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Fireworks Show July 4, 2017



YES! I want to support the Taft Fireworks Show!

Now entering our 5th year in a row, the Taft Chamber is hosting the Taft Fireworks Show on Tuesday, July 4, 2017! This event will return to the Rails to Trails in downtown Taft and will feature live music, a vendor fair, bounces houses, and of course, fireworks! The size of the fireworks display is dependent on the support from our community fundraising.

We need you! We invite you to participate in the largest community event of the year. Our show is funded entirely by community donations and there is no charge to attend the show for our residents.

In addition to connecting with past supporters, we will be collecting donations in our "Fund the Fireworks" campaign days of March 31, May 5, and June 2, at the corner of 4th and Kern Streets. We appreciate the assistance from Kern County Fire Department, Hall Ambulance, City of Taft, and the Kern County Sheriff for increased visibility and donations.

Through sponsorships and community contributions, the Taft Chamber hopes to raise enough money to cover the cost of the show for another year. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please give us a call at 661-765-2165.

Thank you for your consideration in making this event a success for the fifth year in a row. Consider making a donation today! Drop off your coin, dollars, and checks to 400 Kern Street to support another Fireworks Show in Taft!











Supporting the Community

Your Taft Chamber of Commerce supports our community in a variety of ways. These include becoming members of our local non-profits, attending the events of many organizations, and supporting their efforts to making Taft a great place to live. New this year, the Taft Chamber is pleased to support the West Side Little League. On Saturday, March 25 the Little League Parade took place on Center Street.

We would like to offer a sincere thank you to all of the businesses who have stepped up and supported the West Side Little League and West Side Recreation for all levels of Baseball and Softball. Your support is vital to this organization that helps shape the lives of so many children in our community.









Join the City of Taft in celebrating



Arbor Day 2017

Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:30am—Noon Taft Community Garden







Abused and Neglected Children will benefit from Jewelers for Children Grant to CASA of Kern County

CASA of Kern County was awarded with a \$20,000 grant from Jewelers

for Children to increase the number of volunteers who represent the best interest of abused and neglected children in court. The award to CASA of Kern County is part of a \$625,000 grant that JFC made to the National CASA Association.

ESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS





Please join First 5 Kern staff and your trusted leaders on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 to discuss the needs of young children in your community!

For the last 15 years, First 5 Kern has funded <u>health</u>, <u>parenting and school readiness programs in your area</u> that serve children from birth to age 5 when they start Kindergarten.

Come to this planning meeting to share your thoughts about these programs, ask questions or to voice any concerns about needs of children in your community!

Working together we can plan an even better future for children and families in Kern County!



RSVP before

April 5th to

(661) 765-7281

FIRST 5 KERN



EXPRESS PHARMACY

NOW HIRING

Express Pharmacy Taft Location 900 Kern Street Unit A Taft, Ca 93268

Interviewing candidates for Pharmacy Technician and/or Pharmacy Clerk

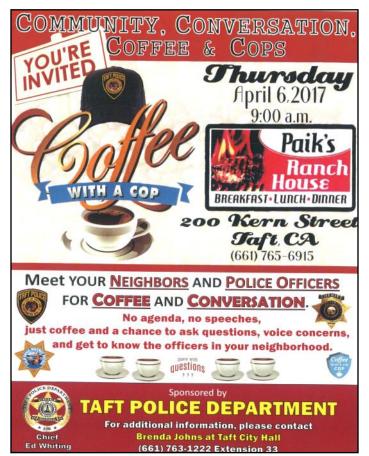
For qualifications and requirements:

