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## Six Faceoff in Holtville Unified Forum

School Safety, Mask Mandates Top List of Questions Posed to Holtville Unified Board Candidates



Candidates for three seats on the Holtville Unified School District Board of Trustees — Julie Duarte (from left), Ben Abatti Jr., Matt Phillips, Summer Heraz, Mitchell Kellum and Kevin Grizzle — gather in Holtville's Civic Center on Tuesday night, Oct. 11 for a forum put on by the Holtville Chamber of Commerce. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO

BY KATHERINE RAMOS  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

**HOLTVILLE** — Candidates for the Holtville Unified School District board were able to showcase their views to the public in an open community forum the night of Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the Civic Center in Holtville.

Tuesday's forum was hosted by the Holtville Chamber of Commerce with Imperial County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Todd Finnell as moderator.

Candidates in attendance at Tuesday's forum included two incumbent board members, Kevin Grizzle and Ben Abatti Jr., local manager Julie Duarte, retired Southwest High School

Principal Matt Phillips, Imperial Unified School District administrator Summer Heraz, and coach Mitchell Kellum.

Three seats are up for grabs on the board, with one incumbent choosing not to run this time.

Candidates were offered community submitted questions ranging from how they are connected to the Holtville school system, what they plan to do to continue and keep Holtville education successful in the wake of COVID-19, their approach to student mental health, school safety and security, how to retain teaching staff in the district, and how to get parents involved.

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## Public Safety Building Footprint Divides Council

Holtville City Council Votes 4-1 on One of Three Options

BY MARCIE LANDEROS  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

Plans for the vacant lot owned by the city of Holtville north of Holt Park was again the subject of debate, dividing the City Council 4-1 over the proposed footprint of the Public Safety Building.

The crux of the debate boiled down to whether the Public Safety Building would have its fire apparatus bay exit onto Sixth Street, which is a busy road, or Pine Avenue, into a neighborhood.

Both options will have the entrance to the bay on the

alternative street, so if the exit is on Sixth Street the entrance will be on Pine Avenue and vice versa, Holtville City Manager Nick Wells said in an interview on Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The City Council discussed three plans, voting 4-1 for the only option that had the bay exit onto Pine Avenue during its meeting on Monday, Oct. 10.

Council member Murray Anderson was the single vote in opposition. He said he was concerned about the impact the fire vehicles would have on the neighborhood.

"We need to ask the res-

idents on Pine Avenue how they feel about having fire trucks pull out onto their street," Anderson said in an interview on Tuesday, Oct. 11. "I just felt we weren't ready to have the vote."

Anderson said that he felt that the residents on Pine Avenue should have been engaged to determine the impacts and preferences and that he did not wish to choose an option until the city had done so.

While all the options will create the same amount of traffic, Anderson said he felt that the safest option was for the fire engines to enter the bay on Pine Avenue, since the firefighters will be in less of a rush when returning from a call for service.

"We have excellent firefighters, but they are human, and accidents happen. I just think the safest option is for them to return through the neighborhood since they won't be in such a rush," Anderson said.

Mayor Mike Pacheco provided an opposing argument, saying that the council was concerned about the fire engines trying to pull out into busier traffic that travels east and west on Sixth Street.



Pine Avenue could soon become the exit point for the Holtville Fire Department's fire apparatus bay after the City Council voted 4-1 to approve a resolution during the Holtville City Council meeting on Oct. 10. Photo taken Oct. 11. | MARCIE LANDEROS PHOTOS

"With the semi trucks that travel down Sixth Street from places like the sheds at Mario Saikhon's (location), we thought it would be better for the trucks to come out on Pine Avenue," Pacheco said on Tuesday.

Despite the vote, all three city officials affirmed that the conversation was far from over. Fire Chief Alex Silva volunteered to speak with the residents on Pine Avenue in the immediate area of the Public Safety Building lot.

Anderson's concerns were also taken heavily into consideration, leading to what Wells described as a robust conversation about ways to control traffic around the park.

Their solution was to install four-way stop signs on Sixth Street at both Pine Avenue and the neighboring Holt Av-

enue, thereby slowing down traffic along Sixth Street, which would make it safer for the fire vehicles to pull out onto the street.

Discussions surrounding these issues will continue into the next City Council meeting, including discussion around whether the stop signs will change the options in plans for the Public Safety Building lot.

"Just because we had a vote, doesn't mean we are going to stick to that no matter what. We are still talking about it, and we make changes as we need, too," City Manager Wells said.

Uncertain Future for Boys and Girls Club  
Concerns over bay exits is far from the first debate centered around the Public Safety Building lot.

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The Holtville City Council voted to move City Hall from the facility it has occupied for more than 100 years to the proposed Public Safety Building during the council's meeting on Oct. 10. Photo taken Oct. 11.

## Brawley Cattle Call Queen Court Crowned



The 2022-2023 Cattle Call Rodeo Court (from left), Queen Cidney Roper, 17, of Brawley; Teen Queen Amaris Rothfleisch, 14, of Brawley; Junior Queen Harper Brandt, 9, of Brawley; and Little Miss Reese Johnson, 8, of El Centro, pose for a photo after their coronation at St. Mary's Catholic Church in El Centro on Saturday night, Oct. 8. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO

BY KATHERINE RAMOS  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

**EL CENTRO/BRAWLEY** — After two nights of skills and pageantry, each of the four contestants for this year's 66th Cattle Call Queen Court was crowned, including the royal star of the show, 2022-2023 Queen Cidney Roper.

"I feel like I'm in a state of surrealism. This has truly been a goal of mine since I was 5 years old when I held my first title, and to hold all these titles and to finally be Cattle Call Queen, it is truly an honor," said 17-year-old Cidney, of Brawley. "I'm so excited to start my reign and hopefully be the queen that I had when I was in a younger title."

With a month before the Cattle Call Rodeo rides into the Imperial Valley, the horsemanship competition for those seeking the Queen and Teen Queen titles took place in Cattle Call Arena in Brawley, with the all four contests vying for the remaining titles of Little Miss and Junior Miss being judging on knowledge, skill, and a bit of fashion during the coronation event on Saturday night, Oct. 8, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in El Centro.

"I'm so honored, I'm excited, I'm pumped. This is just a great opportunity for me," Teen Queen Amaris Rothfleisch said. "The past queens have been role models my whole life, and I looked up to them."

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# Arts Event Puts Student Creativity on Display

ICOE Foundation Fundraiser Celebrates Achievements Among Valley Youths

BY KATHERINE RAMOS

EL CENTRO — A small, kind of lumpy, kind of scratchy, piece of student artwork was shown to the gathered audience at the Autumn & the Arts fundraiser. Imperial County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Todd Finnell held up the little clay bowl for all to see, smiling as Miriam Villareal-Marcuson told the story of the piece.

Daniel Ortiz is one of 120 ceramics students at Wilson Junior High School in El Centro, and his teacher, Villareal-Marcuson, was beyond proud to see what her students have accomplished with materials that are, in her words, just dirt and water.

As she watched Daniel create his piece, he was making lines with a fork to create a scratchy design. And he told her something that struck her, and she had to share it Thursday night, Oct. 6.

“He was really into it, working really hard making these lines, saying these are the scars of my life. He’s only 12, and he said these are the scars of my life and all together they create this beautiful texture,” Villareal-Marcuson told the crowd. “So all together these make a beautiful life.”

Daniel’s vase was just one of many pieces of student artwork showcased at the Autumn & the Arts event, which placed a spotlight on the arts and the impact they can have on the students of the Imperial Valley.

Hosted by the Imperial County Office of Education’s Foundation for Education, the night was meant to showcase what Valley students of the arts have accomplished, be it from artworks and ceramics, to culinary arts. After dinner, desserts created by the



Wilson Junior High School ceramics teacher Miriam Villareal-Marcuson (right) explains the vase her student, Daniel Ortiz, created and shares the story behind its scratchy texture while Imperial County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Todd Finnell (left) holds it aloft for all to see during the Imperial County Office of Education’s Foundation for Education Autumn & the Arts fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 6. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO

culinary students of Calexico High School were served to the gathered crowd.

