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## YOU'RE INVITED A Night at the Opera

Thursday, February 9, 2017

Taft Fox Theater

On Thursday, February 9, 2017, you are invited to join the Taft District Chamber of Commerce for the Annual Installation and Awards Ceremony. This festive evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with socializing and networking with fellow community leaders, and include hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar. The Chamber will highlight our Chamber sponsors, members, and community representatives who have made a difference in our community. The program and presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Hosting this event for the fourth time inside the Historic Fox Theater, you are invited to dress up in honor of the theme "A Night at the Opera." Come mix and mingle with our local business community during the cocktail style reception party complete with a silent auction. We are looking for baskets, gift certificates, and merchandise for the silent auction. Tickets for this event are \$50, with sponsorships available for \$120-\$500 that include tickets to the party. Contact the Taft Chamber at 661-765-2165 to reserve your tickets to this star-studded event. You don't want to miss out!

The Chamber will induct the new Board of Directors, provide a recap of the past year, honor community leaders, and showcase the upcoming events and goals for the year. The community is invited to attend and may reserve tickets at the Taft Chamber office at 400 Kern Street.

The award presentation will include recognition of the following outstanding community leaders:

- Business Man of the Year – Dave Taylor, Fastrip Food Store #929
- Business Woman of the Year – Sherry Bravo, Pizza Factory
- Business of the Year – Route 33 Sandwich Co.
- Volunteer Award – Sharon Hill
- Volunteer Award – Josh Bryant
- Youth Leadership Award – Lucia Diaz, Senior, TUHS
- Community Service Award – Ron Sousa



# Executive Directions

By: Dr. Kathy Orrin,  
Executive Director

So what does one talk about when there is no news to talk about? Usually, it is the weather. As I sit here in the Chamber, it occurs to me that the weather is the news!

The wind was incredible over this past weekend, January 21st and 22nd. I was so taken by the sound and the length of time the wind blew that I checked out statistics: on Sunday morning, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the wind on Grapevine Peak was recorded at 108 mph. Our town of Taft was at the top of the list for Kern County wind stats, clocking in at 63 mph at 8:43 a.m. I stayed home from church with a sore throat and an earache, wrapped up in a blanket, poised to watch cooking shows I usually have to record. Instead, my electricity went out (not for long) and I was left with a small portion of free, quiet time (disconcerting)! Meanwhile, at church (where I was not), as the Worship team came forward to begin leading the singing, the power went off . . . no lights, no electric guitars, no keyboards, no microphones, and no sound! Wow! The good news is that Pastor Rodney Wikoff can preach, apparently without the use of lights or mics! My husband was home in a jiff without missing any of the Packers game.

How long has it been since we have seen this much rain over this number of days? Amazing! And Monday evening, January 23, introduced many of our citizens to the phenomenon of hail! Again, with the statistics: hail was reported on I-5, south of Kettleman City. Report-

edly, it also was snowing (and “sticking”) in places on the I-5 in the same area. We just are not used to this! Many of us do not know how to drive in “weather”.

On Tuesday morning I was late to a meeting of the Warden’s Community Relations Council because I was unprepared for the frost I encountered on my car when I started out for the prison. I had to let the car warm up for ten minutes before I could see through the windshield. When I had a chance to talk with Dr. Deb Daniels, Superintendent/President of Taft College after the meeting, she ventured, “And I bet you do not own an ice scraper!” Dr. Daniels hails from Illinois; so this “weather” is a *nothing* to her. Cole Karr, Field Representative for Congressman Kevin McCarthy, also commented to me that folks from Missouri, from whence he comes, would be surprised that ice on a windshield could cause so much trouble. Apparently, Cole is never without his ice scraper.

So this winter weather streak has been a relatively new experience for native Taftians. I, for one, am delighted to have confirmed for me that California, specifically TAFT, California, is an OK place for me to hail from . . . and to live. I prefer to get from one place to another without too much preparation. And I do not like the rain if I have to travel in it.

Now, I am going to find a place to post this article so I can see it easily and often. When summer comes and I am hating the heat, I shall be reminded of my own words.

## Monthly Mixer @ Transition to Independent Living



On January 12th, the Transition to Independent Living (TIL) program at Taft College hosted a beautiful mixer in their facility. Appetizers were prepared by the students and other students greeted guests and gave tours of their fabulous facility and dorm rooms! What a jewel of a program to have at Taft College!



The Taft Chamber's NEW Website is up and running!

Go Check it out at [www.Taftchamber.com](http://www.Taftchamber.com).



