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## Public invited to Christmas in Kernville

Christmas in Kernville begins, November 30, at Circle Park. The Kernville Chamber went all out this year, with all the down-home extravagance Christmas lovers have come to expect from the welcoming town of Kernville.

## Wallace Middle School Annual Turkey Trot

The annual Wallace Middle School Turkey Trot took place on Friday, November 22.

## Pastors honored with celebration lunch

With help from her committee, Jeanette Rogers-Erickson organized a traditional Clergy Appreciation Lunch, which evidently is one of her favorite events of the year.

## Cemetery district makes progress preparing delinquent audits

District Auditor Kevin Brejnak gave a presentation to the board of trustees at the last board meeting of the Kern River Valley Public Cemetery District, November 12, regarding the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year End Audit.

## Public invited to World War II Memorial unveiling

The committee, which takes care of the Kern County WWII Veterans Memorial plans a ceremony for the unveiling of additional names on the WWII Veterans Memorial, December 7, at 10am.

## Kernville holds annual Toy Drive

The town of Kernville is holding its traditional annual Toy Drive again this year. The Kernville Chamber of Commerce, which always organizes the event, is all on board this year, and is definitely up for the challenge of bringing smiles to the faces of Kernville children, making Santa wishes.

## Lady Broncs run to fourth place in Division V CIF race

Being a force to reckon with all season, the Lady Broncs cross country team proved they were an elite bunch of runners by coming in fourth place at the CIF race. Two of the Kern Valley runners, succeed in running their best race of the year to help propel their team forward.

## Large squad of Broncs wrestlers ready to take it to the mat

The Kern Valley's boys wrestling team is preparing to get their season underway. With a huge contingent of athletes, this year's team is one of the largest in recent times.



CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

# Chamber invites community to Christmas Parade

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The entire community and visitors are invited to this year's, Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce, Christmas Parade in Lake Isabella, November 30, at 11am.

This year's Christmas Parade theme is "KRV Strong," which promises to be a spectacular event, the Saturday just after your Thanksgiving, feasts. The route for the 46 annual Christmas Parade will be same as last year, along Lake Isabella Boulevard, from Nugget Avenue, running in the direction of Erskine Creek Road.

Office Coordinator for the chamber, Liz Mendia told the Kern Valley Sun

that the theme this year, for the Parade, "KRV Strong" was the choice because of everything that the community has gone through with the fires. Mendia said, "It'll be interesting to see how people manifest the theme in their entries and what that looks like visually."

Mendia also said, "Congressman Vince Fong, who replaced former Congressman McCarthy, is going to be our Grand Marshal. Fong was on top of things during the fire event. His office has been involved in providing relief efforts."

Chair for the parade planning committee, Mickie Phillips said that the committee expected 40 or more entries. "With the Borel fire that just ended, and with everything that happened with the fire, and Havilah being

basically almost completely wiped out; that's the thing about this community. Something tragic happens and this community comes together. And that's why we selected KRV Strong because we're a strong community," Phillips said.

Phillips also stated that the chamber requested business owners along Lake Isabella Boulevard decorate their businesses. The chamber plans on selecting the best of decorated businesses. The chamber will announce Best Business Christmas Decorations December 20. First, second, and third place winners will receive awards and special recognition in the Lake Lines President of the chamber's message.

# Kernville invites public to visit Santa every Saturday

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Christmas in Kernville officially opens Saturday, November 30 at Circle Park, and everyone is invited to have a chat with Santa Claus, our favorite saint.

Santa will be present, every Saturday evening, starting November 30, from 5-7pm, and throughout the entire month of December.

Owner of OnPoint Gym, Tawnya Torgl, who is also a board member for the Kernville Chamber of Commerce, was in charge of Santa, Santa's house, and getting Santa prepared this year. Torgl's enthusiasm was contagious as she explained how much she loves the Santa the chamber chose, for this year's throne, located at Circle Park.

"We got back last year's Santa, who was a very charming and patient Santa, who knew about every single toy the children talked to him about, right down to asking the children about the color they wanted because he was so informed," said Torgl. "It was awesome, and the most incredible, magical thing to witness as an adult."

Torgl said she was in charge of decorating Santa's house this year, and has been finding a happy balance, between gold and red for the decorations.



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According to another board member for the Kernville Chamber, Jenny Hanley, the generous donation from Kernville Alta One was responsible for the refreshments for Santa nights in Circle Park.

Come tell good ol' Saint Nick your own expectations for that special day.

# South Fork students paint school holiday windows

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South Fork schoolteacher Marjorie Torrez invited the Kern Valley Sun to see that her grade 4 and grade 5 students painted windows for the holidays.

Miss Kacy Bunting has been working with the kids as South Fork who were very interested in Bunting's art work. Miss Bunting has been studying art illustration and is currently writing a children's book. She is a commissioned artist who normally does holiday windows for businesses.

Under the guidance of Bunting the students were encouraged to create the holiday windows throughout the entire



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# COMMUNITY

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Blythe told the Kern Valley Sun, Thursday, November 21, "This election has been a little bit on pins and needles because it's changed so many times. The last count that I saw, it was neck and neck, between myself and Gene Parks Jr. It should be coming down to the wire now." Blythe was still ill at ease, that day to declare his victory, though publisher John Watkins believed Blythe had a clear path to victory.

"I think at this point they've gone through enough of the ballots that were mailed, just before the election that I don't think there's going to be much fluctuation," Blythe reluctantly said. "Since I've been on the board this is probably the first that we've had some pretty serious contenders for the seats on board."

Blythe said that Gene Parks Jr and Albert Landry, who were also on the ballot, both had some interesting points he read about, online, previously. Blythe said Landry has good points about behavioral health. Neither contender spoke about things with Blythe in conversation though Blythe read some online posts.

"I'm definitely excited to serve another term," Blythe said, "I'm happy to serve the constituents of the district again for another four years."

Katheryn Elconin who was a sure win told the press that people come up to her saying they voted for her. She said, "I'm just so grateful. The only thing that I would wish from the community is they would come or watch the videos. I'm grateful for the support. But I would truly love for them to be involved."

Fred Clark, a clear winner for the seat, seemed to be in good spirits over his victory. "We had five people running for the board. Luckily enough Katheryn, myself, and John are still in the lead," said Clark. "Katheryn is ahead of me now by 45 votes, so she's kicking my butt. And John Blythe is about 400 behind me but he's still about 28 above Gene Parks Jr. So he's going to be in okay. We had 5 people that wanted to be on the board to better

the district so there's nothing bad to say about that."

Clark, who brings to the board knowledge of insurance, from working in the insurance industry said, "I would like to believe that the health care district would have remained on its current course no matter what happened on the board. There's a lot of key agenda items that have got to take place within our health care district, in the not too distant future, so that we make sure that we abide by the all the state regulations brought before us." He was most concerned about the master project with the retrofit of the facility.

Elconin said she also hopes if the public has any concern they'll bring it to the board.

She wanted people to know that the hospital board meetings are on the Internet, and they can come to the meetings live and look at minutes and the agendas online.

She said, "I truly do appreciate the votes. I take them personally. I have a heart for that hospital. I always have."

Elconin's husband's mother was once a doctor at Kern Valley Hospital. Elconin was also hired at the Skilled Nursing Facility as a CNA in 1992.