Along the walls more than 20 art pieces created by local high school students were on display from Central Union High School, Brawley Union High School, Holtville High School, MayrArt Studio, and Southwest High School. All were pieces that had hours of effort poured into them for this moment in the spotlight.

Ivette Gonzales, a math and science teacher at De Anza Magnet School, came out in support of the art movement and was very pleased to see a former student’s art on display. The student in question, Jesus Beristain, moved her with his quote about being able to express himself

through art about his trials and struggles. She of course had to buy his painting.

“I knew he had that knack for expressing himself through paint. To see his painting and see how much he has developed is really great to see,” Gonzales said. “What more can do as supporters of the community than to come and support our young?”

BUHS art teacher Raymond Lopez sees this as an opportunity for his students and felt a sense of gratification that the community is able to see their work.

“I’m happy for my students’ hard work, happy to see it going into someone else’s home to brighten their homes with incredible art,” Lopez said. “It just makes me; happy, it’s why I teach art. It just makes my job so

much more.”

Fifty ceramic vases were donated to the event for sale, each hand thrown by a Wilson student in Villareal-Marcuson’s ceramics class like Daniel. The purchase of the vase also included a mystery basket filled with different items from local artisans.

ICOE’s Dr. Finnell also took the opportunity to announce that ICOE will be starting an academic arts event to help push and celebrate the arts in the Imperial Valley. Additionally, BHE Renewables gave ICOE \$30,000 to help start the initiative. Presenter Bari Bean also added that maybe when the ICOE’s STEAM festival happens this year, BHE can send some of their own engineers to talk with

the students that day.

“It is our goal that all students across all the Imperial Valley have the opportunity to have art in their classroom and be a part of these programs,” Bean said.

At the end of the night an auction of three items from local artists including a photograph from Letty Guerra of Monarch Iconography, a set of four mosaic sunflower pieces created by the students of Sunflower Elementary with help from the Rainforest Project, and a signed and numbered limited-edition print of a piece from well-known local artist Simón Silva.

Money raised from the auction and the vase sales will be going toward ICOE Foundation scholarships. The Silva piece alone went for \$800. Most of the student artwork also sold and money from those sales will be put into a scholarship for the student whose work was bought.

As for Daniel’s vase, Finnell proudly said the piece was going on his desk and it was a reminder of what the event is all about.

“We see a simple vase bowl with some texture on it, but there is a story behind it and every piece,” he said. “The work we are going to do is going to have an impact on the kids, and it is very exciting.”

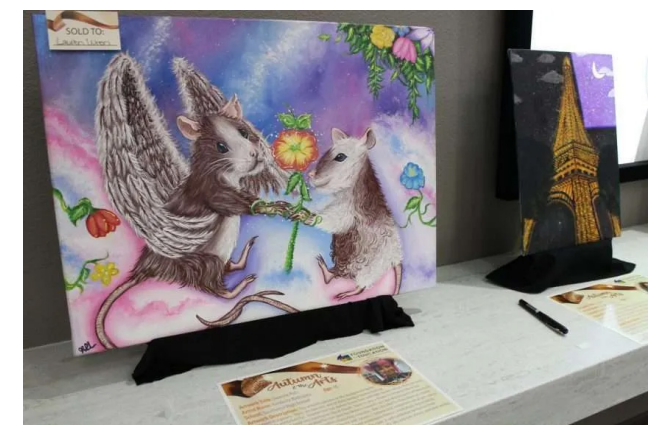
Thursday’s event is just one of two events that the ICOE Foundation had during the school year. The next one will be the ICOE Foundation for Education Golf tournament on Feb. 8 at the Del Rio Country Club in Brawley.



Amanda Peebles looks over one of more than 20 pieces of student art on display at Imperial County Office of Education’s Foundation for Education Autumn & the Arts fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 6. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO



A piece from artist Simón Silva is seen on an overhead screen. It sold for \$800 to Brawley couple Gerald and Emma Gauna (seated) at the Imperial County Office of Education’s Foundation for Education Autumn & the Arts fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 6. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO



Artwork from Southwest High student Kimberly Rodriguez, one of many pieces sold during the Imperial County Office of Education’s Foundation for Education Autumn & the Arts fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 6, is shown. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO



Rosa Diaz, founder and chief executive officer of the Imperial Valley LGBT Resource Center, welcomes guests to the seventh annual IV Pride event on Saturday, Oct. 8, at Stark Field in El Centro. | MARCIE LANDEROS PHOTO

## IV Pride Event Creates Inclusive Environment for All

IV LGBT Resource Center Hosts 7th Annual Event

BY MARCIE LANDEROS

EL CENTRO — Visitors clad in rainbows of all kinds enjoyed music and performances well into the night as the Imperial Valley LGBT Resource Center held its seventh annual IV Pride event, creating an inclusive environment for LGBTQ community members.

Kelly Ranasinghe is an attorney for the Imperial County Counsel’s Office, where he primarily represents children in the foster care system, and he

attended the Pride event with his family.

After years of working with some of Imperial County’s most at-risk youths, Ranasinghe noted a distinct change in the children who were present for Pride, saying the confidence these children displayed was remarkable.

“There are so many kids here smiling and laughing, dressed in rainbows and able to just be themselves ... That wouldn’t (have) happened even just a few years ago,” he said.

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# ARPA Funds OK'd to Baseball Fields' Lighting

*\$45K Allocation Came in Response to Complaints from Little League*

**BY JULIO MORALES**

CALEXICO — In the short time that PFA Showtime IV has been operating a youth baseball league in Calexico it has been able to accomplish much that it is proud of.

One such example included having Major League Baseball player Joe Kelly visit Calexico to observe the upstart league's activities at American Legion Park.

Yet that highlight hit a low point when Kelley expressed reluctance to allow his children to use the park's restroom, which PFA Showtime coach Diego Briseno said was in disrepair.

"I know those restrooms right there are pretty sad," Bris-

eno told the City Council during its meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5. "I don't think anybody would dare to let their kids step in there."

With such complaints in mind, the council has moved in recent months to use additional funds from its American Rescue Plan Act allocation for parks improvements.

It did so again on Oct. 5 when it approved the use of \$45,000 in ARPA funds to purchase sports lights for the baseball fields at both American Legion and Alex Rivera parks.

The city's recommendation to do so stemmed from complaints it received from the Calexico Little League about the baseball fields' lighting, the

resolution's backup documents stated.

But lighting hardly figured into many of the complaints that members of the PFA (Performance Fitness for Athletes) Showtime Imperial Valley league shared with the council during the Oct. 5 meeting.

Instead, those complaints dealt largely with the poor condition of the fields' amenities like bathrooms and bleachers and the transients that frequent the parks.

"We just need the fields to be maintained," said Jovana Noriega, a mother of a child that plays in the PFA Showtime IV league.

Noriega was just one

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Members of American Legion auxiliary's District 30 meet for a leadership training on Oct. 2 at the Bradley-Keffer American Legion Post 138. | PHOTO COURTESY OF KAREN GIBBS

## District 30 Legion Auxiliaries Receive Training

*Six Local American Legion Auxiliaries Select District-Level Officers*

**BY HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE**

HOLTVILLE — New officers for 2022-2023 were selected for the American Legion auxiliary's District 30 during a meeting and leadership training held on Oct. 2 at the Bradley-Keffer American Legion Post 138.

The new officers are President Irene Imhof, 1st Vice President Gina Camacho, Secretary and Historian Hannah Nilson, Treasurer Margaret Navarro, Sergeant-at-Arms Helen Wilson, and Junior Sergeant-at-Arms Zoe Nilson.

The American Legion auxiliary's District 30 is comprised of six local American Legion auxiliaries, and include Frank Luke ALA Unit 24 of Blythe, Boyce Aten ALA Unit 25 of El Centro, ALA Unit 60 of Brawley, ALA Unit 135 of Calipatria, Bradley-Keffer ALA Unit 138 of Holtville and the Quechan ALA Unit 802 of Yuma.

Members from the various units were in attendance during the meeting, which provided training in leadership strategies and the intricacies of the ALA organization at the national, state, regional and district and unit levels.

The training was provided so that members are better equipped to serve veterans, veteran's families and the community, according to information provided by Bradley-Keffer ALA Unit 138 President Karen Gibbs.



