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Our Gold Sponsors



On **Thursday, April 27, 2017**, the Taft Chamber hosted the Annual State of the City Luncheon. This event, held in conjunction with Taft Kiwanis at OT Cookhouse, drew over 90 individuals dedicated to the future growth of Taft. Representatives from our Special Districts spoke about the issues surrounding our City. The event began with Taft City Manager Craig Jones discussing their upcoming projects for 2017-2018 including the completion of the new Transit Center, new businesses submitting letters of interest, and road paving projects.

Speaking afterwards, Harry Starkey from the West Kern Water District discussed regulations and the impact to our access to available water sources.

From West Side Recreation and Park District, District Director Don Koenig spoke about how far the Rec Department has come over the past 21 years of his leadership. Les Clark III discussed the growth of the facilities, programs, and activities that continue to be a priority for our children, athletes, and seniors.

Joel Bauer, from West Side Cemetery District explained the relationships that have been created with our City and other special districts and the benefits to our taxpayers and community.

West Side Family Health Care Director Jerry Starr discussed the upcoming district projects including a rural health care designation, expanded health care services, and development of a new health care campus at the former hospital site location.

Exciting things happening in Taft!



MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

Cooper's True Value Home Center

40th Anniversary sale



Help celebrate our success with savings, special events and fun!

Friday, May 12 - Sunday, May 14

Friday
Relay for Life 20% Off Bucket Sale Starts
Chamber of Commerce Mixer / Refreshments 9 - 11 a.m.
Traeger Grills Product Demonstration & Samples
Register to Win Door Prizes

Saturday
Goodie Bags for the First 200 Paid Customers
Relay for Life 20% Off Bucket Sale
Customer Appreciation Lunch 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Music & Live Performances in the Parking Lot
Purchase Locally Made Taft Honey
The Little Red Wagon 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Vendor Demonstrations

Sunday
Special Mother's Day Gift for Mom
Relay for Life 20% Off Bucket Sale Ends

Cooper's True Value Home Center
407 9th Street
Taft, CA 93268
661.765.7531

BEHIND EVERY PROJECT IS A
True Value

Relay for HOPE

Join us to save lives from cancer.
RelayForLife.org



Relay For Life of Taft

May 20, 2017 | 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Taft Union High School
1 Wildcat Way
Taft, CA 93268-8000
Relay for a free, fun, family affair for a great cause!

RelayForLife.org/taftca
Barbara Schryver (661) 623-1826



The world's largest fundraising event to save lives from cancer.



United Security Bank will begin offering a community room that will be available for us for non-profit organizations. Within the next few months, the room will be ready to use. If you have any questions about the facility or to make a reservation, please call Bart Hill at 661-763-5151.

Dave Ramsay Financial Peace University

Revival Worship Center will begin hosting a Dave Ramsay Financial Peace University course starting soon. The class will meet every Thursday night @ 7:00pm until the course is completed. Refreshments will be served at each meeting.

For more information, please contact:

Steven J. McDaniel,
Pastor, Revival Worship Center
400 S. 6th St.
Taft, CA 93268

Fund the Fireworks

Sponsors:



WESTSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT
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DR. TANG
SNOW WELL SERVICE
COMMUNITY OF TAFT!
JIM & DEANNA SWEARENGIN
LIN & PAUL RUBADEAU
SALLY JOHNSON

Money Raised: **\$7,118**

As of April 28, 2017



Goal: \$20,000

Upcoming Donation Days:

Friday, May 5

Friday, June 2

8am-2pm

400 Kern Street

Stop by the office during regular hours to donate!



On **April 18th**, the Taft Chamber monthly Mixer was hosted by the St. Andrews Episcopal Church. Reverend Heather Mueller hosted a wonderful evening educating our community on the work the church has been doing including feeding those in need and offering classes to enhance life skills. The history of the Episcopal Church was also discussed and Edith Laurin won the raffle prize of a Trip to Hawaii. The Church is located at 703 5th St.



