help them out."

The girls started the business Sassy Pants Designs a week ago to inspire other kids to show their talents and are hoping to get their business on a website. Keilei also said that the group of girls only planned to come to the sale

about half a month ago. The homespun business, Sassy Pants Designs sells earrings, dream catchers, rings, candles, Borel Fire bracelets, Utah honey, and desk bunnies.

The owner of Sequoia Mountain Apothecary Stephanie Blankenship advertised the event where the girls held their sale.



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## Insurance process explained for insured fire victims

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Every insurance carrier has a different process for serving those with policies during a fire event. And every company is a little bit different regarding how they handle claims, the owner of Frederick Clark Farmers Insurance Agency, in Lake Isabella explained, Thursday August 8.

Clark said that to date, the California Fair Plan has already assisted a number of his insureds with funding into their bank accounts so they would have the ability to rent something while they are displaced and going through the process. "I had one customer who called me Saturday morning at 5:46 am when his home was lost on Friday, and by that (next) Tuesday the California Fair Plan had already provided him some funding for lodging, so the insured could find a place to stay, being his home was a total loss. So sometimes they react quickly, sometimes they don't. The carriers have been very receptive as of right now so I am overly impressed with the way they have been handling things."

He told the press, "Let's take the hypothetical that God forbid somebody lost a home today, the first thing that's going to happen is that person is going to call their agent or insurance carrier, whoever that may be, and say they need to file a claim; because their home is a total loss and they have fire insurance so they need help. The representative will validate that the person has a policy and then start a claim for that person with the insurance carrier. The individual will go over what is in place with their coverages and notify the person what they should expect from the claims adjuster moving

According to Clark with some carriers the person might only have what's called an Actual Cash Value (ACV) policy. In other cases, the insured might have had a Full Replacement Policy, in other words they would have enough to rebuild their home. Clark explained that most policies, not all, have what is referred to as Loss of Use, for when there is a covered loss at the policyholder's home. Loss of Use are funds on the policy allowing the holder to rent housing, usually for a period of time up to 12 months, sometimes 24 months, while the person is going through the process of rebuilding.

"It's a learning curve for a lot of people and sometimes it's very difficult because with the stress that they're under



they don't always want to be in a learning curve right now,"

Clark said. "We are forthcoming and as detailed as possible as agents so that they understand what levels of coverage they have before we ever put a policy in place.'

Clark said some individuals will be under insured, because they refuse to, or can't pay the amount that's needed to rebuild. Others could be over insured. He said, "You don't want people paying for something more than what they need. And it's just a very challenging market at this time. That's why we are trained with every insurance carrier that we work with on how to provided the best coverages possible for each insured. Every individual is provided a replacement cost estimator and we review it together, before we sign or start any type of policy for that insured. That way they openly know this is what the system says your home should be worth or what it could cost to rebuild. And all we can do is share the knowledge that we have with the person that needs the coverage and ultimately allow them the guidance to decide what they want and what they don't want."

Some people could have been out of town, or unprepared, during the evacuation. When it comes to obtaining their insurance papers all they have to do is contact their insurance agent or carrier. However other types of paperwork like property titles, car titles the person will have to go to the other agencies for recovery of those items.

Itemizing is a very difficult thing for a client to do during a stressful period and after the crisis. Clark recommends making an inventory, long before any crisis, in case of total loss. Such action helps the insured and the insurance company try to validate an amount to repay the client for their personal property coverage. Therefore, Clark

recommends people take photos of every corner of their home inside and outside and the overall property, and have it on a flash drive and in a safety deposit box or elsewhere, away from the home. "If you're the homeowner, you're the first line of defense for your home and all of your personal belongings. You're not a firefighter and I'm not a firefighter. It's just critical that we have some way of inventorying our personal belongings".

Clark has no idea what FEMA or any agency would provide to those who are uninsured. "I don't disagree that insurance has gotten expensive. I will say that insurance has value, and yes, it is a risk, until the person actually needs it"; said Clark. Ther's always some form of insurance available. The California Fair Plan is there when no one other carrier will issue a policy.

Yes, it can be limited on coverage, I'm not going to deny that. But it is something and it's better than nothing. So, until our market conditions change and we go back to a normal market place that's what we have to work with. I'm just here to protect what people have."

For a mobile or manufactured home, the only coverage available through the California Fair Plan is Actual Cash Value (ACV) at this time. With that said the California Fair plan does not offer replacement or extended replacement, on a mobile or manufactured unit.

"Heaven forbids if someone does suffer a loss, have a very open conversation either with your agent, with your insurance company, with your claims adjuster because they're there to help you. Some people think that they're going to be able to circumvent the system and say things that's going to make them get more money. That's not what insurance is about.

Insurance is to help you get back to where you were at before everything went bad," said Clark.

KERN VALLEY SUN OUTDOOR COLUMNIST

### **Summertime Fishing** and Fire Season

SPENCER SHEPARD

Sometimes, you must get away and check out to a place where stability and fishing meld into a cathartic experience. For the last two weeks, the Kern River Valley has experienced stress from the Borel Fire; so, what do you do? Ya, go fishing!

My family and I had to evacuate because we reside in Bodfish Canyon. It is



avoid stress from my job being affected by it while avoiding my stress from worrying about our home and family's well-being. So, when the nephew suggested we throw a line in the water, I happily said, "Yes, let's go!". Fishing, for me, is surrendering to the moment, accepting that you cannot control everything, and being open to

challenging to navigate the information about the fire and

surprises. First, we headed to Kernville's Sierra Gateway to acquire some new lures (yes, even fishermen enjoy retail therapy). We both bought lures we felt would provide an appealing offering to any fish. Then, we drove to the old Kernville

cemetery. The waters at the old cemetery create a delta that provides a critical habitat for fish, offering nutrient-rich waters for plant growth and food availability to various fish species, like trout, bass, and channel catfish. With my new 1/8-ounce gold Kastmaster, I started

working the shore from the left to drift with the current and offered a nice hit halfway through the lure returned to shore. So, enticing myself over the prospect of catching something, I returned my line to the same drift pattern. However, my second cast did not yield the same results, but the fishing was not entirely why I was there. Sometimes, we go out to land a slab we can brag about, but that's not what we need sometimes. Sometimes, we need to tune out to the things that matter. Realizing my family was safe and our friends were now, my family reassured me that despite the Borel fire, things were ok.

I want to say the nephew and I returned with a mighty haul of fish, but the fish fought the good fight by alluding to our brand-new shiny lures. While the old Kernville cemetery did not pan out, it left me thinking of returning to it. Sometimes, a hole does not work out, but that's ok. That's just like life; sometimes, we must return to something later after pausing and assessing where we went wrong and where we can do it right.

Now, the upper Kern is slowing down and reaching a low flow rate, so what do you do, and where do you go? I like the Alpine creeks with a small, reliable rod and a dry fly. I enjoy the finesse of the creeks and the skills an angler needs to use to be successful because native trout are more intelligent than your run-of-the-mill hatchery-eating machine. Working the shoreline while avoiding the trout's vision is imperative, so choose your path wisely, safely hold your

rod, and cast smartly to prevent snags and tangles. Currently, anglers have had luck trolling the lake for trout around Rocky Point and Piney Point, running deep with lures. Bass, in August, tend to develop predictable patterns, becoming sluggish with the heat and sticking to coves and structures, so big spinnerbaits and deep-water crankbaits can lead to a successful day on the water.

Catfish are more active now that the spawn is over, an typically, the bite has been on fire, so focus on finding good deep water. And remember, while out angling, to practice leave-no-trace. .

## Havilah Historical Society holds first board meeting after Borel Fire

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The Havilah Historical Society board members met, for the first time since the Borel Fire, Saturday, August 10.

Roy Fluhart president of the Havilah Historical Society said the board talked somewhat about building or rebuilding, about what they would be allowed to do, about the Court House Museum next. "I'm going to visit with some county folks on Monday again and get an idea what the new requirements are, because that building was finished in 1966. So obviously there's been some code changes. And so we just need to work our way through that process. And we also talked about setting up our fundraiser stuff and we're going to set up a Go Fund Me account and then after that for fundraising we'll just start looking

Fluhart said there are probably several avenues to seek funding to rebuild the Court House Museum. And the size of the lot and zoning would cause them to fall under the umbrella of a commercial building. Fluhart said, "The cleanup process, I'm pretty confident will be covered."

A crew came up to the Court House Museum area and cleaned up a lot of the trees. And the museum would need state approval to clean up the debris and have the ashes, which are considered hazardous material, hauled

Fluhart said Governor Gavin Newsom already declared a State of Emergency. The state is waiting for the approval process for the cleanup. Fluhart said that he spoke with the county health department recently and they told him once approval occurs the clean up would be done. Fluhart is hopeful cleanups would occur before rains start coming.

He said Southern California Edison came Saturday, to take out a pole from the property next door, that burned. The electricity box and wiring was on the ground after the fire. The old school house building service drop goes through another property for electricity, which burned down as well

He explained a bit about the museum. "The building is not historical, it's a replica. It's a monument and historic area. It was built on the site of where we thought built, the county seat, and that's why we call it the Court House Museum. So it was a replica from the beginning. It falls under the category of museum," he said. "As far as the artifacts in there, there's still a lot of stuff out there that people have, and we'll gradually collect some. People have photographs and stuff. We're a year or longer before we even think about putting stuff inside of a museum, by the time we raise the money and get the permits and all of that stuff.'

