Wednesday, February 12, 2025

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The Pendleton Whisky Wild West Daze Rodeo will be held at the John E. McNally Arena, February 15 and 16. This year's rodeo plans to honor local cowboy hero, Tony Cain, a real star 'round these parts.

# Whiskey Flat mayor candidate team Angels Roost Gang competitive to the end

The Whiskey Flat mayor candidate team, Angels Roost Gang was busy promoting their mayoral campaign at the Kern Valley Exchange Club, Thursday February 6, at Paradise Cove Lodge. Bronson Slaughter, known as the "Kern River Kid" made a plea for support at the luncheon, along with Pete Tebow, known as "Peacemaker Pete."

### Whiskey Flat mayor campaign Chuckwagon Ochoa's dinner

The Whiskey Flat mayor campaign Team Chuckwagon Ochoa's really raked in a huge crowd Saturday night, February 8, with a line at the door, of the Masonic Lodge in Kernville. The Spaghetti Dinner and Auction fundraiser also had big support from businesses and nonprofits.

### Pres. Buffalo resigns from KRVAA

It was about two weeks ago when Christopher Buffalo Folsom handed his letter of resignation, from his presidency, to the Kern River Valley Art Association (KRVAA.)

### Art association holds membership meeting

Board member Gary Contreras told the Kern Valley Sun, on Saturday February 8, about the recent Annual Membership Meeting of the Kern River Valley Art Association, early last week. The meeting included the goals of the association and its financial standing.

### Kern Valley varsity girls let one get away

The Lady Broncs varsity girls' team had a chance to take the crown on Friday night as they entertained Rosamond. The Lady Roadrunners were the only ones to put a blemish on Kern Valley's HDL mark.

### Broncs varsity scaled Frazier Mountain 81-26

The lop-sided score was a welcome relief to Kern Valley's varsity basketball squad. This was a game where the team was able to showcase what the future might look like.

# Visit Kernville Whiskey Flat weekend

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The 68th Annual Whiskey Flat Days is sure to be a treat this year, February 14-17, President's Day Weekend, in Kernville, with a Rhinestones & Wranglers theme.

The Kernville Chamber of Commerce has worked long and hard at planning and organizing to make sure the events do please this year.

The Friday schedule of events include the opening of the Whiskey Flat Encampment at 11am. The Whiskey Flat Encampment features a reenactment, which gives the feel of the history of Whiskey Flat, how civilization existed in the mid to late 1800s.

Following its opening, vendors are featured at Circle Park at 1pm in Downtown Kernville. After that, at 3pm you'll see an array of carnival happenings when the Schoeppner Carnival opens on riverside Drive, not far from Circle Park, allowing visitors to enjoy both the vendors and carnival on the same afternoon. That evening there will be a line dancing demonstration so you folks, who want to enjoy Valentine's Day into the evening can

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COURTESY OF MIKE WOODWARD FOUNDER PRODUCER OF WHISKEY FLAT ENCAMPMENT

# Cemetery trustees discuss Whiskey Flat tours, meeting times, auction

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The cemetery district board of trustees met Tuesday, February 4, in a special meeting to amend its regular meeting time and pay scale, to discuss its vehicle auction, and to talk about the new Whiskey Flat Days tours of the Old Cemetery, President's Day

Weeken

The Kern River Valley Historical Society plans on conducting historical tours at the Old Cemetery. Times of the tours are Saturday, February 15 at 1pm, with a second tour at 3pm, and another two will be held Sunday, February 16, with one tour at 11am and another at 1pm.

The cemetery district board of trustees voted to amend its bylaws so

that the board could move its regular meeting time to the second Tuesday of each month at 9am. The reason for this change was a conflict of schedules. Trustees Kat Barnum, Kathy Agapiou and Mike Ryan all agreed on this vote. Trustee Esteban Olivares was not present during this particular meeting.

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CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

FFA teens prepared and handed out tri tip orders.

### FFA students raise money for conference

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Kern Valley Future Farmers of America (FFA) has been doing some serious fund raising. The organization's annual Drive Through BBQ fundraiser, Friday February 7, at the Ag Farm was no exception.

This group of students and their teachers worked very hard to make it happen. The officer team planned this event with teacher Mrs. Maddie Edwards, who oversaw the majority of the organizing, for this event, which took at least a month to plan and organize. The team working on this year's BBQ had a lot of last minute orders the same week.

FFA student member Payton Forbes said, "Right now we're doing the Drive Through BBQ. We put together a drive through to raise money for our FFA students.

Our main purpose of the fund raiser, is for state conference, and to help all of our kids go to state conference because it's one of our best field trips."

Teacher and advisor for FFA, Makaylah Isais told the Kern Valley Sun how important this fundraiser is to the teens and learning leadership skills. She said, "State Conference registration costs \$175 per student, and that's just the registration alone, and not including hotels, food, travel costs, all of that. And so this helps balance out the costs, so the kids don't have so

much coming out of pocket and can afford it."

The California FFA State Conference, which the teens plan to attend, will be held in Sacramento this year, just as it was last year. The location is usually in the same place for two years in a row before the conference moves to another California location. Every single FFA chapter, all across the state, meets together to participate in leadership workshops and big ceremonies recognizing the hard work of FFA students, throughout the year.

This year, the FFA students prepared and sold 86 total dinners at the FFA Drive Through BBQ fundraiser, and prepared and sold 59 individual Tri Tips.



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Both women work in the transportation division with public works.

All throughout the month of March is a comment period. Therein all locals may voice their opinions regarding their needs for better bus routes, times, days, or locations, to meet transportation needs within the community of Kern Valley.

"This is a meeting that we do every other year in person. And then, on the off year, we do a virtual meeting down in Bakersfield, and people can log on," Willis said.

According to Willis routes within the county's system are based on ridership needs because there has to be enough riders to justify adding a route. "Basically we're here to solicit from the community comments about what transit needs the public has that are unmet." Willis said.

Willis also explained that these annual meetings are requirements of her department's Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding, from the State of California, so the state and Kern County can get input from the

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Public Works Manager Angela Willis (left) and Planner Jessica Garcia (right) of Kern Transit.

public. The Kern Transit Department does have criteria to be met in order to add any services, to determine whether it's an effective change, the bus system

During the meeting the press asked about routes to the community college and the university. There is a bus route from Vons, in Lake Isabella, to Bakersfield Community College before the bus route heads down town. To get to Cal State University at Bakersfield, a person can transfer from down town Bakersfield, directly to the university campus.

The transportation department Isabella to Kernville, and back, There are timed stops where the bus stops, no matter what, and other stops along the 155, where the bus will pull over for people, at any of ten stops, if people are waiting and even if there's not a

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Kern Transit makes a medical Dial a Ride available in Bakersfield. So once a rider gets downtown, the dial a ride would pick the person up, and bring them to any doctor's appointment, so long as the rider has scheduled the

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the realistic swim of a lure designed to imitate a baitfish, the right lure can make all the difference in enticing a strike. Additionally, their versatility allows anglers to adapt their technique to different water conditions and fish species, enhancing the overall fishing experience. Many species of fish, par-

ticularly catfish, are drawn to lures that are equipped with bait on the hooks. The lure itself produces enticing noises and vibrations in the water, which help to catch the attention of the catfish. Meanwhile, the bait

releases a scent that travels through the water, guiding the catfish to the hook. This combination of sensory stimuli-sound, vibration, and scent—makes lures especially effective for attracting catfish during fishing outings. Understanding these elements can significantly enhance the chances of a successful catch.