The Mystic Rivers performs on Phoenix bar's outdoor stage on South Fourth Street in El Centro. | FACEBOOK PHOTO

## 1 Man Killed by Gunfire, 2 Suspects Sought

*Phoenix Bar in El Centro is Site of Incident After Midnight*

**BY HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE**

EL CENTRO — Police are searching for two suspects involved in the shooting death of a man at an El Centro bar around 12:45 a.m. Monday, Oct. 10, according to authorities.

Little information was being released by El Centro Police Department on Monday afternoon, other than the officers responded to the 2300 block of South Fourth Street to reports of gunshots, where they found an adult male with a gunshot wound.

The male was treated by officers and paramedics on scene and transported to El Centro Regional Medical Center, where he later succumbed to his inju-

ries, according to a press release from ECPD.

No other injuries were reported.

The suspects are described as adult males who left the scene on foot. The weapon used in the shooting had not been located at the time of the press release.

The ECPD call logs list the location of the shooting as Phoenix bar, 2354 S. 4th St.

Imperial County Coroner's Office investigators responded to the hospital around 2 a.m., according to Sheriff's Office activity logs. The office declined to release the identity of the deceased on Monday afternoon, deferring to police.

Deputies were also put on

alert to assist El Centro police in looking for the suspects, according to sheriff's logs, which contained additional suspect information. One suspect was wearing a Dallas Cowboys jersey. One was believed to be heading in the direction of Interstate 8, while the other was headed in the opposite direction toward In-N-Out.

No other suspect information was available.

This case is under investigation, according to the ECPD press release. Anyone with information on the case is asked to contact Detective Sgt. Steven Fisher at 760-337-4866 or by email at sfisher@ecpd.org

## County Executive Office to Be Reorganized

*Changes to Office to Include Five Deputy CEO Positions; Desert View Tower Reps Protest Mess on County Land; October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month*

**BY MARCIE LANDEROS**

EL CENTRO — The Imperial County Executive Office will be restructured to better prepare itself to efficiently deal with developments partly attributed to Lithium Valley, according to county officials.

The change will include five deputy CEO positions and one assistant CEO position, with the most notable change coming from the creation of a deputy CEO position in charge of natural resources in Imperial County.

What exactly the natural resources deputy CEO would look like was the subject of much conversation during the Imperial County Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 11, as District 4 Supervisor Ryan Kelley questioned the nature of

the position.


"Have we determined the job description and the qualifications that this position will require? ... Will the position require a college degree, and if it does, what kind?" Kelley said.

County human resources staff responded that the position would require a bachelor's degree, but the county has chosen to not limit itself to any specific subject for said degree.

Instead of education, the primary focus during the candidate search will be on the individual's experience, especially executive and managerial experiences relating to natural resources, though anyone interested in the position will be welcome to apply.

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# Asm. Garcia, Barona Join to Gift \$10K

Enrique Camarena Junior High Literacy Grant Doubled

BY RICHARD MONTENEGRO BROWN

CALEXICO — Enrique Camarena Junior High was surprised last week when a \$5,000 check presentation became a \$10,000 contribution to the Calexico school's literacy initiative thanks to the Imperial Valley's Assembly member.

On campus on Oct. 5 to deliver a symbolic \$5,000 check from on behalf of the Barona Band of Mission Indians' "Barona Education Grant Program," Assembly member Eduardo Garcia, D-Coachella, pledged an additional \$5,000 out of his office, according to Calexico Unified School District spokesperson Alejandra Limon.

Initially, Enrique Camarena Junior High teachers Lisa Mendoza and Yulil Alonso-Garza

applied for the Barona Education Grant Program to restart a school-wide reading initiative to innovate and transform the reading culture at the school.

The funding from both sources is to support the school-wide reading program and introduce students to newer authors with multicultural and social themes that students can relate to, according to a previous press release from the teachers. The Barona Education Grant — now augmented by Garcia's contribution — will be a step toward replenishing the campus' library book selection and will support an incentive-based component of the school's literacy initiative.



Assembly member Eduardo Garcia, D-Coachella, Calexico Unified School District officials, and students and staff of Enrique Camarena Junior High gather in front of a painting of the school's namesake, slain DEA agent and Calexico native Enrique "Kiki" Camarena on Oct. 5 during a symbolic check presentation from Barona Band of Mission Indians and Garcia's office for a literacy program. | COURTESY PHOTO



Enrique Camarena Junior High teachers Yulil Alonso-Garza (from left) and Lisa Mendoza applied for a \$5,000 Barona Education Grant Program to restart a school-wide reading initiative to innovate and transform the reading culture at the school. On Oct. 5, a symbolic check presentation was made by Assembly member Eduardo Garcia, D-Coachella, who pledged an additional \$5,000. | COURTESY PHOTO



Assembly member Eduardo Garcia (right), D-Coachella, presents a framed resolution to Calexico Unified School District officials on Oct. 5 during an event at Enrique Camarena Junior High. | COURTESY PHOTO



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## Imperial County Sheriff's Office: Oct. 6-Oct. 9

BY HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

IMPERIAL COUNTY — The following reports were collected from the Imperial County Sheriff's

Office call logs from Oct. 6 to Oct. 9.

### THURSDAY, OCT. 6

4:18 p.m.: A power line was damaged near Silsbee Road and Hacklemen Road. The pole was broken at the bottom and the structure was leaning; no power lines were touching the ground.

8:07 p.m.: A Heber resident contacted deputies concerned about her neighbors constantly harassing and recording her.

### FRIDAY, OCT. 7

12:07 a.m.: A Palo Verde resident returned to their home on Clark Road to find squatters had been living in the house. The homeowner has been away for about eight months and came home to find all of the drawers in the house have been emptied and all the electronics have been taken.

10:51 a.m.: Deputies received a call about 50 squatters on an Ocotillo property that have been pointing guns at people.

12:44 p.m.: A Heber resident said he received a call from Direct TV stating he owes money, but says he has never opened an account with the company. He stated he suspects someone used his social security number to open an account.

3:54 p.m.: A woman reported she received a call from an unknown number on Friday saying she heard her daughter in distress yelling that she was in Ocotillo. A male voice could be heard in the background, then grabbed the phone from her daughter and said "She's not here," before hanging up.

8:31 p.m.: A white truck was seen parked inside Mulberry School outside Brawley on Friday and a male subject was seen burglarizing the school. According to the sheriff's report, this has been an ongoing issue at the school.

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## FOOTBALL



Holtville High School senior running back Daniel Ledesma tries to get through the line against Imperial during the I.V. Classic rivalry game in Imperial on Thursday, Oct. 6. | VALERIE MENDOZA PHOTOS

## Tigers Continue Dominance of I.V. Classic

*Imperial Scores 41-7 Victory Over Vikings*

BY JALEN FONG  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

IMPERIAL — Using a suffocating defense and well-balanced offensive attack, the Imperial High School football team was victorious over Holtville, 41-7, in the latest installment of the I.V. Classic at Shamoto-Simpson Stadium here on Thursday, Oct. 6.

The rivalry between the two schools dates back to 1939, and always came with bragging rights and pride on the line for two of the smaller towns in the Imperial Valley (at least at the time).



Holtville High School junior quarterback Bryce Buscaglia throws a pass during the I.V. Classic rivalry game against Imperial on Thursday, Oct. 6.

For more than 80 years, with the exception of a few when Imperial switched leagues, both the Tigers and Vikings have shared the same field in a battle that has been dubbed the I.V. Classic.

In recent decades, Imperial has had the upper hand due to the town's rapid growth. Imperial came into the 2022 edition of the I.V.

Classic winners of the last nine meetings against the Vikings. The last Holtville victory came in 2012 in a 22-21 overtime affair.

On Thursday, the Tigers (6-1 overall, 1-0 in Imperial Valley League) showed their tough defense, making it six of seven opponents this season held to less than 10 points.

Imperial forced a three-and-out on Holtville's first possession. When the Tigers got the ball they were able to move the ball far enough to get a 39-yard field goal from senior Ethan Gonzalez, the first of two made field goals by Gonzalez.