Fluhart said he never had time to get anything out of the museum because the fire swept through everyone's property very quickly.

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Inflow Into Lake

Outflow From Lake 1,588 1,749 3,500 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

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Kern Valley Water Watch

Kern River Basin Data as of Sunday, August 11, 2024

This Week

2,571.15

241.857

424

68

SUNRISE 6:17

**SUNSET 7:36** 

Last Week

2,573.61

260,474

460

SUNRISE 6:17

**SUNSET 7:34** 

Last Year

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# Community Camaraderie with Kelley McCoy

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If you have ever enjoyed a meal at the Elks Lodge in Wofford Heights it was most likely prepared with love by Pat Terrell the kitchen manager. Pat is not only the kitchen manager at the Elks, she holds many positions and might even be considered "the glue" for the lodge along with many other dedicated members. She is a retired High School Spe-

## **Pat Terrell - Making Food, Making Quilts and Making Good Things Happen**

cial Education Teacher and avid quilter, belonging to The Dam Quilters of the Kern River Valley.

Where were you born and raised?

I was born in Neodesha, Kansas. My early years were spent in Kansas City, MO. We moved to California when I was 10. We started out in Norwalk, CA then moved to Azusa when my mom changed jobs. Eventually we settled in Upland, CA where I finished High School. I spent the next 35 years in the Ontario, CA area.

How did you develop such a great work ethic?

I have to credit my mom with my work ethic. She always worked outside the home and also maintained a home and yard. With all that, my sister and I were called on to do chores around the house. My mom was a pretty strict taskmaster, but from her I learned that there is a right way to do chores. She pretty much embodied the phrase "if a job is worth doing, it's worth doing right".

When did you transition to life in the Kern River Valley?

My late wife and I bought a home in Wofford Heights in the summer of 2003 after several of our retired colleagues urged us to come visit them. We fell in love with the Valley on our first visit. We moved up here full time after I retired from teaching in February of 2005.

What are some local projects near and dear to your

I love any project that helps children. The main reason we joined the Kern River Valley Elks had to do with the fact that Elks take care of children in all kinds of ways. Our Annual Skip Knotts Kids Carnival and Backpack Giveaway is one of my favorite programs along with our Christmas Basket program. My Elks Lodge supports FFA, 4H, Little



League, Elite Cheer and gives a scholarship to a local graduating senior each year.

I love the fact that the Skateboard Park got built. Any shout outs?

The KRV Bridge Connections group helped us at our Kids Carnival recently and they are planning numerous events to help the residents of our Valley. I'd like to see them recognized for all the charitable work they are plan-

You can visit Pat Terrell at The Elks Lodge when they have Sunday brunch. Rumor has it she can make a pretty mean omelet! Thank you Pat for supporting our Kern River Valley Community Children.

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## about fire emergency response

Thursday, August 8, at the Kern Valley Healthcare District board meeting, Kern Valley Hospital Chief Executive Officer Tim McGlew told the board about the hospital's response to the

recent Borel fire.

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During CEO updates McGlew told the board of directors regarding the fact the firefighters had recently gotten the Borel Fire under control, "I just really wanted to chat with you all about the fire." He said, "Obviously it's a great relief by all that the Borel Fire didn't spread to the hospital, Lake Isabella and Bodfish. And obviously some shared grief

for those who lost their homes or property and so forth, just a number of them. I haven't heard whether they've identified any deaths up there or not yet, with the teams up there.

"But yeah, just obviously very difficult and I think it was obviously mentally trying and emotionally trying for a lot of us back here because of what we went through back with the Erskine Fire and so forth. Mark and I were in for that first weekend afterwards making sure that the staff were okay and feeling comfortable. And I think it was greatly appreciated that we

"And I think we were all feeling the same thing, that if the winds changed, and coming down over that hill you know we wanted to be ready to go. And so we had our transfer planes already

identified and in terms of EMS and with Ridgecrest Hospital, we reached out to

Hospital CEO updates board

"In terms of staff they were very phenomenal in terms of being able to provide a space. They wanted to find an option for us where everybody could go to one place rather than being split up like we were with (the) Erskine (fire.) So I sent thanks to their staff after as a result of that. It's not over I think for the most part it's pretty much we're out of danger right now.

"But again there are still some hot spots back there. So it's something that we always have to be aware of and concerned about for our staff. I know Mark was hoping to arrange for some of their emotional support issues with our social service people for

need psychiatric, behavioral or grief counseling and it's free of charge. So let's pray for their recovery especially those that lost property and so forthMcGlew conclud-

ed." Board director Gene Parks Sr. wanted to know if the board was responsible to be available during such emergencies. The lawyer said that the board has staff to handle such operations, day to day, and emergencies. The board can call a board meeting when necessary however such a meeting could be a waste of time during such an emergency,

McGlew said he spent the night there. It became apparent he had reached out to board members, though Parks said he had trouble reaching McGlew initially.

especially an evacuation.



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Pharmacist Darin Brazell

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Like our "butts"; we ALL have them! Please share yours! It would liven the LOCAL input and conversations!

> Bill Hogarth, Lake Isabella

#### Hello, Kern River Valley residents!

operations of the animal shelter located in Southlake beginning September 1, 2024. I am contracted with Kern County to provide shelter services for the Kern River Valley. I am writing this as a way of introducing myself and hoping this will be a smooth transition for our valley from the previous contractor. It is my goal to keep the KRV population up to date on all things associated with the animal shelter. I want your shelter to be the best but I cannot do it without knowing what you want and expect from me. I welcome all construc-A little about me: I moved to the KRV with my husband, John Pickerell in 2000. I took

My name is Yvonne Pickerell, DBA Kern Valley Animal Shelter. I will be taking over

over the Marine Toys for Tots program from Bakersfield in 2009, which I continue to this day (many of you may know me in this capacity). Because the shelter is non-profit, I will continue to work for Cerro Coso Community College, but I will always have my team available for services at the shelter during business hours. I was born with a love for all critters - even those many people think are scary - and am excited to get started on this new

I believe in complete transparency on the business front and have very little to hide in my personal life as well. If you have a question, just ask! I am determined to run an ethical business based on community service and the humane treatment of every animal I come in contact with. I will not tolerate drama or slanderous activities, nor will I approve partnerships with individuals or organizations who engage in unethical practices. That being said, I hope we can all work together to improve the lives of all the living creatures within the KRV (that includes humans, too!).

The website, www.kernvalleyanimalshelter.com, as well as other information channels such as emails, phone numbers, and social media will be coming soon! In the meantime, you are welcome to email me at ypickerell@gmail.com. Or, if you want to talk to me about Toys for Tots, krvtoysfortots@toysfortots.org. You can also find my personal Facebook page by searching for Yvonne Pickerell. I am looking forward to serving the KRV as your new Kern Valley Animal Shelter!

Yvonne Pickerell

### **Kern Community Foundation Matches** \$2,500 Donation to Boys and Girls Club of Kern County for Borel Fire Relief

Bakersfield, CA - Kern Community Foundation has matched the first \$2,500 donated to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kern County during KGET's Compassion Corner on August 7, 2024. This donation match will fund gift cards for individuals impacted by the devastating Borel Fire in the Kern River Valley.

The Borel Fire has burned 59,389 acres of land and is currently 47% contained as of the morning of Friday, August 2. This region is no stranger to wildfires, having previously endured the Erskine Fire in 2016, one of the most destructive in California's history. Recovery efforts are ongoing, with local organizations and government agencies actively supporting those affected by this disaster. The full impact of the Borel Fire will likely unfold over the coming

years as the community works to rebuild and heal. How to Help:

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### Kern River Valley residents weigh in on proposed Isabella Lake power project

**BY LOIS HENRY** SJV WATER

A "pumped energy storage" project above Isabella Lake that generated dozens of negative comments when it was first proposed back in 2020 is again rousing concerned comments from Kern River Valley residents. Ten individuals have so far

weighed in on the proposal, which would build a small reservoir somewhere above Isabella Lake, move water uphill when power is abundant, then run it down through turbines when

demand increases. The concept is a way to supplement renewable sources, such as solar, that don't produce power at night. But the Isabella Lake proposal by Premi-

um Energy Holdings LLC has been met with heavy local opposition. Nearly 50 individuals and organizations opposed the project and several public entities filed motions to intervene with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission back in 2020. FERC ultimately did grant the project

a preliminary permit, which 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. That permit expired, so the company has refiled the same proposal.

All those previous comments expired with the permit, which means residents must refile comments. That didn't sit well with at least one recent commenter.

"Allowing a permit to expire and be refiled should not be a way to bypass/overlook interventions or comments," Juliet Fischer wrote to FERC.

Motions to intervene have started rolling in as well, including from Kern River rights holders, who also intervened on the previous proposal.

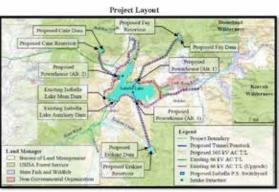
Meanwhile, no comments have been filed on a similar proposal near Rosamond by Nightfall Renewables Resources.

That proposal would use water purchased from the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water

District to fill reservoirs, if it comes to Interested parties had until Aug. 12 to file

comments on both the Isabella Lake and

Isabella Pumped Storage Project Study Area Boundary



Nightfall proposals.