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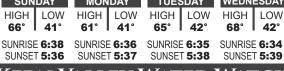
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Hello, Kern River Valley! As the new President of the Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce, I would like you to know that the current acting board and past president are working hard on our upcoming events, and also looking at even more ways we can serve our Chamber members. We are trying to be mindful of our members' needs and to support them in their endeavors as we navigate the current economy. We just had a

wildly successful and fun night for Bingo Bonanza. Thank you to everyone who comes out to play and to our amazing donors and sponsors for the prizes. We sell out at every event, so make sure you check the community calendar, Chamber Facebook page, or website for the next Bingo date. We are gearing up for another season of Flags Along the Boulevard, and of course, the Fishing Derby is coming up. Fred Clark is the chair of the Fishing Derby, and he and his team work nearly year-round to make this event happen. It is very easy to register online: go to https://www.kernrivervalley.com/isabellalakefishingderby where you will find all things DERBY. Early Bird registration closes March 26, so don't wait to register. We hope to see you April 12-14 having fun and catching lots of fish!

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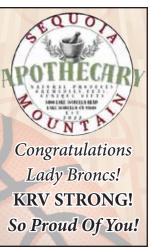




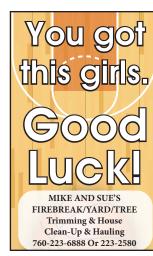














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### CEMETERY

The board voted for allocations to the budget. Chairman Ryan stated, regarding

the district financials, "The budget, that was laid out, was iaid out in advance. And there's been expenditures that weren't foreseen in that budget. So the recommendation is for the allocations. We need to make a motion so

that they're legally brought into the budget." Barnum motioned for the vote. Agapiou seconded the vote. The trustees all voted in agreement to pass this motion.

The third thing the district voted on was that the compensation, of the trustees for meetings, would be increased, and it was also increased for special meetings.

All three trustees voted in agreement on the issue.

District manager Orion Sanders told the board of trustees that the district sold the tractor the district auctioned, for \$3901, because the bidder bid one dollar over. The truck they were still auctioning had an offer of \$1100. The district was waiting to see if the bidder followed through on the purchase. The district was still selling, by bid, the Ford Escape. Ryan asked Sanders if the district could put the vehicle out, with a for sale sign on the boulevard. Sanders said that the vehicle has to go through a bid process because it is government property. The district can lower the bid if it chooses to. Because the board already voted to sell the vehicle, the district did not need for the board to vote to lower the auction selling The district found an

account that was a deferred

maintenance account, which had \$30,000 in it. The district planned on moving the money back into the general account because it was never used for that purpose.

Sanders reminded the board that the district needed to work on finding a new truck. Sanders was looking into whether the county has a way to purchase a vehicle at a better price. Sanders thought they could probably use that \$30,000 toward the purchase of a new truck for the district for hauling debris and branches off the cemetery. The \$30,000 was originally money for a FEMA project the district wanted to do in 2017. But it was never used for the project. Since it came out of the general fund, administrator John Blythe was looking into whether or not the district could move the money back into the general fund. Sanders said he had been

using his own personal vehicle for hauling but it had been getting repaired.

Sanders had an interview

with a person to hire for a finance position with the district, and once the position is filled the district was planning to decrease Blythe's work in

that role. The district has been clearing the old cemetery site, for the Whiskey Flat Days tours, of the historical section, which the Kern River Valley Historical Society would be conducting. During clean up, at the cemetery, the team found the parts of nine sitting benches to repair and kits for some other benches that the district never used. So Sanders said the district plans to put some benches, at the old cemetery that employees plan to chain down preventing theft, and enabling seating for visitors

The grounds keeper Reno Shadden has been trimming trees on the cemetery grounds. Sanders said some things were in such disrepair, before Shadden and Sanders were hired because of the lack of continual maintenance. Sanders said putting off repairs causes it to cost more money, in the long run. If the district had kept up with repairs all along, the district wouldn't have had to pay as much. And Sanders said even with the district's financial audits, it ended up costing more, because they were put Both Trustee Agapiou

and Chair Ryan expressed appreciation for the work that has been done. Ryan said the public has been complimenting the work, which the team at the district has done, and the pride the team has taken in fulfilling its responsibility at the cemetery. Sanders said he appreciates

the compliments but is also happy to listen to positive and constructive criticism that the district can use to improve

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 11, at 9am.

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### **Kern Community Foundation** offers farmworker grants

**CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** 

Director of Community Impact, Fatima Tulfo, sent a press release to the Kern Valley Sun regarding an announcement. Therein the Kern Community Foundation's president and CEO, Aaron Falk announced February 4, that the foundation was offering a total of \$100,000 worth of grant money for 2025, to those eligible nonprofit organizations, for supporting unemployed and employed farmworkers.

Organizations may request up to \$50,000 in funding.

Each organization, which seeks funding, is required to have a presence in Kern County and be

supportive to farmworkers, They must also meet the qualification expectations of Kern Community Foundation. To submit a Letter of Intent, please see www.kernfoundation.org/grants. The nonprofit enterprise Kern Community

Foundation has a simple mission: "Growing Community. Growing Philanthropy." For more than two decades the foundation has been serving as a charitable resource of donors and corporations in order to generate capital for philanthropic solutions. The motive is to make Kern County better. Since its establishment the foundation has awarded nearly \$30 million in grants and scholarships. For more information please see kernfoundation.org.

#### WHISKEY FLAT

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make it a special date for your honey, remaining for the Whiskey Flat Days Street Dance, with a DJ featured for dancing until 8pm. At 5pm the same night there will be an Iron Horse Rodeo.

Saturday's schedule will include Kernville's Annual Wild West Daze Rodeo; vendors in Circle Park as early as 9am, a Whiskey Flat Days Parade throughout downtown at 10am, and the carnival opening at 12pm; a live music performance by The Rivals band from 12pm to 2pm and the Annual Wild West Daze Rodeo at 12pm. That day the Whiskey Flat Encampment will open at 1pm. An Old West Shootout will be entertainment in the AltaOne contest area at 2:15 and again at 3:15. At 2:30 another free Line Dancing class

will begin at the Thomas Refuse Service Stage. Live music will run from 3pm to 5pm, performed by

You may appreciate Sunday's Whiskey Flat Encampment opening at 8am because there will be a an

Old West Church Service not long after, at 10am, an annual tradition that

Whiskey Flat encampment founder Mike Woodward has always been happy to share. After bringing the kiddies to church, if you choose to, consider visiting vendors which will be open by 10am as well as the carnival. The Pet Parade will be a real draw at 11am that day and a Costume Contest immediately following at 11:30. By 12pm Sunday the Wild West Daze Rodeo gates will open and a whiskereno Contest at 12:00pm and Fiddle Contest at 12:30. Again there will be a free Line Dancing class at 1:30, live

Angels Roost from 2pm to 4pm and Old West Shootouts at 2:15 and 3:15. And then the moment all have been waiting for, the announcement for the winner of the Whiskey Flat mayor race at 4pm. Which candidate team do you think will win?