"I just checked out the new and improved Taft Chamber website and love it. The site presents a great image for us because it's professional in appearance and very easy to navigate. Nice job all!" —Bart Hill, United Security Bank

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

Alpha House Women's Shelter		SMS Holding Co, LLC
Alzheimer's Disease Association	First Baptist Church of Taft	Snow Well Service, Inc.
Asian Experience	Hall Ambulance Service	Sunrise Power
Ben's Books	Ray & Lodema Hatch	Sunset Rails
Best Wester Plus Taft Inn	Independent Oil Producers Agency	Taco Bell
Bill Black	J & D Recycling	Taft College & Foundation
Black/Hall Construction	Bob Jordan	Taft Lions Club
Braun's Antiques	Vic L. Killingsworth	Taft Production Company Oil-Dri
Calvary Temple Assembly of God	Lucard Apartments	Taft Sportsmen's Club Inc.
Cavins Oil Well Tools	Management & Training Corp (MTC)	The Arc—Taft
Charles J. Walker D.D.S Inc.	Midway Laboratory	The Fort Preservation Society
Chevron Valley Credit Union	NAPA-Country Auto & Truck	TRC Operating Company, Inc.
Community Christian Fellowship	Pizza Factory	Up Cycle Aquaponics
Coopers True Value	Ray Morgan Co.	Waldrop's Auto Parts
Clint & Linda Deckert	Revival Worship/United Pentecostal Church	West Hills Church of the Nazarene
Dr. James L. Simonson	Roger Miller Insurance Agency	West Kern Oil Museum
Edward J. Herrera Insurance	Rotary Club of Taft	West Side Recreation & Park District
Express Pharmacy	Sagebrush Annie's	Westside Believer's Fellowship
Every Penny Counts Bookkeeping	Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church	Westside Health Care District
Fastrip Food Store #929		Yogolicious
Tom Faulkner		



Beginning in January, membership renewals were sent to all current members, which includes a bright yellow membership information packet, invoice for your dues, and updated member contact sheet. We appreciate you and your contributions to our community and we are glad you will join us for another year.

Making the decision to open or to continue to operate a business can be a challenge, and we are here to support you. From grand openings, ribbon cuttings, and business mixers, to helping to promote and sustain your business, we are here for you! Contact us at 661-765-2165 for information about Chamber membership.



# MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

We as a community are dedicated to eliminating cancer. WE can achieve far more in reaching this goal with each other than anyone can alone. This week, WE come together as a nation to show our commitment to saving lives from cancer by bringing people to the Relay For Life Movement!

How can you help?

1. **Recruit:** Encourage new team members and survivors to join your team and/or your Relay event!
2. **Register:** Encourage all new and returning team members to sign up online by Jan. 22
3. **Promote:** Talk to everyone you know about joining Relay For Life! Wear a Relay shirt or purple during the week. Take a selfie and share on social media with the #RelayForLife and a link to your local Relay event website. You might win something fun!

Let's talk PRIZES!


The top 10 Relay For Life events with the largest overall growth of participants registered online between Monday, Jan 16 - Sunday, Jan 22 will be eligible to win an Inflatable Relay Arch.

The top 10 Relay For Life events with the largest percentage growth of participants online between Monday, Jan 16 & Sunday, Jan 22 will also win an inflatable Relay Arch.


And to make it even better, the number one event in each of the two categories above will also win Relay For Life sunglasses for all event participants!

The only thing better than making an impact in saving lives from cancer is sharing the experience with others (while wearing really cool Relay For Life Sunglasses)!

Thank you for your passion and commitment! Let's hit the streets and recruit!



**Painting Hope for a Cure**  
Team Cancer Crush Fundraiser  
Saturday, February 4  
6 - 10 pm  
Taft Moose Lodge, 205 1/2 N. 10<sup>th</sup> St  
\*No Host Bar\* Door Prize \*Raffle\* Food \*Fun\*  
Tickets \$25 per person  
Barbara Schryver 623-1826  
*Proceeds to benefit Taft Relay For Life*



Team Charlee's Angels is raffling a \$150 gift certificate for a tattoo from tattoo artist Gary "Mr. Sawdust" Ellsworth of Sink or Swim Tattoo Parlor located in Grover Beach. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for FIVE! Winning ticket will be drawn at Taft Relay For Life event May 20, 2017. Tickets are available from any team member or Captain Michelle Kincaid.

## TAFT SKYSPORTS

**Licensed Jumps: \$18**

**Tandem Jumps: \$139**

**Video Package: \$99**

**AFF Course to License: 25 Jumps**

Taft Sky Sports is Nationally recognized as the Best Drop Zone as noted in Blue Sky Magazine.