The most recent filing on yet a third pumped energy storage proposal in Kern County, also by Premium Energy Holdings, is a progress report dated November 29, 2023. It states it is in the process of conducting a "pre-feasibility" report on what the company feels is the most feasible of three possible sites for the facility. It doesn't state which of the three sites was chosen

That proposed project would be in the mountains above Gorman (though it's listed as Tehachapi). It already has an approved preliminary permit from FERC and received no public comments.

SJV Water is an independent, nonprofit news site covering water in the San Joaquin Valley, www.sjvwater.org. Email us at sjvwater@sjvwater.org

#### MORE INFORMATION To learn more about these proposal, go to

the FERC library at https://elibrary.ferc.

gov/eLibrary/search

Look up each proposal using the following docket numbers:

Lake Isabella: P-15306 (old docket number is P-15035) Tehachapi: P-15104

Rosamond: P-15345

\* Pro tip: In the "date range" boxes, select

"ALL" in the drop down menu.

Comments may be submitted online at:

https://ferconline.ferc. gov/QuickComment.aspx

### **OBITUARIES**

#### **James C Walker** 6/6/1941 - 6/9/2023



Obituary notices may be purchased by calling Christina Denys at 760-379-3667, ext. 1000, or by coming into the Sun office at 6047 Lake Isabella Blvd. #C during office hours, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

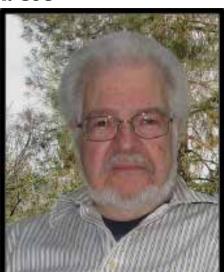
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#### James R. Coe

James R. Coe, 83 years old of Lake Isabella California sadly left us July 9th, 2024. Jim's unique talents blended art and technology, leading him on a memorable life journey. Jim was born in Logan Utah, the sixth child and last son of Francis and Edith Coe. The family lived in Berlin Germany during the Berlin Airlift in 1948-49. While growing up in Newhall and Upland California, Jim built and flew kites and model gliders. Later he would himself fly in kite-like hang gliders and pilot a full-sized glider aircraft. Jim graduated from Upland High School in 1959 where his art and photographic skills emerged leading to further art degrees at the College of San Mateo in 1961 and graduation from the San Francisco Art Institute in 1964 with a focus in fine art photography. A special memory was spending a day studying with renowned nature photographer Ansel Adams in his private study. Jim also enjoyed electronics, building sound systems from kits. Living in San Francisco's Haight Ashbury Hippy district Jim hung out with then unknown rock star Janis Joplin and her band. Janis suggested Jim contact the newly forming rock band Jefferson Airplane who were looking for a soundman.

Jim toured the US with the Airplane and their spin-off bands Hot Tuna and Jefferson Starship from 1965-1974. Lead singer Grace Slick remembered Jim building her a portable humidifier which helped her voice recover after concerts. When not touring, Jim designed black-box electronics creating unique sounds used by rock bands in recording studios. He further combined art and technology by helping develop and perform psychedelic light shows at the Filmore Auditorium. An image of this appears on the cover of Jefferson Airplane's best-selling album White Rabbit.

Later, Jim was a founding partner of Frank Hubach Associates in Berkeley for six years. Self-taught, he became an international vibration and acoustics consulting engineer working in the semiconductor industry. Jim surveyed proposed microchip factory and electron microscope sites across the US and in Taiwan, England, France, and Spain. Still later Jim became a computer consultant and website





designer based in Mill Valley and published online how-to instruction programs for creating digital art. Jim moved to the Lake Isabella area in 2015, joining his sister Emily Diggles and niece Teri Vellutini, both now deceased. He became active in the Lake Isabella Art Association, recently retiring as their president, and volunteered repairing donated computers at a local thrift shop. Jim is greatly missed by his dear friends in Lake Isabella, his surviving brother Jon C. Coe in Australia, nieces/ nephews and grandnieces/nephews across the US. A memorial video will be available online beginning September 1, 2024. Watch "Memorial for James R. Coe" at https://www.youtube. com/@southcreekmediallc8607.

#### NEIGHBORS HOLD DISTRIBUTION

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the gift cards to fire victims. Zuber said, "Mayor Karen Goh reached out to me. She called me and asked what everybody needs up here. I said 'they need gift cards.'

The reason Zuber suggested that Goh attain gift cards was because evacuee fire victims had no place to put donated items. So Zuber thought gift cards for Shell, Vons, Walmart, Subway, Taco Bell, Burger King, places nearby would be ideal. "If they need a screw driver, if they need a flash light they can go use their gift card to go buy those specific needs,"

Zuber said. Zuber said, "Bakersfield community and local residents donated the gift cards. KGET put it (the need) on the news, and advertised in Bakersfield. So \$9,000 was collected from Bakersfield generosity. Mayor Goh arranged for all of us to get on the news for Bakersfield to donate."

Zuber explained that the

household items from Dollar General to distribute at this event. She said the reason they distributed those items, such as detergent, toilet paper, and body wash was because if fire victims were staying with friends or family temporarily they would have household items to contribute to use wherever they were staying. She said some victims of

Boys and Girls Club attained

the fire didn't lose their entire structure but suffered significant loss of household items, like sheets, pots and pans, etc. "We've had some long lines out there. We really do feel like the community has done a very good job of truly coming for fire victims. The areas that we were backed up with, where we were a little short, was at Flood Ministries for those that need some temporary housing assistance and then where others were distributing the gift cards."

Because the Boys and Girls

Club collected items, which the Dollar General donated, it was a logical decision for the Boys and Girls Club to transfer gift cards from Bakersfield and for the Boys and Girls Club or other nonprofits to distribute gift cards to the victims of the fire.

Apparently another \$2500 worth of gift cards, donated by a church, was to be distributed at the event held August 10.

Fire victims were put through a process, filling out intake forms, verifying they were a victim. If the person could not be verified as a victim of the fire, they were referred to the next event for gift cards. Those who could be verified, at this particular event, through the intake process as genuine fire victims, were able to receiving help that day. Contact information was collected for the OES to follow up with people. And the local Vons donated snacks for the

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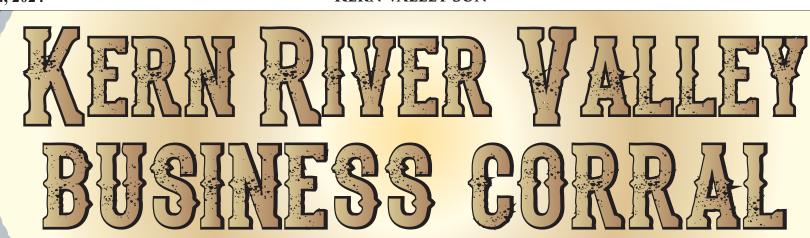
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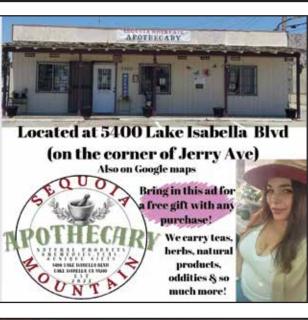
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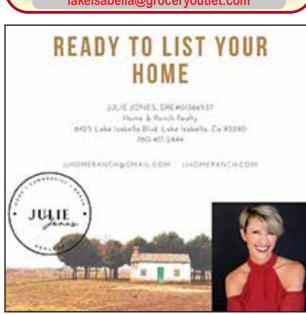






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## Award winning artist featured at Kern Valley Museum

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Kern Valley Museum, in Kernville, is now featuring local artist Chris Quinnert, whose work will be showing all month long, for the month of August.

Quinnert described his featured showing, telling the Kern Valley Sun, "I guess new works that I used to have from the past. That's what it is."

The artist says his showing at the Kern Valley Museum encompasses landscapes, nature, and outer space. His works on outer space came first in the mid 70s. His works on landscape came after that, when he used to do photography, hiking up in the mountains locally.

Quinnert has been an artist his entire life and he usually creates his artistic projects for a couple of hours, each afternoon, after he's finished working.

The Artist placed first at the Kern River Valley Art Association's reception, Saturday August 10, for his work titled "Big Bang Earth" fulfilling the reception theme "Then and Now."



Chris Quinnert featured at Kern Valley Museum also placed first at the KRVAA for this acrylic work titled "Big Bang Earth"

## Hospital holds River Rhythms adjacent to neighborhood Block Party

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Kern Valley Hospital Foundation held the second show from its annual River Rhythms Concert Series Friday, August 9, at Circle Park in Kernville.

The evening event was adjacent to a neighborhood block party held by Sierra Shared Spaces. The band playing at this show was the local rock and blues band Rockslide.

Master of Ceremony Orion Sanders said, "Welcome to the second week of River Rhythms for 2024, put on by the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation. We want to thank everyone for coming

Sanders told the very large crowd that Edward Jones, Financial Advisor sponsored this week's River Rhythms Concert.

He said River Rhythm Concert Series, had several sponsors for this year including: Kern Family Health Care, Harry P. Thal, AltaOne, QualCare, Grocery Outlet, Cal Water, Kernville Chamber of Commerce, West America Bank, OnPoint Gym, Kern Valley Hospital, and General Plumbing. The Kern Valley Hospital Foundation puts on River Rhythms each Friday in August annually.