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EIGHT-DAY VALLEY FORECAST



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## KERN VALLEY WATER WATCH

Kern River Basin Data as of Sunday, November 24, 2024

Lake & River Information	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Lake Elevation	2,556.56	2,556.58	2,570.71
Lake Storage	147,903	148,013	238,610
Inflow Into Lake	342	305	1,379
Outflow From Lake	324	244	2,263

Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

All data is preliminary. Final figures may change. Elevation feed above sea level. Storage expressed in acre-feet. Inflow and outflow expressed in cubic feet per second. Inflow shown is at Kernville.



SPENCER SHEPARD

### KERN VALLEY SUN OUTDOOR COLUMNIST

## Bad Weather, Big Bites

lent fishing opportunities as the storm approaches.

Timing is essential because you want to get out before heavy rain and wind begin; dropping barometric pressure is when you want to get out. You want to use the weather and environment to your advantage, so pay attention to weather and insect activity.

One of the big reasons for trout's storm excitement is more food. Bugs and bad weather do not mix, so they get knocked out of trees, blown down into the water, floating into a trout's starved mouth. While wind and trees are angler's enemies, they offer good fishing and can create feeding frenzies, with trout striking on the top water.

Fishing along shorelines can be another great idea. When the rain comes, it washes everything into the water. Slightly murky water makes it hard for prey to see predators; trout know how

to hunt in turbid water and use it to their advantage.

Topwater feeding frenzies are visible and can offer the chance to get out some dry flies or surface baits. In a frenzy, trout will hit just about anything because they are trying to fill up before the storm, and they return to deeper water, where it's calmer.

Trout are just some of the fish that enjoy lousy weather; bass are known to hunt the shorelines during storms for prey. When the barometric pressure is low, bass are put in the feed bag and into a feeding frenzy.

Anglers need to entice them to bite, and they will hit anything that looks like prey if you put it in front of them. With the murky water, bass have a more challenging time seeing threats and are likelier to hit that lure you plopped in front of them.

I like to use a spinner bait for bass in bad weather

because it mimics bait fish. During storms, you will tend to see plankton being pushed to the shore, with bait fish following the plankton. Bass will come shallow to hunt baitfish.

The spinnerbait vibrates and flashes, which should catch the attention of the bass. The spinnerbait's optimal casting conditions are muddy water with a gusty wind blowing into it.

Now, it is good to note that not all bad weather brings good fishing. When the water temperature drops too low, fish slow down, and cold weather or heavy rain will kill the bite. Pay attention to the weather and watch the conditions. You are the best judge to know if you want to get out and fish. But don't let a little rain stop you from getting out. The best time to go fishing is when you can.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# Pastors honored with celebration lunch

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With help from her committee, Jeanette Rogers-Erickson organized a traditional Clergy Appreciation Lunch, which evidently is one of her favorite events of the year.

The Kern Valley Exchange Club hosted the event, at Paradise Cove Lodge, Thursday November 21.

Erickson said, "Thank you. On behalf of all the pastors, we would just like to say we appreciate your ministry of service to our valley, in so many different ways."

At the end of the event, Kern Valley Exchange Club member Dave Freeland prayed a blessing over all the local pastors attending the luncheon.

During the event the many pastors attending introduced themselves and their ministries of service to the Kern Valley community.

Churches represented and attending the event included Mount Mesa Church of

Representatives of the churches and ministries of the valley gathered at the Pastor's Appreciation Lunch.

Christ, First Baptist Church, Saint Jude Catholic Church in Wofford Heights, Knuckle Up Ministries, Community Church, Kern Calvary Chapel, Mountain View Baptist, Grace Chapel, Landmark Baptist Church, Kern Valley Bible Church, Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church,

Christian Assembly, and Kern River United Methodist Church.

Ministries represented at the event included Ryan and Rhonda Sertic who minister, running a Christian men's home, in Wofford Heights; Tommy and Virginia Rivera who are blessed to run the

Full Gospel Evangelistic Association, which helps ministries get started ministering; Chaplain Dr. Joe Bannon who ministers to those suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Olive Swan of Feministry who authors many books helping women with spiritual growth.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### MONTHLY EVERY 2ND TUESDAY

Lake Isabella and Bodfish property owner association  
**Time:** 5:00 P.M.  
**Where:** Kern Valley Senior Center, 6409 Lake Isabella Blvd. in Lake Isabella

### Saturday, November 30

The Kern River Valley Astronomy Club, will hold its monthly Star party  
**Time:** 5:00.  
**Where:** Kern valley airport It's always free, kid friendly, bring a chair and dress warm.

The Kern River Valley 46th Annual Christmas Parade & Toy Drive  
**Time:** 11am

### Saturday, December 7

The Great Christmas Cookie Contest  
Free family event  
**Time:** 1:00-3:00pm

**Where:** Lake Isabella Senior Center

**Thursday, December 14**  
The the KRV Woman's Club is having our annual Christmas Spectacular  
**Where:** Elk's Lodge in Wofford Heights. Dinner tickets are now on sale to the public. Ticket price is \$40.00 each. To get your tickets call Laura Oreskovich at 310-569-0405.

**Tuesday, December 24**  
FREE GIVEAWAY CLOTHES TOYS SHOES & MORE  
**Time:** 9am-12pm  
**Where:** 6200 Lake Isabella Blvd.

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### Food Distribution

The Ark Soup Kitchen 5301 Lake

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The Tuesday after the 1st Friday of every month 9:30-10:30 Grace Chapel, 12312 Mt. Mesa Rd, Mt Mesa

2nd Monday of every month 9:30 - 10:30am Grace Chapel 12312 Mt. Mesa Rd., Mt Mesa

All ages-4th Monday of every month 8:30 Senior Center, 6507 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella.

10:00 Grace Chapel, 12312 Mt. Mesa Rd, Mt Mesa

10:00 Canyon Hills Church 25 Arden Ave, Wofford Heights

God's Storehouse 3810 Golden Spur, Lake Isabella. 2nd Tuesday of the month 9:00-11:00am and 4th Sunday 1:00-3:00pm

Kern Calvary Church 14900

Hwy 178, Southlake, 2nd & 4th Thursdays 9:00-10:00

Bldv. Blessings 5205 Lake Isabella Blvd. Every Weds, Thurs, Fri 11:00-3:00 Salvation Army 5109A Lake Isabella Bl Mon & Fri 9:00-11:00

1st Baptist Church 3701 Suhre St. Free dinner every Weds 5:00-5:45 Sept- April.

God's Closet-Free clothing available by appointment 760-379-5615 or 760-549-3212

Lunch at the Senior Center Mon-Fri. 12:00-12:30 RSVP 24 hours in advance.