**Go out and jump today!**

## California Averland Construction, Inc.

**Job Title:** Equipment Operator

**Reporting to:** Michael Lin

**Salary:** D.O.E (Prevailing Wage)

**Hours:** Part time, 3 months minimum

**Location:** TAFT COLLEGE (STUDENT CENTER)

29 Emmons Park Dr., Taft

### **Requirements:**

- **Must have 5 yr. Experience in Heavy Equipment (backhoe, Excavator)**
- **Ability to work cooperatively with others**
- **Must have flexible hours and ability to work overtime**

**Contact:** Project Superintendent (Michael Lin) 626-487-1358

Apply in Person at the jobsite or send resume to

[mikelin@cal-averland.com](mailto:mikelin@cal-averland.com)



# February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 NO Sit n' Sip 6pm, Industry Night, Petroleum Club	2	3 6pm, First Friday Car Cruise on Center Street	4 6PM, RFL Paint night @ Moose Lodge Taft Sportsmen's Clay Shoot
5  SUPER BOWL	6	7 6pm, City Council Mtg.	8 9am, Sit n' Sip 5pm, TC Board Mtg.	9 5:30 pm, Chamber Installation @ Taft Fox	10	11 6pm, Midget Mania @ The Bank 6pm, WKOM Dinner @ WSRPD
12	13 Lincoln's Birthday	14 9am, TIL, #DSWorks 	15 9am Sit n' Sip Up Cycle 5:30, RFL Mtg. @UMC 6pm, Planning Com. Mtg.	16 9am, Coffee w/ A Cop @CTEC NO Chamber Mixer	17	18
19	20 President's Day	21 6pm, City Council Mtg.	22 9am, Sit n' Sip 12, TCF Board Mtg. 4pm, Chamber Board 6pm, Plan.Com.	23 5pm, Fort Spaghetti Dinner 4:30, NOR Business Conf. @ Hodels	24	25 11-2, Up Cycle Open House & Grand Opening 5pm, Westside WreckHers Bout @ 821 4th St
26	27	28 12-6 Houchin Blood @ Chamber 2pm, Econ Ad HOC Mtg.				



# MARCH 2017



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9am, Sit n' Sip	2	3 6-10pm, First Friday Car Cruise on Center Street	4
5	6	7 6pm, City Council Meeting	8 9am, Sit n' Sip 5pm, TC Board	9	10	11 Wind Wolves Preserve Spring Nature Festival
12 Wind Wolves Preserve Spring Nature Festival	13	14	15 9am, Sit n' Sip	16	17 PUB CRAWL Kern County Economic Summit Happy St. Patrick's Day!	18 PUB CRAWL

## TAFT COLLEGE DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC

**FREE treatment available to students, faculty, and staff of Taft College!**



**PLEASE CALL TODAY FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
661-763-7706**

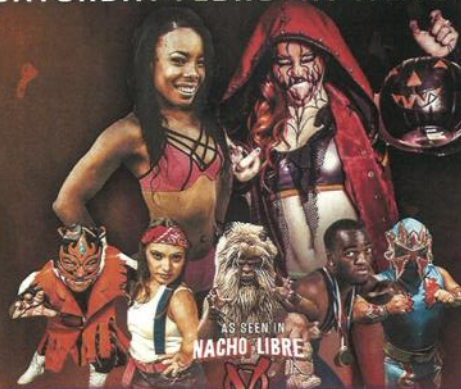
**FOR \$20:**

- ☺ Oral Cancer Screening
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- ☺ Complete Cleaning
- ☺ Fluoride Treatment
- ☺ X-rays
- ☺ Sealants
- ☺ Impressions
- ☺ New Toothbrush

**The Dental Hygiene Clinic is located in the Taft College parking lot (Lot B) directly behind the Lutheran church.**



**VENDETTA PRO WRESTLING**  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11TH 2017



## MIDGET MANIA

MIDGETS, WOMEN & VENDETTA PRO WRESTLING STARS  
**THE BANK SPORTS LOUNGE**  
431 NORTH ST, TAFT, CA 93268

DOORS OPEN 8PM | BELLTIME 9PM | INFO LINE (661) 745-4963  
RINGSIDE \$30 | BOOTH SEATING \$25  
GENERAL ADMISSION \$20 | \$5 MORE AT THE DOOR  
PRESALE TICKETS AT VENDETTAPROWRESTLING.COM  
OR AT THE BANK IN PERSON  
21 & OVER SHOW | MICROBEER SPECIALS



\*\*PERFORMERS AND CARD SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*



# MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

**COMMUNITY, CONVERSATION,  
COFFEE & COPS**

Now it's  
your time  
to join us!