Final Stages



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Face painting was available during the concert and Cadillac Dogs also served food during the event.

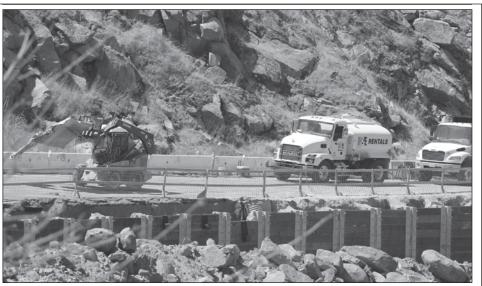
Last year the foundation gave out four high school scholarships just from dona tions at the River Rhythms event. Sanders said, "Make sure you donate. Make sure you take care of our kids. Make sure you take care of all those projects that the hospital foundation is doing at the Kern Valley Healthcare District."



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK



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It is currently being held up by high weather flows downriver according to Cal Trans.

PATRICK BYES

Construction on Highway 178 at the wash out spot of the highway is expected to be completed by fall.

## **Valley Strong Credit Union Donates \$5,000** to Kern Community **Foundation for Borel Fire Relief Fund**

**PRESS RELEASE** 

Bakersfield, CA — August 8, 2024: Valley Strong Credit Union has generously donated \$5,000 to Kern Community Foundation to support the Borel Fire Relief Fund. This contribution will directly assist individuals and families affected by the Borel Fire in the Kern River Valley, which has burned over 59,000 acres and continues to impact the region. Valley Strong Credit Union's donation is a significant boost to ongoing relief efforts and demonstrates the power of community support during challenging times.

The Borel Fire Relief Fund, managed by Kern Community Foundation, is dedicated to providing short and longterm support for those affected by this devastating event. Recovery efforts are ongoing, with local organizations and government agencies actively supporting those affected by this disaster. The full impact of the Borel Fire will likely unfold over the coming years as the community works to rebuild and heal.

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## KCSO involved shooting in Onyx, leaves one dead

On Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at approximately 8:00 a.m. Kern County Sheriff's Office deputies assigned to the Kern Valley substation responded to investigate a restraining order violation on the 8000 block of Melody Lane in

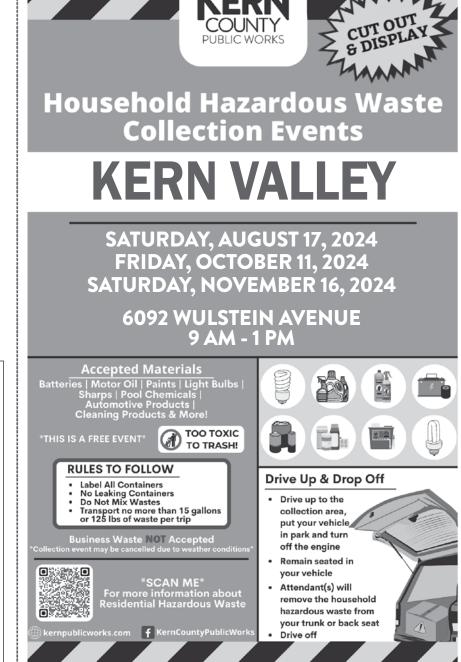
When deputies arrived it was determined that the suspect had multiple felony warrants.

The suspect was located in a camping trailer to the rear of the property. Deputies attempted to make contact and an officer involved shooting occurred. One deputy was involved. The deputy was not injured.

The suspect was placed under arrest for outstanding warrants. The suspect was ultimately pronounced deceased by medical personnel. The identity of the suspect will be released at a later date.

More details will be released at a later date

Anyone with information is asked to contact Kern County Sheriffs Office at 661-861-3110 or Kern Secret Witness at 661-322-4040.



#### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### Wednesday, August 14th

Kern Valley Senior Dance Air conditioned with Live music for dancing or listening pleasure, no admission charge, snacks, 50/50 drawing, FUN. Even some line dances.

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Every Wednesday

Where: Kern Valley Senior Center 6409 Lake Isabella Blvd., L.I.

11:30am-12:30pm - Preschool Storytime: Reptiles & Amphibians 5:00pm-6:00pm - Teen Time Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

Stained Glass Class **Time:** 10-1pm

Where: KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Thursday, August 15th 2:00pm-5:00pm- Guitar Lessons 4:30pm-5:30pm - Science Academy Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

Beginning Book Binding Class (1 of 2) **Time:** 6-9pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

FREE Guided Meditation with Ashley **Time:** 6-6:45pm KRVAA Gallery & Giftshop 6749 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

#### Friday, August 16th 10:30am-12:00pm - PC 101

4:30pm-5:30pm - S.T.E.A.M Club Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

Saturday, August 17th 2:00pm-3:00pm - Little Art Journey

2:00pm-3:00pm - The Artistic Journey-Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

KIDS & Teens Acrylic Paint Party! (\$15)

Time: 2-5pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Open Mic Music Night! (\$3 Donation) **Time:** 5:30-8:30pm KRVAA Art & Community Center

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Sunday, August 18th Beginning Oil Painting Class

Wofford Heights, CA 93285

**Time:** 1-4:30pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Oil Painting Lab Time: 1-4:30pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Fusing Glass #4: Landscapes from Photos (Class 2 of 2) Time: 1-4pm KRVAA Art & Community Center

6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Tuesday, August 20th 4:30pm-5:30pm - Let's Play Chess

Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

#### Wednesday, August 21st Kern Valley Senior Dance

Air conditioned with Live music for dancing or listening pleasure, no admission charge, snacks, 50/50 drawing, FUN. Even some line dances. Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Every Wednesday

Where: Kern Valley Senior Center 6409 Lake Isabella Blvd., L.I.

11:30am-12:30pm - Preschool Storytime: Colors 5:00pm-7:00pm - Dungeons & Dragons 4:30pm-5:30pm - Perler Beads Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library

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KIDS Clay Animals Class! (\$5) **Time:** 4-5pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

"Celebrating My Inner Healer"

Expressive Arts Therapy with Ashley Smith LMFT **Time:** 6-7:30pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Thursday, August 22nd 11:30am-12:30pm - Toddler Storytime:

2:00pm-5:00pm- Guitar Lessons 4:30pm-5:30pm - Lego Storytime Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083 Beginning Book Binding Class (2 of 2)

KRVAA Art & Community Center

**Time:** 6-9pm

6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

Friday, August 23rd

10:30am-12:00pm - PC 101 4:30pm-5:30pm - S.T.E.A.M Club Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

#### Saturday, August 24th 12:00pm-1:00pm - 3D Printer

Orientation 2:00pm-3:00pm - Little Art Journey 2:00pm-3:00pm - The Artistic Journey-Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library 7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083

"Cottagecore Mushrooms" Acrylic Paint Party!

Time: 2-5pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285

#### Sunday, August 25th Chalkwalk Extravaganza!

9-3pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 Ice Cream Social!

1-3pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 **Beginning Oil Painting Class** 

1-4:30pm KRVAA Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 Oil Painting Lab

**Time:** 1-4:30pm **KRVAA Art & Community Center** 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 Tuesday, August 27th

Legal Assistance

4:30pm-5:30pm - Unplugged Gaming Where: Kern River Valley Branch Library

1:00pm-4:00pm - Greater Bakersfield

7054 Lake Isabella Blvd., 760.549.2083 Wednesday, August 28th

Kern Valley Senior Dance Air conditioned with Live music for danc-

Where: Kern Valley Senior Center

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11:30am-12:30pm - Preschool Storvtime: Dinosaurs 4:00pm-4:45pm - Anime & Art

6409 Lake Isabella Blvd., L.I.

#### COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUPS

Adult and Adolescent Substance Abuse Classes: (Medi-Cal not accepted). Please call to schedule an appointment or for further information 760-379-9194. 5121 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella.

**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 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
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(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
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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 Wyly @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

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,

760-379-0112 Monday and Friday only from

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.

## PUZZLES & GAMES

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- **Education Duncan**
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- east 37. Head pain
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- India 39. King Charles's sister 40. Boat race
- 41. About fish
- 42. Maidservant 43. Able to be marketed
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## Kernville performer heads for Nashville recording deal

**CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** 

Singer, song writer Julia Lyons, who recently performed the first concert at the River Rhythms Concert Series at Kernville Circle Park, told the Kern Valley Sun, on Friday August 9, that she'll be recording some new tunes in Nashville shortly.

Lyons said her manager coordinated her with some excellent producers and some great Nashville studio musicians. "Ultimately my love music got me to Nashville," she

At the young age of 19, Lyons is in the

process of releasing a single called "Don't Call Me Crazy," which will come out September 20. She's going to Nashville to record four more songs, for some more singles, which will contain traditional sounding country with steel guitar and fiddle. Her release "Don't Call Me Crazy" will

be featured on all streaming platforms including Spotify, Amazon, Apple Music and Lyons will be promoting it on her Instagram She said, "I would just like to say if you

ever get the chance definitely listen to my music. I love writing. I love singing. It's a family affair with me. I always involve the people I love most to be part of this music

She said, "When I cut singles or albums they have Nashville studio musicians, which I'm actually going to in a couple of weeks. When I record I get to see my music that I wrote either in my room or with other writers come to life. And I would say I get the same exhilaration seeing my music come to life in a studio and being able to sing it and

make it sound professional."

