

Taft July 2018 Newsletter

District Chamber of Commerce

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TAFT FIREWORKS SHOW

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

4PM—10PM

RAILS TO TRAILS (6TH & MAIN ST)



FIREWORKS 9PM



FREE Admission
VIP Seating
Bounce Houses
Food Vendors
Crafts
Beer Garden

6:00PM-10:00PM
Fireball Express

8:55pm
National Anthem
Ayrieann Bolivar

Thank you to our generous Fireworks sponsors and supporters!

In recognition of a great town from Bill & Betty Harrington

Taft Sportmen's Club, Bill & Verna Black, Paul Linder, Bill Norris, Jerry Starr, Janice Varner, plus all donors of Fund the Fireworks



MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS



When
Thursdays
July 12 - August 2

Time
4pm

Ages
17 & younger

Fee:
\$25 per person

Place
West Side Lanes,
Recreation Center

This summer bowling league is just for the younger crowd. Bowlers get 3 games per day and at the end of the league, awards will be given to the top 3 bowlers. Ball & shoe rental is included.



Registration Deadline
Tuesday, July 10, 2018

Register at
500 Cascade Place, Taft
(661)763-4246
(661)765-6677

Adult Summer Doubles Bowling League

When:
June 25 - August 13, 2018
Mondays
Three games per night

Fees:
\$10 Registration fee per team
+\$5 per week per person
or free with
Recreation Center Membership

League meeting will be held
Monday, June 25 at 6pm in the
Party Room. Prize fund fees
will be determined at the meeting.

Location:
West Side Lanes
Recreation Center

Registration Deadline:
Monday, June 25, 2018

Ages 18+



Jr bowling Summer Shootout

June 9 - 30, 2018

Ages 17 and younger

Fee: Daily admission or
Recreation Center Membership

Location: West Side Lanes

It's time to get your bowl on!
We'll track your bowling scores
in June (7-pin tap) and at the
end of the month, your top 10
games scores will be used to
rank your spot. The top bowler
receives a 1st place trophy and
a 1-month Recreation Center
Membership!



West side recreation + park district

500 Cascade Place, Bldg D, Taft (661)763-4246 (661)765-6677

Bowling Family Fun Packs

Pack #1

Up to 6 bowlers per Lane (maximum)
2 hours of unlimited bowling
Shoe rental included

**\$33
per Lane**

Pack #2

Up to 6 bowlers per Lane (maximum)
2 hours of unlimited bowling
Shoe rental included
2 medium 3 topping pizzas or
specialty pizzas
(6) 20 oz. bottles of soda

**\$60
per Lane**



Sponsored by

Gaming Pack

Two hours of gaming
\$10 per platform for Xbox and/or Playstation

RESERVATIONS NOT REQUIRED

Family Fun Packs include use of the bowling alley only. Party Room use may be added for an additional \$20 per hour. (Party Room and Bowling Alley are subject to availability)



West Side Recreation & Park District
500 Cascade Place, Bldg D Taft (661)765-6677



Taft Fireworks Show 2018

On **Wednesday, July 4 at approximately 9pm**, we will launch fireworks at the Rails to Trails for the 6th year in a row! Join us for another year and enjoy bounce houses, food, jewelry, clothes, toys, and more from our amazing vendors.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Taft Fireworks Show for 2018. We have met our goal to Fund the Fireworks for 2018. We invite you to bring your family and your chairs and blankets to watch the best show in Kern County.



CALLING ALL TUHS GRADUATES!

TAFT UNION HIGH SCHOOL

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED!

Did you or your family member graduate from Taft Union High School?

The Taft Union High School Hall of Fame Committee is seeking nominations for upcoming Hall of Fame Celebrations. Annual ceremony is held in April at TUHS Mullen Gym.

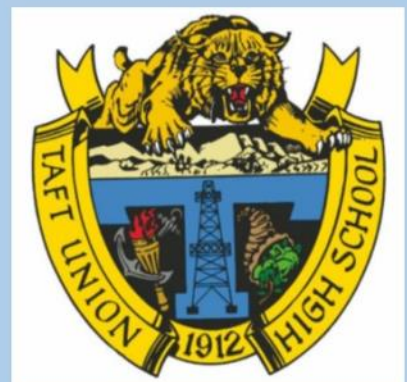
Applications are available at:

www.tuhshalloffame.com

www.taftchamber.com

400 Kern Street, Taft, CA 93268

For more information, contact Kathy Orrin at
Kathy.taftchamber@gmail.com or by calling 661-765-2165.



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Get In The Groove
DONATE BLOOD

Taft Community
400 Kern Street, Taft
Tuesday, July 17th
12 PM - 6 PM

All donors receive
a FREE Houghin
Summer T-Shirt!