**Thursday**  
February 16, 2017  
9:00 am

**TAFT UNION  
HIGH SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
CTEC**

**CTEC Quad Area**  
515 9th Street, Taft, CA  
Corner of San Emidio and 9th Street  
Check-in through the front office of CTEC

**Meet YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE OFFICERS  
FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION.**

No agenda, no speeches,  
just coffee and a chance to ask questions, voice concerns,  
and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

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TAFT POLICE DEPARTMENT**

For additional information, please contact  
Belinda Cole at Taft City Hall  
(661) 763-1222 Extension 12

Chief  
Ed Whiting

## Alpha House Annual Auction & BBQ

Saturday, March 27, 2017  
West Side Recreation Center  
500 Cascade Place, Taft  
Dinner 5pm, Auction 6pm  
Adults \$12, Children \$5, Under 5 Free  
Dine In or Take Out

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**LOVE YOUR  
LIBRARY  
BECOME A FRIEND**

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of  
every month @ 10:15 AM For more  
information about the Westside Friends of  
the Library Call Taft Branch Library @  
661-763-3294

## NOR Chamber 2017 Business Expo

Thursday, Feb 23rd, 2017

Hodel's Liberty Hall, 5917 Knudsen Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Join the NOR Chamber of Commerce February 23rd for the 2017 Business Expo. Vendors from across Kern County will be in attendance, showcasing their expertise and services. Admission is free for attendees and perfect for business professionals looking to network and make connections with potential clients and possible business partners.

Booth rentals are still available. Visit [www.norchamber.org](http://www.norchamber.org) for more information and to register for the event, or call Cathy Wolfe at 661-873-4709 or email [info@norchamber.org](mailto:info@norchamber.org).  
Registration form available at the end of this newsletter.

# MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

Entering our 64th year of play on the west side of Kern County, one might say that the Westside Little League has shown staying power and value to the community. For the last six plus decades, the volunteers who operate our organization have proudly served the children of Taft and the surrounding communities through America's Pasttime—baseball. However, one other component has been critical throughout and, without this component, none of this would have been nor will again be possible: That component is our gracious sponsors and donors.

Without question, the League's operations hinge on sponsor support from our gracious donors. We frankly cannot function without your help. Your sponsorship is the fuel we must have to serve our players year-in & year out.

In 2016, our program's cost ran upward of \$25,000. Included, among other expenses, was:

- \$6,500 for Umpires
- \$4,500 for Insurance and Charter Fees
- \$10,000 for Uniforms

Our hope is that you and/or your organization can help us cover costs again in 2017 so we can put on another stellar season of youth baseball and family fun in our community. No matter the size or scope of your contribution, know that it's a worthwhile investment in the lives and memories of hundreds of local children, parents, and volunteers alike... and one that's value is not lost on the Westside Little League's governing administrators.

We appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to partnering with you on a wonderful 2017 season! Please don't hesitate to contact any of our Board Members—especially me, as President—with any comments, suggestions, or otherwise. You are our most valuable asset and words simply cannot express fully our appreciation of you and your contribution to our cause!

With the sincerest thanks of the children we serve and our Board of Directors,

Josh Bryant, President  
Westside Little League  
661-477-3230 (Cell)



## 2017 Sponsorship Opportunities

### Team Sponsorship:

- Regular Season, All divisions - \$450 (Single Team Sponsorship)

Team sponsors are recognized each time the team takes the field—their name placed directly on the uniform of the player—and they receive a customized team photograph plaque to display proudly! Sponsors will also be represented by their team in uniform as they parade through Historic Downtown Taft during the 2017 Westside Little League Parade! All sponsors are also represented on the WSLI website and our Facebook page!

### -Postseason, You Pick the Division - \$500 (Single Team Sponsorship)

Postseason team sponsors are extremely exclusive (only 5 teams per year!) and are highly visible in Taft and surrounding communities (such as Wasco, Arvin, Delano, & Bakersfield) during the Little League International Tournament—on the Road to the Little League World Series! Sponsors are recognized each time the team takes the field—their name placed directly on the uniform of the player—and they receive a customized team photograph plaque to display proudly! All sponsors are also represented on the WSLI website and our Facebook page!

### WEEKLY GAME BALL SPONSORSHIP:

#### -Game Ball Sponsor for Each Week's Slate of Games during the 2017

#### WSLI Season - \$60 per week

This sponsorship covers the game balls used during each week of play in all Majors and Minors Division games throughout the season. Sponsors will be recognized as such during each night of the week through the season on the WSLI website, via the League's Facebook page, and over the public address at the beautiful Hall of Fame Baseball Complex!

### MATERIALS/ SERVICES/ SUPPLIES/ MISCELLANEOUS CASH SPONSORSHIPS:

If you'd like to make a miscellaneous cash donation, we'll be sure to recognize you on our Facebook page and on our website! We can accept payment via PayPal, via credit card, or even the "old fashion way"—paper checks!