West Side Little League & Midway-Sunset Lions Club Casino Night

Saturday, June 3, 2017

Social Hour begins at 6pm

\$35 per person or \$60 per couple

Taft College Athletic Spring Banquet

Sunday, May 7, 2017

11:30am—2pm

OT Cookhouse

Tickets available by calling #661-763-7829

MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS



This year, the Taft College Foundation is participating in the **GIVE BIG KERN** fundraising campaign.

We are so fortunate to have a **Student Resource Center** on campus that supports the needs of some of our hard working students who need just a little bit of help.

Every dollar you give goes directly to support the center on campus!!

Help us make a **BIG** difference on campus and in the community!

Taft College's Student Resource center has become a beacon of hope for students in need. From snacks to sundries, shoes and clothing items, our campus community has banded together to help one another. As part of the annual **GIVE BIG KERN** campaign, we are asking our community to consider making a donation and a difference at **#TaftCollege!**

Visit us online and Donate Today!!

<https://www.givebigkern.org/organizations/taft-college-foundation>



Unity Thrift 2017 Lives Saved

January: 217 Total

February: 147 Total

March: 150 Total

Grand Total: 514

Foster Care Awareness Month Events Announced

(Bakersfield, CA) – **May is National Foster Care Awareness Month.** This month allows the Department of Human Services and our community partners the opportunity to celebrate foster children and the dedicated individuals & professionals who open their hearts and homes to care for the nearly 2000 children placed in out of home care in Kern County.

Resource parents will be celebrated and receive training on Thursday, **May 4th at Hodel's beginning at 5:30 P.M.** as the Department of Human Services and the Bakersfield College Foster & Kinship Care Education Program host a dinner and training. **This event is not open to the public,** but we do invite your coverage. This yearly training event works to support our current resource families, both foster and relative families, through continued training. Several families will be honored this night for the outstanding care they provide to our foster children.

Kern County is always in need of loving families willing to open their hearts and homes to Kern County's foster children, especially those willing to take care of our teens, sibling groups, and children with special medical needs. If you are interested in becoming a Kern County resource foster family, your first step is attending an orientation.

Orientations are available on a regular basis in Bakersfield in English and in Spanish and at a variety of times to fit any schedule. Please call 631-6204 to RSVP and for more information.

Grand Opening!



Up Cycle Aquaponics
700 Kern Street
February 25, 2017



CTEC
Healthcare Careers
March 30, 2017



Paint the Town
207 Center Street
April 29, 2017



Robin Owen
Notary Public


337 S. 10th St., Suite H (661) 747-6746
Taft, CA 93268 (661) 765-1068

Now Hiring!

The Best Western Plus
Taft Inn is now hiring for
night auditor position.
Please visit the hotel at
203 S. 6th Street for
application and more
information on the
position.



May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Give Big Kern— Support TC! 5:30pm, CTEC Advisory Dinner 6pm, City Council Mtg.	3 9am, Sit n' Sip— Houchin Blood 6pm, Industry Night @ Taft Petroleum Club	4 5pm, WSL Star Wars Night	5 8am-2pm, Fund the Fire- works 6pm, First Fri- day Car Cruise	6 9am, Soropti- mist Garden Tour CASA Boot Scootin Boogie 5pm, Chili Cook off/ Auction @ First Baptist Church
7 11:30am, Taft College Ath- letic Spring Banquet @ OT's	8	9	10 9am, Sit n' Sip— Boy Scouts 10:30am, Grand Opening @ Cast A Stitch 5pm, TC Board	11	12 9am, Morning Mixer @ True Value True Value 40th Anniversary	13 True Value 40h Anniversary Craft Beer Fest
14 True Value 40th Anniver- sary Cast-A-Stitch Mothers Day Tea	15	16 6pm, City Council Meeting	17 NO SIT N' SIP TCF Petroleum Partners Event @ Aera 6pm, Planning Commission	18	19 Taft College Luncheon & Graduation WSLL Law En- forcement Ap- preciation	20 10am-10pm, Taft Relay for Life @ TUHS 9am-4pm, West Kern Oil Museum BBQ
21	22	23 3pm, Ad Hoc Committee Meeting @ City Hall	24 9am, Sit n' Sip 4pm, Chamber Board Meeting	25	26	27
28	29 	30	31 9am, Sit n' Sip 7pm, TUHS Graduation			