Suggested donation under age 60 is \$6.00, age 60+ \$3.00. To RSVP for lunch or to register for Meals on Wheels- Karen Northcutt (760) 379-5831

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- CLUES ACROSS**
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  5. Emaciation
  10. "Bewitched" boss Larry
  14. Combining form meaning "different"
  15. Current unit equal to 10 amperes
  16. Older
  17. Large, stocky lizard
  18. Ringworm
  19. Actor Pitt
  20. Indian hand clash cymbals
  22. Data at rest
  23. Jeweled headdress
  24. Indicators of when stories were written
  27. Check
  30. Cigarette (slang)
  31. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
  32. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
  35. Delivered a speech
  37. A place to bathe
  38. Postmen deliver it
  39. Surface in geometry
  40. More (Spanish)
  41. \_ and Venzetti
  42. Exclamation at the end of a prayer
  43. Hawaiian dish
  44. Aggressively proud men
  45. Fellow
  46. Mark Wahlberg comedy
  47. Mock
  48. When you expect to get somewhere
  49. Songs
  52. Pair of small hand drums
  55. Play
  56. Sword
  60. Evergreens and shrubs genus
  61. Filmed
  63. Italian Seaport
  64. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
  65. Pores in a leaf
  66. U. of Miami mascot is one
  67. Snakelike fishes
  68. Pretended to be
  69. Body part

- CLUES DOWN**
1. Piece of felted material
  2. Ancient Greek City
  3. Aquatic plant
  4. Potentially harmful fungus (Brit. sp.)
  5. Body art (slang)
  6. One who follows the rules
  7. Ordinary
  8. Honorably retired from assigned duties and retaining one's title
  9. Relaxing space
  10. Japanese socks
  11. Indian city
  12. Rip
  13. Icelandic book
  21. Satisfies
  23. Where golfers begin
  25. Small amount
  26. Snag
  27. Determine the sum of
  28. A distinctive smell
  29. Exposed to view
  32. Stain or blemish
  33. Small loop in embroidery
  34. River herring genus
  36. Large beer
  37. Deep, red-brown sea bream
  38. Partner to cheese
  40. At a deliberate pace
  41. Gurus
  43. Of each
  44. Angry
  46. Popular beverage
  47. Flower cluster
  49. Blocks
  50. Those who benefitted from efforts of relatives (slang)
  51. Polio vaccine developer
  52. A (usually) large and scholarly book
  53. Popular soap ingredient
  54. NBAer Bradley
  57. Popular movie about a pig
  58. Musician Clapton
  59. Not a sure thing
  61. Recipe measurement (abbr.)
  62. Father

## MILITARY SERVICE WORD SEARCH

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# Cemetery district makes progress preparing delinquent audits

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

District Auditor Kevin Brejnak gave a presentation to the board of trustees at the last board meeting of the Kern River Valley Public Cemetery District, November 12, regarding the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year End Audit.

The district has been behind several years on audits, among other issues, which the Grand Jury report suggestions included the district catch up on. Therefore the

district has been scrambling, after hiring a new District Manager and administrators to catch up with things the district was behind on, due to low manpower.

Brejnak gave the trustees a summary document with information pre-COVID.

On pages one and two it had an opinion on the financial statements, which means the audit was unmodified and was accurate and fairly representative of the district's results, and is free of material misstatements.

It included samples and

conclusions based on those samples. It included receipts, and expenditures, and payroll documents as well as transactions that cleared, matching the sub-receipts. Brejnak explained to the board that the management's discussion on analysis provides a comparison from the prior fiscal year to the current fiscal year. So it contains an executive summary report for the audit, followed by fund financial statements notes, which can be examined more closely on pages 16-33 and a discussion on accounting policies, cash

holdings and investments, and information on the CalPERS pension plan.

In the information Brejnak provided the trustees there is an original adopted budget and expenditures explanation as well as compliance with government codes, laws and regulations noted in a separate letter.

The close out for this audit ought to have been presented by June 2018. The next seven years audits were also not turned in by the due dates.

Brejnak said the next step was for the board to accept

the audit and turn it in to Kern County. Once that fiscal year is closed out, and all this information, the district would be better able to prepare the next several fiscal years audits.

Administrator John Blythe asked if the momentum kept going, whether the next years' fiscal audits would be on track to be turned in to the county, in time to be in compliance, with government requirements. Brejnak thought the district would be in compliance providing the information needed to

conduct the audits would be made available in a timely fashion.

Blythe said the board having a treasurer going forward would assist with things keeping on track and moving ahead. "We'll get it filed with the county and we'll just keep chugging away on the next year," said Blythe.

The board then took action to receive the audit as is, and voted to approve the audit to be turned into the county.

# Public invited to World War II Memorial unveiling

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The committee, which takes care of the Kern County WWII Veterans Memorial plans a ceremony for the unveiling of additional names on the WWII Veterans Memorial, December 7, at 10am.

The location of the memorial is a Jastro

Park, 2900 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, CA. The cost to attend the event is free to the public. And everyone in the Kern Valley is invited to this event, as well as all other residents of Kern County.

For further information please feel free to call or text Wendy Ward, at (661) 619-3070. She told the Kern Valley Sun she wanted Kern Valley residents invited to this event. Families and Friends of those who were sponsored, to

be on the memorial, are invited to attend the unveiling.

On Saturday, December 7, Kern County WWII Veterans Memorial Board will be having its final unveiling ceremony of veterans to be honored on the Kern County WWII Veterans Memorial.

The more than 730 names being unveiled are those that were sponsored/donated between January 2023-June 2024.

Seating for 300 will be provided at the event. And personal chairs are also welcome if you want to bring your own. Parking is available around the park location. For further information on the event and parking, please visit the memorial website at [www.kerncountywwiimemorial.com](http://www.kerncountywwiimemorial.com) or please contact Ed Gaede at (661) 343-7658.


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# Tribal leader speaks at school for National Native American Month

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

Tribal chairman, Chief Robert Gomez of the Tubatulabal Tribe spoke with grade-7 students of the new VIP Jr. Gentlemen Club, at Wallace Middle School, November 19.

He was chosen speaker to represent National Native American Month to the students.

Gomez is one in a series of speak-

ers that school counselor Beatrice Alcantar enlisted to speak on character topics. Gomez taught the boys about courage and how it plays out in various types of situations.

Gomez also sang a song for the club in his native language and taught a phrase to the kids in his native language, which Gomez has sought to keep alive to Native American youth.

Alcantar started the club, which Gomez spoke at, for grade 7 and

grade 8 boys. She began the club to impress upon the boys positive character traits they can take into their adulthood.

Interestingly, during this meeting another class joined the club, with a substitute teacher, because Alcantar wished for more students to learn about Native American culture.

This speaking engagement was not Gomez's first teaching gig. Apparently he was previously a teacher and mostly taught Spanish. He also

formerly worked as a police officer, which explains his knowledge on the topic of courage.

He asked the students about their definitions of courage. He told the students that sometimes courage entails remaining silent. He agreed with one of the boys that courage sometimes means standing up for others. Gomez asked the children about their responses to bullying. Gomez also used examples like the holocaust to emphasize how some-

times escaping and running can be a form of courage.

Alcantar said Gomez was originally supposed to speak, for the school in honor of National Native American Month, which is November. Alcantar said, "I'm trying to bring cultural awareness to the school."

Last school year Alcantar had a similar character club for Wallace Elementary School boys.