We also know some sponsors can't provide cash sponsorships, but happily provide us valuable resources that we can use to benefit our players or our organization (water, Gatorade, supplies, volunteers hours, etc.). We gladly accept these generous donations & sponsorships.

Lastly, we understand some organizations like to purchase / pay for the needs of the kids & the League directly. If your organizations would like to sponsor us in this way, contact us and we'll gladly help ensure you get us what we need!

So now the only question is this: Which type of sponsorship would you like to take advantage of? Contact any of our Board members—via e-mail, phone, or even contact us on Facebook—for further details! You may mail your generous contribution to our PO Box address, ask for a PayPal invoice and pay electronically, or we can even process a credit card transaction if that's your pleasure! Whatever is most convenient for you is our goal!

All Sponsorships and donations are tax deductible, as the WSLI is a not-for-profit organization! We can happily provide a receipt or Tax Id # if requested!

Westside Little League PO Box 225, Taft, CA 93268

[www.facebook.com/TaftWSLI](http://www.facebook.com/TaftWSLI)



# A Sincere Thanks



Thank you Ron Sousa for many years of service to our community through your generosity at our local Albertsons!

You will be greatly missed!

Congratulations on being selected as the Taft Chamber 2016 Community Service award winners! See you February 9 @the Installation and Awards Ceremony at the Taft Fox Theater!

## 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**President:** Jordan Miller  
Roger Miller Insurance Agency

**1st Vice President:** Les Clark  
Westside Recreation & Park District

**2nd Vice President:** Rodney Wikoff  
West Hills Church of the Nazarene

**Treasurer:** Bart Hill  
United Security Bank

**Jan Ashley**  
Retired RN

**Devinder Bains**  
Taft Chevrolet—Buick

**Bo Bravo**  
Chevron

**Felix Bravo**  
Pizza Factory

**Glenn Black**  
Black/Hall Construction

**Eric Burkhart**  
Total Western Inc.

**Emmanuel Campos**  
Monarch Fleet Services

**Jeff Cooper**  
Cooper's True Value

**Dr. Deb Daniels**  
Taft College

**Mary Ann Hagstrom**  
Taft ARC

**Bob Hampton**  
Westside Waste Management

**Ed Herrera**  
Edward J Herrera Insurance Agency

**Sharon Hill**  
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**Deanna Jacobs**  
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**Kathy Johnson**  
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City of Taft

**Heather Mueller**  
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**Kevin Patel**  
Best Western Taft Plus Inn

**Alicia Price**  
Aera Energy LLC

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Asian Experience

**Harry Starkey**  
West Kern Water District

**Jerry Starr**  
West Side Health Care District

**Adele Ward**  
Taft City School District

## Taft District Chamber of Commerce Installation & Awards Ceremony

**Thursday, February 9, 2017**

Social & hors d'oeuvres 5:30pm, Program 7:30pm

**Taft Fox Theater**

514 Center Street, Taft

*Come celebrate with us as we ring in a New Year at the  
Taft Chamber and honor our community award recipients.  
Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar.*

Tickets—\$50 each

Event Sponsor—\$120 (includes 2 event tickets & recognition)

VIP Event Sponsor—\$500 (includes 8 event tickets & VIP recognition)

RSVP 661-765-2165 or return response card by February 8. (Formal Attire Requested)



On **Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**, the Kern County **Board of Supervisors** will proclaim the month of February as "Safely Surrendered Baby Awareness Month" during their 9:00 AM meeting. The Safely Surrendered Baby Coalition is planning a series of events throughout Kern County to bring attention to this important law.

**57 babies have been safely surrendered in Kern County since we began tracking those babies in 2006.**

The Safely Surrendered Baby Law responds to the situation of newborn infant deaths due to abandonment in unsafe locations. First signed into law in January 2001, the Safely Surrendered Baby Law became permanent in January 2006. The law's intent is to save the lives of newborn infants at risk of abandonment by encouraging parents or persons with lawful custody to safely surrender the infant within 72 hours of birth, with no questions asked.

**Taft** will proclaim Safely Surrendered Baby Awareness month at their City Council meeting on **Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**.