Don't forget to visit the Kern River Valley Historical Society, which will be holding tours of the Old Cemetery during the weekend. Make your reservations for the weekend's rodeos at https://www. officialwhiskeyflatdays.com/

#### TRANSIT

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Local longtime resident Chris Zuber asked if Kern Transit has a sense about who was using the bus services. Willis told him that Kern Transit has demographics about the dial a ride, that picks people up at their door, and brings them places and back in town. Since COVID their overall ridership has decreased.

Kern Transit has several East Kern routes and routes to Frazier Park and many other urban areas.

Zuber said that, from his previous experience, he thought there weren't enough timed stops from the 227 Route, from Onyx into Lake Isabella. Willis said that there were more stops listed on their site, which was not listed in their printed pamphlets, for the 227 Route, and some were untimed stops. On the Kern Transit website, from Walker Pass and Onyx, the department has several stops, and six in Weldon, before getting to South Lake.

Zuber noted that a person could buy a number of Dial a Rides for less than \$30 a month. Willis said if a person is doing

more than just the local routes, they could get a bus pass that covers both Dial a Ride, and other routes. Zuber said some people don't have cell phone service making the apps the

transit department covers less convenient. Garcia said that there are apps one can access via computer. Willis said the department should take that factor into consideration for people who don't have computers or phones. This report is due to the county

in April, therefore those needing to make an unmet needs report, to the Kern Transit department could tell the department before then.

There is also an app called Trip Planner to plan bus trips for anyone unfamiliar with the areas. If a person needs help planning a route they can call the department (800) 323-2396 or (661) 862-5032.

Willis pointed out that a person who can't afford car insurance, and a car, can make better use of the bus system. Purchasers can buy a pass, via credit card, and the purchase can be texted to access the pass on the phone, as an electronic pass.

Willis said the department has options for sending passes or fixed pass options for nonprofits to use to award those needing a bus pass for transportation needs.

When there's an evacuation in the area, you can call a number provided on the evacuation text notice to attain a ride to the shelter. "We evacuated, from here, 16 or 17 people to Ridgecrest (During the fire). But the Sheriff managed a lot of the evacuations. We can transport them with an oxygen tank." Willis said. The Kern Transit system does training to prepare for such emergencies. A bed bound person with medical equipment may need emergency medical assistance for an evacuation depending on the situation.

Willis said Kern Transit does not foresee the county cutting services to the valley in the near future.

The cutoff date to comment on unmet needs to the Kern Transit department is April 30, according to Garcia.

To comment about unmet needs write to Kern Transit at Transit@ KernCounty.com their Dispatch 800 number will not take the input for these reports. People can submit unmet needs online and take an email survey. If you have any questions for Willis and Garcia please call the Public Works office at (661) 862-5032.

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### Whiskey Wild West Daze Rodeo to honor Tony Cain

CATHERINE STACHOWIAK

The Pendleton Whisky Wild West Daze Rodeo will be held at the John E. McNally Arena, February 15 and 16. This year's rodeo plans to honor local cowboy hero, Tony Cain, a real star 'round these parts.

According to Valerie Stone, of the Kernville Chamber of Commerce, Cain was born into the cowboy life style. He began by saddling up, at just five years of age, to help his dad on a Shetland pony at the Twisselman

Cain became hooked on riding and thereafter got his start in Junior Rodeo, riding steers before moving onto other things like bulls, team roping, and calf roping.

Cain's professional prowess began at the San Emidio Ranch, where he worked as a cowboy. Cain moved on to the MU Ranch

and worked for the Rudnick family. The Onyx Ranch in the Kern River Valley, became the Cain family's home in 1983. Cain also worked with the Sprague and Hafenfeld Ranches, earning his reputation as an exceptional cowboy.

Cain first attended the Whiskey Flat Rodeo in 1983, which was where his long-standing friendship with rodeo legend, Cotton Rosser launched, and Cain became a regular and a helper at the event.

Cain was a young man of 20 when he began his work with Johnny McNally at the arena. Cain's cumulative memories, with Johnny McNally, as announcer, span at least four decades. Along the way, he has won the Bell Calf

Roping for 10 years straight, and earned first-place team roping buckles, in the years 1987 and 2003. In 2008 Cain started Kern Valley Live-

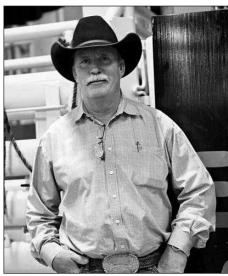
stock with his partners. Together they bred and raised world-class rodeo stock. A few of their bucking bulls were well known in the rodeo world including "Rio Bravo", "White Blanket", and "Big Naughty" who bucked at PBR events and PRCA rodeos. Cain won the first-place ribbon on his favorite roping horse. On a personal note, Cain once saved a

baby from a 2,000-pound bull, roping the large animal before it had the chance to charge through the cables. Tony has been married to his lovely wife Karen for 40 The event is sure to please, presented

by Grocery Outlet bargain market, and

sponsored by Boot Barn, AltaOne, Flying U Rodeo, Applied Technology, Destiny Real Tickets may be purchased at officialwhis-

keyflatdays.com



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Legendary rodeo hero, cowboy star, Tony Cain

#### Whiskey Flat mayor candidate team Angels Roost Gang competitive to the end raising money for, the **CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** real money's in politics



Kern River Kid (left), President of the Exchange Club Fred Roach

and Peacemaker Pete (right)

The Whiskey Flat mayor candidate team, Angels Roost Gang was busy promoting their mayoral campaign at the Kern Valley Exchange Club, Thursday February 6, at Paradise Cove Lodge. Bronson Slaughter, known as the "Kern River Kid" made a plea for support at the luncheon, along with Pete Tebow, known as "Peacemaker Pete."

The team came to plug the cause, which they're

Revive the Rodeo Grounds, which they hope will revive the economy of Kernville. "We used to have eight rodeos a year," Slaughter said, "We'd like to bring all that back. It's no secret Kernville has been looking for their next Whiskey Flat Days since at least I've been born. I was raised up here since 1991 in Riverkern. That's why I'm called the Kern River Kid because I haven't lived anywhere else but the Kern River."

Kern River Kid, Bronson

Slaughter, proposed that the rodeos are really the true identity of the Kern Valley. "If we bring all that back, and we can have Kernville embrace who we actually are, which is a rafting and a cowboy town, I think the entire valley can be profitable from this," he said. He also noted that the

seek accommodations and eateries, which would bring more into the economy. "Pete's been selling

rodeos attract spectators that

bribes," Kern River Kid said. "So we figured the where the real criminals are The guys have been sell-

ing tee shirts, and sponsor space for the tees, to be sold year round, and banner space for the bleachers at the Rodeo Grounds in Kernville.