HOUGHIN
COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK
People Love Where People Give

Make an Appointment:
<https://connect.hcbb.com/donor>
or call us at 661-616-2505

5901 Truxtun Avenue & 11515 Bolthouse Drive
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 9AM-6PM
Thur: 11AM-7PM Sat: 8AM-2PM Sun: Closed

Those donating at this blood drive must:

- Bring picture ID with date of birth
- Be free from cold, flu, cold sores, and all signs of infection
- Eat a meal at least 3 hours prior to donating
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Be at least 16 years old - Minors must have a signed parental consent form available at www.hcbb.com

CSUB
CARAVAN
IS COMING TO YOUR TOWN!
AUGUST 18TH

JOINING OUR CARAVAN:

 CSUB's Fifth President Dr. Lynette Zelency	 Men's Basketball Coach Rod Barnes	 Director of Golf Meghan Thomason	 Baseball Coach Jeremy Beard
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10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
TAFT
WEST SIDE REC & PARK DISTRICT


DELAND 12-1PM TONY'S FIREHOUSE GRILL
SHAFTER 2-3PM MANNEL PARK
BAKERSFIELD 4-5PM LENGTHWISE AT THE MARKETPLACE
CSUB VOLLEYBALL BLUE & GOLD SCRIMMAGE 6PM

JOIN CSUB FOR THIS FUN,
FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!
FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED

You are invited to attend the

**State Labor Law
and
Payroll Tax
Seminar**



Wednesday, July 11, 2018
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
International Brotherhood
Electrical Workers, Local 428
3921 North Sillect Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93308
(Seminars are subject to change or cancellation.)

You will receive information from the EDD and Division of Labor Standards Enforcement on:

- Recordkeeping, reporting requirements, employer obligations, and payment requirements.
- Common wage and hour law application.
- Employer and employee rights and responsibilities.
- How to distinguish between an employee and an independent contractor.

No Charge
There is no charge for this seminar. To make reservations, visit the EDD website at www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll_Tax_Seminars/ or call 866-873-6083.

For additional seminar dates, times, locations, and subjects, please check the EDD website at www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll_Tax_Seminars/ or call 866-873-6083.

The EDD is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Requests for services, aids, and/or alternate formats need to be made prior to the event by calling 866-873-6083 (voice) or TTY: 866-547-9565.

**Get it
Right
from the Start**

DE 221C Rev. 4 (3/17) GA 901DCU

You are invited to attend the

**Federal/State Basic
Payroll Tax
Seminar**



Thursday, July 19, 2018
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
International Brotherhood
Electrical Workers Local 428
3921 North Sillect Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93308
(Seminars are subject to change or cancellation.)

You will learn:

- California payroll reporting requirements: forms, employer obligations, reporting, and payment requirements.
- Independent contractor reporting requirements.
- Electronic filing and payment requirements and options.
- Federal payroll reporting requirements, including Forms 940, 941, 1099, W-2, W-4, W-9, and alternative filing.

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July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 No City Council	2	3 No City Council	4 No Sit n Sip 5-10pm, Taft Fireworks Show	5 Chamber Closed	6 Chamber Closed First Friday Cruise Night	7
8	9	10	11 No Sit n Sip 9:30am, EDD 5pm, Industry Night @ Taft Petroleum Club	12	13 Chamber Closed 9am, West Side Family Health Care Ground Breaking	14
15 Service for Charmayne Brooks @ The Fort	16	17 9am, Arch Committee meeting 12-6pm, Houchin 6pm, City Council meeting	18 No Sit n Sip 4pm, Planning Commission meeting	19 9:30am, EDD Seminar	20 Chamber Closed	21
22	23	24	25 No Sit n Sip	26 9am, Coffee with a Cop @ McDonald's	27 Chamber Closed	28
29	30	31	<p>The Taft Chamber will have reduced hours and services for the month of July. The office will be open Tuesday—Thursday 8am—2pm. We will not be hosting Sit n Sip for the month of July. We will return to regular office hours, beginning the week of August 7.</p>			

MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS



Class A Truck Driving

Central California
Chapter

This 160 hour Class A Commercial Truck Driver Course meets industry standards for an entry level job as a Commercial Class A Truck Driver.

Field Training Includes

- CA CDL Pre-Trip Inspection Training
- CA CDL In-Cab Inspection Training
- CA CDL Vehicle Brake Test Training
- CA CDL Vehicle Skills Training
- Includes Straight and Offset Backing
- Behind the Wheel Training and Observation
- Three-Axle Trailer/46" Trailers
- CA DMV Behind the Wheel Drive Test

Classroom Training Includes:

- How to obtain a CDL Permit
- DOT Hours of Service
- DOT Vehicle Inspections
- CDL Endorsements
- Doubles/Triples
- Tanker
- Hazmat
- Inspection of Tractor/Trailer
- Optional- Safe Lease Driving (water trucks, dump trucks, bottom dump)

Fees and Registration

Training is held at:
ABC Central California Training Facility
19466 Flightpath Way
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Training scheduled as needed:
160 hours | Monday-Friday OR Saturday-Sunday
Reservations are **required** and payment is due in full for non-members.