# Kernville holds annual Toy Drive

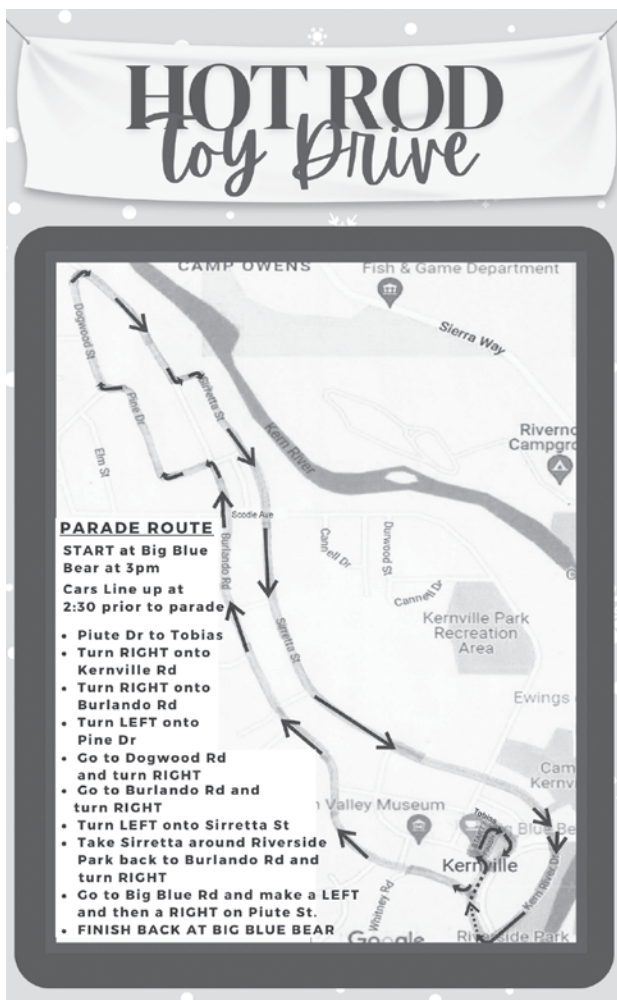
CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The town of Kernville is holding its traditional annual Toy Drive again this year. The Kernville Chamber of Commerce, which always organizes the event, is all on board this year, and is definitely up for the challenge of bringing smiles to the faces of Kernville children, making Santa wishes.

Jenny Hanley, board member for the chamber, who organized the Toy Drive this year, said the chamber has its toy barrels out, which her team is collecting the toys from. The day of the upcoming Shop Hop, which is November 30, is when the chamber holds its annual Hot Rod Run, where cars will meet at 2:30. Classic cars will parade around the usual route, and collect toys from local residents, and then follow the parade route back to Circle Park.

The Kernville Chamber of Commerce brings the toys collected during the Hot Rod Run and from the barrels at businesses to the school children in need. The name of the program is Santa's Helper. Parents who signed up can come and pick the toys up before Christmas at the chamber.

Office administrator for the chamber, Tara Overall said, "For our Toy Drive, as a chamber, we have provided our own bins for Kernville businesses. And those toys



get delivered directly from the chamber to local families for Christmas. We do accept sign ups from the community for that. We want to serve as many kids as we possibly can at that Toy Drive."

Overall said Kernville Elementary School's Family Resource Center also assists the chamber with information to provide toys for the

children.

Most importantly the Toy Drive ends and the toy barrels will be collected from the businesses by December 16. Overall said that families who signed up for the program will be able to pick up their gifts from December 19 to December 23.

# Kernville invites shoppers to Shop Hop and Elf on the Shelf

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

This year Kernville businesses will once again be participating in the Shop Hop, which is an invitation for tourists and Kern Valley residents to come take a look at the specials businesses will be featuring for Christmas shoppers.

Chamber office staff Tara Overall said, "November 30th is going to be our kickoff day for a lot of events for Christmas in Kernville. The Elf on the Shelf scavenger hunt will start that day. And stores throughout the Kern

River valley, we have 24 participants in that."

The event begins at 2pm. Overall said, "The small business Shop Hop starts in the afternoon and will be running until 8pm. Participating stores around Kernville and just the general Kern River Valley will be offering special sales in honor of Small Business Saturday for that event."

Chamber board member Jennifer Hanley explained the event. "We're offering the businesses to stay open. And if they're having any specials the chamber will definitely advertise them. Hopefully they'll be having a successful

small business Saturday," she said. "The chamber is doing the Elf on the Shelf. Those will be out."

The chamber is making the bingo cards for the Elf on the Shelf event available at the businesses. Hanley said, "We had to order many new elves. That's why we were a little late this year. We had to wait for the new elves to come in."

Once the bingo card is filled out completely, the chamber office gives out little stockings to those finishing, with little candies and prizes. The chamber will be entering participants in a Grand Prize drawing.

# KVHD ELECTION

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She later worked with the district managing activities and later admissions discharges. Elconin has been a chair for the board during this past year.

Blythe is looking forward to the priority of getting answers from FEMA and getting the construction project underway, the VA contract finalized, hopefully eventually bring back some surgery services if the volume can be sustained. "I think this coming year definitely has some priorities for the district to start working on again," he said.

Blythe, who has financial background in the film industry, said he appreciates assuring that the hospital finances remain stable and hopes for KVHD to build back up revenue stream especially in the Skilled Nursing Facility.

He said, "The two incumbents, Kathryn and Fred, I'm just happy to serve with them for another term. We've had a really productive relationship, all of us working together, on the same team. So I'm happy to serve with them again."

# WINDOWS

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school.

Each student team, who commissioned the windows, got permission from the teachers whose windows were painted, to do a design the teachers requested, for their individual classroom window.

One window was based on a Jewish holiday Hanukkah theme. Another teacher's window was a theme of, Let it Snow, with math symbols. One window design was a Snow Globes theme. One team of students made their Santa after Mr. Ziegler, their science teacher, who is a body builder. Another window the students did had a gnome elf theme.

Another window design at the front of the school offices was "Mighty Mustangs." Student Demian Rodriguez said, "It's inspiring our Mighty Mustang Program and the South Fork Mustang Community." That one took the kids two and a half days

to complete. And some students said they worked on clean up after school hours.

Students working on the project picked the colors and mixed the colors they used under the supervision of Miss Bunting.

Torrez said, "The kids took this last week and they went around and they finished painting all the windows. So it took us like two weeks to design it."

Students inquired how the teachers wanted their windows done. The kids drew up sketches on a template. Then the students drew the designs on the windows with chalk markers. Then students painted the windows in teams based on what they were taught about colors and artist tools and mediums. The kids mixed their own paints from primary colors. The painting itself took one week after the sketching was done.

Student Azrael Pena offered to carry the Kern Valley Sun news reporter's work bag all around the school, during the tour and photographs, a true gentleman.

Students said they had a

lot of fun doing the project. Students also said they enjoyed working as a team, and all got along well, during the process.

Torrez said, "We did those windows. And it was just a great experience. They really worked hard on them. I honestly thought they came out really well too. I was surprised about the amount of dedication they put in."

Torrez said she was hoping this holiday project would become an annual tradition.

When the boys painted the windows at the Superintendent's office, they stayed after school to do the work and were very specific about the borders and every detail.

Superintendent Dr. Rhodes said, "I think what I like the most is I like seeing the school spirit. And positive school spirit shows pride in school and pride in the community. The artistic work they're doing is fantastic. It's really great stuff. It's just exciting to see the kids have a good time and enjoying doing what they're doing and then reaping the rewards of what their work is."