However Lyons has her own band she put together for live shows. She said, "I love performing with my band. It is such a fun and exhilarating experience. I love performing especially in Kernville, which was wonderful because the crowd is so interactive. And it always helps when the crowd is engaged as much as you want them to engage.'

Lyons said she has performed with other bands she formed; however the one she used in Kernville is her favorite. "My band has kind of just started. This was our first show together. But we are going to be performing a lot more shows with them. They're all like brothers, so it's like playing with family. My brother Jackson Lyons is only 17 and he's been playing the fiddle or the violin for 8 years. And he has been singing too. It's just so fun to be able to perform with my baby brother every single time, love it." Her other band members that played in Kernville are keyboardist Elijah Montemagno and drummer Brayden Zazueta.

Lyon's music is different than the traditional Nashville country music sound most listeners expect. She said, "I write most of my songs and most of my songs have stories behind them, which I think is pretty unique too. I definitely bring in the Coastal Country aspect to country music, which is a little bit different than the traditional country music since I'm from California."

Lyons was raised on strong artists like Al Jackson and Travis Trent and she is taking country music and making it her own. When asked whether her music is like the Bakersfield Country Sound, she said her music is unique. She said, "It's definitely



Lyons with her band mates who played in Kernville this August

**COURTESY OF JULIA LYONS** 

something with my own little Julia Lyons coastal twist. I'm definitely trying to do something different here."

While Lyons has been singing for her entire life, at age 16 was when she began taking it very seriously. "I play a little bit of piano. I mostly play guitar though. I dabbled in viola. I used to be in an orchestra." At around age 16 was when she began

writing her own songs. "My coach Rhonda Parish helped me train for vocals. She's really helped me a lot even with song writing and music. She kind of kick started me," Lyons said.

Lyons' parents have been a huge support. She said, "My parents really are a big influence in my music career, especially encouraging me to pursue this. They've been nothing but supportive and so kind and so generous with their time and their busy schedules "

## Government entity holds disaster relief in Lake Isabella

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The California Governors Office of Emergency Services held a disaster relief fair, at the Kern River Valley Senior Center, in Lake Isabella, Friday August 10 through Tuesday August 13, with supporting agencies present to assist victims of the Borel fire.

The County Assessors Office was available at the event and told the Kern Valley Sun that they were present to help victims of a fire to have their property taxes walked back.

Kern County Human Services housing division was available to tell the public the benefits they can enroll for, which are available to

those who lost housing, in the Borel Fire. The DMV was available to offer replacement titles, registrations, disabled placards and plates, if the people could provide the appropri-

Kern County Public Health was available to provide advisories for evacuees to avoid being disqualified from removal assistance. They also provided safety advisories regarding toxic substances

ate information.

people could come across while sifting through debris for their belongings, septic, water wells, PPE, and how to dress when going through their items and sanitize their belongings after the fire.

California Insurance Board, was there to answer any survivors with insurance questions about their coverage, questions about the claims process with a claim they started. The California Depart-

ment of Veterans Affairs was present to tell the veterans what they're entitled to if they have a cal vet home Also on the scene at

the event were Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.

Firefighters from the Los

Angeles Fire Department were also present.

Independent Living Center of Kern County was there to help people know what equipment is available to those in the Kern Valley

EDD was there to help survivors to pick up unemployment information and help with lost wages.

People from SCE provided resiliency kits for those without power, trinkets, water and snacks and leading the public to programs Edison has to help out with potential billing assistance.

Kern County Sheriffs Office was available to take reports because the public was evacuated. They wanted to answer questions for law enforcement and were there for the full four days

At that time there were no longer official evacuation warnings and there were no longer evacuations.

The Contractors State License Board was also on

Kern County Animal Services handed out hand sanitizer, peanut butter, dog leashes, cat food, and cat litter. The organization is also providing hay for larger

County public works code compliance was there to answer questions about properties and about the clean up and abatement process.

US Dept of Agriculture, Natural Resources conservation service, was present to educate the public about recovery assistance.

Jesse Waldowski from the Kern County Fire Fighters was there representing the California Fire Foundation, and was giving those residents who lost 25% of their homes master debit cards for \$250 to help them out financially. Recipients were required to provide an address that burned.

Kern River Valley Bridge Connection was there distributing toys, backpacks, and office supplies. Founder Karen Zuber said, "We've Partnered with the Kern Community Foundation and different agencies have applied for a grant to be able to distribute the needs families have that have small

children."

The Tzu Chi Foundation was there to provide disaster relief and the ICNA Relief USA was present with chaplains and other relief aid to the public.

The HOPE Animal was there with a crisis response canine team, which was their Assisted Crisis Team. The three dogs the organization brought were there to support those grieving from

Stationed at the parking lot outside was American Red Cross and Kern County Human Services mobile



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK



## Havilah retired firefighter gives account of Borel fire

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Former firefighter Roy Fluhart, whose family has historic roots in Havilah, gave the Kern Valley Sun, Sunday August 11, his eye witness account of the Borel fire coming to Havilah. Fluhart worked for the US Forest Service for about 33 years, and was a firefighter for much of his career.

He said he understood how the fire would have gotten to the top of Breckenridge. But he didn't think anyone really believed that the Borel fire would just come over the hill like it did. He said that the firefighters tried their best to stop the fire at Breckenridge and they just weren't able to do that.

The fire burned over that whole north end of that Breckenridge fountain which hasn't had a fire for a long time. And absence of fire, and not having some sort of vegetation management, was why the fire was able to get as big as it did. Fluhart said, "Nobody would have anticipated a fire starting way down there at Democrat (would) go over the top of

Breckenridge and go down through Havilah and then go clear up into the Piutes. I'm a retired Forest Service guy and I don't think anybody anticipated that could hap-

pen." Fluhart feels the firefighters tried their very best to get the fire out. He said that a lot of places that burned, up in Havilah, were not really in downtown Havilah but were scattered out in all these dirt roads, and side properties, all over that area. And some were well cleared of brush while others had not cleared their properties

"Initially when that fire started you can imagine the fire department is in there. You've got a vehicle fire down below you, down below the highway towards the river and it's on fire. And you got fire below you. You've got a steep slope. And they had to contend with that, and get that corralled before those crews could work on the fire, up

the hill above the road," said Crews had to get a person out of the fire area, and get

the vehicle out, while making it safe for emergency

responders to get through. He said, "I know there was other people responding at that time. I talked to a friend of mine who was down there. And he saw helicopters show up right away. So they were taking action. But those guys that were dealing with the vehicle part weren't able to break loose and deal with the wild land above them. But there was a lot of other people responding to that wild land fire and that was primarily a lot of Forest Service crews and other aircraft and stuff. They had aircraft tankers there right away, to pick that up above the road. That was a pretty aggressive initial attack. I was kind of surprised at how it took off like it did myself." Regarding aircraft, Fluhart said firefighters in this area have to compete nationally with other areas to attain aircraft.

properties.

Fluhart added that neighbors in the Kern Valley should do weed clearance Petition for and junk pile clearance has and clear old vehicles from



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

### KERN VALLEY SUN LEGAL NOTICES

TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **SHANNON MCCULLAR** Case # BPB-24-002822

**NOTICE OF PETITION** 

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or

nia, County of KERN

both of: SHANNON MCCULLAR been filed MADISON GUMMERE-BROWN taking certain very important actions, however, the personal in the Superior Court of Califor-

The Petition for Probate requests that: MADISON GUM-MERE -BROWN 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

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: 08/22/2024 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept.

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#### KERN VALLEY SUN **LEGAL NOTICES CONTINUED**

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 con-

tingent 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 Califor-

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 OR ATTORNEY OF PETITIONER:

LING & WILSON 1626 19TH ST., SUITE 23 BAKERSFIELD, CA. 93301 661-325-5075

(Pub SUN 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14/2024)

ANTON H. LABRENTZ, DAR-

#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERI-OR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF KERN CASE NUMBER** BCV-24-102025

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner, JADEN TAYLOR FOWLER filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: JADEN TAYLOR FOWLER

Proposed Name: JADEN TAYLOR MOLATORE

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING DATE: 08/26/24 TIME: 8:30 A.M TRUXTON ADDRESS: 1215 AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301; METROPOLITAN DIVISION - JUSTICE BUILDING DEPT: L

Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county (specify newspaper): KERN VÁLLEY SUN

A copy of this Order to Show

Dated: 06/21/2024 By: GINA CERVANTES, Court Commissioner

(PUB SUN 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14/2024)

034-241-02-00-0 APN: 23-06650CA TSG Order No.: DEF-584072 NOTICE No.: TRUSTEE SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED TRUST DATED OCTOBER 19, 2005. 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 PRO-CEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Affinia Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded October 27, 2005 as Document No.: 0205299244 Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, executed by: Cherry Popoy and Ernie Popoy, wife and husband, as joint tenants, as Trustor, will be sold AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER for cash (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by 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 Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced deed of Sale Date: August 21, 2024 Sale Time: 10:00 AM Sale Location: At the front entrance to the City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301 File No.:23-06650CA The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1608 17th 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 in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by 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, to-wit: \$205,225.21 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness 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 investi-

gate the existence, priority, and

size of outstanding liens that may

exist on this property by contact-

ing the county recorder's office or

a title insurance company, either

of which may charge you a fee

for this information. If you consult

either of these resources, you

should be aware that the same

lender may hold more than one

mortgage or deed of trust on the

property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date

shown on this notice of sale may

be postponed one or more times

by the mortgagee, beneficiary,

trustee, or a court, pursuant to

Section 2924g of the California

Civil Code. The law requires that

information about trustee sale

postponements be made avail-

able 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

formation regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website, www.xome.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 23-06650CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are 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 (800) 758-8052, or visit this internet website www.xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-06650CA 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. 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. No.:23-06650CA 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. For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.xome. com or Call: (800) 758-8052. Dated: July 12, 2024 By: Omar

may call, (800) 758-8052 for in-

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(833) 290-7452

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Affinia Default Services,

Long Beach, CA 90802

301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite

#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF KERN **COUNTY BUDGET HEARINGS**

On Tuesday, August 27, 2024, the Kern County Board of Supervisors will conduct public hearings on the FY 2024-25 recommended budgets for the County of Kern and special districts governed by the Board of Supervisors, prior to making a final determination The public hearings may be continued for one or more additional days, not to exceed 10 calendar days, if additional time is required to complete the hearings.