CAL 661-745-4800

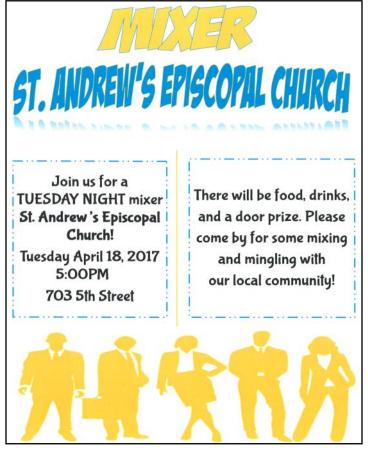
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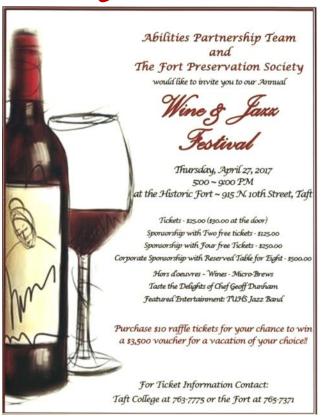
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						1 9am-4pm St. Andrew's Spring Fair CASA Run (Superhero)
2	3 6pm, TUHS Honors Night	4 4pm, TUHS HOF Mtg. 6pm, City Council Meeting	5 NO SIT N SIP 9am, BSEE Technology Challenge 6pm-9pm, Industry Night @ Petro Club	9am, Coffee with a Cop @ Paiks 9am, Downtown Business Mtg.	7 8am-2pm, Needs Center Hodels Fund- raiser 6-10pm, First Friday Cruise Night	8 10am, West Side Recreation Easter Egg Hunt, A St Park 6pm, Brad Zumbro @ The Bank Lounge
9	10 SPRING BREAK CHAMBER CLOSED	SPRING BREAK CHAMBER Hours Limited 2pm, Econ Dev Ad Hoc Comm. Meeting	12 NO SIT N SIP SPRING BREAK CHAMBER Hours Limited 4pm, First 5 Kern Planning Mtg @ WSRPD	13 SPRING BREAK CHAMBER Hours Limited 9am-12pm, Taft Job Fest @ The Fort	14 SPRING BREAK CHAMBER Hours Limited 7pm, Good Friday Service @ St Andrews	15
16 Caster	17	18 5pm, Chamber Mixer @ St. Andrew's 6pm, City Council Mtg.	19 9am, Sit n' Sip w/ Houchin Blood Mobile 6pm, Planning Commission Mtg.	20 10:30am- 12pm, Arbor Day Celebra- tion @ Taft Community Garden	21 12pm, Al Baldock Golf Tournament 5pm, WSLL Volunteer Appreciation	22 8am-noon, Rotary Health Fair 11am-2pm, Taft ARC BBQ 6pm, TUHS Hall of Fame @ Taft High 9pm, Midget Wrestling @ The Bank Lounge
30	24	25 12-6pm, Houchin Blood Mobile @ Taft Chamber	26 9am, Sit n' Sip w/ Cindy Zimmer 4pm, Chamber Board Mtg.	27 12-1:30pm, State of the City Luncheon @ OT 5-8pm, Fort Wine Tasting 5pm, WSLL 80's Night	28 3pm, WSLL @ TUHS Baseball Game	29 Taft Union High School Prom

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	1	2 6pm. City Council Mtg.	3 9am, Sit n' Sip 6pm, Industry Night @ Taft Petroleum Club	9am, Down- town Business 5pm, WSLL Star Wars Night 5pm, Mixer @ WSHCD	5 8am, Fund the Fireworks API Golf Tourna- ment 6pm, First Friday Cruise Night	6 9am-10 Soroptimist Garden tour 3pm, WSLL Midseason Classic
7 3pm, WSLL Midseason Classic	8	9 6:30pm, Taft camera Club Mtg.	10 9am, Sit n' sip 5pm, TC Board Mtg.	5pm-8 Mom's Night Out on Center Street	True Value 40th Anniversary w/ Morning Mixer	13 True Value 40th Anniversary
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The Taft College Foundation Al Baldock Memorial Golf Classic is set to take place on **Friday, April 21, 2017**.

Reserve your team today!

The Golf Classic honors Coach Baldock and provides direct support for the athletic department that he inspired through the years. Taft College has a long tradition of athletic excellence. Your participation in this fundraiser ensures the tradition continues.

Come out and join us for a great day of golf! Space is limited, so don't delay!

For more information, contact Jennifer Edmaiston at 661-763-7829 or jedmaiston@taftcollege.edu

Raffle tickets for a Traeger Smoker are available by contacting Joanne Dumbrigue at 661-763-7926.

UPDATE FROM 4TH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR DAVID COUCH

Roads

Construction of an overlay on A Street between 10th
 Street and Arroyo Drive is on track to being this summer!
 Construction of the South Taft Community Pedestrian
 Improvement project consisting of curb, gutter, curb
 ramps, and sidewalk along South Street and Asher Avenue
 are also on track to begin this summer.

Code Compliance

27579 Cypress Street, Valley Acres

This is a burnt structure and has been identified to be demolished. An administrative hearing has been set with the property owner and county staff later this month to schedule a demolition date.

318 Madison, Ford City

Thanks to a few vigilant residents a code case was reopened on this property for a number of violations. The property owner has abated most of the violations and has obtained the necessary permits to complete all remaining violations.

206 Polk Street, Ford City

Board and clean by the county.

408 Naylor Avenue, South Taft

Burnt and dangerous structure. An administrative hearing will be held later this month to schedule demolition.

355 Adams, Ford City

A \$250 citation was issued to the property for failing to address the following code violations 1. Dangerous building/structure due to dilapidation, deterioration, 2. Open and/or unsecured structure, 3. Failure to keep premises free from creating a public nuisance, 4. Excessive accumulation of weeds, 5. Broken windows, 6. Failure to keep premises in a sanitary condition, and 7.) Trash, junk & debris. If violations are not abated within the allowed time (30 days) additional citations will be issued at a higher amount. The property owner has an active building permit that will expire on January 12, 2018. Some work has been done to the property.