Tebow said, "The other things we're going to try and do at the Rodeo Grounds, something near and dear to our hearts, music concerts. There's a lot of events that we can put on

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#### Whiskey Flat mayor campaign Chuckwagon Ochoa's rakes in at dinner assist them in feeding the so thankful." **CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** ty, from people who custom

campaign Team Chuckwagon Ochoa's really raked in a huge crowd Saturday night, February 8, with a line at the door, of the Masonic Lodge in Kernville. The Spaghetti Dinner and Auction fundraiser also had big support from businesses and nonprofits. The Ochoa's are rais-

The Whiskey Flat mayor

ing money for the local Salvation Army. They have stressed the fact that all the money they raise will stay within the community to

1,000 people they feed each month in the Kern Valley. A huge goal the team has had, within their attempt to help the underserved, was to attain a more reliable vehicle they need to deliver food. Yolanda Ochoa, also known as "Yeehaw Yolanda" and her daughter Destinee Ochoa, also known as "Desperado Destinee" have been pounding the pavement, so to speak, to obtain their ultimate goal, however "We are here today for

our Spaghetti Dinner and Auction, with so much going on. We have a



(left to right) Yeehaw Yolanda, Desperado Destinee and campaign

tremendous amount of help

from Cheryl's Diner, From Pizza Barn, from Deputy Doug and River Rat Ryan.

manager Kathy Liske

Our baskets today, all of our auction items, so many great things were donated

from around our communi-

made things and put things together for us. The Masonic giving us this place, and helping us out today, has helped us out so much I don't know if I could ever say enough thank yous,' Kathy Liske the team's

campaign manager, and family member said.

rilla Sue here today; we're coming down to the end of the journey. It has been a wild ride for sure but it has meeting, the friendships you're making. I could not

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Auctioneer for the

evening was Rip Roarin' Randy Fieber for the event. According to Sidewinder Sandi he came from humble beginnings and here he was the star of the show.

known as "Sidewinder in the kitchen and said, let us do these Spaghetti

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#### KERN VALLEY SUN LEGAL NOTICES

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** FILE NO. 2025-B0298

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

DBĂ #1: RAPID AUTO REGIS-TRATION, 6445 LAKE ISABELLA BOULEVARD, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240, Kern County. Mailing Address: 6445 LAKE ISABELLA BOULEVARD, LAKE ISABELLA, CA 93240

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL: TAYLOR ANN DIEFENDERFER; 6445 LAKE ISABELLA BOULÉVARD, 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: (01/15/2030). 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: TAYLOR ANN DIEFEN-

This statement filed on: 01/15/2025 AIMEE X. ESPINOZA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

DERFER, 760-549-9753

By: M. HERNANDEZ, Deputy (Pub SUN 01/29, 02/05, 02/12, 02/19/2025)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERI-

OR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF KERN** CASE NUMBER BCV-24-104502 TO ALL INTERESTED PER-

SONS: Petitioner, HEATHER

ATKISSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: KADEN SCOTT COX

KAYLIE ANNE COX ALEXIS LYNN COX Proposed Name:

KADEN SCOTT ATKISSON KAYLIE ANNE ATKISSON ALEXIS LYNN ATKISSON

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court

show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. **NOTICE OF HEARING** 

at the hearing indicated below to

DATE: 3/11/2025 TIME: 8:30 A.M. TRUXTUN ADDRESS: 1215 AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CA

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 VAL-

Dated: 01/02/2025 By: GINA M. CERVANTES, Judge of the Superior Court (PUB SUN 02/05, 02/12, 02/19,

02/26/2025) ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR

**CHANGE OF NAME SUPERI-**OR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF KERN CASE NUMBER** BCV-25-000008 TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: 1. Petitioner, TIARA MARIE

court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: TIARA MARIE JEWEL

JEWEL filed a petition with this

Proposed Name:

TIARA MARIE PHELAN THE COURT ORDERS that

ter 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: 3/19/2025

all persons interested in this mat-

ADDRESS: 132 EAST COSO AVENUE, RIDGECREST, CA 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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 VAL-

LĖY SÚN. Dated: 01/23/2025 By: MURRAY ROBERTSON, Judge of the Superior Court (PUB SUN 02/05, 02/12, 02/19,

02/26/2025)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION ON March 10, 2025 to March 12, 2025 OF TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTY FOR **DELINQUENT TAXES** 

On November 05, 2024, Kern County Treasurer-Tax Collector, Jordan Kaufman, was directed by Kern County Board of Supervisors' Resolution #2024-311 to conduct a public auction sale in accordance with the provisions of Division 1, Part 6, Chapter 7 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. The tax-defaulted properties listed below are subject to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's power of sale.

This is a public notice that I will sell the properties beginning at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on March 10, 2025 at www.kcttc.co.kern. <u>ca.us.</u>
The sale will be conducted as

a public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States or negotiable paper, for not less than the minimum bid as shown in this notice. Bidders must submit a refundable deposit of \$5,000.00 electronically to www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us no later than 5:00 P.M. P.S.T. on Friday February 28, 2025. The deposit will be applied to the successful bidder's purchase price. Any parcel remaining unsold at the conclusion of the auction may be resold within a 90-day period. If necessary, the subsequent sale will begin at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on May 19, 2025 at www.kcttc. co.kern.ca.us Properties that are redeemed

(paid) in full by 5:00 P.M. P.S.T., Friday March 07, 2025, will not be sold. The right of redemption will cease at that time. Properties not redeemed will be sold. If the properties are sold, parties of interest (as defined in Califor-

nia Revenue and Taxation Code Section 4675) have a right to file a claim with the county for any excess proceeds from the sale. Excess proceeds are the amount of the highest bid in excess of the liens and costs of the sale that are paid from the sale price. Notice will be given to parties of interest, pursuant to law, if excess proceeds result from the sale. The following is a partial list; a

complete list may be obtained by calling our internet advertiser, GovEase at 1-769-208-5050 or by viewing the list at www.kcttc. co.kern.ca.us. You may access public computers at all Kern County Libraries.

The Assessor's parcel num-

ber, when used to describe the property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map (if applicable) and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the Assessor's office. I declare under penalty of perju-

ry, that the foregoing is true and correct. Jordan Kaufman

Kern County Treasurer-Tax Col-Executed at Bakersfield, Kern County on January 13, 2025.

The properties that are the sub-

ject of this notice are situated in

Kern County, California and are described as follows: 054-145-38-00-0 \$1,600.00 SHINN THURSTON A 054-235-10-00-4 \$1,500.00 SCARBOROUGH JOHN 054-235-16-00-2 \$1,500.00 **BLAZER FAMILY TRUST** 055-081-03-00-0 \$1,700.00 FLOYD ERVIN B 055-182-14-00-8 \$7,200.00 REICHENBACH MARILYN

062-172-14-00-7 \$2,100.00 WOZNIAK CASIMIR J 062-285-08-00-3 \$4,800.00 HOLLAND JOYCE FAY 062-285-39-00-3 \$5,300.00 MUNDORF D A & MARBA 077-080-19-00-0 \$10,500.00

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REINIS WILLIAM J & ADRIAN S

"We have so many guests here. We also have Sarsapabeen fun. The people you're say enough thank yous. I'm

Sandi Johnstone, also Sandi," was volunteering "The Masonic Lodge has

Dinners for the Mayors races. I've been involved in doing them since 2017 or 2018. We used to do them

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

NAMI Connection Recovery: Connection Recovery Support Group, for individuals living with mental health challenges, meet every Monday, from 1-2pm. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call Lisa 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 760-379-0112 Monday and Friday only from 9am to 11am

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

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

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

#### **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

### MONTHLY

KERN RIVER VALLEY ASTRONOMY CLUB STAR PARTY

**LAST SATURDAY** 

Time: Dusk Where: Kern Valley Airport Dress warm will see you under the stars. Information call Rich 760-376-6290.