The recommended budget documents are available to members of the public beginning August 16, 2024, and may be examined on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the office of the Clerk of the Board, 5th Floor, County Administrative Center, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield. Copies of the recommended budget documents may also be requested by phone at (661) 868-3198 and are available to view or print from the Coun-Administrative Office webwww.kerncounty.com/cao.

Public hearings will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1st Floor, County Administrative Center, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, to receive public input and comments on the FY 2024-25 recommended budgets, commencing at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 Any member of the public or representative of any organization may appear at the hearings and be heard regarding any item of the budget or for proposed inclusion of additional budget items.

(PUB SUN 08/14/2024)

#### STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. 2024-B2776

The use of the fictitious business name: OLD ISABELLA COFFEE COMPANY, located at: 5104 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240 Mailing Address: PO BOX 32, WELDON, CA 93283, filled in Kern County on 04/30/2024 has been abandoned by the following person(s) JOSEPH ROBERT MÉYERS & CHRISTINA LEE MEYERS; PO BOX 32, WELDON, CA 93283

This business was conducted by a MARRIED COUPLE

Abandoned on 07/18/2024

Signed: CHRISTINA LEE MEY-ERS, OWNER AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: Z. ARELLANO, Deputy Clerk

> (Pub SUN 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04/2024)

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF INCREASED SCHOOL FACILITIES FEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the South Fork Union School District will consider input from the public on the proposed adoption of increased school facilities fees on residential, commercial, and industrial construction

ing the construction and reconstruction of school facilities necessary to maintain current levels of educational services to children in the If you wish additional information concerning the above, please con-

The proposed increased fees will be levied for the purpose of fund-

tact Superintendent Richard Rhodes, at rrhodes@southforkschool. org, or telephone the Superintendent at 760-378-4000.

The Fee Justification Report on the proposed increased fees is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, and is available for public review. Members of the public are invited to provide comment, in writing, on or before September 12, 2024, at the above office. The Board's consideration of the increased fees is scheduled for September 12, 2024.

Any person challenging in court the decision made at the conclusion of such public hearing may be limited to raising only those issues raised at such hearing or in correspondence delivered to the school district prior to the close of such hearing.

Dated: 8/2/24

Richard Rhodes

District Superintendent

(PUB SUN 08/14, 08/21/2024)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. 2024-B4486

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DBĂ #1: OLD ISABELLA **COFFEE COMPANY**, 5104 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD. SUITE D., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 5104 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD. SUITE D., LAKE ISABELLA, CA

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: CHRISTINA **RÉNEE ROBINSON; 5104 LAKE** ISABELLA BLVD. SUITE D. 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: (07/18/2029). 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.). Signéd: CHRISTINA RENEE

ROBINSON This statement filed on: 07/18/2024

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: Z. ARELLANO, Deputy Clerk

(Pub SUN 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04/2024)

#### **NOTICE OF LIEN SALE** Dave's Fleet Maintenance/

Towing IF: 24-FORD LIEN SALE: 24-roll NONE / UNK

1FT8W2BT9REC82983 LIEN SALE: 17-FORD License: 8PVF100 / CA License: 3FA6P0VP3HR312990 to be sold at 10:00 am on

8/27/2024 @ 1401 Washington St Bakersfield, CA Ten West Towing/Tehachapi LIEN SALE: 20-MERZ License: PMA3418 / OH License: W1Y4EBVYXLT023510 to be sold at 10:00 am on 8/27/2024

@ 701 Bailey Ave Tehachapi, CA (PUB SUN 08/14/2024)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. 2024-B2795

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DBÅ #1: ARGOS PROPER TIES, 2616 BALSAM AVENUE LAKÉ ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address 2616 BALSAM AVENUE, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL; JOSEPH WIN-FIELD 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.).

Signéd: JOSEPH WINFIELD SCOTT statement filed on: 05/01/2024

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

(Pub SUN 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04/2024)

#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DEBORAH ANN COOPER AKA DEBORAH ANN SPANGLER CASE NO. BPB-24-002896 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons

who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of DEBORÁH ANN COOPER AKA DEBORAH ANN SPANGLER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DIANE SPANGLER RAMIREZ in the Superior Court of California, County of KERN. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DIANE SPANGLER RAMIREZ 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: 08/30/24 at 8:30AM in Dept. J-1 located at 2100 COLLEGE AVENUE. BAKERSFIELD, CA 93305

THIS MATTER IS SUBMITTED AS "PROPER TO BE SUBMITTED ON THE PLEADINGS (PSP)." ALL MATTERS APPROVED AS PSP WILL BE GRANTED UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING AND OBJECT WHEN THE PSP CALENDAR IS CALLED.

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.

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## Online artistry explodes into local colors

**CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** 

Apparently an artist online has the ability to change another Kern Valley artist's life according to what Jo Anne Ayers Brown told the Kern Valley Sun.

Ayers Brown was the featured Artist of the Month at the Kern River Valley Art Association's reception, which was themed, "Then and Now," at the Art Gallery in Wofford Heights, August

It was an Internet Facebook post that came out of nowhere according to Ayers Brown, though she admitted her memory about where she found the post was rather vague. The online artist was using metallics so

the paints were all shiny and glittery and the artist's last name was Ma.

Ayers Brown said she related well to the monthly reception's theme, Then and Now, when she chose the paintings she wanted to display this month. She said, "There's some old and then some new. The old goes back seven years when I saw a woman tilt a cup on top of a painting and the paint flow out and cover the canvas painting and I realized that I could do that. And I just became obsessed, like lots and lots of other people did, just absolutely obsessed where I was doing five to ten paintings a day.'

Ayers Brown shared the fact that she was never an artist before that day but for work she owned a manufacturing company. The Weldon artist said, "We retired here ten years ago. I'm totally retired and this is what I found to do and I've just been doing it every day, almost, ever since. And it's changed and grown I hope."

She usually starts her projects off with just the paint and whatever colors she has chosen. She pours the paint on the canvas and moves it around until she is pleased with her creation. Ayers Brown has a separate pouring studio as well as a studio for her close up work. "I'm still having fun so I'm going to keep going," she

Chris Quinnert placed first that evening for his acrylic work titled "Big Bang Earth." Placing second in the show was artist Robin

Harmon for her felting work titled "Veronica Then and Now." Coming in third place during the reception was artist Terry O'Connor, for his acrylic on canvas work titled "Dance of the Lotus Crabs." He's a new member of the association and this was his first showing at the gallery. Receiving an honorable mention that night was artist Patty Kelly for the acrylic on paper work titled 74/24.

President of the association Buffalo Folsom told the crowd that this month the KRVAA would be holding an ice cream social and chalk walk extravaganza. For more information please keep an eye on their Facebook and site calendar.



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**Custom Crafting** 

## Apothecary holds Young Entrepreneurs fair

**Imagination Creations** 

Sequoia Mountain Apothecary held a Young Entrepreneurs Fair in Lake Isabella, Saturday, August 10.

Owner and founder of Sequoia Mountain Apothecary Stephenie Blankenship organized the fair. Her business has been open since November of last year. Her daughter was also giving away kittens at her vendor table.

Blankenship said, "I wanted to do this to just create something more positive. Right now in the midst of all these fires I wanted to create this positive thing because people are so stressed out, they've lost their homes, they've lost their properties, they've lost these things. And to have these kids come here in the midst of this is

just a little spark of light in our community that will

Blankenship said, "I'm going to be doing this Vendor Fair again. We're going to be doing more things. And I just wanted to clear a space for these kids to just have this opportunity to be able to sell and be creative. I want to do it more often. I think we're going to, as it cools down a little bit, and before the weather starts to get really bad.'

She also hoped folks would follow her on Facebook and Instagram and tic tok. Blankenship said that she reached out on social media to create this event. Her family is part of a home schooling group and so some kids are from the

group, and others knew her family, while others were just from the surrounding community.

Twelve-year-old owner of Imagination Creations was a home schooling student who started the business with her younger brother. They both created brightly decorated carrying bags.

Daughter of the former business owners of Arroyo Treasures, Annette held a vendor table selling hand created flowers, a hand made teddy bear and other

Custom Crafting owner Mia wanted to start her business a few months ago and featured her hand crafted bracelets



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Owner of Sequoia Mountain Apothecary Stephenie Blankenship.