\$2,500 for ABC Members
\$4,899 for Non-members

Cancellation/No-show Policy:
All cancellation requests must be received 48 hours prior to class date and are subject to \$100 cancellation fee. Any person who does not show up for the class they are enrolled in will be subject to the full class fee (members will be billed for students they enroll). Cancellations must be submitted in writing via e-mail training@abccentralcal.org or by calling 661-292-8729. No refunds or rescheduling for no-shows. NO EXCEPTIONS.



westside HEALTH CARE DISTRICT

The West Side Health Care District is increasing services to the West Side, beginning with the construction of the expanded West Side Family Health Care Clinic. The 12,810 square foot clinic will be built adjacent to the existing Urgent Care, located at 100 E. North Street in Taft, CA.

The project is currently in the bidding stage and will include a groundbreaking celebration in the upcoming months. The clinic is partially funded through a USDA loan, District contribution, and private philanthropy.

BRING THE WORLD HOME

Host an international
exchange student

Who will you welcome into your family?

Our host families represent the diversity of American culture, but they all share one thing: their lives have been changed by welcoming exchange students into their homes. Being a host family is as rewarding for you as it is for the exchange student. You learn about another culture, you provide a once-in-a-lifetime experience for a teenager from across the globe, and you form a relationship that will stay with you and your family forever.

Refer a caring family you know and we will pay you \$200 when they host with EF. Refer as many families as you like and earn more!

We'd love to hear from you!

Kenny Neher
Taft, California
Local Coordinator
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Toll Free: 1-800-447-4273

efexchangeyear.org/refer



High School Exchange Year

EF High School Exchange Year, is operated by EF Educational Foundation for Foreign Study, a non-profit corporation designated by the U.S. Department of State to operate a J-1 student exchange program.

COMMUNITY, CONVERSATION, COFFEE & COPS

Join us at McDonalds!
Thursday
July 26, 2018
9:00 A.M.



RLMK I.N.C.
1001 Kern Street
Taft, Ca 93268
661-763-5656

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.



SPONSORED BY TAFT POLICE DEPARTMENT

For additional information, please contact
Chris Carpenter at Taft Police Department
(661) 763-3101 Extension 146

The Rec Shoppe is partnering with the Taft Chamber of Commerce in efforts to raise money for the Fund the Fireworks program.

Visit the Rec Shoppe to get one of these six designs!

All white shirts are only \$15!
(sizes Youth XS to Adult 6X)

Color or specialty shirts are available at regular price with one color.

Youth XS - Adult XL \$15

2X - 6X \$20

\$3 for each additional color

A portion of the proceeds will go to the Taft Chamber of Commerce for the Fireworks Show.

The Rec Shoppe



Promotion ends July 2, 2018

West Side Recreation & Park District
500 Cascade Place, Bldg D, Taft
(661)763-4246 (661)765-6677



Thank you to new and returning members for June 2018

Membership renewal packets for 2018 are in the mail. Please consider joining us for another great year in Taft! If you would like a membership packet, please call us at 661-765-2165 or taftchamber@gmail.com.

Memberships are affordable and allow your business the opportunity for exposure through our weekly emails, monthly newsletter, office, and referral services to residents and visitors to our community.

Accelerated Environmental Service

Hey Girl, Go Fly Boutique

LAST CALL FOR MEMBERSHIPS FOR THE 2018-2019 DIRECTORY

Chromebook / Internet Promo for Taft By: San Joaquin Valley Regional Broadband Consortium

The Kern Community Foundation recently alerted the Taft College Foundation of low cost internet and a free Chromebook give away by the taxpayers of California from which Taft residents may benefit.

www.fresnostate.edu/academics/oced/oced-newsletter/may-2018/sjvrbc.html

The Office of Community and Economic Development from Fresno State announces Low-Cost Internet and Free Chromebooks for many San Joaquin Valley Households

The San Joaquin Valley Regional Broadband Consortium (SJVRBC) is continuing efforts to close the digital divide by expanding outreach in rural communities, and working with partner organizations to offer sign-up incentives. SJVRBC is connecting households with low-cost internet options from providers such as AT&T, Charter Communications, Comcast, Frontier Communications and others – and many households are even eligible to receive a free Chromebook upon subscribing for service.



You Are Invited

Groundbreaking Ceremony

Friday, July 13, 2018 at 9:00 am

Please join us as we break ground on the new West Side Family Health Outpatient Center.

Located at 100 E. North Street in Taft, CA

R.S.V.P. to 661-765-7234 or
districtevents@wshcd.org
by Friday, June 29, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.



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2018-2019 Taft Chamber Directory

The Taft Chamber is accepting advertisements to be included in the 2018-2019 Taft Chamber Membership Guide and Business Directory. This visitors guide is placed in our office as well as in local hotels and motels, restaurants, and retail establishments. Additionally, copies are available at Taft City Hall, Westside Community Resource Center, Taft College, Taft City Schools, Kern County Board of Trade, and other entities around the area with visitors and residents who benefit from the use of the guide.

For additional information on being included in this year's guide, please give us a call at 661-765-2165 or stop by our office at 400 Kern Street. **Deadline is July 9!**



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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