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- SOLUTIONS ACROSS**
- 1. BEAM
  - 5. TABES
  - 10. TATE
  - 14. ALLO
  - 15. ABAMP
  - 16. AGED
  - 17. TEGU
  - 18. TINEA
  - 19. BRAD
  - 20. TAALS
  - 22. DAR
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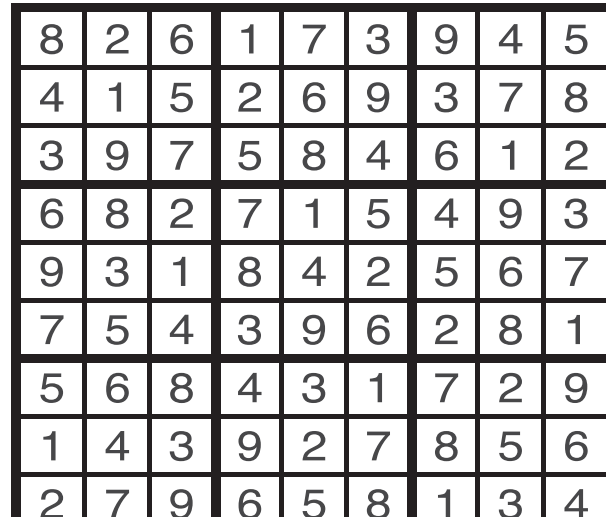
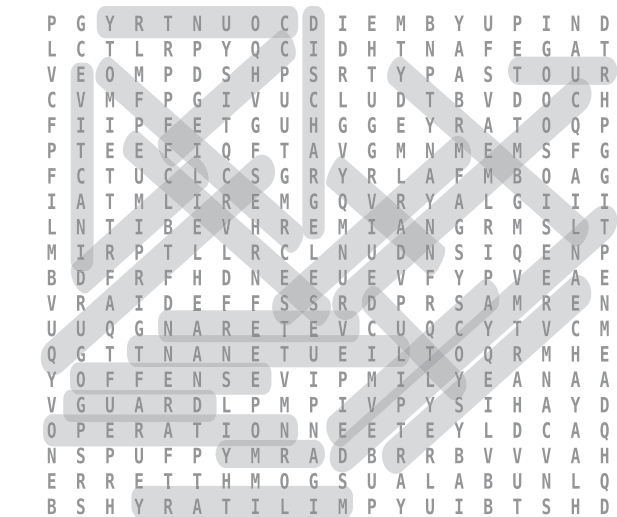
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- 38. MAIL
- 39. TORUS
- 40. MAS
- 41. SACCO
- 42. AMEN
- 43. POI
- 44. MACHOS
- 45. LAD
- 46. TED
- 47. RAG

- 48. ETA
- 49. SERENADES
- 52. TABLA
- 55. REC
- 56. SABER
- 60. OLEA
- 61. TAPED
- 63. BARI
- 64. MOAB
- 65. STOMA
- 66. IBIS
- 67. EELS
- 68. POSED
- 69. NECK

- SOLUTIONS DOWN**
- 1. BATT
  - 2. ELEA
  - 3. ALGA
  - 4. MOULD
  - 5. TAT
  - 6. ABIDER
  - 7. BANAL
  - 8. EMERITUS
  - 9. SPA
  - 10. TABIS
  - 11. AGRA
  - 12. TEAR
  - 13. EDDA
  - 21. SATES

- 23. TEE
- 25. TAD
- 26. NAB
- 27. TOTAL
- 28. AROMA
- 29. BARED
- 32. TACHE
- 33. PICOT
- 34. ALOSA
- 36. TUN
- 37. TAI
- 38. MAC
- 40. MODERATO
- 41. SAGES
- 43. PER

- 44. MAD
- 46. TEA
- 47. RACEME
- 49. SLABS
- 50. NEPOS
- 51. SABIN
- 52. TOME
- 53. ALOE
- 54. BEAL
- 57. BABE
- 58. ERIC
- 59. RISK
- 61. TSP
- 62. DAD



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This business was conducted by an INDIVIDUAL.

Abandoned on 10/24/2024

Signed: OLGALIDIA JONES, OWNER, 661-304-2597  
Aimee X. Espinoza,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: M. TORRALBA, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BARBARA ANN PORT  
Case # BPB-24-003315

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of: BARBARA ANN PORT  
**A Petition for Probate** has been filed by: DREW A. WALTERS in the Superior Court of California, County of KERN

The Petition for Probate requests that: DREW A. WALTERS 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:** 12/05/2024 at 8:30 A.M. in Dept. J-1 located at: 2100 College Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Superior Court of California, County of Kern. Probate Court.

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

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

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

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
ATTORNEY OF PETITIONER:  
KARRIE BUNTING, ESQ.  
5104 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD.  
STE. B  
LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240  
(760) 223-6026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 2024-B6484

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as

**DBA #1: HOUSEKEEPING &**

**LAUNDRY SERVICES**, 3701 SANTILLAN ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312, Kern County. Mailing Address: 3701 SANTILLAN ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: OLGALIDIA JONES; 3701 SANTILLAN ST., BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312  
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: (10/24/2029). The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code.).

Signed: OLGALIDIA JONES

This statement filed on:

10/24/2024

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: M. TORRALBA, Deputy Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 2024-B6538

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as

**DBA #1: SUMMITVR**, 2201 YOUNG AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 2201 YOUNG AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP: JARED DONALD DONOHO; 2201 YOUNG AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240 AND JOSHUA STEVEN JEFFREYS; 200 FUSSELL ST., BODFISH, CA 93205

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

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Signed: JARED DONOHO, 760-223-5375

This statement filed on:

10/29/2024

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: M. CEDENO, Deputy Clerk

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## SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (Aviso al Demandado): **JOHN R. COHAN; an individual; PATRICIA S. COHAN, an individual; DOROTHY M. CROXTON, an individual; ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, claiming any legal or equitable right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the property described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiffs' title, or any cloud on Plaintiffs' title thereto; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, Defendants.**

You are being sued by plaintiff: (Lo Está Demandando el Demandante): **Lesley McCleery, et al.**

CASE NUMBER (Numero del Caso):  
**BCV-24-100604**

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information

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at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su repuesta a tiempo, pueda perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es)

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN; 1415 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301**

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: **Rutger R. Parris, Esq.** (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es) **Bruce B. Paller, Esq., (SBN:189108)**  
1000 Town Center Drive #300, Oxnard, CA 93036  
TELEPHONE No.: 805-253-0448  
FAX No.: 805-654-9090

Date (Fecha): 09/06/2024

Clerk (Actuario) by: **Berenice Portes Gil, Deputy**

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF KERN  
CASE NUMBER  
BCV-24103309

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner, GABRIELLE ELIZABETH SALMON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: GABRIELLE ELIZABETH SALMON

Proposed Name: MAE RYDER LARSEN

2. 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: 12/10/2024  
TIME: 8:30 A.M.  
ADDRESS: 1215 TRUXTUN AVE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301, METRO JUSTICE

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3. A copy of this Order to Show 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 VALLEY SUN.

Dated: 10/03/2024  
By: GINA M. CERVANTES,  
Court Commissioner

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 2024-B6682

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as

**DBA #1: SUGARS BAKERY**, 6005 MULBERRY AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240 Kern County. Mailing Address: 6005 MULBERRY AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: ANGELINA MARIA BUSCHBACHER; 6005 MULBERRY AVE., LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 10/28/2024

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: (11/06/2029). The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code.).