River Sage Revival Rooted in Nature offers Veterans Fishing and Catch Up

Time: 8 am to 12pm

#### **EVERY WEDNESDAY**

KERN VALLEY SENIOR DANCE Music, dancing and fellowship. Time: 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Where: Kern Valley Senior Center, 6409 Lake Isabella Blvd

River Sage Revival Rooted in Nature offers Recovery

Meetings Time: 7pm to 8pm Where: Kernville Chamber of

Commerce Wednesday,

#### February 12 Kern VALLEY SENIOR VALEN-

TINES DANCE **Time:** 6:00to 8:00 pm Where: The KV SENIOR

CENTER Open Workshop (Lab) Time: 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. Where: KRVAA's Alchemy

Industrial Art Center 30 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077 Creative Crafters (+Potluck) **Time:** 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Where: KRVAA's Art & Com-

6709 Wofford Blvd. Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077 Stained Glass Class (Walk-in

munity Center

**Time:** 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. Where: KRVAA's Art & Community Center

6709 Wofford Blvd. Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077

Beginning Blacksmithing Class Ages 12+ **Time:** 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: KRVAA's Alchemy Industrial Art Center 30 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077

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& Books **Time:** 4:00 to 5:30pm Where: 6701 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077

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(760) 478-0077 Beginning CNC: Milling & **Carving Class Time:** 10:00 to 2:00 p.m. Where: KRVAA's Alchemy Industrial Art Center

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Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077 Stained Glass Class **Time:** 10:00 to 1:00pm Where: KRVAA's Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93240

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Where: KRVAA's Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93240 (760) 478-0077

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#### Wednesday, February 19 Open Workshop (Lab) **Time:** 7:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Where: KRVAA's Alchemy Industrial Art Center 30 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077 Creative Crafters (+ Potluck)

**Time:** 10:00 to 2:00 pm Where: KRVAA's Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077

Stained Glass Class (Walk-in for info)

**Time:** 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. Where: KRVAA's Art & Community Center 6709 Wofford Blvd Wofford Heights, CA 93285 (760) 478-0077

**Beginning Blacksmithing Class** Ages 12+ **Time:** 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

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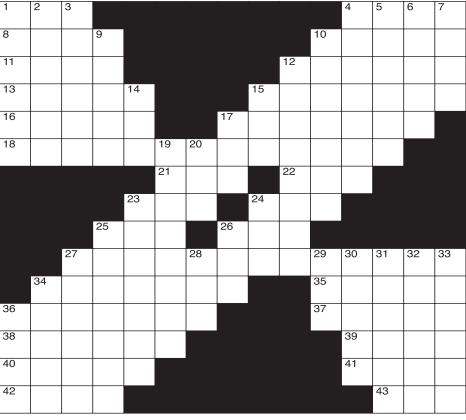
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### Pres. Buffalo resigns from KRVAA

**CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** 

It was about two weeks ago when Christopher Buffalo Folsom handed his letter of resignation, from his presidency, to the Kern River Valley Art Association

(KRVAA.) "I don't remember exactly the day that it was. It was about two weeks ago. I handed my letter to Laura Tran," he told the Kern Valley Sun on Monday, February 3.

While speculation flew wildly about the community, regarding his reasons, and rumors and suppositions, Buffalo set the record straight with his own version of events. "When I took over the art association, as president, I had no idea how long I was going to be in that position. And because of different times, and things going on, there were many times that I thought about - what could I do? What have I accomplished? When can I move myself out? Because four years, for no pay; that was because I believed in what we were doing, for the community, and for the Art

Association." According to Folsom, during that course of time, there were challenges and a couple of times he wondered who would be willing and able to take on the job next. However there was no one willing to take over the presidency. So he stayed a little longer. And Folsom said that he feels fabulous about what the association was able to accomplish under his leadership. Although Folsom makes it clear that he does not take credit for what the association has accomplished, under his presidency, but gives credit to all of his volunteers, and the KRVAA members. "It's been a great ride. And I feel really good about everything we accomplished," he said.

Folsom noted that he is very grateful to the KRVAA

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Vice President, Laura Tran, who is now acting as Interim President and will only be holding that office briefly. "Laura's been with me probably the longest out of the group that's still part of the board. And it's been a challenge for her, because she has kids, and lives on the other side of the lake. I would say she's been a mainstay," he said.

Buffalo also expressed gratitude toward his previous Vice President, Brent Puniwai, who passed away not long ago. "My favorite thing about Brent, was I would come up with an idea, and his mind automatically took off."

Folsom also said he was grateful to the KRVAA bookkeeper Karen Mc-Laughlan who has done a great job for the association.

The original intent was for the KRVAA to have an election every year that the association would hold at its General Membership Meeting. "Well, when we rewrote the bylaws, and Brent was a big part of that, we made it that every meeting was a general meeting, an open meeting, for the whole membership. We've been having weekly meetings for a very very long time," Folsom said. "By having a General Meeting anyone could call for an election, at any given time. So instead of scheduling an election every year, we made it so that anyone can come in, and request an election, at any given time.'

The former president also thinks what keeps the KRVAA going is the board of directors. And the board will have different members at different times. As of this interview the board had six board members, which made a vote tie-break difficult, according to Folsom. "I think their goal is to bring more people into the board to make good decisions," he said.

The sculptor plans to continue supporting the

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KRVAA, and is looking forward to doing his own art, and having more time to do it. Folsom said because he had worked seriously, most of the time, between 60 and 100 hours a week, as president, he had not had time to work on his art. "There's nothing easy about the job. It's a labor of love. It's for the community and the art community," he stated

Buffalo also said he was grateful the KRVAA accomplished opening a Community & Art Center for the community, which Patty Kelley is running and that Alita Elfstrom has stepped in to do whatever she can for local youth at the KRVAA.

Folsom foresees the KRVAA continuing to publish its anthology, though now that its former editor, John Peterson has recently passed away, Folsom is not sure where the association would go for printing it. Buffalo said he knows there's still the talent out there to continue the publi-

Buffalo also stressed that the big thing, with the overall goal, is for the KRVAA to become sustainable. With the Station Coffee House, now the association is becoming more sustainable. The association needs grants. Although Buffalo said that grants are not always available. He thinks a misconception in the valley is that the association has a lot of money. However he said that just isn't true. The KRVAA still needs the community to support it so that it can be sustainable.

The Industrial Art Center is still going strong with black smith classes, with a CNC machine working, and hopes of getting the CNC plasma cutter working, and with its 3-D printer and a laser burner for burning designs. "It's definitely moving in the right direction," said Folsom.

He's hoping someone could come up with a removable covering, for the end of the Alchemy building, where there's an uncovered, big slab of concrete, where people can work.

Buffalo is finished being on the board at this time, "I've definitely put in my time and energy. I feel good about this time. I'm really looking forward to spending time doing my art, a sculpture that I started some time ago, and spending time with my Sweetie. That's huge."

Folsom still plans to come to KRVAA gallery receptions and help out with festivals in the coming days. He'd also like to help with other nonprofits in the valley. He has over 50 years of experience running different businesses using his creativity. He has had many major commissions for his sculptures, one of which, he considers his best being displayed at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Bakersfield. Folsom has four different sculptures displayed in Bakersfield and some major pieces in Oregon. He was educated in Catholic school, which he says had kept him on track and later made a Sculpture for his Catholic school with the help of his friends.

### Art association holds membership meeting

**CATHERINE STACHOWIAK** 

Board member Gary Contreras told the Kern Valley Sun, on Saturday February 8, about the recent Annual Membership Meeting of the Kern River Valley Art Association, early last week. The meeting included the goals of the association and its financial standing

"We probably had about 30 to 40 people maximum (attend)," he said. "The meeting was in regards to the current situation that the art association is undergoing, which is our former president Buffalo Folsom has resigned. And the new interim governance has been put in place, with Laura Tran, who used to be the vice president, being now the interim acting president.'