### 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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# TAFT SPORTSMEN'S CLUB



## 5th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot

**Saturday, February 4, 2017**

Kern County Gun Club ~ 12450 Shotgun Rd. 93311

**TAFT COLLEGE AND TAFT HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS**

**JC CHITWOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Sign In: 8:00 am      Shoot Starts: 9:00 am

Ammunition available for purchase at Range

Teams and Individual sign-ups welcome ~ \$500.00 per team of five

**\$ 100.00 per person\*** Limited to 34 Teams on 15 Station Course

Includes BBQ Lunch and Drinks

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team Prizes ~ High Score

Individual High Shooter Prizes for Male & Female

Make Checks Payable to Taft Sportsmen's Club or use Pay Pal

General Sponsor \$100.00 ~~~~ Station Sponsor \$250.00

Additional BBQ tickets will be available for non-shooters for \$10.00

### \*\*\* SPECIAL GUN RAFFLE \*\*\*

- Beretta A400 28" 20 Gauge
  - Tristar 28" 20 Gauge Camo
  - Heritage 4.75 .22 LR Blue Pistol
  - Walther P22CA Brushed Chrome Pistol
  - RUG K-Mini 14 Ranch Rifle .223 Remington 18.5"
  - Smith & Wesson M&P 9 Shield Pistol
  - SPRINGFIELD Armory XD .40 3"
  - TC RUGER .204 Rifle
  - Ruger American ~ winner has choice of either .243 .308 .30-06 .223 .22-250
- \$20.00 per Ticket –
- (If Winner does not pass background check, GUN will be forfeited and will become property of TSC for future events)

### \*\*\* SPECIAL GUN SAFE RAFFLE \*\*\*

***T & T Liberty 23 Gun Safe ~~ \$10.00 per Ticket***

Name 1 _____	Phone _____	E-mail _____
Name 2 _____	Phone _____	E-mail _____
Name 3 _____	Phone _____	E-mail _____
Name 4 _____	Phone _____	E-mail _____
Name 5 _____	Phone _____	E-mail _____

#### **Registration Contacts:**

Eric Ross (661) 979-8876    \*\* Joe Gregory (661) 340-2365    \*\* Tom Brown (661) 978-1230

Or send e-mail to [sandyross@bak.rr.com](mailto:sandyross@bak.rr.com)



Send Check or Money Orders Payable to **Taft Sportsmen's Club**

Sandy Ross  
12109 Brockridge Ct  
Bakersfield, CA 93312

Or you may pay with Pay Pal: [www.taftsc.com/clays.html](http://www.taftsc.com/clays.html)

**Shoot Charges:**

Shooter Entry Fees <b>(\$100.00 per shooter or \$500.00 per team)</b> .....	\$	_____
General Raffle Tickets* (\$5.00 each or 6 for \$20.00) .....	\$	_____
Additional BBQ Tickets (\$10.00 each) .....	\$	_____
General Sponsor \$100 or Station Sponsors \$250 .....	\$	_____
Special Raffle (GUNS) Tickets ** (\$20.00 each) .....	\$	_____
Gun Safe Raffle ** (\$10.00 each) .....	\$	_____
50/50 Raffle ** (\$5.00 each) .....	\$	_____

**TOTAL CHARGE**..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* WINNER FOR GUNS / GUN SAFE RAFFLE DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN IF NAME AND PHONE NUMBER ARE ON TICKET \*\*

**\*\*SPECIAL GUN RAFFLE PRIZES \*\* GUNS WILL BE RAFFLED IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER\*\***

GUNS ARE PURCHASED AT TEN PERCENT FIREARMS AND IT IS THE WINNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER GUN.

TEN PERCENT FIREARMS  
1277 KERN STREET  
TAFT, CA 93268  
(661) 765-6899  
[WWW.TENPERCENTFIREARMS.COM](http://WWW.TENPERCENTFIREARMS.COM)

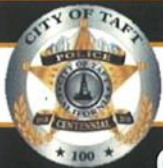
**~~ TAFT SPORTSMEN'S CLUB FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS ARE \$40.00 ~~**

**Display your Company Business Card in the TSC Newsletter  
- Annual fee of \$40.00 (Due January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year)**

**[www.taftsc.com](http://www.taftsc.com)**  
***[info@taftsc.com](mailto:info@taftsc.com)***

# TAFT POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Actively recruiting highly motivated and responsible people to join our team!



## MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



### Citizen Volunteer Program

We are very proud and excited about our Citizen Volunteer Program! As we are a small police agency, we have to balance the resources of the department, manpower and finances with the concerns and demands of the community. Of course one of the best ways to balance manpower and finances within any police agency is through a volunteer program.

The Citizen Volunteer Program is a crime prevention program exercising proactive law enforcement principles. The program is expressly comprised of volunteers having an interest in helping their local law enforcement agency. All members have attended a Citizen Volunteer Training Academy and attend monthly meetings.