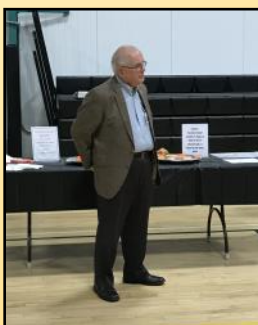


June 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7pm, Lincoln Junior High Graduation	2 8am-2pm, Fund the Fireworks 6pm, First Friday Cruise Night	3 Midway Sunset Lions & WSLL Casino Night
4	5 6pm-8:30pm, Vacation Bible School @ First Baptist & West Hills Nazarene	6 6pm-8:30pm, Vacation Bible School 6pm, City Council Mtg.	7 9am, Sit n Sip 6pm-8:30pm, Vacation Bible School Industry Night	8 5pm, Chamber Mixer—WSHCD 6pm-8:30pm, Vacation Bible School	9 6pm-8:30pm, Vacation Bible School	10 Moron Golf Tournament @ Buena Vista Golf Course
11	12	13	14 9am, Sit n Sip 5pm, TC Board Meeting	15	16	17

The **Westside Health Care District** has kindly donated **\$3,000** to the **West Side Recreation & Park District**, for their senior exercise programs. The seniors participating in this program have **walked** a total of **27,614.4** miles, and **cycled 24,096.74** miles to date. We would like to congratulate all the participating seniors on all their hard work and encourage you to continue to stay active. We also would like to thank the Westside Health Care District for their support of the Rec's efforts to involve all ages of the community in recreational activities. **Keep up the good work everyone!**



2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Jordan Miller
Roger Miller Insurance Agency

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

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

Treasurer: Bart Hill
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West Kern Water District

Jerry Starr
West Side Health Care District

Adele Ward
Taft City School District

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

Black Gold Brewing Company
DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen
Huddleston Crane Service
Jo's Restaurant
Landwehr, Charles
Paint the Town
Westside Waste Management

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

BEHIND EVERY PROJECT IS A
True Value
Cooper's True Value Home Center
40TH ANNIVERSARY SALE
Help celebrate our 40 years serving the west side with savings, special events and fun!
Friday, May 12 through Sunday, May 14

Join our CELEBRATION!
Friday, May 12
Join us to see how off the anniversary weekend sale!
- Taft Chamber Business Guide \$100 - \$150
- 100% coffee, donuts and more!
- Register for our 40th anniversary!

Saturday, May 13
- 100% coffee, donuts and more!
- Customer Appreciation Lunch 11:00am - 1:00pm
- Vendor demonstrations throughout the day

Sunday, May 14
- Special Member's Day, 10% off all items

Relay for Life Bucket Sale
Donate \$5 to Relay for Life, receive a special 5-gallon purple bucket and get **20% OFF** all regular priced items that you can fit inside!
Valid May 12 - May 14

GET GREAT DEALS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

West Kern Oil Museum Pioneer Days Barbecue

Saturday, May 20th
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Gas Engine Show Blacksmith Shop
50/50 Drawing Plant Sale
Model Railroad Demonstrations
Quilting and More

Pulled Pork/French Roll, Chili Beans,
Coleslaw, Dessert & Beverage
Adults - \$15 Children (10 & under) - \$7
Serving begins at 11:30 am

(We are having a yard sale in the Fall. When you do spring cleaning we would appreciate any donations for our sale.)