If you have an questions or concerns, please send us an email or call our office <u>661-868-3680</u>.



- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - JobFest Series Resumes for Sixth Year

The Kern County Department of Human Services is please to announce the **2017 JobFest Series**, bringing employment opportunities to every region of Kern County. With Kern County's overall unemployment rate of 10.3% the **JobFest** series is just one way DHS is working to improve the lives of children and families in our communities.

TAFT Job Fest takes place on **Thursday, April 13th** from 9:00 a.m.— Noon at the Historic For, 915 N. 10th Street, Taft. Taft's unemployment rate is **6.4%**

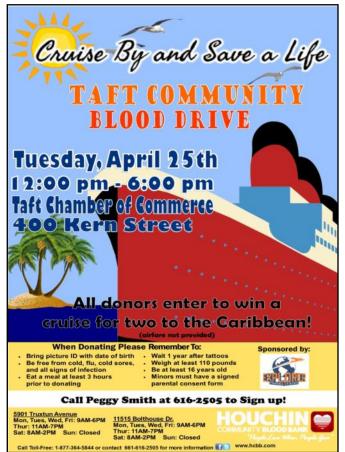
BAKERSFIELD Job Fest will take place on Thursday, **May 11th** at The Rabobank Convention Center, 1001 Truxton Ave, Bakersfield, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon. Bakersfield's unemployment rate is **8.9%**.

Employers with current job openings are invited to participate at no cost. Contact Shanda Evett at 661-635-2637 to receive an Employer Participation Commitment Form for your local job fair.

Job seekers should come to **JobFest** dressed for success with at least 20 copies of their resume or Master Application. Job leads and resume assistance are available everyday to the public at all of our DHS locations. Visit www.KCDHS.org for location information. For additional information, or to make media arrangements, please contact **Heidi Carter-Escudero** at **661-633-7104**.







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Thank you to the new and returning members for March 2017.

Adventist Health - Central Valley General American Business Machines Becky Ashcraft, Realtor California Resources Corporation CASA of Kern County Chevron Creekside Apartments Dr. Loretta Garcia Lipscomb **Employers' Training Resource** General Production Services. Inc. Hodel's Dining Holland Inn & Suites Kern Citizens for Energy Lighthouse Foursquare Church M & S Security McKittrick Waste Management Miller, Randy & Ginny Monarch Fleet Services & Automotive Old's Cool Antiques & More **Omni Family Health** Poppy's Melting Pot Candles Precision West Towing Rodan + Fields - Kathy Orrin Ruby's Grill Stairway Translation Services Taft Midway Driller Taft Motorcycle Club Taft Petroleum Club Inc. West Valley Real Estate WestAmerica Bank

Please renew your membership today to be included in the upcoming new edition of the Taft Chamber Business Guide and Directory

Willow Ranch Restaurant

TAFT OILWORKERS MONUMENT SPACE IS LIMITED!!

Call us at 661-765-2165 to order a brick for that special oilfield worker or family member to be placed at the Taft Oil workers Monument.

4x8 Brick: \$100—8x8 Brick: \$175



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Director of Operations: Shannon Jones shannon.taftchamber@gmail.com

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Membership Coordinator: Maddison Rubadeau maddison.taftchamber@gmail.com

7aft Chamber of Commerce =

CAR, TRUCK, & BIKE SHOW

9th Annual



Dash Plaques
Awards in Each Class
Food & Craft Vendors
Kids Area

(06.24.17)

Raffle Prizes Live Music Beer Garden Free Admission

= Pre-Register \$25 / Day of \$30 = ENTER 7AM TO 9AM—AWARDS AT 2PM Downtown Taft, CA 93268 ↓

Register online at www.taftchamber.com

661.765.2165

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SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017 DOWNTOWN TAFT



Center Street Cruisin

7am-9am—Registration

Judging begins at 10am

(Main Street & 6th Street, Taft)

(Center Street from 3rd to 7th Street, Taft)

Pre-Register \$25, Day of Event \$30

Pre-registration includes T-Shirt & Goodie Bag (by June 16)

Pre-Party Cruise Night Friday, June 23, 2017 on Center Street

Discount Rates at Best Western Hotel, Taft by calling 661-745-5555

SHOW ENTRY FORM

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Name: Address:		CATEGORIES
City: Phone: Year: Make: S - M - L - XL -	State: Zip: odel:	Pre 48 Open Top Pre 48 Closed Top 48-73 Stock 48-73 Modified Foreign/European
Car Club Affiliation: Yes, I would like to sponsor an a \$65 FOR YOUR NAME ON 3 PLA	award class! Category:	Corvettes Mustangs Muscle Car Modern Muscle Project/Construction/Rat Rod
Register online or mail en Taft Chamber of 400 Kern S Taft, CA 9 (661)765-2165 phone www.taftchar	Commerce Street 3268 (661)765-6639 fax	Special Interest/Custom Pre 48 Truck, SUV 49-58 Truck, SUV 59 and up Truck, SUV Motorcycle