Signed: ANGELINA MARIA BUSCHBACHER

This statement filed on:

11/06/2024

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: M. TORRALBA, Deputy Clerk

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The following describes goods: **household and miscellaneous** These goods are the lien property of the following tenants units: 18, 18A, 20, 33, 39, 49, 58, 68, 115, 124, 165, 180, 181, 183-D, 184-C, 184-D, 184-G, 193, 209, Jimmy Duncan, Mark Long, Richard Hall, James Hurley, Julie Jenkins, Michael Downey, Jennifer Quintana, Johnathan Locke, Gayle Whitlock-Tallon, Rick Whitlock, Larry Nickell, Robert Oliver, Anita Deminico, Nancy Cathey, Erroll Hill, Sean Quezada, Davin Maki

**Purchases must be paid for at the time of sale in CASH ONLY.** Items are sold as is, where is and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. **Downtown Storage and RV** reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel auction.

**Auction is to be held onsite,** Saturday, December 7th, at 9:00 AM

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## NOTICE OF LIEN SALES

**DAVE'S FLEET MAINTENANCE/TOWING LIEN SALE:** 18-SHENG LICENSE: NONE / CA VIN: LOVUDAH24J0120083 ENGINE: KB178MNS

TO BE SOLD AT 10:00 AM ON 12/10/2024

@ 1401 WASHINGTON ST BAKERSFIELD, CA

**H & S BODY WORKS & TOWING**

LIEN SALE: 20-HINO LICENSE: BIM19 / CO VIN: 5PVNE8JVL5S57937

TO BE SOLD AT 10:00 AM ON 12/10/2024

@ 314 CALIFORNIA AVE BAKERSFIELD, CA

**NOBLES TOWING LLC**

LIEN SALE: 13-FORD LICENSE: 7PAY990 / CA VIN: 3FA6P0H77DR310844

TO BE SOLD AT 10:00 AM ON 12/10/2024

@ 2201 WEDDING LN BAKERSFIELD, CA

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APN: 188-081-03-00 TS No: CA08000776-24-1 TO No: 240386675-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED April 16, 2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On December 18, 2024 at 10:00 AM, on the front steps of the City Hall South building at 1501 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on April 25, 2007 as Instrument No. 0207088419, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Kern County, California, executed by JUAQUIN VARGAS AND ABIGAIL VARGAS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF EXHIBIT "A" The East 75 Feet Of The West 100 Feet Of That Portion Of The Southwest 1/4 Of The Northwest 1/4 Of Section 6, Township 31 South, Range 29 East, Mount Diablo Base And Meridian, As Per Map Recorded November 20, 1946 In Book 5, Page 88 Of Maps, In The Office Of The County Recorder Of Said County, Described As Follows: Beginning At The Northwest Corner Of The Southwest 1/4 Of Northwest 1/4 Of Said Section; Thence North 89°50'31" East 396 Feet To The True Point Of Beginning For The Following Described Parcel Of Land; Thence From Said True Point Of Beginning South 0°01'30" East 166.33 Feet; Thence South 89°49'15" West 200 Feet; Thence North 0°01'30" West 166.30 Feet; More Or Less, To The North Line Of The Southwest 1/4 Of The Northwest 1/4 Of Said Section; Thence North 89°50'32" East 200 Feet To The True Point Of Beginning. Excepting Therefrom All Oil, Gas And Other Minerals Therein Or Thereunder. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8112 SCHOOL ST, LAMONT, CA 93241-1816 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$69,009.66 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on

this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may visit the Internet Website address [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com) or call Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000776-24-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com), using the file number assigned to this case CA08000776-24-1 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. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: November 1, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000776-24-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Loan Quema, Authorized Signatory QA INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com) FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0467329

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**Notice is given that undersigned intends**



# Happy Thanksgiving! From the Sun staff and these local merchants

## 13 gratifying Thanksgiving facts

1. American Thanksgiving is largely modeled on a 17th century harvest feast shared by the English settlers and the Wampanoag tribe.
2. Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving on the second Monday of October. It is based on European harvest festivals.
3. The National Turkey Federation says around 45 million turkeys will be eaten on Thanksgiving, which equates to about 720 million pounds of turkey being consumed (with the average turkey size being 16 pounds).
4. The Butterball hotline answers roughly 100,000 calls every year on its turkey question hotline.
5. In 1953, the Swanson company overestimated the number of frozen turkeys it would sell for the holiday season by 26 tons. Rather than waste the meat, Swanson sliced it up, repackaged it and created the first frozen TV dinners.
6. Thanksgiving in America may be older than many recognize. While Thanksgiving is largely tied to the 17th century settlers, the National Parks Service says in 1565 Spanish settlers in St. Augustine (now Florida) celebrated by having a meal to which they invited the native

Seloy tribe. The Spanish served pork stew, sea biscuits, red wine, and garbanzo beans. Some say the Seloy contributed turkey, venison and maize.

7. Thanksgiving didn't become a civic holiday until Abraham Lincoln made it one after the Civil War tragedy. Thanksgiving was declared a national holiday on October 20, 1864.

8. The Pilgrims did not refer to themselves as "pilgrims." They used the word "separatists" as they were separating themselves from a larger belief system.

9. In addition to Canada and the United States, Grenada, Liberia, the Philippines, Saint Lucia, and the Netherlands celebrate their own versions of Thanksgiving.

10. Each year, the American president "pardons" a turkey from slaughter on Thanksgiving. This tradition dates back to when Abraham Lincoln's son was upset that his family's turkey that was going to be killed for Thanksgiving dinner.

11. According to the U.S. Calorie Control Council (CCC), an average American may consume 4,500 calories and 229 grams of fat on Thanksgiving Day.

12. The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade is an annual tradition. People line the parade route in New York City or tune in to watch the parade on television. It originated in 1924 and the famed balloons were added in 1927.

13. Apple pie is the pie of choice for Thanksgiving, even though pumpkin pie is prevalent this time of year.

Warm Wishes at Thanksgiving

We will be closed for the holiday!

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## Lady Broncs run to fourth place in Division V CIF race

RAY CONNER

Being a force to reckon with all season, the Lady Broncs cross country team proved they were an elite bunch of runners by coming in fourth place at the CIF race. Two of the Kern Valley runners, succeed in running their best race of the year to help propel their team forward. As she has done most of the season, Aspen Hacker led the Lady Broncs with a strong second place finish. She crossed the line in a time of 19:40.48. Her season will continue as with her finish she advances to the CIF individual race. The top 20 runners will get the chance to run at the CIF State Meet. There were total of 61 runners in the girls' race. With eight teams being eligible for the team event, the Lady Broncs finished in the top half of the race. The Lady Broncs head coach Kenny Bushling said, "For the second straight year Aspen Hacker finished in second behind Clara Riddle from Immanuel Christian. Quite an accomplishment. Aspen has had quite a career for Kern Valley Cross Country. She never lost a league race and won several big invitationals during her two-year career. Aspen medaled at every invitational that she competed in over the last two seasons. I feel that it's safe to say that Aspen is the best Cross Country Lady Broncs runner in school history. Her second place this week qualified her for California's State meet. So, she continues on and will represent the Kern River Valley Community by running in the Div 5 State Championship this Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at Woodward Park in Fresno." Just missing out on advancing was Greta Boettcher. She came in 22nd with a time of 22:50.31. She was followed by Kyla Hacker in a time of 23:01.05 for a 24th spot. The two Lady Broncs to set Personal