Holtville (3-4 overall, 0-0 in Desert League) was able to move the ball on its second possession, getting a 22-yard run from Austin Marini on a fourth-down play. But on the ensuing play, Imperial's defense forced a fumble that was scooped up by senior linebacker Pablo Moreno at the 50 yard line and returned for a touchdown and a 10-0 lead.

"That play just gave us a lot of momentum," said Moreno. "We were excited, motivated and pumped up for tonight's game."

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## VOLLEYBALL

## Vikings Claim IVL Crown with Sweep of Brawley

BY MURRAY ANDERSON  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

HOLTVILLE — The Holtville High School volleyball team won its second consecutive Imperial Valley League title with a three-set sweep (25-15, 25-17, 25-14) of Brawley Union High here on Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The Vikings (21-6 overall, 6-0 in IVL) have a two-game lead over second-place Imperial (4-2 in IVL) with two matches remaining. The best the Tigers could do is pull into a tie with Holtville, but with the Vikings sweeping Imperial twice in IVL action they would claim the tiebreaker.

With a victory over either Calexico or Southwest in their final two matches, the Vikings will claim the outright championship.

"Obviously one of our goals was to win IVL but we want to do it undefeated," said Chelsey Strahm, Holtville's fifth-year head coach. "We want to go back-to-back undefeated champs and we don't want to take any of our remaining opponents lightly."

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Holtville High School senior Sofie Irungaray goes up to save a ball from going into the net during the Vikings' three-set Imperial Valley League victory over Brawley Union High in Holtville on Tuesday, Oct. 11. | PAUL VALDIVIA PHOTO

## FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

## Central Uses Air Attack to Beat Calexico

BY MURRAY ANDERSON  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

EL CENTRO — Central Union High School senior quarterback Damian Rodriguez threw for 340 yards and five touchdowns as the Spartans beat Calexico, 34-14, in an Imperial Valley League matchup at Cal Jones Field here on Thursday, Oct. 6.

Central (4-3 overall, 2-0 in IVL) led 14-0 just before halftime when Rodriguez hit Sergio Garcia on a 17-yard touchdown pass to increase the lead to 21-0 at the break.

Calexico (5-2 overall, 0-2 in IVL) got 168 yards rushing on 24 carries and a touchdown from senior Zeus Pradis.

Up next for Calexico is another IVL showdown as the Bulldogs host Southwest High at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, at Ward Field. Central is off on Friday, Oct. 14, but returns to action in Imperial at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21.

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## MEN'S SOCCER

## Long Road Trip Takes Toll on IVC

BY BREVEN HONDA  
HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

SAN MARCOS — The Imperial Valley College men's soccer team played its 13th consecutive game away from home to begin the season on Tuesday, Oct. 11, as the squad traveled to face Palomar College at Minkoff Field here in a Pacific Coast Athletic Conference match.

It's been a grueling schedule for IVC and the team has struggled, out to a 1-12 overall record and 1-4 in PCAC play after Tuesday's 4-0 loss to the Comets.

Palomar scored an early goal in the 13th minute and answered again in the 25th minute after a save by IVC sophomore goalkeeper Dither Beltran, from Calexico High School, bounced off



Imperial Valley College freshman Luis Carrillo sets up a corner kick during a Pacific Coast Athletic Conference match against Palomar in San Marcos on Tuesday, Oct. 11. | BREVEN HONDA PHOTO

his hands, allowing Palomar to rebound and double its lead.

Palomar (7-3-3 overall, 4-1 in the PCAC) would tack on two second half goals.

IVC head coach Rafael Contreras said his team was good despite facing new challenges compared to a season ago, including new

rules for player safety due to extreme weather conditions.

"I think we did alright except that the key factor is when we lose concentration, that's when they take advantage," Contreras said after the match. "We're practicing short periods and we don't have as much con-

dition compared to opposing teams. We're practicing 25 minutes at a time and since we don't have any lights, we can't practice at night."

On Tuesday, both teams had to adapt as inclement weather arrived and precipitation started to fall at the 40th minute.

Contreras said he was not expecting the rain because it ultimately hurt the team's momentum as the first half came to an end.

"We thought it was going to be a little cold, but not the rain," Contreras said. "Then the thunder and everything came. Once we were more or less stopping them from the attack, then we had to stop because of the rain and then start over again. We were cold and not concentrating."

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# FACEOFF

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nor a former teacher. However, she does come in as a concerned parent who has helped on school parent groups and is ready to make a difference on a school board.

“As a proud Hispanic mother of five, I can contribute a unique and approachable perspective to the board, foster strong relationships, and increase communication.” said Duarte.

Phillips bring years of school service to the table as well as being parent in the Holtville school district. He has long been on one side of the table and is ready to join the board trustees’ side of that table.

“I’m looking forward to continuing a family tradition,” said Phillips. “My pledge is to read, dialogue, deliberate, and work with the board to enact and supervise the implementation of the policies, procedures, and curriculum to meet the needs of each student.”

Abatti said he brings years of experience to the table and wants to continue providing that experience to the students of Holtville Unified.

“There is no substitute for experience when it comes to making decisions about the young people of our community,” said Abatti. “Change is good when change is needed. Now is not the time to change course.”

Heraz had been a teacher in Holtville before becoming an administrator as well as being a parent of a student at Pine School. She stated she wants to make a difference and be a board trustee that people can come to and find support, something she did not exactly have when she was at Holtville High.

“I want to be part of a school district with policies and vision that supports all students and

makes all students feel valuable, and that extends to parents,” said Heraz. “I feel I can do the job well. I connect with people, I’m a good listener, I’m able to understand the different unique needs of all people.”

Kellum is a parent and has been a coach for youth sports in the community, whether it be through churches or schools. He has watched his athletes learn lessons about sportsmanship, honor, leadership skills, and respect that are carried into the classroom and for the rest of the child’s life. Kellum wants to bring that to the school board.

“I will carry the same philosophies when sitting on the school board, making decisions to ensure every student’s success in a safe, nurturing environment,” said Kellum.

Grizzle has spent 17 years on the Holtville Unified board as well as part of the Imperial Valley Vegetable Growers Association board. He originally got into the board to make a difference for his children in a school district he was not happy with. Since then, Grizzle has watched the district blossom with more opportunities for students with academic and career programs and wants to continue to be a part of the board that has brought that to Holtville.

“There’s just so many great things and I’m just so proud of our school and I just would carry on this tradition of excellence,” said Grizzle. “Like I said 17 years ago, just put kids first, it’s as simple as that.”

When asked what the most important issues are in the Holtville Unified School District, all the candidates agreed that security was something that needed to be worked on as well as improving student wellbeing. Candidates threw out that there is also a need to make the school environments safer, as well as provide more opportunities to the students. **See FACEOFF | PAGE 9**

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# FOOTPRINT

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Representatives of the Boys and Girls Club have been requesting that the city devote a considerable amount of space within the empty lot for a community center that it could occupy.

The city has agreed to accommodate the club at the lot, but on a smaller footprint than requested by the organization.

Despite several community members' protests during previous City Council meetings, the city decided to give the Boys and Girls Club two options: take the smaller community center or move the community center to a different city property.

Wells said that the city would be sticking with this choice, even sending a formal letter to the Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors.

"The letter will politely explain that the city would allow the community center to be developed on the smaller piece on the Public Safety Building lot, but we recommend they take one of the bigger city properties," Wells said.

The empty property north of

Holt Park was originally donated in 2001 by Milton and Mable Meek, entrusted to the city with the express purpose that a public safety facility be built there.

The city has explored various concepts for the development of the property, including offices for police, fire, administration, and a community center.

In the years since then, the original plans became outdated, as much of the space in the previously designed building was for a police station that was necessary at the time of design.

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office, which functions as Holtville's police force, does not need the same amount of space as what the police department required.

It is at this point that the idea of having City Hall relocate from its more than 100-year-old current location to occupy the additional space.

This caused some controversy earlier this year when the Boys and Girls Club demanded that the space be used for a community center that the Boys and Girls Club would then be able to use, since it had been reduced in size in the redesign.



**Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District Chief Executive Officer Larry Lewis speaks during a meeting in Hidalgo Hall in Brawley in February 2021 to gather community feedback on the hospital. Lewis will be leaving Pioneers to take over as CEO of Imperial County Local Health Authority. | KATHERINE RAMOS PHOTO**

## Local Health Authority Tabs PMH's Lewis as CEO

BY HOLTVILLE TRIBUNE

EL CENTRO — Longtime Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District Chief Executive Officer Larry Lewis has been hired to lead the Imperial County Local Health Authority, it was announced at the authority's commission meeting on Monday, Oct. 10.

Lewis will assume responsibilities on Nov. 14, according to a Tuesday, Oct. 11 press release from the Local Health Authority Commission. It wasn't immediately available when Lewis will step down from Pioneers.

Lewis has been Pioneers CEO since Sept. 6, 2012. Through his career he's worked in various executive management positions within the healthcare field. This is one of the many reasons he will succeed at taking the Local Health Authority to the next level, according to the commission's press release announcing the hire.

"It is a great day for Imperial County Local Health Authority dba, Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley," said Dr. Adolphe Edward, chair of the Imperial County Local Health Authority, in a press release, "as we announce Larry Lewis the CEO of the Health Plan. Larry has a long history of great successes and was here when the idea of a single plan model to serve the community began. He will continue to help lead as the CEO. All 13 commissioners are behind him as he helps going live with a plan to improve the care of our Medi-Cal population in the Valley."

"I've appreciated the experiences, friendships, and accomplishments over the past 10 years with Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District. We've seen successes in physician recruitment, including interventional radiology, gastroenterology, general surgery, family prac-

tice, pediatrics, and urology," Lewis stated in the press release. "We've also seen successes in new services such as oncology, two additional rural health clinics, and several specialty clinics, expanded wound care, and now a cath lab on the precipice of beginning cardiac stent placements. We've expanded technology to include 3D mammography, 3T MRI, endoscopic ultrasound, and more."

Now is the time to pursue another opportunity to further shape healthcare in Imperial County, according to Chairman Edward and Lewis, as the authority leads and supports the change of direction for the Imperial County Health Authority as its transitions to a single plan model of care for its Medi-Cal members in Imperial County. "Working together with the entire Valley of healthcare service providers and our members, we will strive to bring continued improvements in quality, accessibility, and efficiency through the integration and coordination of services," according to the authority.

"In his new role, Larry will provide leadership in the development of the LHA," said Lee Hindman, vice chair of the Imperial County Local Health Authority, in the press release, "working alongside various stakeholders, including regulatory agencies, the California Department of Health Care Services as well as the California Department of Managed Care."

The mission of the Imperial County Local Health Authority is to enhance community health and Medi-Cal beneficiary outcomes. It is a public organization made up of local leaders from the health, governmental, and private sectors.



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## TIGERS

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Holtville's offense would not get past midfield again until the fourth quarter, surrendering the ball to the Tigers on multiple occasions inside Vikings' territory.

"We were able to stop their runs to the edges, not really give them much room. They don't pass that often so we knew coming into tonight more or less what they were going to run," Moreno said.

Imperial's offense would not find the same struggles, utilizing two quarterbacks to show different looks throughout the game. Junior Gavin Robles, who operated mostly out of the shotgun formation, started the game and effectively moved the ball for the Tigers on offense. Robles finished the game 9-for-11 passing for 84 yards.

Senior Christopher Tiernan entered the game midway through the second quarter and ran primarily out of the triple option formation, giving the Holtville defense a different look. Tiernan finished the

game 6-of-9 passing for 105 yards.

"It's wonderful to come out and play like we did tonight," said senior receiver Alejandro Perez, who finished the game with seven receptions for 62 yards. He also got into the endzone on a 5-yard TD run. "As a team, we love playing together, coming out and dominating like we did tonight."

Seth Shaw, who received the bulk of the rushing attempts for the Tigers with the absence of injured starter Rashad Robinson, did not waste his opportunity, rushing for 58 yards and three touchdowns.

Holtville was finally able to get into the end zone late in the fourth quarter on a 5-yard touchdown run from junior quarterback Bryce Buscaglia.

Imperial will look to continue its momentum when the Tigers host Brawley at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, in a key IVL matchup. Holtville opens Desert League play at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, hosting defending DL champion Palo Verde Valley of Blythe at Birger Field.

## PRIDE

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featured musical, dance, and tall flag performances, cosplayers, and booths of all different varieties, all decorated in colorful rainbows on Saturday, Oct. 8.

For members of the Imperial Valley LGBTQ community, Pride means more than just fun and music, it represents the acceptance and inclusion that so many members of the community crave after being silenced for so many years.

The importance of Pride is not lost on the LGBT Resource Center Chief Executive Officer Rosa Diaz, who founded the cen-

ter in 2014 after being discriminated against when she came out as lesbian.

"Pride is important because it tells the community that we are here, we are helping people, and most importantly, we are here to stay," Diaz said.

The LGBT Resource Center features a wide variety of services for the community, non-LGBTQ and LGBTQ members alike, including rental assistance, group therapy, individual counseling, support groups, and domestic violence services.

One of the newest programs offered is a youth art program, which will have 10 youths come in and work with Wall-to-Wall Studio and Mural to create art,

## COURT

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A rodeo queen should know how to ride, and that was exactly what the Cidney and 14-year-old Amaris did Friday night. The two contestants had to ride patterns around the Cattle Call Arena in set sequences, taking their horses through precise steps as well as doing a fast-moving "Queen's run" of a lap around the arena. They also had to be able to work cattle, since one of the queen's jobs will be to help in the arena with herding the cows.

Cidney had a particularly challenging run this year since, a few days prior to the competition, her own horse was injured, or "lamed." Since her horse could not run, she had to compete with two different, unfamiliar horses during the riding competition. Though from the judges' and the audience's reactions, that didn't hurt her one bit.

Cidney, who comes from a

line of Cattle Call royalty, has held all three of the first queen titles and plans to carry herself with confidence during her reign as the 2022 Cattle Call Queen, she said. Because of this, she feels she has a unique opportunity to guide and help her court in any way she can.

The riding portion is actually why Teen Queen Amaris, another Brawley resident with a line of Cattle Call royals in her family, said she never competed for Little Miss and Junior Queen. To her, since riding is such a huge part of her life, a rodeo queen should be able to ride and work with her horse.

The littlest queens, Little Miss Reese Johnson of El Centro and Junior Queen Harper Brandt of Brawley, did not have to go through the riding portion of the contest like the older members of the court but still had to show their rodeo and horse knowledge for the judges. Each was quizzed on their knowledge and

demonstrated it during the speech portion of the contest with confidence and a bit of attitude.

"It's cool being Little Miss because I get to make new friends and meet new people," 8-year-old Reese said.

"I'm feeling excited, I'm feeling super proud of myself," 9-year-old Harper said. "I feel like a Queen!"

The 2022-2023 Cattle Call Queen Court will be traveling around the Valley to attend events, schools, and more to represent and talk about the Cattle Call Rodeo.

The crowning of the queen is the start to the Cattle Call season, which continues in Brawley on Nov. 3 with the Cattle Call Kick-off Mixer at the Grocery Outlet and the Cattle Call Chili and Rib Cook-off on Nov. 5 on Main Street. The Cattle Call Rodeo will run Nov. 11-13.

"I am so excited to be a part of the art program, I think I might finally get to make some friends ... I am going to have to practice socializing before it starts," Rosie said.

### Imperial Valley Cosplay Group

The Imperial Valley Cosplay Group was in attendance at IV Pride, entertaining and interacting with visitors as they made their way through the booths.

Wearing a Marvel's "What If" costume based on the Disney Plus series, which combined the characters Star-Lord from Guardians of the Galaxy and Black Panther, Brawley resident Jerry Travis said that Pride was a natural fit for the local cosplay organization.

Cosplay provides individuals who participate to step outside themselves to take on the lives of

characters, helping the players to explore different identities.

"We are all different flavors of tea, and we should be able to identify as our favorite one," Travis said.

This acceptance created a fun and welcoming environment for all, according to Imperial resident John Garcia. Garcia came with his family to support his younger brother, who is gay.

Garcia said he expected to be bored for the evening but was pleasantly surprised to discover that there were lots of activities with that kept him just as entertained as his brother.