Car Show Guidelines

- 1. Parking is First Come, First Serve. If you are with a group, you may tell us upon check-in and we will try to accommodate parking.
- 2. Car Show Participants will receive 2 parking spaces per entry (1 for your vehicle, 1 for set up of chairs, umbrellas, etc).
- 3. For safety reasons, all umbrellas or pop-ups MUST have bags or weights or they will be required to be taken down.
- 4. Registered vehicles will be parked along the South side of Center Street from the 300 block to the 700 block first for optimal shade, overflow will be parked on the North side of Center Street.
- 5. Sidewalks must remain open for walkability. No one will be allowed to set up chairs on the sidewalks.
- 6. Only registered vehicles will be allowed to be set up on Center Street. Parking along side streets and City lots will be available.
- 7. Vendors are only allowed to set up in designated areas.
- 8. Stage and awards will be presented at 5th Street & Center Street at 2pm.
- 9. Judging will occur from 10am— 12pm by 5 selected individuals
- 10. The Chamber, City of Taft, vendors, volunteers, and businesses is released from liability that can occur from participation.

Forms must be received by the Chamber by Friday, June 16 to be guaranteed a goodie bag & t-shirt.

Signature:	Print Name _	Date	

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017 DOWNTOWN TAFT

Set up: 7am - 9am Event: 9am - 3pm

Sponsors & Vendors

If you or your company would like to be a part of the 2017 Car, Truck, and Bike Show, there are several ways to get involved. Please fill out this form and return to the Taft Chamber of Commerce.

Sponsorships due by June 1 & Ver	idor Forms by June 21.	
	he Limousine level (\$1,000) : Name and and ar, newspaper, and at the event, and	d Logo on event t-shirt, poster, and band d vendor booth with sponsor sign
Become a sponsor at t nition in the newspaper and a	AS 5	nt t-shirt, banner, and poster, & Recog-
 Become a sponsor at t at the event 	he Sports Car level (\$250) : Vendor boo	oth & recognition in the newspaper and
4 Reserve a Vendor Spa the bottom for details and require	ce (\$50): 12'x12' space for the car show ments)	v Saturday, June 24, 2017 <u>(see box at</u>
	of an item or gift certificate or goodie be ecognition in the event program or can	ag (100). <u>Items need to be delivered to</u> be delivered at the event.
Name of Sponsor/Vendor:		
Contact Name:	(Sponsors: Do you need a ven	dor booth? Yes No)
Address:	City: Sta	te: Zip:
Phone:	Email:	
Amount Enclosed:	City: Sta Email: Visa/Mast	ercard (Call for details)
VENDORS—Please fill out:		
Food Vendor? Yes No (If yes, must provide copy of permit)	Vehicle Trailer
Make checks	payable to the Taft District Chamber of Con Taft District Chamber of Commerce 400 Kern Street Taft, CA 93268	
	(661)765-2165 phone (661)765-6639 f	ax
tender his/her application. In consideration	o participate in the Taft District Chamber of Comme of this application, the undersigned does hereby rele is and all respective staff, volunteers, and agents fro the 21 to be eligible for a refund.	ease the City of Taft, the Taft District Chamber of
Signature:	Print Name	Date
property for Saturday's Car show.	Vendor spaces are assigned based on when the application is submitted and the product sold.	 You must obtain a City of Taft business

- Vendor spaces are 12x12—Trailer parking is NOT available behind your booth. •
- All vendors are responsible for providing awnings, tables, chairs, power, water, etc.
- You will be contacted the week of the event for our vendor assignments-set up will be on pavement of Center St
- the product sold.
- We limit the number of a specific vendor. 1 for a specific brand, 2-3 of same item, and a variety of several food & drink vendors. First come, first serve!
- In order for you to sell any food or drink, you MUST have a temporary food • facilities permit from KC Environmental
- license—Call Maudene at 661-763-1222
- You are only allowed to sell the items listed on your application. If there is an issue and your item is not listed on your form, you may be asked to stop selling that item(s).
 - Questions? Call 661-765-2165 or shannon.taftchamber@gmail.com





Hestside Wreck Hers Season Schedule

FEB 25TH VS VCDD

APRIL 1ST VSMLC

MAY 6TH **VS FAULTLINE**

JUNETOTH **BLACK N WHITE** SCRIMMAGE LUAU

SEPT 16TH AT CCAD

NOV 4TH AT BADFISH

OCTOBER 20-22ND WRECKING BRAWL TOURNAMENT

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