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Aspen Hacker

Records (PR) in the race were Faith Kirby and Tabitha Cazares. Kirby ran the course in a time of 24:17.21 for 35th. Cazares crossed the line in a time of 25:25.75 for a 43rd place finish. Rounding out the Lady Broncs runners was Delilah McComas who was 61st in a time of 36:37.33. Turning to the boys' race, the Broncs runners were able to finish in the top 10. They recorded a 10th place in the CIF Division V race. There were 11 teams total running the team race. Within that, there were a total of 83 boys that ran the course. Logan Sampson was the top Broncs runner with a 34th place. His time was 19:59.78. Next to finish was Ethan Mauer. He was 46th in a time of 20:52.57. He was followed by Sebastian Stallone who was 57th in a time of 22:10.22. The next Kern Valley runner to cross the line was Angel Oliveras who was 66th in a time of 23:18.68.



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Dario Jones followed in 74th place in a time of 24:56.70. The final runner to cross the line for the Broncs was Matthew Leonez. He finished 79th in a time of 25:36.71. Commenting on the season Bushling said, "While for most, the season is over, both Kern Valley teams can take great pride in the success they had this year. The Woodward Park course is host to many national level events. Many top college and high school events are held at Woodward Park each year. The CIF State cross country meet will be held there November 30th. Having both a complete boys and girls team compete for Kern Valley hasn't occurred in

the last several years. Being able to field both teams at this level this year shows tremendous growth for the program. I'm extremely proud of the efforts of our runners and the growth they have made this season. They have worked incredibly hard all season and it showed with every meet they participated in. They have all been wonderful ambassadors of Kern Valley High School and have been outstanding representatives of the community." With just one athlete to compete in the CIF State Meet, it's fair to say that Kern Valley runners have put themselves in a position to have future success on all the cross country courses they run.



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## Large squad of Broncs wrestlers ready to take it to the mat

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley's boys wrestling team is preparing to get their season underway. With a huge contingent of athletes, this year's team is one of the largest in recent times.

With 22 wrestlers on the team, the Broncs have the ability to compete from within. In this way the team becomes stronger and the competition creates those wrestlers to be at their best on every occasion. This is a good situation for Wes Woody as the head coach of the Broncs squad. He has had the reins for the past 16 years as the head coach, and a total of 17 years as a wrestling coach. He has a familiar assistant as Frank Woody will help out.

With 22 wrestlers on the Broncs team, it is a young team as they only return four wrestlers from last year's squad. Blake Baughman, Charles Schmeisser, Andrew Miller, and Troy Valenzuela come back to lead the inexperi-

enced team of Broncs wrestlers. These young gentlemen will play a huge part in getting the younger athletes up to speed in the game of high school wrestling.

W. Woody has a goal in mind, and knows how he plans to implement this goal into reality. With a large squad, the inexperience level is at an all-time high. The coach's goal this season is to allow the younger kids to gain experience using the trial by error method. Woody sharing the goal said, "To gain experience for the younger kids and have a full lineup which we haven't had in many years." He plans to get there making the kids work hard and prove themselves ready to compete. With the help of the returners leading by example, the team is already gaining improvement at the start. Woody said, "Hard work from the kids and dedication to the sports along with the returners guiding the younger inexperienced kids." This will be how he attains the goal for his squad.

The non-league portion of the schedule will

feature limited duals, but plenty of tournaments for the team to build their confidence on the mat. This will be a quick hands-on experience to create the team that will battle throughout the year. Woody on the non-league said, "We have many tournaments to get better and a non-league dual to get mat time for the kids to build their skill and confidence as we go throughout the year.

This leads the Broncs into league competition. While the HDL is small at this point, three teams only, the wanting to be the best team in league is the plan for the Broncs. Bishop and Desert, along with Kern Valley are the three teams competing in league. Woody speaking about the HDL said, "Kern Valley and Bishop, although Desert will have a team again for the first time in many years."

Woody sees the strength of his squad in the way all the core players want to succeed and within that push the other athletes looking for the improvement each time they compete. Woody said, "it's a good core group that wants

to get better and push each other." Turning the page, the areas that Woody sees to work on are getting his team on the mats to gain experience. In the game of wrestling, experience goes a long way in building the competitive spirit. Woody said, "They need experience with many new faces, but they are willing to put in the work." To wrap up the preview, Woody said in his closing thoughts, "This will be one of the biggest teams we have had in many years and we look forward to the chance to get out there and compete. We will have competition at many of the weights for the top spot which creates growth in the team."

When the Broncs get ready to compete, with a full line up, that will prove to make an impact on their opponents. This crop of Kern Valley athletes will have to 'wrestle' with learning on the go and gaining improvement every time they take face off with an opponent.

## Lady Broncs wrestling team returns six to begin season

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley girls wrestling team is ready to take to the mat. Gearing up for the season, the Lady Broncs return six wrestlers.

Fourth-year head coach Angel Anderson will guide the charges. The Lady Broncs have 12 wrestlers on the squad this season led by the six returners. There are three seniors, four juniors, one sophomore, and four freshmen. Coming back to take to the mats are seniors, Ashley Denys Espinoza, Karla Lozano, and Megan Abbott. A pair of juniors that will return are Lillian Ministero and Summer Santos. The final returner is the lone sophomore on the team, Reiss Ritchison. New to the team are juniors Rebekah Harwell and Taylor Beam. The four freshmen that will round out the squad

are Annmarie Champers, Keira Hayes, Naomi Tapia Mendoza, and Bobbie Pruitt.

The goal for the Lady Broncs this year according to the coach are to grow as a wrestler, try to stay injury free. Anderson said when asked what the goal as a coach this season said, "Keep all the girls safe, healthy, and a constate state of improving." The coach plans to attain this goal by putting in the work and making sure to stay available for her charges. The coach said, "To continue to work with them every day and provide support when needed."

The non-league is where the Lady Broncs will gain valuable mat time and to see where they are at versus opponents. Limited individual matches, but plenty of tournaments will give this team the chance to gather experience for the future. Anderson commenting about

the non-league said, "Watching the girls evolve not only in the sport but physically and mentally."

The HDL isn't really a league as currently there are just two teams. Bishop and Kern Valley will battle for bragging rights when it comes to the league. There are other possibilities, but only time will tell if the HDL will add another girls team. The coach said, "We really only have Bishop; this year we are hoping to have Desert join the league. Tehachapi isn't in our league but we have two duels together this year."

Looking inward to the strengths of the squad, the theme for the year is team equals family. Anderson said, "They are like a family. They stand together and support one another as if they were really sisters. That's the best thing about coaching this sport." On the flip

side, areas that need work for the team are at this point are a work in progress. The head coach said, "It's too early to tell, but there is always room for improvement. Maybe getting my girls more comfortable taking shots on their opponents."

The closing thoughts from Anderson about the upcoming season. The coach said, "I've been really blessed with the girls that come out for this sport, working with teenagers (girls especially) has its challenges but they are such a great group, it really doesn't feel like a 'job'."