Volunteer work is a challenging and rewarding experience and provides the volunteers with the opportunity to meet many other dedicated people who unselfishly serve the citizens of Taft. The Citizen Volunteer Program is comprised of adult citizens who are familiar with the local areas. Our volunteers are utilized to enhance vital crime prevention services and community awareness. Citizen Volunteers may perform vacation house checks, conduct business and residential security surveys, provide traffic control for special events, assist in programs initiated by the Taft Police Department such as Neighborhood Watch activities, Crime Prevention and Child Identification Programs. Volunteers also conduct other duties as assigned by the Chief of Police.

Citizen Volunteer members do not take any enforcement action, carry any weapons, or make custodial arrests. Any suspicious activity observed is immediately reported to the Police Department.

### Why should I volunteer?

If you have a few extra hours a week to spare, a willingness to get involved and a desire to make a difference in your community, then volunteering is for you! You may discover new talents, explore new career options, or just enjoy the camaraderie!

Volunteering can be a very rewarding and educational experience! You will learn about the structure and activities of the department, a "behind-the scenes" look at the Taft Police Department. You will work side by side with sworn officers in almost every aspect of law enforcement, from administration to investigation. As a volunteer, you can help to improve our city, give something back to the community, and make our city a better place to live, work and play.

Volunteer work in the department takes a very special kind of person. One who is motivated to serve the community and who understands the necessity for confidentiality; one who is patient and willing to be called upon in an emergency situation.

### How do I become a Citizen Volunteer?

*Just call us at the numbers referenced below, or stop by and pick up an application from our Communications Center located at 320 Commerce Way or at Taft City Hall. We may have a new academy starting soon, so call right away!*

### The requirements to become a volunteer are:

- Reside in 93268 Zip Code or Neighboring Communities
- At least 19 years of age
- No arrest records
- Successfully complete a Citizen Academy
- Pass a background check



**For additional information, please contact**

**Sgt. Corey Beilby**  
Taft Police Department  
661-763-3101

Email: [CBeilby@cityoftaft.org](mailto:CBeilby@cityoftaft.org)

**Belinda Cole**  
Taft City Hall  
661-763-1222 Ext. 12

Email: [BCole@cityoftaft.org](mailto:BCole@cityoftaft.org)





FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

## Support Groups for those impacted by Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementia

SHARING  
UNDERSTANDING  
PATIENCE  
PURPOSE  
OPENESS  
RAPPORT  
TRUTH  
  
GATHERING  
REPORTING  
ONE  
UNITY  
PROFESSIONALS

**"New Support Group"**  
for  
**Community of Taft**

### **Location**

First Baptist Church  
220 North Drive

### **When**

Every Thursdays

### **Time**

2pm



### Alzheimer's Disease Association of Kern County Adult Day Services, Respite Programs and Resource Centers

#### **Bakersfield**

4203 Buena Vista Rd.  
Monday through Friday  
7:00 am to 5:00 pm

#### **Taft**

First Baptist Church  
220 North Drive  
Thursdays, 9am to 1:30 pm

#### **Lake Isabella**

Senior Center  
(760) 379-0848  
Fridays, 9am to 1:30 pm

**ADAKC main office (661) 665-8871 or toll free (888) 571-3443**

[www.adakc.org](http://www.adakc.org)

**\*\*No participant will be denied services due to inability to provide a donation through the KCAA Caregiver Support Program Title IIIIE Grant\*\***



# BUSINESS 2017

# EXPO

Thursday February 23rd

4:30 - 7:00PM

Hodel's Liberty Hall

5917 Knudsen Dr

Bakersfield, CA 93308



 **Yes!** Count me in! You'll see my booth at Expo 2017!

Included in basic price is (check off as needed):

☐ 6' Skirted table ☐ Two chairs ☐ Electrical is limited first come first serve if required \_\_\_\_\_.

(Please print clearly)

Business/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Suite: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$85 paid before 11/30/16 | \$95 paid before 12/31/16 | \$115 after 1/21/17.

☐ Bill to my credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

Cardholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Booth assignments are made on a first-come, first-serve basis, and final placement is determined by the Chamber.

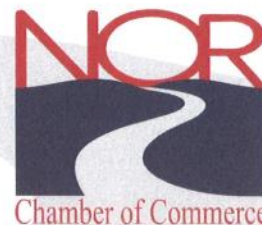
☐ Please check here if you would like to request placement in the lobby.

**Full payment due with application to guarantee participation.**

\* Requests for cancellations and refunds must be received by the Chamber no later than three weeks (21 days) in advance of the event.

