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Bank of the Sierra Backs the Community Clock Tower Project

Porterville, CA —Frank “Buck” Shaffer passed away before seeing his vision of a town clock in Centennial Plaza. Time Marches On was created to pursue the dream in his honor. This committee is raising \$35,000 to fund the installation of the clock tower. Bank of the Sierra is pleased to announce that it has donated the proceeds from the pre-sale carnival wristband tickets for the Porterville Fair to this cause. The bank has donated the remainder of funds in the form of a Sierra Grant for a total donation of \$5,000.

“We are happy to support the efforts related to the installation of the Centennial Plaza clock tower. It will be a wonderful addition to downtown Porterville,” stated James C. Holly, President and CEO of Bank of the Sierra.

About The Sierra Grant Program

The Sierra Grant Program is designed to improve the quality of life for the families, especially the children, who reflect the diversity within Bank of the Sierra branch communities. The Sierra Grant Program is focused on three areas: community services, park preservation, and education. Anyone involved in a non-profit program that is interested in a Sierra Grant can pick up an instructional brochure at any Bank of the Sierra branch, or visit the bank web site at www.bankofthesierra.com.

About Bank of the Sierra

With over \$1.2 billion in assets and strong performance ratios, Bank of the Sierra is the largest independently owned community bank headquartered in Southern San Joaquin Valley’s Heartland. The bank serves 15 different communities with 21 branches, two Ag Centers and one SBA Center. For more information visit the web site at www.bankofthesierra.com or call (888) 454-BANK.

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