Contreras said that Davin Maki stepped up to act as the interim vice president. The rest of the board membership is still the same as it has been, for the past year or so.

The current board is as follows: Interim President Laura Tran, Interim Vice President Davin Maki, Secretary Irene Featherstone and her husband Doug Featherstone, Gary Contreras ad his mother Maria

The KRVAA is voting in a new body, with six to seven more board members, to allow for at least one vote to be a tiebreaker, according to Contreras.

The board stressed the fact that dues paying members of the KRVAA ought to try to renew their memberships, so they can vote for the board of directors, if their membership has expired.

The new board is the body that will grant the new presidency. The board members elect the president of the KRVAA according to the bylaws of the organization.

The KRVAA board disclosed the KRVAA's finances during the meeting. Contreras said that Interim VP Davin Maki told the group that the KRVAA has enough money to withstand the next half a year, and possibly stretch it, with what the KRVAA brings in from various undertakings. With money from the KRVAA functioning as it stands the KRVAA is hoping it would be able to get by for longer than

Contreras said that during the meeting, the public questioned whether the KRVAA would continue to exist within the same buildings it has been using. Contreras said that the KRVAA does not intend on moving. "There is no changes other than the governing body changing," he said.

Contreras mentioned that at some point he had heard there were rumors that Folsom was pushed out of the organization. He said that story or presumption was untrue. Contreras assured the press that there were no instances of sabotaging the KRVAA, no instances of mutiny, or anybody pushing anybody out. The former president of the KRVAA Chris Buffalo Folsom resigned, and his resignation was made public, on Facebook.

During the interview it was unknown to Contreras, who had been nominated or stepped up as candidates, for new board members. February 19 is the last day to propose one's candidacy for the board.

The vote for the board is by popular vote. One doesn't have to be a member of the KRVAA to be a board member. However to vote for board members one must be a member of the KRVAA

Elections will take place Wednesday February 26, 9am to 4pm; Thursday February 27 from 9am to 4pm; and Friday February 28 from 9am to 12pm, in a ballot box at the Art & Community Center. One may also vote by proxy email according to the KRVAA bylaws.

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at the Rodeo Grounds and bring money into the community." Then Peacemaker Pete said that the chamber is open to suggestions for ideas of events the chamber could hold at the Rodeo Grounds.

The exchange club donated half of its fines, that day, to the Whiskey Flat mayor campaign team Angels Roost

The last event for their mayor campaign for Angels Roost Gang will be a gig Angels Roost band plays, at Buck Owens' Crystal Palace, February 13. Thereafter Angels Roost band will be performing during Whiskey Flat Days

#### CHUCKWAGON OCHOA

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at the Golf Course in the clubhouse. And that wasn't open to us anymore. And we started doing it here. And they're very generous with their building. They are great. They usually have a representative here. And then we come in and we can decorate it and use the kitchen. And it's all for fundraising for the Mayors race, for the Kernville Chamber of Commerce, and for our valley. It definitely takes a community to do this. We really enjoy this venue and this particular fundraiser for the mayors."

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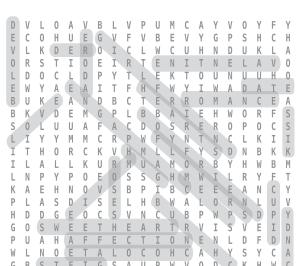
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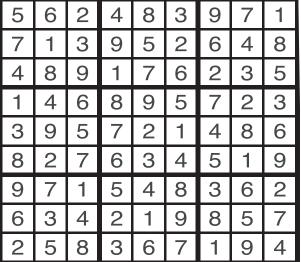
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# Kern Valley varsity girls let one get away

**RAY CONNER** 

The Lady Broncs varsity girls' team had a chance to take the crown on Friday night as they entertained Rosamond. The Lady Roadrunners were the only ones to put a blemish on Kern Valley's HDL mark.

The showdown, did not start well for the Lady Broncs. The turnovers, combined with struggling in the offensive end led to Rosamond taking the early lead. When the buzzer sounded to end the first quarter Kern Valley was trailing 16-10. The offensive woes continued for the Lady Broncs as the two teams took the court for the second quarter. Rosamond was able to put some points on the board, they would score 11. Kern Valley on the other hand went ice cold from the field. Two points in the quarter saw them lose touch with their opponent and trail at the break by 15 points at 27-12.

Things continued to go bad coming out of the locker room for the second half. When Rosamond wen ton a 9-0 run, Kern Valley had no answers. When the third came to an end it was now 48-23 for the Lady Roadrunners. The Lady Broncs were outscored 21-11 in the third. Heading to the final quarter it was close to being in the bag for Rosamond. A 10-8 advantage for the Lady Roadrun-



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kern Valley's Ava Elliott drives toward the basket against her Rosamond defender in the varsity girls game.

ners put the game in the books. With that the HDL standings were all knotted at the top with identical 11-2 marks

Jessie Bunting was able to secure a double-double in the matchup. She led the Kern Valley squad in scoring with 13 points. She completed the double-double by grabbing 21 rebounds. Her final tally on the night was handing out a pair of assists. All the scoring for

Elli Jeans came from behind the three-point arc. She hit three times for her nine points. Jeans dished put three assists and grabbed four boards. Ava Elliott followed with five points. She collected 12 rebounds and was credited with a pair of steals. Leenah Troller and Scarlett Russell finished off the scoring for the Lady Brones with two points apiece.

Other stat lines for Kern Valley were Troller had three rebounds. Jayda Bushling finished the night with five boards, three assists, and four steals. Ashley Plante had two rebounds and one assist, while Emmalyn Bechtel had one board, one assist, and one steal. Russell recorded one steal, while Naomi Tapia and Jade Montes each had one rebound.

Head coach Bill Gallis said, 'Very tough night. Rosamond is an extremely talented team, and they are well-coached. They had all the answers tonight and seemed to be everywhere on the court. When they're knocking down those three-pointers, they are a tough team to defend. The girls are upset, but I told them we still have

the league title in sight on Tuesday and the playoffs coming up on Friday. We'll be ready to bounce back come Monday.' Earlier in the week Kern Valley was at home versus Frazier Mountain. The Lady Broncs put

on a dominating performance as

the clobbered the Lady Falcons

75-22. Frazier Mountain hit a three-pointer in the first quartet to go up 3-2. That would be the last time they would lead in the game. And it would be their only score in the first quarter. When it was over the first quarter score was 29-3 for Kern Valley. By halftime the increase was a 43-14 score.

The rest of the way the Lady Broncs kept dropping in shots, while Frazier Mountain struggled their way through the second half. In the end the Lady Falcons were held to eight second-half points. Kern Valley scored 32 points to run away with the lop-sided victory.

Kern Valley scoring: Elliott 27, Troller 13 (2-three-pointers), Montes 10 (3-three-pointers), Bunting 9 (three-pointer), Jeans 7 (three-pointer), Tapia 6, Russell 3. Assists: Troller 5, Tapia 4, Jeans 4, Bunting 3, Montes 2, Bechtel 2. Rebounding: Montes 11 (completes her double-double), Bunting 8, Elliott 8, Troller 7, Bechtel 5, Russell 5, Jeans 4, Tapia 2.