**Selling of food and alcohol are prohibited.**

Please initial here to indicate your understanding of all terms and conditions: \_\_\_\_\_



#### Pricing:

**Early Bird (paid in- full by Nov 30th)**

\$85

**After Dec 31st**

\$95

**After Jan. 21**

\$115

#### Return Application to:

Email: [info@norchamber.org](mailto:info@norchamber.org)

Mail: NOR Chamber

PO Box 5551, Bakers field, Ca 93388

#### For more information contact:

Cathy Wolfe

Call: (661)873-4709

Email: [info@norchamber.org](mailto:info@norchamber.org)



# *Chevron Valley Credit Union*

# **my money connection**

## *Winter 2017*

## **Chevron Valley Proposes Merger with Safe 1 Credit Union**

### **A Partnership to Bring Members Expanded Benefits**

For more than eight decades, Chevron Valley has been here for the sole benefit of serving you, our members. Now, we propose a partnership by way of a merger with another local credit union, Safe 1. The clear and simple goal: to better serve you and your financial needs.

Through this merger, you can look forward to more from your credit union – more branches, more competitive interest rates and newer technology.

We ask for your support as we take this next important step in providing you the very best from your credit union.

#### *Why a partnership? Why merge?*

- Unlike bank mergers that primarily benefit the stockholders, this credit union merger will benefit you. Credit unions have no stockholders to pay. As well, we have no “golden parachutes” to benefit senior managers and officials.
- This merger will bring you access to more branches, more services and better rates, while continuing the personalized service we’ve always done our best to deliver.

#### *How will you benefit?*

- More branch offices. Instead of Chevron Valley’s three branches, you’ll have access to nine. And, all nine branches will remain open, including the Taft branch.
- New services. This partnership means access to newer technology. For example, the partnership with Safe 1 will bring you mobile banking and mobile deposits.
- More competitive pricing. Cost savings from this merger will be available to pay better interest rates on some of our deposit and loan products.
- Continued local control. The boards of directors of both Chevron Valley and Safe 1 will be combined. No board member will lose his or her board seat. Credit union board members serve as volunteers, so the expanded board will not increase costs.
- Same Chevron Valley staff. All employees of both credit unions will be retained, with the sole exception of Chevron Valley’s CEO, who has already selected a 2017 retirement date. The merger’s overall cost savings will more than offset the cost of retaining all staff.

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### **Want More Info?**

More information is available:

- by emailing Chevron Valley at [memberservices@chevronvalley.com](mailto:memberservices@chevronvalley.com);
- by calling the credit union at (661) 587-7250 or toll-free at (888) 737-4282;
- by attending an informational Town Meeting (date, time and location to be announced).

### **Vote Yes!**

- Vote by mail. When you receive your mail ballot, just cast your vote and return it in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope.
- Or, vote at the Special Membership Meeting (February 13, 2017, 6:00 PM, Chevron Valley Credit Union, 8200 Granite Falls Drive, Bakersfield, CA).
- Naturally, each member eligible to vote may only cast one vote.

An independent certified public accounting firm (Turner, Warren, Hwang & Conrad) will collect and count all ballots.





# 4TH ANNUAL SPRING NATURE FESTIVAL

WIND WOLVES PRESERVE

MARCH 11TH  
& 12TH, 2017



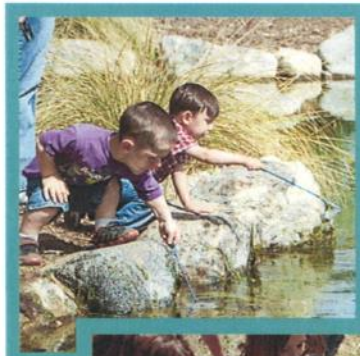
EXHIBITS, FAMILY PROGRAMS, GUIDED HIKES,  
WILDLIFE VIEWING, TOURS, AND MORE!

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

You can partner with The Wildlands Conservancy to make the 4th Annual Spring Nature Festival a success! Please see the reverse side for more details about sponsorship levels.

## ACTIVITIES

Bird Watching  
Wildflower Walk  
Photography  
Night Hike  
Geology Tour  
Wildlife Tracking  
Backcountry Tours  
Archaeology Tour  
Nature Hikes in Spanish  
Storytime in Spanish  
Reptile Presentation  
And MUCH More!



ALL PROGRAMS ARE  
PROVIDED FREE TO  
THE PUBLIC!

## OUR MISSION

To preserve the beauty and biodiversity of the earth, and to provide programs so that children may know the wonder and joy of nature.

(661) 858-1115

[windwolvespreserve@twc-ca.org](mailto:windwolvespreserve@twc-ca.org)

[website:wildlandsconservancy.org](http://website:wildlandsconservancy.org)

Wind Wolves Preserve, 16019 Maricopa Hwy. Bakersfield, CA 93311



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- PHONE NUMBER
- WHERE YOUR COLLECTION IS LOCATED
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