"There was a lot going on, with music and dancers and stuff ... My favorite was the cosplay, though. I am super nerdy, so it was fun to get to chat with them," Garcia said.

## SOCCER

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The rain lightened during halftime and ceased a few minutes into the second half. Unfortunately, play stopped in the 51st minute due to lightning in the area as the heaviest downpour came minutes later.

As a result, an initial 30-minute delay paused the match and turned into more than an hour delay, but play would ultimately continue.

Coming out of the lightning delay, it took some time for IVC to find any consistency again as Palomar took advantage, scoring multiple times in a four-minute span despite IVC having some opportunities from a fastbreak to a corner kick that almost led to a goal as a header went too high.

There is light at the end of the tunnel for IVC as the team is about to reach its 14th consecutive and final road game to start this year before playing the final six conference games at home.

IVC plays its road finale at 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, at Southwestern College in Chula Vista before hosting three PCAC teams to end October and three more conference foes to start November.

"It's going to be great because that's the last away game before we get to go home," Contreras said of playing their final road game on Friday. "That's kind of an advantage because we need a home game where we practice and something we're used to."

"Last year, that was one of our advantages because when we were there and it was hot and when you practice at that time, we were used to it. So, in the second half, we were the ones that had the opportunities and flipped the scores."

IVC is near the halfway point of the conference schedule. Leading the team in goals is freshman defender Luis Carrillo from Southwest High School with four, including one coming on a penalty kick.

Carrillo was named September Athlete of the Month after ending last month on a high note putting two goals in the net in IVC's first win of the season

at San Diego Mesa College on Sept. 30.

Contreras said his team still has a chance to finish atop the conference as parody has already started to unfold with no team being a clear-cut favorite to win.

"We're not that far," Contreras said. "Even though we have lost some games, most of the teams are beating each other. Next week, we're getting that home game, so we should recover. More or less, they've already learned to play our system so we're capitalizing on it."

Currently, IVC has only three substitutes on the roster as every player comes from the high schools within the Imperial Valley.

Contreras, who is also the head coach at Southwest High, said being able to watch these players, either as an Eagle or on the opposite sideline, gives him an opportunity to recruit with his own two eyes rather than solely relying on video.

"I have seen them play and it's an advantage," Contreras said. "I know that the other schools, they have more to recruit from or get more. A big thing for us is if we get lights at IVC, and we can practice at night, more players from the Valley will join us and more players that played before in high school."

As Contreras enters this final road game, it is one day closer to playing in the friendly confines at Imperial Valley College. Not only does the IVC men's soccer team benefit from playing on its home turf, it gives an opportunity for fans to come out and watch the growth of the IVC team.

Contreras said having the fans gives a home field advantage for the players in addition to the opponent having to make the two-hour trip to the Imperial Valley.

"I am eager since it's been a long time since we've played over there," Contreras said. "Plus, they get more into it because people go and see and they get more excited to see the team play."

IVC kicks off its home schedule at 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21, hosting San Diego City College in a PCAC matchup.



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## FACEOFF

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early question was actually about security, showing the community is also concerned about student safety on school campuses.

Heraz says the county already wants to have all the districts trained by the same officers. Phillips pointed out that the district should become involved in the Sandy Hook Promise and Yellow Ribbon programs as well as get proctors from the Imperial County Sheriff's Office.

Abatti and Grizzle both brought up that there are currently improvements happening at the district thanks to their involvement on the board. These include new security fencing

at Finley Elementary and the creation of the new gymnasium at the middle school. They also pointed out that the district does have a full time, armed school resource officer on campuses now.

Grizzle stated that the district needed to continue to work on infrastructure, pointing out how it recently built the new gymnasium and the agriculture stalls for the FFA program at the high school.

The COVID-19 pandemic and its aftereffects were on the public's mind Tuesday night and more than a couple of the questions had to do with the pandemic. This included how candidates intend to make up for the loss of education and student mental health, which all candidates

agreed took a hit from distance learning.

Both Heraz and Duarte indicated that the children need to be brought up to speed, Heraz wording it that they need to return to where they were before distance learning and COVID-19. Duarte stated that the schools need to start bringing students into the normal traditions of what constitutes good school behavior, adding that a lot of the behavioral issues now are due to the long period of distance learning.

One particular question came from the Facebook chat in reference to mask and COVID-19 mandates, asking if the candidates would push back against any "reckless policies that our state and country want to impose

on our public schools in the future."

Most of the candidates were in agreement that they did not want to have to go through something like that again and that state mandates would be obeyed should it come down to it.

Kellum said his children of course did not care for the mask and that it was a struggle, but he felt that there is only so much the board can do before having to obey a mandate. Duarte and Phillips both said they would obey a state mandate since it is different to fight a state-issued mandate, which is in a sense a state law. Phillips even added that he did not want to have to go back to being the mask police like he was at Southwest High

events but he would obey the county Public Health Department and do it again if that was the state mandate.

Abatti and Grizzle agreed that the district had to listen to the state, but added that if it came down to it, they would indeed push back like they did in the fall of the 2021-2022 school year.

Holtville was the only school district that actively opposed the statewide and county wide mask mandate and planned to open school doors without mask despite threats to close.

"We were the only school to do that, and we would still be willing to do that," said Abatti.

## CEO

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The qualification for the other deputy CEO positions — which include a general services deputy CEO, a deputy CEO for intergovernmental relations, deputy CEO for budget and finance, and a deputy CEO for economic development — will follow the same pattern as the natural resources position.

Executive Officer Miguel Figueroa was the primary force in determining the necessity of reorganizing the Executive Office.

Figueroa began his time as CEO only six months ago, but during that time he said he's observed how the executive offices functions within the county and feels that this would create a more efficient and transparent office.

When Figueroa arrived on the job there were only two deputy CEOs and no assistant CEO, a position that now harkens back to a structure in place under

former CEO Ralph Cordova, Figueroa said on Wednesday morning, Oct. 12.

Of the six created positions, five will be advertised, save the deputy CEO for intergovernmental relations — that position will already be assumed by Rebecca Terrazas-Baxter, Figueroa said.

The second most notable change in these deputy CEO positions is the function of the deputy CEO for budget and finance, which will now monitor all county finances, including purchasing for individual departments within the county.

Figueroa said it was his hope that the change in this position would allow the county to capture and have greater control over finances.

"We are always looking for better opportunities to provide a better service. Is this the overall fixture that we need? No, but it is a step in right direction," he said.

### A Mess at The Desert View Tower

Representatives from Imperi-

al County's Desert View Tower spoke during public comment, requesting the cleanup of county-owned land that sits adjacent to the tower's property.

While owner Ben Schultz was present for the county board meeting, his brother, Sam Schultz, did the actual speaking on the subject.

Sam Schultz explained that a man, who was only referred to as their "neighbor" but is infamous for the spaceship he parks along the side of the road leading to the tower, has created a junk pile along the side of the road.

In addition to the junk pile, Schultz reported that their neighbor had been seen standing in the middle of the road naked for an extended period of time during the tower's normal operating hours.

Schultz asserted that both of these issues have negatively impacted visitation to the Desert View Tower, as visitors are unnerved by the mess and the nudity.

It's also reported that he has

repeatedly reached out to the county to solve these issues, having previously tried to work with law enforcement and having District 2 Supervisor Luis Plancarte visit the tower to see the mess.

All these actions have been to no avail, Schultz said, as the county has still not cleaned up the area and law enforcement reportedly told Schultz that they would not arrest the neighbor unless he was actively masturbating in the street.

In response, county supervisors directed staff in the CEO's office to look into the issue directly, to find out what's solutions the county can offer.

"We have spoken to our attorney, and this is our last shot and perhaps one more time through the Public Works Department before we got to the law and file suit," Schultz said.

October Named Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The county board unanimously named October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence estimates that one in four women and one in nine men experience domestic violence, equating to 10 million individuals experiencing domestic violence per year in the United States alone.

WomanHaven, A Center for Family Solutions Executive Director Gina Vargas, along with staff, were presented with a copy of the resolution for their work in domestic violence survivor support and sheltering, after having sheltered more than 300 women and children.