**RAY CONNER** 

This group of pickleball players participated in a recent local in house tournament.

## Youth served in pickleball tournament

This past Saturday a diverse group of pickleball players congregated to the courts at the United Methodist Church in Kernville to play a tournament. The popular game of pickleball saw 16 players from ages 40-77 years old compete in the KRV Pickleball Club tournament.

In the end it was the two youngest players that were placed together that came out as the top. After the 28 round robin matches were played, the top eight players advanced to bracket play. The teams in bracket play were decided by the number of points amassed in round robin action. When all was said and done, the two players that raised the trophy were the youngest in the group. Jacqueline Phillips and Jocelyn Moss had the bragging rights in the KRV Pickleball Club round robin Tournament. There were 11 women that competed on the day

They won the final match in dominating fashion as they collected the 11-1 victory over the second-place team of Mike Moss and Barabra Stromsness. The champions got to the finals by taking care of the team Alfred Martinez and Stacy Sanders by the score of 11-1. The runners up advanced to the finals by beating Dianne Moss and Adam Sanders. That score was also 11-1.

In round robin play the matches only went to nine points to decide winners to keep things moving at a steady pace. There were two boards of round robin action that played on the two pickleball courts. Each pickleball player teamed up with the other seven that were placed were on their rotating player board. Collecting points along the way even in the losing cause. In some cases, teams were "pickled" in their match up. Being pickled is scoring zero points in the match.

Two of the final eight players left standing

were pickled in round robin action. But they were able to earn enough points in other

matches to cement their way to bracket play. The other eight players that competed on the day were, Rhona Schotts, Pat Adams, Peggy Allum, David D., Erin H, (last names were not made available), Rose Misiewicz, Laura Adams, and Mary Feinstein. Allum was the most seasoned player by age. She is a young 77 years of age, but moves with a grace of a person half that Allum commented on how she got involved in pickleball said, "About four or five years ago, before covid there was a clinic and that's when I started playing. And I loved it as soon as I stepped on the court." Another player to comment was Shotts, "It's a lot of fun. It's easy to do and it is great exercise."

The Saturday tournament director, Wayne Moore ran the pickleball play. He was able to keep things moving and make sure all the right protocols were being adhered to. The group tries to do a round robin tournament about once a month and others travel to tournaments in California. Some of the higher ranked players sometimes compete in tournaments out of a state. Moore commenting on the tournament said, "This is for the locals to get some tournament experience. A lot of these folks have not played in tournaments. We call it organized play at the park."

The rise of pickleball has a lot of the players in the Kern River Valley searching for ways to build courts locally. There is a significant amount of dollars needed to make this possible, as it will have to be built literally from the ground up. With the popularity growing, and with more people trending its way, pickleball Has become the

sport of choice.

## Water fights a big part of block party and concert

Lots of kids had some fun when Sierra Shared Spaces held a Neighbor to Neighbor Block Party, Friday August 9, adjacent to Circle Park. The event occurred just before the second River Rhythms Concert Series perfor-

mance in Kernville. Games that evening included chalk-hopscotch, blocks, and water fights. With the heat blasting folks hard this summer, the children and supervising adult volunteers made the most of the water sport that evening. A mobile disc jockey was also playing tunes before the River Rhythms concert began. Local Jackylyn Wallace, who organized the event, was on hand to talk with the Kern Valley Sun. She said, "I think today went really well. We have a lot of the kids coming out and playing the games, having fun, and a lot of people showing up for River Rhythms, I think it's going good."

The goal of the party was to bring neighbors together. The event was brought about due to the Neighbor to Neighbor grant, which Sierra Shared Spaces received to help bring neighbors in the community into closer relationships after people social distanced during COVID.

The event, which was the brainchild of former Whiskey Flat Mayoral candidate Justin Powers was also to celebrate the anniversary of International Coworking Day, when the term "Coworking" began to be widely used. The previous year Kern County Board of Supervisors issued a proclamation recognizing August 9 as International Coworking Day and Powers accepted the

Powers initially thought holding the

event in collaboration with the Kern Valley





Hospital Foundation's event River Rhythms Concert Series would hopefully bring more attention to both the concert series and the block party, while giving the children fun things to do during the concert.

Participants in the event included Kern River Valley Art Association and Kern Fire Safe Council. Powers said, "As much as possible, with all the events that Sierra Shared Spaces is going to be doing, especially over the next 18 months, our goal is to partner with as many local organizations as we can. We really want to lift up and celebrate the other organizations of the valley that are doing excellent work. And this is just another great way of doing that."

Sierra Shared Spaces plans another Neighbor to Neighbor Block Party event for National Good Neighbor Day, in September.



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## Back-to-School TIME

## Parental involvment is a key factor in students' performance

Success in school can carry over to successful experiences later in life. That underscores the benefits of developing skills in the classroom. Students learn in their own way, and at times there may need to overcome various obstacles.

The job of education does not fully fall on educators and administrators. Education begins at home. Research has found that kids benefit significantly when parents and other caregivers are strongly involved in a child's education. A 2020 study published in the Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community found that parental involvement in a child's education is associated with improved academic performance. Specifically, children whose parents are more involved in their educations have higher levels of academic performance than children whose parents were not as involved.

A 2005 study from researchers at the Johns Hopkins University Center of School, Family and Community Partnerships showed that school practices that encourage families to support their students' math learning at home led to higher percentages of students scoring at or above proficiency on standardized math tests. Additional research indicates the benefits also extend to other subjects and areas of learning, including language comprehension and expressive language skills.

With so much to gain from parental involvement in students' educations, parents can embrace these strategies to get more involved.

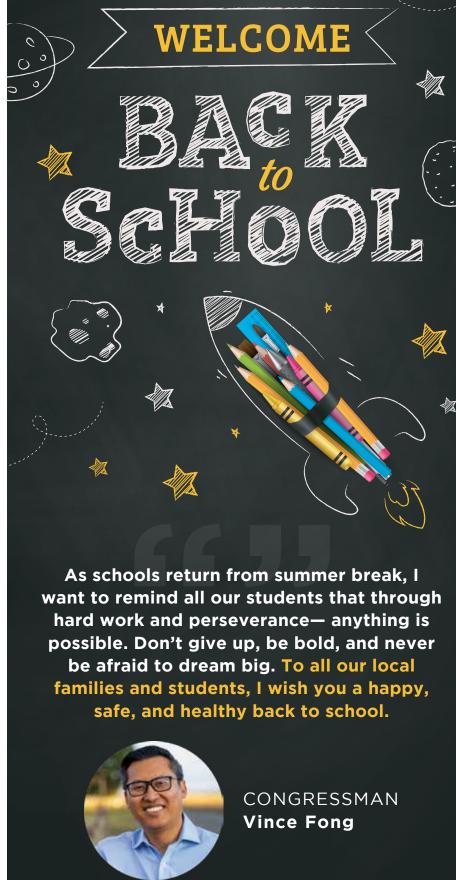
• Develop a partnership with the teacher. Open communication with the teacher(s) can help parents stay up-to-date on what is going on in the classroom and learn early on where a student may need extra support. Then parents can offer extra guidance if it is feasible,



or look into an experienced tutor.

- Be firm but supportive. Too much academic pressure may cause a child to pull back or even test boundaries, and that can lead to students falling behind in school. Parents must find the right level of involvement and guide their kids without sounding like good grades are "make or break" the
- Attend school functions. Parents can go to open houses, back-to-school nights, conferences, and other events held at school to show support and interest in their children's education. Involved parents also build school-based networks this way, which can be called upon if their student needs additional support in the future.
- Establish a schedule at home. Students can benefit from a schedule, with regular bedtime, homework time and opportunities to relax. Knowing what to expect and when to expect it can take some of the stress out of learning and studying, according to Nemours health.

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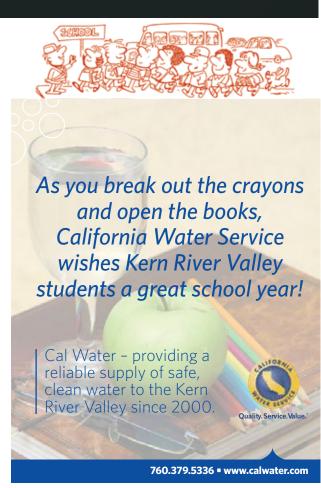
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Mt Mesa Bus 6-18 R	t. 1
Hwy 178/Mobile Dr.	7:01
McCray/Lynch	7:04
McCray/Sagebrush	7:06
McCray/Cook Peak	7:08
Couger/Lynx	7:09
Deer/Raccoon	7:11
McCray.Mark	7:13
Juniper	7:14
McCray/Cook Peak	7:15
McCray/Sagebrush	7:16
McCray/Laural	7:18
Harbor Lights	7:20
Lakeland/Driftwood	7:26
Bodfish Canyon Bus 6-2	
Bodfish Cyn/McPhersons	7:06
Bodfish Cyn/5MPH Turn	7:09
Bodfish Cyn/Rocky Rd	7:10
Bodfish Cyn/ Budway	7:11
Bodfish Cyn/Piute	7:14
Sierrarama/Balsam	7:17
Bodfish Cyn/5MPH Turn	7:19
Bodfish Market	7:25