Gallis said, "The girls did a good job of looking to make the extra pass tonight. We had girls cutting to the basket all game long and converted numerous easy buckets. It was a good tune-up game for Friday with Rosamond coming to town."

The Lady Broncs concluded their regular season on Tuesday when they took on Cal City at

# **Broncs varsity scaled Frazier Mountain 81-26**

**RAY CONNER** 

The lop-sided score was a welcome relief to Kern Valley's varsity basketball squad. This was a game where the team was able to showcase what the future might

From the opening tip, the Falcons were no match for Kern Valley. The young Broncs pummeled their opponent as they dropped in 31 points in the first quarter. Never looking back, they continued the onslaught by adding 15 in the second. Holding a commanding lead the teams headed for the locker room as the first half came

Coming out of the break the Brones jumped right back in on the scoring department. This time they poured in another 30 points in the third. The fourth was just going through the motions until the final horn sounded and the Broncs were declared the victors. The score in the end was 81-26 for Kern Valley's fifth league win of

the season. Four Brones would score in double figures to take care of the offense. Leading the way in this one were Aiden Madden and Jacob Redenius. They shared the team

lead in scoring with 16 points

apiece. Including in his total was Redenius hitting twice from long distance. Joey Galvan followed by dropping in 14 points. Carson Parks became thew fourth and final Kern Valley player to score in double figures. He finished with 11 points, including draining a three-pointer. Zane Carver just missed out on double figures as he scored eight points. Maddox Beaury, Bryce Smoot, and Brandon Cox each contributed four points, while Gilbert Bernal popped in one from behind the three-point arc for his three points. Daniel Hinkey rounded out the Kern Valley scoring with a made free throw for his lone point in the game.

In unselfish play, eight Broncs handed out at least one assist in this contest. Smoot led the team by dishing out five assists. J. Galvan delivered four assists, while three players were credited with three assists apiece. Madden, Redenius, and Hinkey recorded three assists. Carver and Bernal wrapped up the assists with each having handed out two for Kern Valley.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Broncs were in control. As a team they pulled down 43 rebounds versus the Falcons. Carver was chairman-of-the-boards with a team high 10 rebounds. Smoot and Cox followed by grabbing six boards apiece. Hinkey finished

with five rebounds, while Beaury, J. Galvan, and Bernal each had four boards. Parks recorded three rebounds, while Redenius had one to close out the board work.

Madden and Redenius were the team leader in steals for Kern Valley. They each put four steals in the game resume'. J. Galvan recorded three steals, while Beaury, Carver, and Bernal would finish with two steals apiece. Smoot and Hinkey would each come away with one steal in the contest. Redenius and Cox collected one block each as they swatted away a Falcons shot attempt.

Three days later, Rosamond came calling. Despite the binepoint difference in the end, the Broncs were able to stay close most of the game. The final score favored the Roadrunners 57-48. When the game tipped off, the Broncs were able to get on the board quickly and take a 5-2 lead. Rosamond then went on an 18-7 run to close out the first quarter. The score after one was 20-12 for the Roadrunners. Kern Valley muscled their way back in the game with a 7-2 run to close the gap to a single point at 22-21. Another run by Rosamond, this time it was 9-3, pushed them into a seven-point cushion at the break.

The halftime score was 31-24. The third was a case of match-



ing baskets. The teams combined to score 27 points, with Kern Valley holding the slim the edge 14-13. As they headed to the final quarter it was 44-38. Both teams left a bunch of points off the board as they could not find the bottom of the net. Near the end, the Broncs squad had narrowed the deficit to five points at 53-48. The Roadrunners scored the final four points of the game. Rosamond scored 13, while the Broncs finished the game with 10 points.

Broncs scoring: Bernal 10 (3-three-pointers), Redenius

10 (2-three-pointers), Madden 7 (three-pointer), J. Galvan 7, (three-pointer), Parks 6, Carver 5, Smoot 3. Assists: Carver 4, Smoot 4, Madden 3, Redenius 3, J. Galvan 2, Hinkey 2, Bernal 1, Parks 1. Rebounding: Carver 14, Hinkey 5, Smoot 4, Madden 2, J. Galvan 1. Steals: Carver 4, Madden 2, Bernal 1.

The Broncs closed out their year with a home game versus Cal City on Tuesday. They currently sit 7-15 overall and 5-8 in the

## Kern Valley falls from the unbeaten ranks in HDL

**RAY CONNER** 

The Broncs JV basketball team came into the night looking to stay the course to their unbeaten league season. Their opponent, Rosamond had other ideas.

The see-saw battle saw

both teams tentative on the offensive sides of the ball. Points were hard to come by, but not from lack of trying. The shots were making it to the basket, just not dropping through the net. Down the stretch both teams went scoreless the final couple of minutes. When the halftime horn sounded, the Roadrunners were holding a slim three-point cushion at

Coming out of the break the Broncs were determined to get back into this game. The battle continued to rage, but it was Kern Valley finally finding the mark and dropping in points. The Broncs defense also stepped it up as they limited



against Rosamond. the Rosamond team to just end of the stick. They were

seven points in the third quarter. The Kern Valley offense poured in 13 points to erase the halftime deficit. Heading to the final quarter it was 29-27 with the Broncs holding the slight edge.

The fourth quarter came down to Kern Valley missing opportunities to put their opponent away. The scoreless drought for both teams was evident as they combined to score just seven points total. Unfor-

tunately, for Kern Valley

they came out on the short

held to one lone free throw made in the quarter. The Roadrunners scored just enough as they managed to add six points to their total and send the Broncs to their first HDL loss of the season. The final score was 33-30 for Rosamond. Note: No individual stats

were made available for this game. The Broncs played their last game of the year on Tuesday when they faced off with Cal City.

# Kern Valley JV girls in a sharing mood with Rosamond

### Lady Broncs get a piece of league title pie

**RAY CONNER** 

The Kern Valley JV basketball squad had a chance to be crowned league champions outright. The task was to beat Rosamond and stake their claim. The Lady Roadrunners

came to town on Friday. The prize at hand was a league championship. Kern Valley beat them earlier in the season and held the edge coming into the contest. After the battle, the championship pie would be split evenly. The Lady Brones would lose their grasp and fall to Rosamond 33-22. With the loss these two teams are cochamps in the HDL Kern Valley could not

generate any offense early and it helped push Rosamond into the early lead. The Lady Brones score only

five points in the opening

quarter. The Lady Roadrun-

ners put in 12 points to grab the lead 12-5. Kern Valley turned up the defense, but the offense was still struggling. The combined score in the second quarter was 10 points with the Lady Broncs having the edge 6-4. At the break, Kern Valley was looking at a 16-11 deficit.

Coming out of the locker room it was another offensive struggle for both teams. Another combined 10 points, this time it was 5-5, With the final quarter looming to decide things the scoreboard saw Rosamond still holding the five-point cushion at 21-16. The Lady Roadrunners made their claim as they were able to add 12 points to their total. Kern Valley finished the game with six points. The final score was 33-22 and

the HDL title was shared.

Broncs with seven points.

She was followed by

Taylor Kristy was the

leading scorer for the Lady

Amber McAhren with six points. Sam Ruiz drained a three-pointer for her three points, while Hazel Kiosef, Mille Bustamonte, and Bobbie Pruitt chipped in with two points apiece.