WomanHaven programs include not only the sheltering services, but wellness programs, legal services, housing support, violence prevention programs, and a thrift store. "This year's theme is, 'Everyone knows someone.' You may not know they have or are experiencing it, but you know someone ... Thank you (Board of Supervisors) for supporting our cause," Vargas said.

## ARPA

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community member who used the council meeting's public comment period to express their concerns about the city.

One of the more memorable — and louder — of those speakers was Calexico Police Officers Association President Luis Casillas, who complained about the Police Department's shortage of officers.

He also called out City Manager Esperanza Colio Warren for what he perceived to be her failure to address the department's needs, labeling her a "short-timer" who he didn't expect to remain as city manager that much longer.

"You are doing a disservice," Casillas said to her. "We got savages running around and you don't care."

One other speaker also decried what they perceived to be a decline in public safety. Karla Flores said she has lived her entire life in Calexico and no longer feels safe.

The community members' varied complaints appeared to have struck a nerve with Mayor Pro Tem Raul Ureña.

Following their remarks, he said that their concerns could've likely been alleviated had the City Council chosen to spend ARPA funds on parks and police instead of allocating \$1 million

to provide \$7,000 to each of the city's employees as a show of gratitude for the work they performed amid the pandemic.

He was also critical of the council's decision to allocate about \$800,000 in ARPA funds to purchase multiple police patrol vehicles at a time when the department is short on personnel. Ureña reminded those present that he had voted against the purchase of the patrol cars and the so-called "hero pay" for employees.

Yet, since the lifting of pandemic-related restrictions on international travelers at the border, the city's sales tax revenue has exceeded projections in recent quarters, he said, providing reason to be hopeful.

"With the surplus we will find a way to finance public safety and see what we can do," he said.

Aside from unanimously approving the ARPA funds for the two parks' baseball fields' lighting, without any discussion, the council also unanimously approved the balance of its agenda's action items without any discussion, too.

One of those resolutions authorized the declaration of a local emergency so that the city would be eligible for state funds to mitigate damages stemming from Tropical Storm Kay.

Previously, the city disclosed that seven of its facilities had

### FRIDAY, OCT. 7

8:36 a.m.: A Sonrisa Villa resident caused a disturbance in the facility, being aggressive and hitting people in the face with a sweater.

2:41 p.m.: Holtville High School reported an athletics referee for unprofessional conduct.

### SATURDAY, OCT. 8

2:49 p.m.: A pig was seen wandering near an apartment leasing office. The pig did not seem to be aggressive, but Holtville Public Works says they only pick up dogs and will not respond to the call.

## ICSO

From page 4

1:23 p.m.: A Niland resident stated he was in the hospital and left his keys with a neighbor. When he returned, the man found that a lot of his possessions were missing and his neighbor refuses to speak with him.

### SUNDAY, OCT. 9

7:47 p.m.: A Brawley woman reported a woman came "crashing" out from the river bottom asking for help. She had no weapons but the reporting party was giving her water while waiting for sheriff's deputies.

**HOLTVILLE Sheriff's Substation**



Members of the PFA Showtime IV youth baseball league complained to the City Council about the conditions of the Alex Rivera Little League Field at Rodriguez Park during the council's meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5. | PAUL VALDIVIA PHOTO

sustained leaking roofs during the storm. The total costs associated with addressing the storm's damage in the city remain unknown, a staff report stated.

The council also approved the use of \$25,000 in ARPA funds to purchase a pressure washer and surface cleaner to

replace the outdated equipment currently in use. The items will be used to pressure wash and clean the downtown area's alleys on a monthly basis.

Phase 1 of an alley improvement project will be moving forward after the council approved the project's bidding documents during its meeting on Oct. 5.

Some 13 alleys are slated to get paved using \$3.3 million in previously awarded grant funding from the county Air Pollution Control District. The city was to begin soliciting requests for proposals on Monday Oct. 10, the resolution's backup documents stated.

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Holtville High School senior Kamryn Walker (3) goes up for a kill during the Vikings' Imperial Valley League match against Brawley Union High in Holtville on Tuesday, Oct. 11. | PAUL VALDIVIA PHOTO

## VOLLEYBALL

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On Tuesday, Oct. 11, the Wildcats (13-14 overall, 3-3 in IVL) opened the first set playing good volleyball and held early leads over the Vikings of 6-2 and 10-9. Holtville got its first lead of the opening set at 12-11 and sprinted to the finish line, outscoring Brawley 13-4 the rest of the way for the 25-15 win.

Sophomore Kate Grizzle had some key blocks in the opening set and the serving of junior Jasmine Garewal helped key the Vikings' run.

Grizzle finished the match with 10 blocks and five kills. Garewal had seven kills and senior Kamryn Walker had a game-high nine kills. Senior Sofie Irungaray finished the match with 21 assists from her setter position, but she also had key defensive plays in the back row.

"She (Irungaray) is in complete control of our offense out there. She has great instincts and she's dealing with a lot of different likes from our hitters on every play," Strahm said. "One hitter likes a higher set, another hitter likes a lower set and she has to remember all this as she's

getting to the ball."

In the second set, Holtville led wire-to-wire, opening up a 5-2 lead early and building it to 16-8 and 20-13 before finishing the set 25-17.

Brawley started well in the third set, up 5-4, but the Vikings went on a 13-4 run to build a 17-9 lead and finished the match with a 25-14 win.

Anchoring the back row for Holtville is the sister act of senior Kalli Strahm and junior Brooke Strahm. Both were part of the Vikings' team that went undefeated in IVL play in 2021 but then lost in the CIF-San Diego Section Division IV semi-finals to Foothills Christian High of El Cajon.

"That would be a dream matchup for us to be able to get some revenge on them after they knocked us out last year," said the 17-year-old Kalli Strahm. "We saw them in a tournament earlier this season and they have a lot of the same players. We'd love to get some revenge on them."

Holtville is currently ranked No. 1 in the CIF-SDS Division III with Foothills Christian right behind at No. 2. If the rankings remain the same for the playoffs, the Vikings would play every

match in Holtville until the championship.

Brawley hosts Southwest at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 13, in an IVL match.

Up next for the Vikings is a 6 p.m. IVL matchup with Calexico on Thursday, Oct. 13, which will serve as the team's Senior Night as they recognize six seniors in Kalli Strahm, Walker, Irungaray, Arielle Sotelo, Hope Jessee and Skylar Hanson.



Holtville High School senior Kalli Strahm prepares to serve during an Imperial Valley League match against Brawley Union High in Holtville on Tuesday, Oct. 11. | PAUL VALDIVIA PHOTO

## PUBLIC NOTICE



### Notice of Public Hearing City of Imperial Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given that three public hearings will be held by the City of Imperial Planning Commission on **Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.** The public hearings will be held at the City of Imperial Council Chambers located at **200 W. 9th Street, Imperial, CA 92251.** The purpose of the public hearings is to hear comments from the public regarding the following projects:

- 1) Conditional Use Permit 22-05 to allow for the operation of an auto body center with a paint booth facility located at **408 E. 2nd Street, Imperial, CA 92251, APN#:064-180-003.** The project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act under section 15301 for existing facilities.
- 2) Conditional Use Permit 22-06 to allow for the operation of powder coating facility located at **608 E. 2nd Street, Imperial, CA 92251, APN#:064-174-005.** The project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act under section 15301 for existing facilities.
- 3) Right of way abandonment of a portion of **O Street from 12th Street to 13th Street** to allow the construction of a proposed Industrial Park with a retention basin on APNs 063-121-001, 063-121-002 and 063-123-001. The project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act under section 15301 for existing facilities.

Copies of the applications and other pertinent information are available for review at the Community Development Department at Imperial City Hall during regular business hours. If you would like to know more about the proposed project prior to the public hearing, please contact Yvonne Cordero, Planner at the Community Development Department (760) 355-1152 or via email at [ycordero@cityofimperial.org](mailto:ycordero@cityofimperial.org).

Any person desiring to comment on the above project may do so in writing or may appear in person at the public hearing. Written comments should be directed to Dennis Morita, City Clerk, City of Imperial, 420 South Imperial Avenue; Imperial, CA 92251. Please reference the project name in all written correspondence.