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 Chamber of Commerce
Presents the*

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

CAR TRUCK & BIKE SHOW

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017

DOWNTOWN TAFT



Center Street Cruisin'

7am-9am—Registration

(Main Street & 6th Street, Taft)

Judging begins at 10am

(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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ S - M - L - XL - XXL (Pre-Register ONLY)

Car Club Affiliation: _____ # Entries in this show: _____

_____ Yes, I would like to sponsor an award class! Category: _____
\$65 FOR YOUR NAME ON 3 PLAQUES

Register online or mail entry with payment to:

Taft Chamber of Commerce

400 Kern Street

Taft, CA 93268

(661)765-2165 phone (661)765-6639 fax

www.taftchamber.com



CATEGORIES

- _____ Pre 48 Open Top
- _____ Pre 48 Closed Top
- _____ 48-73 Stock
- _____ 48-73 Modified
- _____ Foreign/European
- _____ Corvettes
- _____ Mustangs
- _____ Muscle Car
- _____ Modern Muscle
- _____ Project/Construction/Rat Rod
- _____ 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 _____

CAR TRUCK & BIKE SHOW



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 & Vendor Forms by June 21.

1. _____ Become a sponsor at the **Limousine level (\$1,000)**: Name and Logo on event t-shirt, poster, and banner, recognition on event calendar, newspaper, and at the event, and vendor booth with sponsor sign
2. _____ Become a sponsor at the **Cadillac level (\$500)**: Name on event t-shirt, banner, and poster, & Recognition in the newspaper and at the event, and vendor booth
3. _____ Become a sponsor at the **Sports Car level (\$250)**: Vendor booth & recognition in the newspaper and at the event
4. _____ Reserve a **Vendor Space (\$50)**: 12'x12' space for the car show Saturday, June 24, 2017 (see box at the bottom for details and requirements)
5. _____ **Raffle Prize donation** of an item or gift certificate or goodie bag (100). Items need to be delivered to the Taft Chamber by June 21 for recognition in the event program or can be delivered at the event.

Name of Sponsor/Vendor: _____
Contact Name: _____ (*Sponsors: Do you need a vendor booth? Yes No*)
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Amount Enclosed: _____ Visa/Mastercard (Call for details)

VENDORS—Please fill out:

Items Sold: _____
Food Vendor? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If yes, must provide copy of permit) ☐ Vehicle ☐ Trailer

Make checks payable to the Taft District Chamber of Commerce and mail to:

Taft District Chamber of Commerce
400 Kern Street
Taft, CA 93268
(661)765-2165 phone (661)765-6639 fax

Liability Release: The undersigned, desiring to participate in the Taft District Chamber of Commerce Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Show, does hereby tender his/her application. In consideration of this application, the undersigned does hereby release the City of Taft, the Taft District Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, other vendors and all respective staff, volunteers, and agents from any and all liability arising from the event. Cancellations must notify the Chamber by June 21 to be eligible for a refund.

Signature: _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vendor space fee is for use of the property for Saturday's Car show.• 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vendor spaces are assigned based on when the application is submitted and 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health—please attach a copy.• You must obtain a City of Taft business 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 |
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Taft College

Studio Art Classes Offered Summer 2017

Art 1600 Basic Design & Art 1650 Watercolor MTW 10:40PM - 2:45PM On Campus

Art History Art Appreciation Online

(Summer courses taught by G. Smith)

Taft College

Studio Art Classes Offered Fall 2017

(Fall courses taught by D.Rodenhauser)

Days & Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:10AM - 09:30AM	ART 1620 Drawing and Composition & ART 1640 Painting	ART 1620 Drawing and Composition & Art 1625 Color Theory	ART 1620 Drawing and Composition & ART 1640 Painting	ART 1620 Drawing and Composition & Art 1625 Color Theory	
09:30AM - 10:00AM	T-09	T-09	T-09	T-09	
10:01AM - 10:30AM	T-09	T-09	T-09	T-09	
10:30AM - 11:00AM	T-09	T-09	T-09	T-09	
11:10AM - 11:30AM	T-09	T-09	T-09	T-09	
11:30AM - 12:00PM	T-09	T-09	T-09	T-09	
12:01PM - 01:00PM					
1:00PM		ART 1600 Basic Design		ART 1600 Basic Design	
01:10PM - 01:30PM		T-09		T-09	
01:30PM - 02:00PM		T-09		T-09	
02:30PM - 03:00PM		T-09		T-09	
03:00PM - 03:30PM		T-09		T-09	
03:30PM - 04:00PM		T-09		T-09	