As the wrestling season gets underway, the Lady Broncs seem to be off to a good start. A coach that wants them to do well, and the girls desire to become a family as they move forward. That looks like a good combination and the right path to possible success.

## South Fork Middle School holds Turkey Knockout

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

South Fork Middle School took their pre-Thanksgiving athletics very seriously this past Friday, November 22.

The school's athletic director, Teddie Anzaldo was the one organizing this event. She really loves to make things fun for students over at the school. Anzaldo said, "We play knockout. Each kid plays. We have three rounds. So they have to make it to the final round. And then in the final round if they're the winner they get to take home a frozen turkey to help their family. And this is our third year doing it." Teacher Mindi Young told the Kern Valley Sun, "It's a competition Teddie Anzaldo holds every year. Students play knockout against each other."

Melissa Beury, office personnel at South

Fork Middle School, was definitely into the spirit of the holidays. She was happy that the school was decorated in harvest style and Christmas all around campus. She said Mountain Vista Market donated turkeys for the Turkey Knock Out Day, in the PE classes.

Superintendent Dr. Rhodes had comments as well. He said, "A lot of appreciation to Teddie Anzaldo as she's doing the Turkey Shoot. And the kids are really excited about possibly bringing that turkey home to help with that Thanksgiving dinner. And that's a fun thing to do too as well. It's a lot of fun to see everyone in the holiday spirit. And we're looking forward to having a week off and getting back at it again."

Rhodes said the Christmas program at South Fork is December 20, 9am to 11am, just before Christmas break.



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# Varsity Lady Broncs open season with win over Mira Monte

## Kern Valley smothers Lady Lions 63-36

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley varsity girls' basketball team started the season with a strong performance on their home court. Taking on the Lady Lions of Mira Monte, the final score was 63-36.

The offense did its part and the defense locked down their opponent. The Lady Broncs broke from the gate by opening up a 10-point margin early in the contest. Jessie Bunting had the hot hand early as she scored all 11 points for Kern Valley. When the horn sounded to end the first period, the Lady Broncs had a 23-10 cushion. The trend would continue into the second. Upping the defensive pressure, Kern Valley held the Lady Lions scoreless. The offense continued to pour in the points as they finished with 14 to put the score at 37-10 when the two teams went to intermission.

Coming out of the break, the Lady Broncs kept up the defensive pressure that limited Mira Monte's scoring opportunities. Creating turnovers, Kern Valley converted them into points as the scoreboard kept ringing. With the score sitting at 46-10, the Lady Lions tried to make a comeback as they outscored Kern Valley 14-5 down the stretch to close the gap to 52-24 at the end of the third.

The fourth was the same as the Lady Broncs stayed in control and were able to push back

the rally attempt. The two teams stayed close in scoring in the fourth. Mira Monte added 12 points to their total, while the Lady Broncs scored 11 points. When the buzzer sounded to end the game. The final score read 63-36 for Kern Valley.

It was a total team effort as every member of the Lady Broncs team was able to put points on the scoreboard. They also had two players come away with double-doubles in the contest. Jessie Bunting in scoring with 24 points. She completed her double-double by pulling down 12 rebounds. Jayda Bushling put in 14 points and collected 11 steals for her double-double on the night.

Leenah Troller added six points, while Jade Montes finished with four points. Naomi Tapia and Scarlett Russell each had three points for the Lady Broncs. Elli Jeans, Ava Elliott, Emmalyn Bechtel, and McKayla Bachman scored two points apiece in the game. Ashley Plante rounded out the scoring with a made free throw for her lone point. Bushling led the team in assists with four. Elliott dished out three assists for Kern Valley.

On the boards, Troller and Elliott followed Bunting by grabbing eight rebounds. Bushling pulled down six boards, while Russell and Montes each were credited with five rebounds. Plante and Bechtel grabbed four rebounds, while Tapia and Jeans had three boards apiece.

Continuing the defense, Elliot recorded eight steals. Bechtel had four steals, while Troller collected three steals. Jeans took away two steals from her opponent and Plante had one.

Kern Valley head coach Bill Gallis commenting on the game said, "It was great to be back and, on the court, to start another campaign. This year's team has experience and youth, which should make for an exciting season. I knew the girls would be a little nervous coming out of the block, but we continued to keep up the pressure and worked through our nerves throughout the game. We had a lot of outstanding performances tonight, and I liked how we were able to rotate players constantly to stay fresh. Our starters set the tone tonight, and our role players were able to come in and continue to keep the pace up. I was very pleased with how we got to the free-throw line and made a majority of our free shots. I'm really looking forward to seeing this team grow and mesh together. It definitely was a good start, and now we just need to keep getting better each week."



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Elliott had this to say about her teammates, "I'm really excited to be playing with this new team and can't wait to see how the rest of the season unfolds!" Teammate Bunting said, "We played really well, and I'm excited to see what this team can achieve for the rest of the season!"

The Lady Broncs competed in the Summit Tournament this past Monday through today. They take on Mammoth on the road Dec. 2.

# JV girls basketball squad starts season with a 35-16 victory

RAY CONNER

The Kern Valley JV basketball team rolled to a 35-16 win to begin their season. They dominated their Mira Monte opponent in a home match up.

Kern Valley took control from the tip off and never looked back. They began the game with a 13-point first quarter to open a huge lead in the game. The Lady Broncs defense shut down Mira Monte, limiting them to three points in

the initial quarter. Kern Valley used balanced scoring to create their lead. Six players on the Lady Broncs were able to chip in points. The trend continued for Kern Valley as the offense was able to add points to the total. The defense also made their mark as they stuffed the Lady Lions. They allowed just four points to be scored as they took the 21-7 cushion to the locker room at the half.

Coming out of the break, Mira Monte was able to keep it close as the two teams managed to score 14 points total. The Lady Broncs added eight more points to the scoreboard, while

Mira Monte scored six. With the home town scoreboard reading 29-13 the third quarter came to an end. The fourth was another quality defensive masterpiece by the Lady Broncs. They held Mira Monte scoreless to finish up the game and collect the victory. The margin of victory could have been much higher, but Kern Valley struggled at the free-throw line. As a team, the Lady Broncs got to the line 26 times. They were only able to make nine of those for a shooting percentage of 35 percent.

Leading the way for the Lady Broncs was Millie Bustamonte. She led her team in scoring

with 11 points. Sam Ruiz followed with nine points, while Amber McAhren added four points. Taylor Kristy contributed three points, while Kaylee Ellis, Hazel Kiosef, and Payton Mental scored two points apiece. Zoe Perfect and Brooke Gibson rounded out the scoring for Kern Valley with one point each.

Note: No other stats were made available for this game. Kern Valley will now have quite the layoff as they will not play again until Dec. 2 when they go on the road to take on Mammoth.

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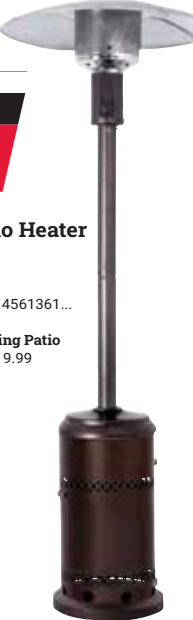
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