Dennis Morita  
City Clerk

Legal 6963

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTION OF CITY ORDINANCE 822, AMENDING THE IMPERIAL CITY CODE TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION FROM R-1 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY) TO PUD (PLANNED UNITY DEVELOPMENT) WITHIN THE VICTORIA RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN FOR THE FOLLOWING APN: 044-220-105**

Notice is hereby given that on October 5, 2022, the City Council of the City of Imperial adopted Ordinance 822, amending the city code to change the zoning designation for Victoria Ranch Specific Plan for APN: 044-220-105.

Pursuant to Section 24.19.600 et al, the City Council of the City of Imperial, State of California, does hereby ordain as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The "Official Zoning Map" of the City of Imperial, Imperial County, adopted at Section 24.01.140 of Chapter 24 of the Imperial City code is hereby conditionally amended pursuant to Section 24.19.600, et seq. as set forth in this ordinance.

**SECTION 2:** The property affected by this ordinance is shown in Exhibit A, specifically known as APN 044-220-105.

**SECTION 3:** The new zone for said property is hereby changed from R-1 (Residential Single Family) to PUD (Planned Unit Development).

**SECTION 4:** Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect and shall be in force thirty (30) days after the date of adoption, and prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days from the passage thereof, shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the County of Imperial, together with the names of the members of the City Council voting for and against the same.

**Passed and Adopted by the following vote on October 5, 2022:**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| AYES:    | AMPARANO EUGENIO, TUCKER,<br>BURNWORTH, DALE |
| NOES:    | NONE   |
| ABSTAIN: | NONE   |
| ABSENT:  | NONE   |

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Dated this 6th day of October, 2022  
Dennis H. Mortia, City Clerk  
City of Imperial

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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:** Aurelio D. Alonso (aka) Aurelio Alonso  
**CASE NUMBER: EPR001325**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Aurelio D. Alonso (aka) Aurelio Alonso**  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by: **Martin Alonso** in the Superior Court of California, County of: **IMPERIAL**  
 The Petition for Probate requests that **Martin Alonso** 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:**  
 Date: December 2, 2022  
 Time: 8:30 a.m.  
 Dept. 9  
 Address of court:  
 Superior Court of California,  
 County of Imperial  
 939 West Main Street  
 El Centro, CA 92243  
**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 for petitioner:  
 James O. Douglass  
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 Palm Desert, CA 92260  
 (760) 345-5600  
 Legal 6948  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: ECU002551**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
 Petitioner (*name*): **Mariela Martinez** filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**Present name:**  
**Mariela Martinez**  
**Proposed name:**  
**Mariela Yereña**  
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter 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. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Date: November 17, 2022  
 Time: 8:30 a.m.  
 Dept.: 9  
 The address of the court is:  
 Superior Court of California, County of Imperial  
 939 W. Main Street  
 El Centro, CA 92243  
 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*): Holtville Tribune, 1239 W. Main St., El Centro, CA 92243  
 Date: September 19, 2022  
 L. Brooks Anderholt  
*Judge of the Superior Court*  
 Filed  
 Superior Court of California,  
 County of Imperial  
 09/19/2022 at 09:31:02 AM  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Imperial Community College District invites qualified bidders to submit Bid Proposals for a contract for the Work of the Project generally described as: SPORT FIELD RESTROOM AND CONCESSION, SPORT FIELD WEST-SIDE LIGHTING, AND BORDER LINK ANTENNA PROJECT.

The full text of the Notice to Contractors Calling for Bids may be viewed as part of the Contract Documents downloadable at <https://www.imperial.edu/about/request-for-proposals/>.

Bidders must possess a B-General Building Contractors' License and be a DIR Registered Contractor.

Bid Proposals must be delivered to the District at 380 E. Aten Rd., Building 10, Room #16, Imperial, CA 92251, Attn: Javier Luna, no later than **2:00 P.M., November 15, 2022.**

Bidders must comply with all other requirements established in this Notice and the Instructions for Bidders.

Award of the Contract for the Work, if made, will be by action of the District's Board of Trustees.

There will be a Mandatory Job Walk held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 2:00 P.M., at 380 E. Aten Rd., Building 2000, Imperial, CA 92251. An addendum(s) may be viewed as part of the Contract Documents downloadable at <https://www.imperial.edu/about/request-for-proposals/>.

Legal 6961

Publish: Oct. 13, 2022

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

**FILE NO.: 22-723**  
 The following person is conducting business as:  
 Rent-A-Jump  
 804 Webb Ave.  
 Holtville, CA 92250  
 County of Imperial  
 Full Name of Registrant:  
 Daniel Gonzalez Jr.  
 804 Webb Ave.  
 Holtville, CA 92250  
 This business is conducted by: An Individual  
 Registrant has not commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above.  
 I, Daniel Gonzalez Jr. Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.  
 Signature: Daniel Gonzalez Jr, Owner  
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.  
 Filed with the Imperial County Clerk on: September 15, 2022.  
 A new statement must be filed prior to the expiration date. This statement expires on: September 14, 2027.  
 Chuck Storey/County Clerk-Recorder  
 Francis Anias, Deputy Clerk  
 Legal 9123  
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Legal 6962

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:** Leola Thelma Lunceford, aka Leola T. Lunceford, aka Leola Lunceford, Decedent  
**CASE NUMBER: EPR001327**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Leola Thelma Lunceford, aka Leola T. Lunceford, aka Leola Lunceford**  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by: **Brian Peck** in the Superior Court of California, County of: **IMPERIAL**  
 The Petition for Probate requests that **Brian Peck** 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:**

Date: October 14, 2022  
 Time: 8:30 a.m.  
 Dept. 9  
 Address of court:  
 Superior Court of California,  
 County of Imperial  
 939 West Main Street  
 El Centro, CA 92243  
**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.  
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 Attorney for petitioner:  
 Patrick M. Pace  
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 (760) 352-7800  
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 By: Irma De La Rosa, Deputy Clerk  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:** James Paul Lunceford, aka James P. Lunceford, aka James Lunceford, Decedent  
**CASE NUMBER: EPR001328**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **James Paul Lunceford, aka James P. Lunceford, aka James Lunceford**  
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# ROUNDUP

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**Brawley Blows Out Southwest, 61-12**  
**BRAWLEY** — Brawley Union High lit up the scoreboard for 42 first-half points and cruised to a 61-12 Imperial Valley League victory over Southwest High at Warne Field here on Friday, Oct. 7.  
 The Wildcats (5-2 overall, 1-0 in IVL) scored 21 points in each of the first two quarters to take a 42-6 lead into the locker room. Senior quarterback Ethan Gutierrez got things started early with a 19-yard touchdown pass to senior Daymion Arbaca early in the opening period.  
 Gutierrez finished the

game 9-of-14 passing for 188 yards and four touchdowns. Senior running back Tanner Carranza ran for two touchdowns in the first half.  
 Brawley travels to Imperial's Shimamoto-Simpson Stadium for a 7 p.m. kickoff on Friday, Oct. 14, for a key IVL matchup. Meanwhile, Southwest (1-6 overall, 0-2 in IVL) will trek to Calexico's Ward Field to face the Bulldogs (5-2 overall, 0-2 in IVL) at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14.  
 Palo Verde Pummels Calipatria, 53-6  
**BLYTHE** — Palo Verde exploded in the first quarter for 41 points and defeated Calipatria, 53-6, in a Desert League game at Scott Stadium here on Friday, Oct. 7.

The Yellowjackets (7-1 overall, 2-0 in DL) got a huge game from senior Markus Macon who ran for 118 yards on just five carries and two touchdowns, and caught a 20-yard touchdown pass. Senior teammate Xzavier Bejarano ran for 130 yards on three carries with two touchdowns.  
 Senior quarterback Rio Albanez has attempted three passes in DL action and completed all three for touchdowns.  
 Up next for Palo Verde is a road trip to Holtville (3-4 overall, 0-0 in DL) for a 7 p.m. kickoff on Friday, Oct. 14. Calipatria (0-6 overall, 0-1 in DL) hosts Vincent Memorial Catholic (4-2 overall, 0-1 in DL) at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, at Veteran's Field.

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