Three day earlier the Lady Brones tuned up with a non-league game against Ridgeview. It was all Kern Valley from beginning to end as they took the game 51-10. The Lady Broncs jumped from the gate and took the 20-0 lead after one quarter. By halftime it had ballooned to 35-2. After the break, the Kern Valley added 16 second half points. while Ridgeview had eight points to make the final score. Lady Broncs scor-

ing: Kristy 16, McAhren 10, Payton Mental 7 (three-pointer), Zoe Perfect 6, Bustamonte 4, Kaylee Embree 2, Kiosef 2, Pruitt 2,



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### Wrestling Broncs prepare for CIF Tournament

**RAY CONNER** 

The Kern Valley boys wrestling team competed with Bishop and Desert as each school is moving toward the CIF tournaments.

There was not much action on the mats as the Broncs sent a strong contingent of wrestlers, but the other two schools had limited participation. Kern Valley was able to win both matches in the double-dual. One highlight for the Broncs was Charles Schmeiser being named the JV MVP for the HDL. The Broncs

finished the year 6-1 overall and 6-0 in league matches.

Kern Valley will head to Farmersville on Friday as they try and qualify as many of their wrestlers to advance to the CIF masters Tournament. In the Central Section, each school gets one wrestler in each weight class. The wrestlers try and make it to the top three so they can move on further in CIF. The Broncs compete in Division 5. That's when the qualifying wrestlers gather in the Masters to see who moves on to the CIF State Tournament. The top 10 will advance to compete at State.



The Broncs Wrestlers with their coaches gather after competing in Bishop on Feb. 5.

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### **Kern Valley scores second** victory 3-0 over Desert

**RAY CONNER** 

For the second time this season the Broncs soccer team got to celebrate a win. Kern Valley bested Desert

Both teams played the first half to a scoreless tie. Three second half goals by Kern Valley pushed them to the victory. Three different Kern Valley players were able to put the ball in the net. Ajay Montgomery, Tristan Beckham, and

Matthew Vierra each got one past the Scorpions goalkeeper.

The other two games this

past week put the Broncs back in the losing column as they fell to Frazier Mountain and Rosamond. In the match versus the Falcons of Frazier Mountain four goals in the first half created an unsurmountable deficit for the Broncs. Two more goals scored by the Falcons created the final of 6-0 in favor of Frazier Mountain.

When they faced off

with the Roadrunners another halftime deficit led the Broncs to their second straight loss after picking up a pair of wins last week. When the teams went to the break Rosamond had a 2-0 margin. In the second half, the Roadrunners popped in three more goals to make it 5-0 and hand Kern Valey

The Broncs wrapped up their season on the road as they traveled to Cal City on Tuesday.

### Lady Broncs move into third in HDL standings delivered a pair of goals,

**RAY CONNER** 

The Kern Valley girls' soccer team had a successful week as they picked up a pair of wins that propelled them into third place in the league standings.

They opened the week with a match in Frazier Mountain. In cold and blustery windy conditions, the Lady Broncs heated up and scored seven times to easily take the match 7-1. The Lady Falcons lone goal came late in the match after the outcome was already decided. Four goals in the first half gave Kern Valley a comfortable lead. They added three more goals in the second half to cement the victory.

The Lady Broncs found the back of the net in the match. They were led by Alexandra Armes who pumped in four goals. Aspen Hacker

while Kasandra Guarneros finished off the scoring with one goal. Picking up assists for Kern Valley were Guarneros, Armes, Scarlett Weber, and Payton Forbes.

Kern Valley head coach Paul Armes commenting on the match said, "The girls controlled the whole game. Alexandra (Armes) was on fire and added a penalty kick to her total. Frazier Mountain scored late on our backups in the match. Making the trip to Rosa-

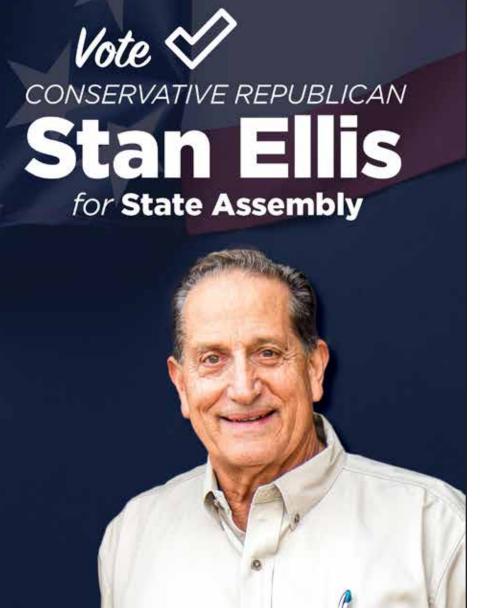
mond, the Lady Broncs the battle for third place was on the line. The winds were howling as the Lady Broncs had revenge and a purpose on their minds. When the match saw the referees whistle blow the final time, they had accomplished what they came to do. The final score favored the Lady Broncs 5-0.

Hacker had the hot hand...er foot in this case

for Kern Valley as she placed four goals on the scoreboard. Armes finished off the scoring with one goal versus the Lady Roadrunners. Armes, Forbes, and Guarneros were each credited with one assist on three of the goals. With this victory, the Lady Brones moved their way ahead of Rosamond in the standings.

Coach Armes said, "This match was to decide who would be third in league. They beat us somehow 3-0 our first meeting. We again controlled the match with Aspen going off on their defense. She dominated the whole game."

With only one match left on the season, the Lady Broncs are looking to close out their regular season on a high note. They took on Cal City on Tuesday to finish up the HDL matches this season.



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#### **8TH GRADE BASKETBALL**

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# Lady Colts eighth grade girls shutout **Haven Drive**

**RAY CONNER** 

The Wallace eighth-grade girls basketball team saw a lop-sided score go their way when they squared off with Haven Drive. The defense got credit for a shutout and the offense drop the ball through the hoop.

The Lady Colts dominated from start to finish. The smothering defense that produced 18 steals stopped the Haven Drive squad.

Thise steals were turned

was well in hand for the

into buckets and the game

Wallace team. These steals

also crested a high percent-

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from the field. Wallace controlled the boards as they grabbed 21 rebounds as a squad. Leading the way in the easy win was Brenna Elliott

Lady Colts. As a team they

were 12-of-29 (41 percent)

with 12 points. Baylee Henry followed with six points, while Bridget Smith and Bailey Walker each scored two points. Getting on the scoring chart with a made free throw were Teagan Liske and Melissa Martinez. Henry handed out four assists to lead the Wallace team. Liske and

Katie Smoot were credited

with one assist apiece.

Elliott, Henry, and Kiera Kiosef followed by grabbing thtee boards apiece. Smith and Annabelle Maxwell finished with a pair of rebounds, while Walker, Addison Ross, and Martinez each had one rebound in the contest. Smoot was the leading thief for the Wallace team with five steals. Henry and Ross followed with four steals, while Walker recorded three steals. Liske, Kiosef, and Martines wrapped up the steals with one each. Coach Andy Elliott said,

"We executed a very strong press tonight. Half our points were generated off of

Smoot pulled down a age in shooting from the team-high five rebounds. kernvalleysun.com







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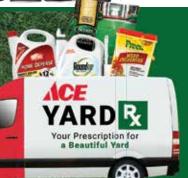


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