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2025	
Wofford Heights Bus 2-2	23 Rt.4
Old State (east)	6:58
Evans (east)	7:00
Parkway/W.H.Blvd	7:02
Burlando/Whitney	7:08
Burlando/Rio Vista	7:11
Nellie Dent	7:18
Panorama/Sycamore	7:23
Evans(west)	7:25
Old State (west)	7:27
Hungry Gulch	7:30
Baptist Church	7:32
Golden Spur/Wagon wheel	7:34
Bodfish-Reeder Bus 5-0	5 Rt. 3
Columbus/Caliente	6:58
Columbus/S.Salaine	7:00
Park/Elk	7:02
Columbus/North	7:04
Columbus/N.Salaine	7:05
Edith/Reeder	7:11
Chain/Reeder	7:15
Barlow/Hatton	7:20
Lake Isabella Bus 5-05	Rt.3
Alta Sierra/Fulop	7:32
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Edna/Audrev

Woodrow Wallace Elementary grades TK-3 will have an early bus run that will include the following bus stops:

Lake Isabella Rt.3 Bus	5-05
Edna/Audrey	2:00
Alta Sierra/Claire	2:03
Alta Sierra/Fulop	2:07
Baptist Church	2:14
Barlow/Hatton	2:17
Golden Spur/Wagon Wheel	2:21
Lakeland/Driftwood	2:25
Reeder/Bodfish Rt.4 Bu	s 2-23
Kem/Mayfair	2:00
Edith/Reeder	2:04
Chain/Reeder	2:06
Young St.	2:10
Bodfish Market	2:13
Columbus/Caliente	2:16
Columbus/S.Salaine	2:18
Park/Elk	2:20
Columbus/North	2:22
Columbus/N.Salaine	2:24

All other bus stops will follow the TK-8 afternoon bus schedule



**Woodrow Wallace Afternoon Bus Stops** Grade TK-8 2024 -2025

Mt Mesa Bus 6-18 R	t. 1		Wo
Hwy 178/Mobile Dr.	3:00		
McCray/Lynch	3:02		
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Deer/Raccoon	3:10		
McCray/Mark	3:12		
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Kem/Mayfair	2:55		(
Young St.	2:57		
Bodfish Market	3:00		
Bodfish Cyn/McPhersons	3:03		
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Lake Isabella Bus 5-05 Rt

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Edna/Audrey

Alta Sierra/Claire

Alta Sierra/Fulop

Golden Spur/Wagon

Lakeland/Driftwood

**Baptist Church** 

Barlow/Hatton

	Wofford Heights Bus 2-23	Rt. 4
00	Old State (east)	3:00
02	Evans (east)	3:02
04	Parkway/W.H. Blvd	3:0
06	Panorama/Sycamore	3:07
80	*Evans(west)	3:1
10	*Old State (west)	3:12
12	*Terrace Way	3:19
13	*Burlando/Whitney	3:23
14	*Burlando/Rio Vista	3:2
16	*Kernville School	3:30
18	Bodfish-Havilah Bus 1-0	4 Rt.
20	Edith/Reeder	2:5
t. 2	Chain/Reeder	2:5
55	Columbus/Caliente	3:0
57	Columbus/S.Salaine	3:00
00	Park/Elk	3:0
03	Columbus/North	3:07
06	Columbus/N.Salaine	3:09
80	Havilah Cemetary	3:26
10	Y Four Ranch	3:29
12	Havilah Knolls	3:32
15	Havilah Turnaround	3:36
20	Havilah South Ranch	3:39
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\*Students that get off at these stops will transfer to the Kernville bus at the Panorama Sycamore stop

Kernville Elementary **Bus Schedule** Morning Bus Run 2024-2025 Morning Bus Run

Kernville Bus 3-99 Rt.5		
Nellie Dent	7:10	
Panorama/Sycamore	7:12	
Evans (West)	7:14	
Old State (west)	7:16	
Old State (east)	7:17	
Evans (East)	7:18	
Parkway/W.H.Blvd	7:20	
Burlando/Whitney	7:25	
Burlando/Rio Vista	7:27	
Methodist Church	7:30	
Afternoon Bus	Run	

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Kernville Bus 3-99	Rt.5
Burlando/Whitney	2:50
Burlando Rio Vista	2:53
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## Back-to-School TIME

## Study tips for a strong start in school

Studying is vital to academic performance. At the dawn of a new school year, students get a fresh start to improve upon or continue strong their study habits. Teachers will be rolling out their curricula, and that may feel overwhelming. However, optimizing study skills can boost confidence in school and in areas outside of the classroom. These study tips can put students on a path for success.

• Find your optimal study space. The ideal study spot varies from student to student. Some need a quiet nook in the library, while others may prefer the sounds of nature while seated on a park bench. There's no one-size-fits-all study location, so students may need to experiment with what works best for

them. Also, The Princeton Review says that a student doesn't need just one study space. He or she may find a change of scenery can prompt the brain to retain information better.

• Devise a study plan. Setting goals and a

- plan of attack allows students to space out their studying over several days. This can reduce stress and make the task seem less cumbersome.

   Avoid cram sessions. Devising a study plan is better than cramming the night
- plan is better than cramming the night before a test. The American Psychological Association says students may perform well on a test for which they've crammed, but that doesn't mean they've truly learned the material. Studying with a goal of retaining the material long-term is important.
- Learn how to actively study. Some students think that studying requires reading over the material or highlighting text. Active studying involves engaging with the material and constructing meaning from the text. One way to engage with the material is to try acting as the teacher and explaining concepts to another person. Creating a study guide or even concept maps also helps one actively study.
- Balance intensity with laid-back study approaches. Students may procrastinate with their studying because they don't want to devote a lot of time to the task. Instead, they can do shorter sessions mixed with longer sessions of studying. In fact, The Learning Center at the University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill says shorter, intensive study time can be more effective than drawn-out studying.

• Ask for help. Asking a teacher or another student for help is not a sign of weakness. It's a good strategy to develop early on. The longer one waits, the more difficult it may be to catch up on material. Asking for help goes hand-in-hand with setting up a buddy system for studying. Study groups enable students to go over material together, which can provide different perspectives and help the material resonate more effectively.

Students will spend a lot of time studying while in school. Learning how to do it effectively is vital to fulfilling one's academic potential.

## How families can get ready for a new school year

Children will soon be trading in the chimes of neighborhood ice cream trucks for the bells of school as summer vacation gives way to the start of a new academic year. August through September is prime back-to-school season, with children all across the country stocking their backpacks

There is more to getting ready for the start of school than making sure pencils are sharpened and tablets are charged. Parents and children can work together to ensure the transition back to the classroom is as seamless as possible.

and shopping for new school wardrobes.

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#### ADJUST SLEEP AND WAKE TIMES Summer vacation often means letting

Summer vacation often means letting loose of schedules for a while, and that may translate into later-than-normal bedtimes and rising a little later in the morning. Everyone in the household will have to reacquaint themselves with schedules that ensure kids get to school on time. A few weeks before the first day of school, start incrementally going to bed at an earlier time and start waking up earlier each morning. Try to plan out the increments so that by the time the last few days of summer vacation wind down, the family is on target with a waking schedule that mirrors the school schedule.

## ACCLIMATE TO BEING AROUND PEOPLE Although summer vacation may involve

trips that bring children in contact with other people, it may have been some time since they've spent five or more hours per day around 20 to 30 people their age. It may take a transition period to get used to being around a bunch of peers, so families can visit places where there tend to be crowds of kids, such as zoos, aquariums, parks, and trampoline centers. These can be low-pressure locations to dust off social skills.

### KNOW THE ROUTE OR PLAN FOR SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Students may be driven independently, ride the school bus, walk or bike, or carpool with others to and from school. Families can establish plans so that getting to and from school is not something kids need to worry about. Practice routes and timing, taking into consideration that when schools open there will be much more traffic. Parents can reassure children that there will be a learning curve, but all of the kinks generally get worked out during the first week.

#### AVOID "SUMMER SLIDE"

Most students don't want to think about studying, homework and testing while on summer break, but it can be beneficial to stay current on some lessons. Summer slide refers to the loss of some of the learning achieved during the previous school year over the summer break. Some experts say summer slide is overstated, but it can't hurt for students to refresh their memories on some math, science and language arts concepts over break so that they will be ready to hit the books when the new school year begins.

#### PREP FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES

Children and adults can work together to map out healthy eating options for school lunch. Many school districts have lunch plans that can be purchased through an online account. Participating students simply enter a number or swipe a code at checkout. School lunches are built to be nutritionally diverse and have options that even picky eaters will like.

School is right around the corner, and families should get ready for the routine and needs that go with the academic year as the first day draws closer.



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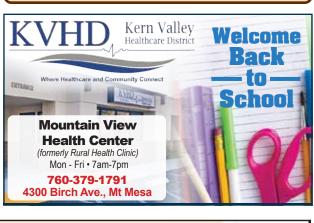








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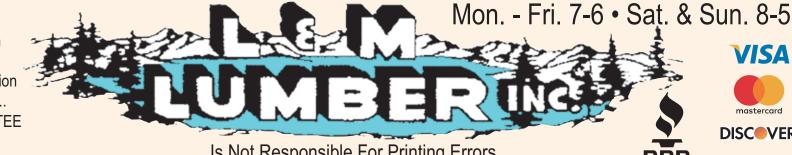
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